ENSURING OUR FUTURE

The Fabric of Childhood in Australian Society

National Conference

Hilton International Hotel **ADELAIDE** 15 -17 May, 1991

PROGRAM

Day 1: Wednesday 15 May, 1991

9.30am Registration 10.30am Official Opening 11.00am Keynote Address: Ms Maalfrid Flekkoy Future options for children 1.30pm Keynote Address Dr Don Edgar The growth of competence 3.00-5.00pm 3 concurrent sessions. Dr Jacki Goodnow, Macquarie University Reflections of the family environment Sr Patricia Pak-Poy, Adelaide Learning in a multicultural environment Ms Jan Carter, Brotherhood of St. Lawrence The needs of children and the family Evening: Reception.

Day 2: Thursday, 16 May, 1991

Evening: Conference Dinner

9.00am 3 concurrent sessions Dr Graham Martin, Flinders University Family and societal values Dr Lois Foster, Bureau Immigration Research Future Australians Prof Richard Chisholm, Univ. of NSW Legislation and children 11.30am Keynote Address Ms Lois O'Donohue Cultures old and new Afternoon Entertainment by Dorinda Hafner Poster sessions Hyde Park Corner - delegates have their

Day 3: Friday, 17 May, 1991

9.00am 3 concurrent sessions Mr Garth Boomer, Adelaide Learning for the future Dr Fernando Monckeberg, Chile Urbanisation and the child Prof Lois Bryson, Newcastle Policy making for children 11.30am Keynote Address Dr Deborah Phillips Children of the future - caring now for tomorrow 2.00pm Closing Session Ms Maalfrid Flekkov Future options revisited Closing Address Ms Anne Deveson Pulling the threads together, images of childhood Completion and presentation of the wall hanging made by South Australian children.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Ms Maalfrid Flekkoy

UNICEF Senior Scholar, International Child Development Centre, Florence, Italy.

Formerly, Norway's first Ombudsman for Children

Dr Don Edgar

Director, Australian Institute of Family Studies

Melbourne, Victoria

Ms Lois O'Donohue CBE AM

Chairperson,

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission,

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Dr Deborah Phillips

Assistant Professor of Psychology University of Virginia, Virginia, USA

Ms Anne Deveson

Journalist, Film Maker, Social Commentator Sydney, NSW

CONFERENCE AIMS

- focus on the family, economic and multicultural environment of the Australian child
- explore the positive and negative aspects of the child's relationship with the physical and human environment
- communicate across disciplines, organisations, people and systems about children and childhood
- highlight and forecast the nature of children's service into the 21st century
- identify those aspects of childhood which contribute positively to growth and development
- hear from children those things they value about their childhood

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