Annual report 2007

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A WORD OF INTRODUCTION

Humanist Centre Narovinu is a civic association which was founded in 1995 as a result of initiative of members of international Humanist Association, which already acts in more than 120 countries all around the world. The aim of the activity is to support and spread humanist ideas, protect human rights, develop voluntarism, and projects of development cooperation and education.

It is a founding member of non-profit association platform dealing with development cooperation (FORS) and cooperates with the campaign “Czechs Against Poverty”.

In the year 2000, it joined the international Human Support Campaign (KLP), which focuses its activities on creation of a network of mutual cooperation among people from wealthy and needy countries of the world, and which started projects for African Kenya. In 2003 these activities spread to Slovakia too.

Among the main projects we can find “African Children Adoption - a project of distance help”, development projects within KLP in Kenya and India, volunteers courses, Africa Ball, wandering exhibitions of photographs accompanied with presentations and discussions, project for children and youth “Africa in Schools” and “Education for Non-violence”. It actively participates on campaign “Europe for peace” and “The Power of Non-violence”.

Main objectives:
- to draw attention to the situation in the present-day society by means of various forms of cultural and social activities
- to support the multicultural character of our society - respect for difference, tolerance and solidarity
- to launch projects of development cooperation and education within the scope of the Human Support Campaign
- to further non-violence as the only possible method to attain changes and conflict solution
- to support the development of voluntary initiatives

Organisation structure and the people of Narovinu:

The highest body is the General Assembly, which elects the Council of the Association. The Council consists of the chairman, spokesman, economist and other members of the Council. The chairman is a statutory body of the Narovinu Humanist Centre that represents the association on the outside and acts in its name

The Narovinu bodies had the following representatives in 2007:

1) Dana Feminová - chairwoman
2) Simona Heřtusová – spokeswoman
3) Daniela Bednářová - economist

The staff of Narovinu in 2007:

1) Dana Feminová – executive director and main coordinator of development cooperation projects
2) Hana Kuncová – administration manager of the adoptions project
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- Mini shop Africa in spirit of “Fair trade”
- Administrative help in Humanist Centre Narovinu
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- Projects of Human Support Campaign in CR
  (exhibitions, concerts, gatherings, lectures, benefice, Africa Ball, etc.)
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- Peace activities
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- Development Cooperation Projects in India
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- Courses “Volunteers for the World without Wars and Poverty”
  - with focus on new adoption coordinators
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- Courses of self-cognition and methods of self progress
  (Dana Feminová, 777 711 911, dana.feminova@adopceafrika.cz)

- Project Open doors – Integrating camps for children
- Centre of Cultures
  (Světlana Kniazeva, 776 805 732, xknis@seznam.cz)
A BRIEF CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES 2007

21.1.2007  We don’t want rackets neither Radars / Václavské Náměstí Square, Prague, at the horse statue
Protest meeting within initiatives No to the Bases

29.1.2007  Protest march to the American Embassy and Government Office / Václavské Náměstí Square
No to the Bases requires referendum…

1.2.2007  Press Conference within initiatives No to the Basis / The house of Parliament PČR
A press conference within initiatives No to the Bases under the auspices of deputy chairwoman of parliamentary committee for European matter Mgr. Anna Čurdová and deputy chairwoman of parliamentary committee for foreign matter Bc. Kateřina Konečná

3.2.2006  Demonstration No to the Bases / Jince
Protest demonstration within initiatives No to the Bases

13.2.2007  Demonstration No to the Bases in front of CR Embassies and Government Office
Humanists from all Europe support protests of civic initiative No to the Bases and Humanist Party. They protest against building of the American Radar Base in CR. Protest letters to Czech Government, Parliament and the President were already sent by member organizations of European Humanist from Italy, Greece, Holland, England, Switzerland, Spain, Hungary, and France

16.2.2007  Demonstration No to the Bases in front of Italian Embassy

22.2.2007  Conference To Europe of Peace / City library in Prague
Through the way of demilitarization or building new military basis?
A part in the conference will take: Giorgio Shultze, the President of European Humanist Region, Reiner Brown, the executive director of International Association of Lawyers against nuclear weapons, Jan Keller, a sociologist, and a publicist, Erazim Kohák, a philosopher and a publicist, Jan Tamáš, speaker of No to The Bases initiative
Organised by Humanist Movement in cooperation with No to the Basis initiative

