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# Quota International NEWS

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### *Quota International President Attends UN Convention*

(Washington, D.C.)—Quota International President Enid Croes-Marugg is representing Quota International and the We Share Foundation at the United Nations' 59<sup>th</sup> annual Department of Public Information/Non-Governmental Organization (DPI/NGO) Conference, which began today. The conference, titled "Unfinished Business: Effective Partnerships for Human Security and Sustainable Development," brings together over 2,500 representatives from non-government organizations around the world to strengthen collaboration between local communities and global institutions in an effort to achieve the UN Millennium 8 Development Goals. The conference, which runs from September 6 through 8, is being held at the United Nations headquarters in New York City, New York, U.S.A..

The conference is featuring such speakers as Evo Morales, President of Bolivia, and Kofi Annan, Secretary General of the UN. Their presentations will provide examples of partnerships that are effectively eradicating poverty, achieving universal primary education, improving maternal health, combating disease, ensuring

environmental sustainability, promoting gender quality and empowering women, and reducing child mortality. Many of these issues are closely tied to the We Share Foundation's mission to serve disadvantaged women and children worldwide; President Croes-Marugg's attendance at these presentations, as well as her participation in a host of workshops around these issues will ensure that the Foundation's work is as relevant and effective as ever, and also provide an opportunity to build partnerships with other NGOs to further serve these communities.

The We Share Foundation is the charitable arm of Quota International, Inc., an 87 year-old international service organization that links members of all ages, occupations, and nationalities in a worldwide network of service and friendship. To further its global mission to serve local communities, Quota International has collaborated with the United Nations since the late 1940s, participating in a range of programs, including the National Conference on Foreign Policy and the United Nations Economic and Social Council, the United States Committee on the United Nations, the United States National Commission for UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization), and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). In 1975, Quota International formally became affiliated with the United Nations as a UN Non-Governmental Organization (NGO).

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