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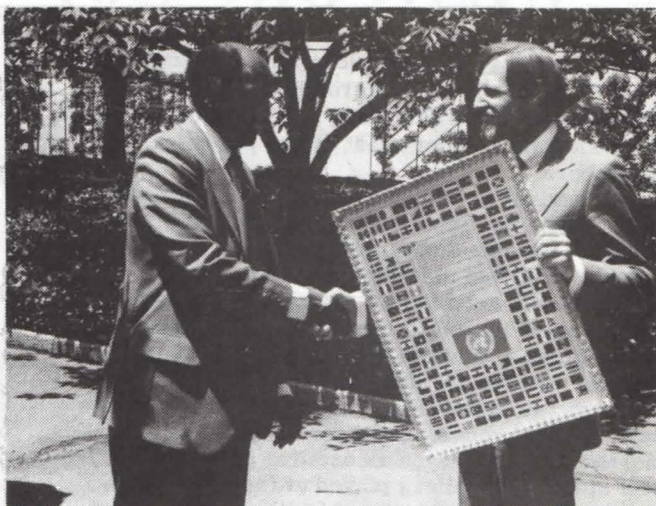
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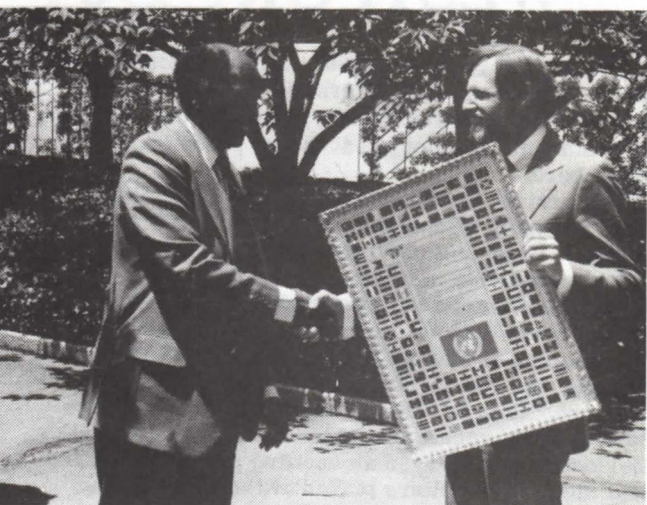
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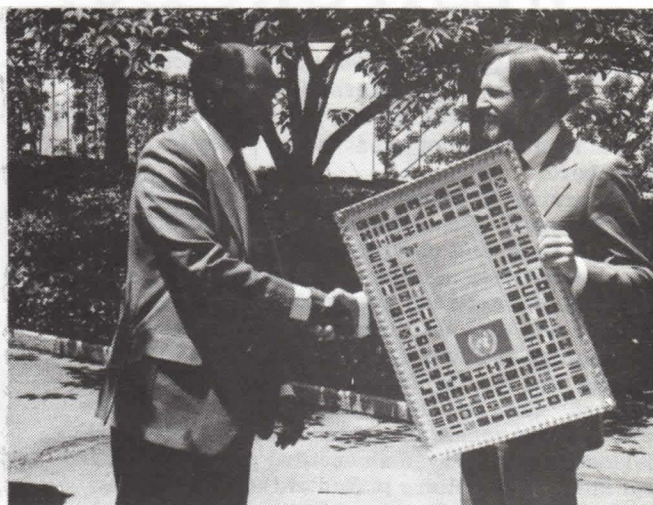


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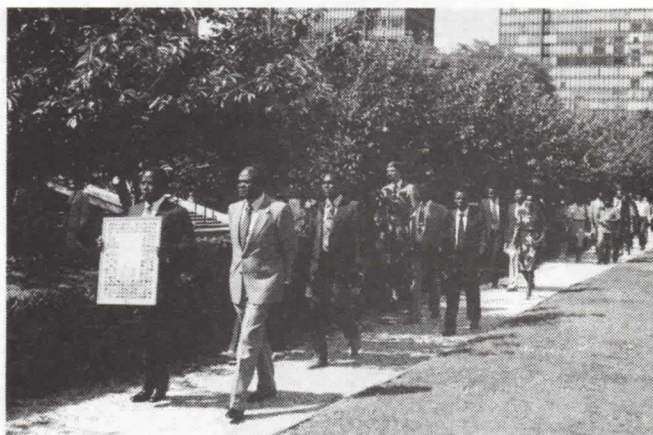
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UN DAY WORLD HOLIDAY

On 6 December 1971, the UN General Assembly adopted the resolution proclaiming United Nations Day, October 24, as an international holiday and recommending that it should be observed as a public holiday by all States and Members of the United Nations.* The implementation of this resolution will lead to a world holiday--Interdependence Day--the possibilities of which as a powerful, peace-educational opportunity are limitless.

Perhaps you will publicize and advance this world holiday along with your own peace efforts.

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* G. A. Resolution no. 2782 (XXVI) reads as follows:

The General Assembly,

Conscious of the need to enhance the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Mindful that in its resolution 168 (II) of 31 October 1947 the General Assembly declared 24 October, the anniversary of the coming into force of the Charter, as "United Nations Day",

Believing that the anniversary of the United Nations should be an occasion for Governments and peoples to reaffirm their faith in the purposes and principles of the Charter,

Declares that 24 October, United Nations Day, shall be an international holiday and recommends that it should be observed as a public holiday by all States Members of the United Nations.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH YEAR—1985



Gala Concert

Young musicians of the Royal College of Music Junior Department will present a concert on Monday, 10 September at 12.30 p. m. in the General Assembly Hall. All staff are invited.

IYY--WHAT IS IT? International Youth Year is an opportunity for the world to recognize the importance of its youth. The United Nations General Assembly resolved in 1979 (A/RES/34/151) to designate 1985 as International Youth Year (IYY) with three themes: participation, development and peace. Its main objective is to bring about widespread awareness of the situation of young people, their problems and aspirations.

WHY YOUTH? Youth represents the future. People now between the ages of 15 and 24 will steer the world through its most difficult transitions.

IYY IS NOW: Although 1985 is the year officially designated as International Youth Year, the United Nations, working with an advisory committee, endorsed for immediate implementation a specific programme of measures and activities on the local and national levels, with responsibility taken by each community and country. So, IYY has already begun.

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Deadlines for the next four issues are as follows but contributors should be aware that space limitations might also preclude the publication of some items:

5 September for 14 September issue
19 September for 28 September issue
5 October for 16 October issue
22 October for 31 October issue

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Language Training Programme

The first term for the academic year 1984/85 is from 17 September until 14 December 1984. Late Registration can be made from 27 August to 7 September between 11 a. m. and 3 p. m. in room 729.

During each term three types of courses are offered in the six official languages of the United Nations (regular courses, accelerated courses and conversation courses).

All new participants with the exception of beginners will be required to take a placement test for which appointments are made at the time of registration; placement tests will be given during the second week of September. Please note that the deadline for submitting applications is 7 September 1984.

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