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Dear World Services

First of all a note of thanks, we are so glad to have been asked to participate in the inventory process, and grateful to you for all the hard work involved in this project.

We have completed the questionnaire and returned it in a separate envelope, but the discussion over our answers, meant that we found we did have some additional comments for consideration.

Question 23 regards satisfaction with World Services. The consensus was that, although we feel that moves are being made towards supporting small groups outside the US, there is still a lot more that could be done. For this reason alone, we didn't put an unqualified 'yes' to this question.

Another of our concerns is over the formation of the Asia Pacific Regional Forum. We would be loathe to add another layer to the service structure, especially if members of this committee continue to be made up of unelected members who just happen to have the money to travel to Forum meetings.

We are also hesitant about the way committees are being set up to 'serve' the Asia region without in-put from the groups in the area, or indeed even asking us if we want to be part of such a Regional Forum. We would prefer to continue sending written reports to WSC, take advice and guidance direct from World Services, and hopefully one day be able to send a representative ourselves. The system for 1992 (and maybe 1993, although we never heard anything about this) of inviting representatives to attend at the expense of World Services seemed like an excellent idea and a far more direct way for outlying groups to get help in ways to effectively carry the message of recovery.

One of the most beneficial services we have ever received was the visit to Hong Kong by Garth P. in 1991. The specific local concerns that he was able to address by first hand experience were invaluable to us. We would very much like to continue to receive that kind of direct assistance and contact, rather than risk the possibility of creating further distance in our communication through an equally remote Regional Forum.

Once again many thanks for all the hard work this survey must be causing you. From our point of view, it seems so worthwhile.

