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Dear All,

We have just received this news from contacts in the UK: the WORLD CONGRESS OF PUBLIC HEALTH 2004 will occur in Brighton next week (April 19-22). This event is sponsored by the World Federation of Public Health Associations(WFPHA) and over 55 public health organizations from the UK and around the world. With the British Fluoridation Society in attendance and with the event occurring so soon after the passage of the fluoridation supporting Water Bill in the UK, this is likely to be the venue for renewed effort to get public health officials in the UK and other countries very excited about getting on with water fluoridation. Such a possibility is further underlined by some of the key speakers listed in the schedule (see below). These include Mr. Michael Martin, the Minister of Health and Children in Ireland, who orchestrated the totally bogus Fluoridation Forum report, which whitewashed Ireland's mandatory fluoridation policy and Melanie Johnson, MP, UK Minister for Public Health, who was quoted in the UK press as saying words to the effect that "with fluoridation you can throw away your toothbrushes." So if you live in the UK or other European countries please contact Peter Crampton at peter@wycaf.fsnet.co.uk to find out what you can do to counteract this potential "love fest" for fluoridation.

If you live in other countries be warned that you can anticipate delegates from this conference returning all fired up to renew their efforts to fluoridate your country, or any communities holding out against this archaic and undependable practice.

Paul Connett

Peter Crampton's summary of the schedule: WORLD CONGRESS OF PUBLIC HEALTH 2004 Monday 19 April 21, 2004 (Event we believe will be opened by Cofi Annan)

PUBLIC HEALTH IN THE 21st CENTURY

Dr Robert Beaglehole, WHO Director, Evidence, Information and Policy Rt. Hon Hilary Benn, MP, Secretary of State for International Development, UK Micheal Martin, TD Irish Minister for Health and Children

Tuesday 20 April
GOOD HEALTH EQUALS GOOD ECONOMICS

Melanie Johnson, MP, Minister for Public Health Dr Marc Danzon, Regional Director of the European Office of the WHO Derek Wanless, Consultant, HM Treasury Dr Richard Feacham, Exec Director Global Funds for HIV/Aids

Wednesday 21 April

THE END OF HEALTH AS WE KNOW IT, CONSTRUCTING GLOBAL HEALTH IN THE $21^{\rm st}$ CENTURY

Prof Ilona Kickbusch, Special Advisor to Pan American Health Organisation Faculty, Yale Uni Medical School Prof Sir Liam Donaldson, Chief Medical Officer, England

Thursday 22nd April

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT-REDRESSING THE BALANCE LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY

Yvette Cooper, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Housing and Planning, Office of Deputy PM Commissioner Margot Wallstrom, EU Environment Commissioner Carol Bellamy, Exec Director UNICEF