8.3.2007  Project “Africa in Schools” / Střední zemědělské učiliště in Mladá Boleslav
Presentation accompanied with a lecture and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

8.3.2007  Theatre performance A Stone for Orphanage “Island of Hope” / Divadlo Járy Cimrmana’s Theatre, Prague
The proceeds of this performance will allow us to buy the rest of the furniture (beds, tables, chairs, mattresses and blankets) which is necessary for the coming of the children and opening of the new orphanage built with the Czech donors’ contribution
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

17.3.2007  Symbol of the Peace / Staroměstské náměstí Square, Prague
For global nuclear demilitarization hold at the same time in 48 towns all over the world
Music, fireshow, video projection…

24.3.2007  Seminar of the World without Wars campanie / Humanist Centre Nová Realita (New Reality) on the theme Europe for Peace, for Europe without Nuclear weapons
Organised by Humanist Movement

4.4.2007  Participation in NGO market of non-profit organizations in Prague

12.4.2007  Project “Africa in Schools” / ZŠ Hostýnská (Hostynska Basic School), Prague
Presentation accompanied with a lecture, a gathering for Africa and a Wandering exhibition “Karibuni Kenya - Viewing the Unusual Africa”
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu
12.4.2007  Presentation of the Human Support Campaign / Retirements homes, Prague 5
Accompanied with a projection, a lecture, and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

19.4.2007  Project “Africa in Schools” / ZŠ Kuldaova (Kulda’s Basic School), Brno
Presentation accompanied with a lecture and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

27.4.2007  Africa Ball / Lucerna, Prague
Hold by Humanist Movement

April 2007  Presentation stand of the Human Support Campaign within Miss Orient in Brno
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

28.4.2007  Presentation stand of the Human Support Campaign within Miss Orient in Prague
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

3.5.2007  Second Charitable Evening for Africa / Šelepova Club, Brno
Music show, photographs display, a presentation of the Human Support Campaign
The proceeds 8.455 Czech crowns was sent for the health centre in Spring Valley slum, Nairobi
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

10.5.2007  Kenya We don’t Know / City Library Lanškroun
Discussion with projection about the life in slum and countryside and about experience with the project of African children distance adoption
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

12.5.2007  Presentation stand of the Human Support Campaign within Miss Orient in Plzeň
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

21.5. – 3.6.2007  Ester Starman’s Travelling exhibition “Africa – a Continent of Many Faces” / Regionální muzeum (Regional Museum), Jindřichův hradec
Selling exhibition supporting the project in Kenya “Water for Kauti” Accompanied with a projection and a presentation of Human Support Campaign for public and schools: upper elementary stage, grammar school, secondary medical school
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

23.5.2007  Viewing Different Africa / Travellers’ Club Karavanseráj, Prague
Presentation of the Human Support Campaign with a video-projection, a lecture, and discussion about Africa
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

24.5.2007  Indian Fairy Tales / ZŠ Dolní Břežany (Basic School Dolní Břežany)
The fourth grade elementary school students organized a performance, the proceeds of which will be send for a surgery for a Kenyan adoptive orphan who broke his arm and needs an expensive surgery.
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

25.5.2007  Presentation of Human Support Campaign / for the youth of Church of Brethren, České Budějovice
Accompanied with a projection, a discussion, and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

26.5.2007  National demonstration No to the Bases / Václavské náměstí Square- horse statue Davids against Goliash together against the radar. Protest march through Prague

26.05.2007  Indian Night / Music Club Dundee Jam, Kladno
Benefit action to support the project “Islad of Hope” in India. Modern Indian and etno music, a projection, an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu
4.6.2007  Demonstration / Loretánské náměstí Square
Bush in Prague, Radar?! U.S.ARMY – No, thank you. No to the Bases initiative

