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President Patricio Aylwin Ozocar President of Chile Office of the President Santiago, Chile

Dear President Patricio Aylwin Ozocar,

I write to you on this New Year's day with the warmest wishes for peace in my heart.

As you are no doubt aware, the human race has been in a state of war for virtually its entire existence. This millennium, the world has known peace for only four days, 22 hours and 17 minutes. That's less than a week! The rest of the time, war has raged somewhere.

We at Hair Around the Globe believe that this is appalling. There is no reason that people can't learn to sit down together as brothers, sisters and assorted distant cousins. With this in mind, we are embarking on a bold new experiment -- and asking you to take part. All we want from you is your photograph and a lock of your hair. We are asking the same of other leaders, the world over. The photographs and hair which we collect will be enshrined in a permanent exhibit dedicated to world peace. Afterall, if our hair can peacefully co-exist in an exhibit, then our people can peacefully co-exist on a planet.

So please send us your hair and your picture. Also, if you could take a few moments to jot down a few of your thoughts about the importance of peace and harmony, it would be a wonderful bonus for our planned exhibit. Future generations are counting on us to build a peace that will last. Not just for an hour. Not just for a day. Not just for four days, 22 hours and 17 minutes. But forever.

Thanking you in advance,

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