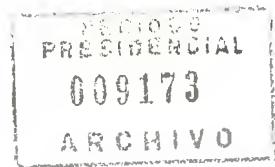


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February 10, 1994

To President Patricio Aylwin

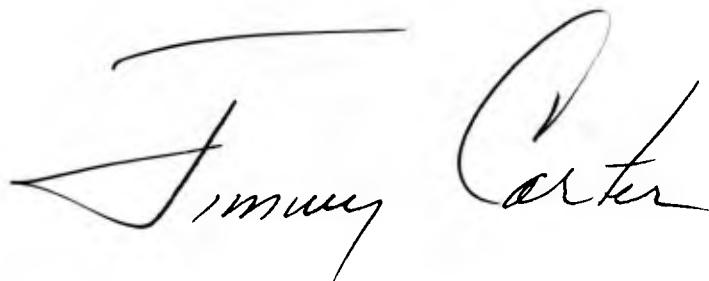
Congratulations on the completion of an extraordinary term in office in which Chile has restored its long tradition of democratic rule. I would like to invite you to join the Council of Freely-Elected Heads of Government, a group of 23 hemispheric leaders who work to reinforce democracy and promote the peaceful resolution of conflict throughout the hemisphere.

I understand you have already received materials describing the Council, but let me describe our current projects. Our primary efforts in recent years have been monitoring critical transitional elections. We have recently concluded an extensive election-monitoring effort in Guyana and we are now assisting the new government to establish electoral institutions and procedures. Building on our participation in the 1990 Nicaraguan elections, we are now exploring ways to help overcome the political impasse over such critical issues as land-tenure and property rights. In Mexico, we have been working with civic groups to strengthen their capacity to monitor national and state elections, and we continue to analyze and report on electoral reforms and the process leading up to the August 1994 elections. We have also been invited to observe the May 1994 Panamanian elections.

In addition to election-monitoring, we are now moving our efforts toward the critical issues of governance and socio-economic development facing governments in the post-transition period. We are exploring potential collaborative projects in these areas with such institutions as the United Nations Development Program and the Inter-American Development Bank.

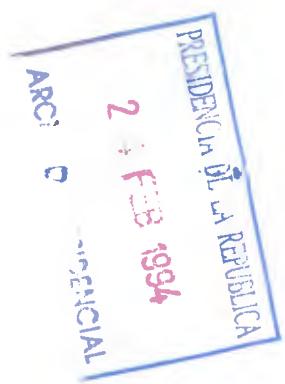
With your own experience in leading the transition back to democracy in your country, your presence would make a real contribution to the work of the Council. I hope you will join us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the name "Jimmy" on the left and "Carter" on the right, connected by a horizontal line above them.

Presidente Patricio Aylwin
La Presidencia de la Republica
Palacio de la Moneda
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Febrero 10, 1994.

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Al Presidente Patricio Aylwin

Felicitaciones al término de un extraordinario período en que Chile ha recuperado su larga tradición democrática. Quisiera invitarlo a unirse al Consejo de Jefes de Gobierno Democráticamente Elegidos, un grupo de 23 líderes Hemisféricos, que trabajan para reforzar la democracia y promover las resoluciones pacíficas de los conflictos en el hemisferio.

Entiendo que usted ya ha recibido material describiendo el Consejo, pero permítame describirle nuestros actuales proyectos.

Nuestros principales esfuerzos en años recientes han sido monitoreando elecciones de transición críticas. Recientemente concluimos un extenso esfuerzo de monitoreo de elecciones en Guyana, y estamos ahora asistiendo al nuevo Gobierno a establecer procedimientos e intituciones electorales.

Construyendo nuestra participación en las elecciones de 1990 en Nicaragua, estamos ahora explorando la forma de sobreponerse al impasse político sobre temas críticos, como tenencia de tierras y derechos de propiedad. En México hemos estado trabajando con grupos cívicos para reforzar su capacidad para monitorear elecciones nacionales y estatales, y continuaremos analizando y reporteando sobre reformas electorales, y el proceso que culminará en las elecciones de agosto de 1994.

También hemos sido invitados a observar las elecciones en Panamá en el mes de Mayo de 1994.

Adicionalmente al monitoreo de elecciones, estamos ahora girando nuestros esfuerzos hacia los tópicos críticos de gobierno y desarrollo socio-económico, enfocando los gobiernos en el período post-transición.