10.6. – 7.7.2007  Children of Africa – selling exhibition of photographs by Miroslav Švejnoha / La Badia Café, Brandýs nad Labem
Selling exhibition to support medical centre in Spring Valley district, Kenya
Organised by Miroslav Švejnoha in cooperation with Humanist Centre Narovinu

11.6.2007  Opening day of the exhibition “We paint on the network – Music and Me” / Museum of the Capital City of Prague – Exhibition of winning works of the contest that even Kenyan children from the “Distance Adoption” programme took part in.
Organized by Český Rozhlas in cooperation with Humanist Centre Narovinu

13.6.2007  Projection and chatting about Kenya / Humanist Centre Narovinu, Prague
Projection and chatting about Kenya and projects of our civic organisation
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

16.6.2007  Another volunteer course / Prague
For all who would like to actively participate in projects of Humanist Center Narovinu, especially Distance adoption. Conducted by the coordinator Dana Feminová

24.6.2007  Coordinator from Kenya in Prague / Restaurant Mánes, Prague
Meeting of (above all) “adoptive parents” with the African children adoption Coordinator Ben Ooko from Kenya
The same meeting took place in Ostrava, Brno, and Slovak Republic
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

26.6.2007  Human Support Campaign presentation / DDM Prague 3 – Ulita
Accompanied with a projection, a discussion and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

July 2007  Bikes and sport sets for adoptive children / Kenya
The second extra present for children in project Distance adoption. Czech adoptive parents sent money for purchase of bikes and sport sets (jerseys, shoes, balls), that was organized in Kenya

Selling exhibition supporting the project in Kenya “Water for Kauti”, accompanied with a projection and a presentation of Human Support Campaigne.
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

6.-13.7.2007  Open Doors 3 – integrating camp for children / Studenec (Semily)
And 14.-21.7.2007  Project Open Doors 3 is mainly intended for children from refugee camps, children with behaviour disorder, from socially deprived families, and children from the Czech Republic with from trouble free family background
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu and Centre of Cultures

15.7.-20.9.2007  Photographs from India and Nepal – selling exhibition of Miroslav Švejnoha´s photographs / “89” Café, Prague
Selling exhibition to support medical centre in Kenya in Spring Valley slum
Organized by Miroslav Švejnoha and Humanist Centre Narovinu

19.9.2007  Projection and talking about Kenya / Humanist Centre Narovinu, Prague
A projection and talking about Kenya and projects of our civic organisation
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

1. 29.10.2007  Africa and Africans – selling exhibition of Miroslav Švejnoha´s photographs / Humanist Centre, Prague
Selling exhibition to support medical centre in Kenya in Spring Valley slum
Organized by Miroslav Švejnoha in cooperation with Humanist Centre Narovinu

2.10.2007  An International Day of Non-Violence
A student’s conference, workshops, music performances, alive symbol of non-violence with lit chunks…
Organised by Humanist Movement under the auspices of OSN

5.10.2007  Human Support Campaign presentation / Krásensko – a seminar for lower primary stage teachers accompanied with a projection, a discussion, and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

6.10.2007  Concert for Smiling World / Slovensko – Zvolen – Námesť SNP Square
A music and theatre performance, workshops, projections, raffle…
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu in Slovakia

12.10.2007  Human Support Campaign presentation / ZŠ Kotrdovice – lower elementary stage
Accompanied with a projection, a discussion, competitions, and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

13.10.2007  Flying through World with Shell – An African Day / DDM Prague 3 – Shell
A lecture within the Day of Africa accompanied with a projection, a photographs exhibition “Karibuni Kenya – Viewing the Unusual Africa”, and selling exhibition of African products…
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

September 2007  Travelling Exhibition “Karibuni Kenya – Viewing the Unusual Africa”/ DDM Prague 3 – Shell
Accompanied with a projection and Human Support Campaign presentation within the African Day
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

18.10.2007  Discussion with Bruce Gagnon / Prague - Humanist Centre Narovinu
A discussion with Bruce Gagnon, the coordinator of the significant organisation Global Network against Weapons & Nuclear Power in Space (USA), who came to the Czech Republic to participate in Saturday’s Conference in Brdy and support our in the fight against Radar

