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Dear Panicos & Elli,
We hope you are both well and happy and enjoying your very full and busy lives.

I received news of the P.A.N.D. conference in Vienna from Tula last week and sent copies of it to the three organizations that I had contacted before. This contact again with P.A.N.D. brought you both to mind so I thought I would write and give you our news.

Firstly the P.A.N.D. news. I wrote ~~to~~ to the C.N.D. movement asking them for the addresses of any artists' organizations with aims similar to their own. They sent me three addresses.

M.A.N.A. (Musicians Against Nuclear Arms) - M.E.N.D (Members of Equity for Nuclear Disarmament) (Actors) and P.W.D.D. (Professions for World Disarmament and Development) I'm not sure what professions this last organization embraces.

I told these organizations that it would be good if the U.K. could have some kind of presence at P.A.N.D. international conferences even if a P.A.N.D. U.K. was not formed and they attended as representatives

of their own organizations only. I invited them to contact either myself or Tuula and sent details of the aims and organization of P.A.N.D. international.

So far I have heard nothing from anyone but have sent the details recently as I said. It may be that someone has contacted Tuula.

Anyway I'm doing my best to get some kind of representation from the U.K. The conference in Vienna is very reasonably priced and quite close to us so I hope someone goes. I must say that I am always struck by the insularity of we English. I suppose it is a price you pay for being an unconquered island. Most people really do believe that we have nothing to learn from the rest of the world. Last night I saw a programme about socialist policies in action around Europe. Most countries are so much more advanced than the U.K. but very few people seem to recognise that, much less do anything about it.

My course is not difficult but is very intensive. I stay in London five days in the week and spend the weekends here in Suffolk with May & Tom and my brother and his family. There is very little time for me to do anything except college work, I even have difficulty finding time to visit galleries and museums. The quality of the teaching is very high and I'm glad I came to do the year's study but think perhaps I should have chosen to do the two year version of the course.

May has a good job working as assistant Public Relations officer for a local company. She is in a large, friendly office and has a good deal of responsibility so the satisfaction of doing a demanding job well is hers. She is our breadwinner now and is supporting the whole family.

Toan has settled down well in school and is happy there. He is doing well in his lessons and gets on well with all the English boys. At first it was strange for him being with only English people but he is getting used to it. Of course they are generally more aggressive than the Cypriot children but the whole society is more aggressive and that is something we have all had to adjust to.

Paul is living and working in North London and is hoping to get into a college to do sound ~~engineering~~ engineering in 1990. He misses Cyprus more than any of us and plans to pay all his friends a flying visit soon when he gets a weeks holiday.

May and I are looking forward to our return but I am worried that I have still heard nothing about my naturalization. I do not think I will be allowed to stay and work in Cyprus unless I get naturalization as I will be unlikely to get another teaching job and I don't want to teach anyway. I hope I get a reply soon as we have some important decisions to make about what to do when my course is finished.

Please give our regards to Melina (and Nikos) when you write to them. I will never forget my short stay in Moscow (By the way I have seen Vitaly on T.V. twice since coming here.) I hope you are able to go to Vienna and that the conference is a great success. I wish I could go myself.

Please write if you have any time, with best wishes from all the family,
Love,
Peter.