Estamos explorando potenciales proyectos de colaboración en estas áreas con instituciones como el Programa de Desarrollo de Naciones Unidas y el Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo.

Con su experiencia en la conducción de vuelta a la democracia en su país, su presencia sería una real contribución al trabajo del Consejo. Espero que se unirá a nosotros.

Atentamente,

JIMMY CARTER

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January 28, 1994

To President Patricio Aylwin Azocar

I have been informed that President Clinton has recommended Dr. William Foege to be the next Executive Director of UNICEF. I am writing to let you know that I wholeheartedly support this recommendation and to ask for your support as well.

Rosalynn and I have known Dr. Foege for 16 years and have worked closely with him at The Carter Center for the past decade. He is one of the most outstanding public servants I have ever known, and I think he would do a superb job as head of UNICEF.

Dr. Foege is uniquely qualified to lead UNICEF in the critical years ahead. One of the most important international leaders in the successful campaign to eradicate smallpox in the 1960s and 70s, he developed, while working in Africa, the strategy that was eventually used worldwide. As the head of the Centers for Disease Control in the late 70s and early 80s, he provided visionary leadership to public health internationally and domestically; under his direction special programs for children, such as immunizations, were given particular emphasis. Subsequently he has led the Task Force for Child Survival and Development which, in collaboration with several United Nations' agencies, has been in the forefront of a campaign to lower infant mortality rates around the world by raising immunization levels, eradicating polio, and developing specific goals and plans for improving the status of children in general. He served as Executive Director of The Carter Center and in this capacity provided effective leadership to our development efforts in public health and agriculture in the developing world.

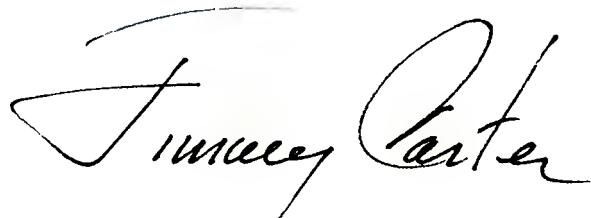
Dr. Foege is highly respected in public health and development circles as a creative and successful leader in developing action programs for the disenfranchised, particularly children. Perhaps less known are his personal efforts translating his deep convictions into actions that directly benefit unfortunate people. He has done public health and medical work at the village level in Africa and India. He has served and continues to serve as personal mentor and sponsor for many children and young people, and has quietly supported several newly-arrived refugee families in the United States.

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Dr. Foege is one of the most effective public speakers I have known. He is gifted at conceptualizing and articulating ways to deal constructively with the world's problems. He will do an outstanding job representing UNICEF to the world.

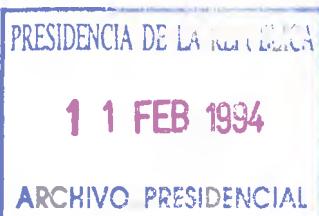
I understand Secretary-General Boutros-Ghali will make the appointment of a new Executive Director for UNICEF in the near future. Appointing Dr. Foege to lead UNICEF would highlight the continuing efforts to strengthen the United Nations. I am dismayed at the prospect of his leaving The Carter Center, but it would be in the best interest of the world and its children to have him appointed to head UNICEF. I sincerely request that you communicate with Secretary-General Boutros-Ghali and your United Nations ambassador indicating your support of Dr. Foege.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jimmy Carter".

His Excellency
Patricio Aylwin Azocar
President of the Republic of Chile
Santiago, CHILE

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TRADUCCION DE CORTESIA

28 de enero de 1994

Es de mi conocimiento que el Presidente Clinton ha recomendado el nombramiento del Dr. William Foege para el puesto de Director Ejecutivo de UNICEF. El propósito de esta carta es informarle que apoyo muy sinceramente este nombramiento. Al mismo tiempo, respetuosamente quisiera pedirle que Ud. también le de su apoyo.

Mi esposa Rosalynn y yo conocemos al Dr. Foege hace mas de 16 años. Tuve el placer de trabajar con él en estos últimos diez años. En mi opinion, el Dr. Foege es uno de los mas sobresalientes servidores públicos que yo haya conocido y estoy convencido que como dirigente del UNICEF, realizará una labor magnífica.