20.10.2007  International conference in Brdy / Březnice – culture room
An international meeting against nuclear armament and new army bases. European and world mayors, personalities, and organisations express solidarity with mayors of Brdy
Organised by Europe for Peace Campaign, No to the Bases, and Mayors League

27.10.2007  Another volunteers course / CR
For all who would like to actively participate in projects of Humanist Center Narovinu, especially Distance adoption. Conducted by the coordinator Jana Soukupová

November 2007  Travelling exhibition of photographs from Kenya / Regional Museum in Jindřichův Hradec
Accompanied with presentations for schools – upper elementary stage, grammar school, secondary medical school, and an evening for the public (13.11.2007)
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

6.11.2007  Human Support Campaign presentation / ZŠ Rokytnice
Accompanied with a projection, a discussion, competitions, and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

9.11.2007  Human Support Campaign presentation and a seminar “By Education to Non-Violence” / Litoměřice North
Accompanied with a projection, a discussion, an exhibition, and workshops
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

11.11.2007  Concert for Korogocho / Club Vagon, Prague
Beneficial concert to support schools and centres for orphans in Nairobi - Korogocho
This action was supported by Wilde Geese Foundation and it doubled total earning
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu
13.11.2007  **Africa – Jazz and African Inspirations** / Moravian Ostrava
A concert to support Distance adoption project
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

17.11.2007  **Protest demonstration for democracy and referendum** / Prague, Brno, other towns
Organised by No to the Bases initiative

24.11.2007  **Flying through World with Shell – An Indian Day** / DDM Prague 3
A discussion and a projection about India within the Day of India, experience game
about dividing people into castes, music and art workshops
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

24.-25.11.2007  **Another volunteers course** / CR
For all who would like to actively participate in projects of Humanist Center Narovinu. Two courses organised at the same time – In Prague under the conduction of the coordinator Jana Soukupová, In Brno conducted by the coordinator Simona Hefíšová

27.11.2007  **Human Support Campaign presentation** / ZŠ Příbor
Accompanied with a projection, a discussion, competitions, and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

November-December 07  **Travelling exhibition by Ester Starman “Africa – a Continent of Many Faces** /
Gallery Belstyle, Ostrava
Selling exhibition supporting the project in Kenya “Water for Kauti”, accompanied with an auction a projection, and a discussion for the public (opening day of the exhibition 27.11.2007)
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

12.12.2007  **Projection and Talking about Kenya** / Humanist Centre Narovinu, Prague
A projection and talking about Kenya and projects of our civic organisation
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

14.12.2007  **Christmas programme for refugee children** / DDM Karlínské Spektrum, Prague

15.12.2007  **Human Support Campaign presentation** / Krásensko
Accompanied with a projection, a discussion, an exhibition for children from Krásensko
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu

18.12.2007  **Human Support Campaign presentation** / MŠ English Garden School, Prague 4
Accompanied with a projection, a discussion, competitions and an exhibition
Organised by Humanist Centre Narovinu
HUMAN SUPPORT CAMPAIGN
(Kenya, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, India)

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION PROJECTS IN KENYA

1) Adopting African children - a project of distant help
This project objective is to guarantee regular school attendance to Kenyan children from poor, needy families and orphans. Since the project foundation in 2002, Humanist Centre Narovinu in the Czech Republic and Slovakia has already found “adoptive parents” for more than 2600 Kenyan children during the year 2007. “Adoptive family” sends the children an amount of money which covers school fees and other education connected expenses, and “adoptive parents” are regularly informed about their “adoptive child’s” educational results. They can exchange up-to-date photographs, send letters to each other, send the children a present and, in terms of possibility, they can visit each other.
You can choose a concrete child, waiting for the help, in database on the web pages. The month contribution to regular school attendance is 600,-Kc (730,-Sk), which is an amount representing less than a cup of coffee a day.
The project is much more than only a simple economy help, because it creates a bond of solidarity, understanding and mutual attachment among different nations and cultures.

