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International Day of Peace Film Screening and Panel, with the UN Department of Peacekeeping Operations

September 21, 6 - 9 pm,
Tribeca Grand Hotel

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Dear UNA-USA Members and Friends,

Thank you for registering for the International Day of Peace. We look forward to seeing you on the 21st, and to viewing the award-winning film. If you receive this email, your seat is confirmed. Please arrive by 5:45 pm; the event will start at 6 pm sharp. Audience members will be able to ask questions, and the Panel and Q & A portions will be shown later online.

Would you kindly RECONFIRM that you plan to attend by replying to unasouthernny@gmail.com ? We've had a great response, with more registering than spaces available and want to be sure especially that anyone who registered in early August is still available to attend.

Our distinguished panelists will include:

- Ugo Solinas, Political Affairs Officer, Europe and Latin America Division, Department of Peacekeeping Operations
- Kieran Dwyer: Acting Chief of the Public Affairs Section at the Departments of Peacekeeping and Field Support at the United Nations. He joined the Headquarters from his position as Director of Strategic Communications at the United Nations Assistance Mission IN Afghanistan (UNAMA).
- Fisher Stevens - Producer, "The War Against War"

Jeffrey Laurenti, senior fellow and director of foreign policy programs at The Century Foundation and former UNA-USA board member, will moderate.

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Be sure to allow plenty of travel time, especially if you're traveling by taxi. Many city streets will be blocked because of the presence of many heads of State and their delegations.

Here are the closest subway stops to the hotel: The A, C, E subway lines can be accessed on Walker St. & 6th Avenue. The 1, 9 subway lines can be accessed on Franklin St & West Broadway. The N, R, Q, W, 6, J, M, Z subway lines can be accessed on Canal St & Broadway.

For more news, please see and sign up for the Division's Blog and UNAEnergy Blog and Twitter (@UNAEnergy and "like" our Facebook Page, United Nations Association of the USA Southern New York State Division.

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International Day of Peace Film Screening and Panel Discussion

"The War Against War"
A Culture Project production

Followed by a Panel Discussion with the filmmakers and Officials from the UN Departments of Peacekeeping Operations and Field Support

Wednesday, September 21 2011
6:00PM

The Tribeca Grand Hotel
2 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10013

Peacekeeping and conflict prevention are at the very heart of United Nations' efforts to promote stability, security and sustainable peace. With more than 120,000 personnel in some of the most difficult places on earth, the new face of peacekeeping includes a host of professionally and geographically diverse individuals all working together to protect the vulnerable and nurture a fragile peace.

Join the United Nations Association Southern New York State Division, the UNA-USA Young Professionals of Southern New York, the UNA Council of Organizations and the UN Departments of Peacekeeping Operations and Field Support to learn about these important efforts.

About the Film: "**The War Against War**" takes an in-depth look at United Nations Peacekeeping Operations around the world. The film answers questions such as "why peacekeeping?" and "what are

the challenges?" The documentary focuses particularly closely on the work of the UN Stabilization Mission in Haiti and shows how peacekeepers responded to the devastating earthquake in January 2010.

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Remember to renew your membership and be sure to invite others to join. Your voice needed to help promote solid US-UN relations.

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