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Dear Correspondent:

As you will see by the above change of address,
we have moved at last into our permanent office. We
and the Women's Center of the National Council of
Women share offices in the building recently erected
by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Known as the Carnegie Endowment International
Center, it was built not only for their own headquarters,
but also for the purpose of housing the offices of
non-profit organizations concerned with the improvement
of human welfare. At the present time, there are 38
such organizations at work in the building. We think
that the view from its 12th-floor terrace is one of the
most inspiring in the City of New York. It directly
overlooks the United Nations Headquarters, its gardens,
the East River, and the skyline of New York is visible
on all sides. If you ever are in New York, you must
give us the opportunity to show you that spectacular view!

It has now been 15 months since we sent out our first communication
to a few friends abroad, and six months since we became organized and
started publication of our News Bulletins. This and other information
material is now reaching friends in 75 countries.

We hope you will bear in mind when you receive our Bulletins that
they are addressed to women throughout a large part of the world. The
selections of material has, of course, not been easy. That is why we
depend upon you constantly for guidance. Certain information, such as
that concerning U. N. activities, is already familiar to many of you,
but to others it may be more or less unknown. Similarly, news relating
to progress in the field of labor is entirely superfluous to those of you
who have followed the subject, but to many it comes as fresh and reassuring
information.

Thus, in spite of wide difference in concepts among our friends,
in spite of varying interests and language barriers (even individual
words in one tongue acquire different significance in different places),
we hope that a simple recounting of news of social progress in the
free world can have some appeal for all the women to whom it is addressed.
We believe that such an undertaking can also encourage a feeling of unity
and inspire confidence in the ability of women in the free world to
assume their share of the responsibility for improving human welfare, and
making this a better world to live in.

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