Bicycles for the “adopted” children in Kenya
In May, the “adoptive” parents were given the offer that they could buy bicycles or sport sets for their wards in the Extra Present event. The bicycles - altogether 407 bikes and sport sets (a jersey, shoes, a ball) altogether 315 pieces - were bought in bulk directly in Kenya and then given over to the children.
A great appreciation belongs to the Kenyan coordinators, who had to buy bikes in various sizes according to the children’s age.
The purchase of bicycles was not a mere whim for pleasure. The children, especially those from the country, often have to cover several kilometres on their everyday way to school, and they will definitely manage that more easily by bicycle.

Meetings with the Kenyan coordinator Ben in Prague, Brno, Ostrava and in Slovakia
In the beginning of summer, there was a meeting of especially the “adoptive parents” with the Kenyan coordinator of African children adoptions Ben Ooko. Anybody could ask Ben Ooko about anything connected with adoptions and life in Kenya and Ben, with the translations of our civic organisation coordinators, was pleased to answer all questions (especially those about his native Kibera). Beside this, the visitors had also the opportunity to watch videos, speak with adoption coordinators, get information material and take a look at Kenyan products.

24.6. A meeting of adopting parents with the coordinator Ben Ooko from Kenya – Prague, Mánes
25.6. Ostarva
3.7. Slovakia, Zvolen
4.7. Slovakia, Bratislava
5.7. Brno

Regular projections for “adoptive parents” in Humanist Centre Narovinu in Prague
We regularly invite adoptive parents of children from Kenya as well as general public for projections, where they have an opportunity to learn more about life and the situation in Kenya, meet personally some projects coordinators, and, of course, we are glad to answer any questions dealing with projects of our civic organisation, especially Distance adoption project.
Projections were held: 11.4., 13.6., 19.9., 12.12.
2) “Island of Hope - Rusinga Island”

An orphanage with a dining hall, an education centre with a library, a nursery school and an elementary school, a medical centre

The construction of the community centre was initiated at the end of the year 2005 and two buildings were built so far for the accommodation of the children and staff with places for approx. 50 people, also a large kitchen with a dining hall and an education centre. The entire construction was taken care of by the community on a piece of land given by the community free of charge. The operation in the education centre, which serves as a kindergarten for over fifty children during the day, was started in early May 2006. In autumn the centre was successfully electrified by means of photo-voltaic systems thanks to the project “Electricity from the Sun for Schools in Kenya”, which was covered by the Czech Government.

Nowadays, 140 children already attend the nursery school which still operate temporarily in education centre premises and therefore it is necessary to build the buildings of an elementary school and a nursery school.

The construction of water preparing plant, septic tank, showers and toilets was successfully finished, so the orphans acceded to the orphanage from January 2008.

We also try to take up the construction and functioning of medical centre on the land, which was also provided by the community, after previous good experience. We are looking for finance and above all a sponsor, who would support the construction and equipment of the medical centre and who would be willing to contribute to entire operation of this community centre.

3) “We paint on the network 2007 - Kenyan children’s pictures on the theme “Music and I” for international art competition of Cesky Rozhlas

As well as the previous years, children from poorest districts, slums and villages of Kenya participated in an art competition of the Czech Rozhlas “We paint on the network”. Children liked this year’s theme very much so, besides many paintings, the coordinators also made evidence of children’s music and dance performances.

The best works were displayed on the exhibition in the Museum of the City of Prague. All paintings were later to be seen on the exhibition in Human Centre Narovinu in Prague.

4) Other Human Support Campaign projects in Kenya

The cooperation between the Narovinu Humanist Centre and its partner organization Humanist Centre of Kenya is really very wide, deepens all the time and spread to various towns and rural areas of Kenya. Our Kenyan colleagues made a lot of journeys required by the organisation of the project, held seminars, information meetings and training courses of new members. The result of this is a number of new projects organized by the network of over 10,000 volunteers all over Kenya. This is a great success as the main principle of the Human Support Campaign is creating a chain of solidarity while observing the principle of reciprocity – (if someone helps me, I will use my power and abilities to send it further – I help the others).

