November 4th, 1999

With this some few informations about the ACC-activities (Association for Community Colleges).

Activitites of the ACC:

September 2nd: First board meeting of the ACC, Peoplesite

October 1st - 6th: Mjellma Mehmeti gave information about the ACC at the State of

the World Forum- summit in San Fransisco, USA.

October 11th: Second board meeting of the ACC, Peoplesite.

October 20th: John Petersen: "Europa, demokrati og mindretalsbefolkninger", speech at the Danebod Højskole, Denmark, including information about ideas of the ACC October 27th: John Petersen: "Europa og Demokratiet", speech at the Vestbirk

Højskole, Denmark, including information about ideas of the ACC

October 28th: Chat-information-summit for new members, Peoplesite.

October 29th: Jesper Nielsen informed about the ACC at a conference for international networkers dealing with exchanges of young people between schools in

Europe, Sydvestfyns Efterskole, Denmark.

November 19th

- 22nd: Board of the ACC meeting in Ohrid, FYROMacedonia.

Future activitites:

Our plans for summer 2000 are passing regularly. A programme has been elaborated for our Campaigning for Community Colleges/Working Camp at Rite by Linda Jakobsone in co-operation with more Latvian members (http://www.johnp.dk/ETS/cccprogramme.htm). A description of the project is to be found at the http://www.johnp.dk/ETS/ccc.htm Please observe: the programme is probably going to be moved to 13th-20th of August! The correct time frame is found within short time and sent in invitations to members and newsletters.

A seminar has been added to The General Assembly to be held in August 2000 (http://www.johnp.dk/ETS/Fromcitizenship.htm). We are working together with the AWE (Association for World Education) on this project. The small seminar, "From citizenship to citizenships", includes an introduction to self-interpretation of the Danish Folk High Schools in an ideological and historical sense. This is meant as an inspiration for the GA-participants. The seminar takes its name from the lecture of the same name. The lecture "From citizenship to citizenships" should introduce us to the context of nowadays European/global challenges for the educational policies, still as an inspiration to the GA. Please observe: we are working on some co-operation with other organizations and institutions. The possibility of combining our programme with other events in summer 2000 is open. That's why the dates of the GA 2000 are still not fixed definitely.

Future projects are already beginning to take shape: Transilvanian, Macedonian, Danish, Lithuanian, Frisian etc. are on the agenda. More details will follow.

Other activities:

Laszlo Dani is working seriously on a new website for the ACC. The ACC will have its own domain and Markus Brandt and Abakomp promised to host us for at least three months free. We hope to find support, if Markus is not prepared to offer the site for free in the future.

A letter written for the Danish minister of education, Margrethe Vestager, in the name of the ACC has been received very positive. The letter included a suggestion to remove an article obstructing the possibility of making international folk high school courses from the Danish Act on Folk High Schools. This law is supposed to be revised very soon. The minister answered, that the suggestion is now included in further considerations.

On behalf of the board, John Petersen