Los excelentes credenciales del Dr. Foege serán de gran beneficio para dirigir el UNICEF en los años críticos que se avecinan. El ha sido uno de los mas importantes líderes internacionales en la exitosa campaña hacia la erradicación de la viruela en los años 1960 y 1970, empleando un método que él desarrolló durante su estadía en Africa. Este método posteriormente se implementó mundialmente. Como director del Centers for Disease Control, (CDC) (Centro para el Control de Enfermedades) a fines de los años 70 y a principios de los años 80, su liderazgo fué profético en el campo de la salud pública, tanto internacionalmente como domésticamente. Bajo su dirección, se dió mayor énfasis a los programas especiales para niños. Por ejemplo, puedo citar programas de inmunizaciones y vacunas para niños. Mas adelante dirigió nuestro programa Task Force for Child Survival and Development (Grupo de Trabajo para la Supervivencia y el Desarrollo de los Niños) que, en colaboración con varias agencias de las Naciones Unidas formaron la vanguardia de una campaña para disminuir la mortalidad infantil en el mundo, incrementando el nivel de inmunizaciones, eliminando el polio y desarrollando metas específicas para mejorar el estado general de la niñez. Hasta hace un poco mas de un año, el Dr. Foege fue nuestro Director Ejecutivo del Centro Carter y en esta función efectuó una gran labor en pro de nuestros programas de salud pública y agricultura para los países en desarrollo.

El Dr. Foege es altamente respetado por sus colegas en círculos de la salud pública y de desarrollo, tanto por su creatividad como por su habilidad como líder, al crear programas para personas destituidas, y en especial para los niños. Uno de los aspectos tal vez menos conocidos acerca del Dr. Foege, es que sus logros provienen de

sus profundas convicciones que lo llevan a beneficiar a las personas menos afortunadas en nuestra sociedad. Quiero destacar su obra en diferentes aldeas tanto en Africa como en la India. En el presente patrocina a muchos niños y jóvenes de familias de refugiados que llegaron recientemente a este país. Todo esto de manera muy discreta.

Quiero destacar tambien que el Dr. Foege es uno de los oradores mas efectivos que he conocido. Siempre he admirado su habilidad para conceptualizar y expresar, en forma clara, lo que se debe hacer para enfrentar en forma efectiva los problemas mundiales. No me cabe duda que su labor como representante del UNICEF ante el mundo sería inigualable.

Es de mi conocimiento que el Secretario General de las Naciones Unidas, Boutros-Ghali, nombrará al nuevo Director Ejecutivo del UNICEF en un futuro muy cercano. El nombramiento del Dr. Foege como director del UNICEF añadiría al fortalecimiento de las Naciones Unidas. Por otra parte, aunque la idea de la posible separación del Dr. Foege del Centro Carter me consterna, sé que su nombramiento para encabezar el UNICEF representaría un beneficio para todos los niños del mundo. Le agradecería mucho que se comunique con el Secretario General Boutros-Ghali y además con el embajador de su país ante las Naciones Unidas apoyando la candidatura para el nombramiento del Dr. Foege.

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Atentamente,

Jimmy Carter

WILLIAM H. FOEGE

William Foege received his medical degree from the University of Washington in 1961 and a master's degree in public health from Harvard University in 1965.

His career has included work in a medical center in Africa, as well as a number of smallpox eradication positions at the Centers for Disease Control, in Africa, and in India during the successful campaign to eradicate smallpox from the world. From 1977 to 1983 he was the Director of the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia. In 1986, he became Executive Director of The Carter Center, created by former President Jimmy Carter, to undertake activities in development, agriculture, health, conflict resolution and human rights. He now continues as a health fellow at The Carter Center working on public health programs in the U.S. and other countries, especially in Africa. These programs include attempts to improve nutrition and to eradicate guinea worm.

Since 1984, he has also been the Executive Director of The Task Force for Child Survival and Development, formed by UNICEF, WHO, UNDP, the World Bank, and the Rockefeller Foundation. This has provided a forum for collaboration, especially in the area of immunizations. For the past 6 years, and at the request of the Merck Drug Company, he has chaired a committee to provide ivermectin to people at risk of blindness from Onchocerciasis. Distribution of the drug, provided free by Merck, has increased from 200,000 treatments the first year to over 8 million treatments in 1993.

Dr. Foege has also chaired the International Health Board of the Institute of Medicine and for the past 5 years has chaired the immunization research and development Group for WHO. He has been a member of the Global Advisory Group for WHO's Expanded Program on Immunization.

He has received awards from the American Public Health Association, the American College of Epidemiology, the American College of Physicians and the U.S. Public Health Service. He has authored or co-authored over 90 scientific articles, many of them on international health.

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