This year this chain was enlarged by or was joined by a considerable number of new projects, groups and institutions. In total, we organize these projects: 2 humanist schools and kindergartens, 26 primary schools and kindergartens, 2 secondary schools, 26 courses of craft production, 12 centres of medical care, 10 agricultural projects, 1 centre for street children, 24 orphanages and centres for needy children, 4 projects for cleaning the neighbourhoods, 5 projects focused on obtaining minor finances by self-help, 2 projects of bakery and confectionery production.

5) Journeys of coordinators from the Czech Republic to Kenya

Coordinators from the Czech Republic regularly go to Kenya and during their journeys they try to help with concrete projects, visit schools and children of the distance adoption project, they organise seminars for local coordinators and volunteers and they tie together with other areas all over Kenya.

In 2007 two journeys to Kenya were made:
20.3.-31.3. – the journey of the coordinator Simona Heřtusová
18.3.-6.4. – the journey of the coordinator Dana Feminová
DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION PROJECTS IN INDIA

“Island of Hope” – Virudunaghar

We celebrate a year after the opening of the orphanage “Island of Hope”. During those 12 months, children, tutors, teachers and other volunteers created by the self-help their own home, they learnt from each other, went through cheerful as well as sad moments. Each day was filled with everyday-life concerns, but also with new experiences. These brought new feelings, gave the power and hope to continue further and the endeavour to develop activities and contribute to self-development.

During the whole year, many changes were done in terms of technical facilities – in December 2006, the education centre was extended to a new library and small computer corner, where the children had an opportunity to spend their free time by different interesting hobbies: reading not only study material for their school and getting basic information about computers.

There is also a corner of life in the orphanage, where the children can take the opportunity to take care about parrots and fish and learn more about the life of animals, by a different way then only from books. Girls and boys have also got a small garden with flowers, which they take care of themselves.

In May 2007, local humanist organisation AID INDIA succeeded in acquirement of neighbouring peace of land near the orphanage. So the problem with the playground, which was not completely solved by that time, will be over. There was not enough space for children to play locomotive games all together on the original land (in front of the orphanage). Two times a week children walked 20 minutes on the road to get to a stadium, but this was rather dangerous considering the number of children and density of the traffic in India.

That is the reason why the playground on the neighbouring area solves one of actual problems, we dealt with.

At present a gathering in the Czech Republic and India was started to obtain finance, material, and sport equipment and requisites for the playground construction.

KLP SUPPORT PROJECTS in the CR
(development education, adult education, benefits ...)

Presentation of the Human Support Campaign and the „Africa in schools" programme

Africa in schools is a very successful project, highly valued in schools, the purpose of which was to acquaint children and young people with the life of children and the current situation in Africa. The topical documents from Africa, it includes an exhibition of photographs, a selling exhibition of hand-made African products, and especially of talks by our coordinators, who travel to Kenya regularly organising projects in slums and in rural areas. This set of question involves the aim of the prevention of racism, discrimination and xenophobia in this country. The presentation for little children may be livened up by games with themes from Africa, dancing to African rhythms, and possibly an arts workshop. In art lessons, children can also make school aids that African children from the “Distant Adoption” project will use directly in classes. One of the targets at secondary schools and colleges is to find new young people who would be interested in joining the organisation of projects within the Human Support Campaign.

The presentation of the Human Support Campaign in the form of showing slides, exhibition of photographs and sale of African objects, along with a discussion, was held:

- Secondary agriculture school, Mladá Boleslav (8.3.2007)
- ZŠ Pouchov, Hrades Králové (13.4.2007)
- ZŠ Kuldova, Brno (19.4.2007)
- Hostýnská, Prague, accompanied with travelling exhibition “Karibuni Kenya – Viewing Unusual Africa” and a gathering for Africa (12.4.2007)
- Krisensko – KLP presentation on a seminar for lower elementary stage teachers (5.10.2007)
- ZŠ Kotvrdovice – lower elementary stage, KLP presentation with competitions (12.10.2007)
- ZŠ Rokytnice (6.11.2007)
- ZŠ Příbor (27.11.2007)
- MŠ English Garden School, Prague – Lhotka (18.12.2007)
- ZŠ Máj, Secondary technical school, SZŠ, České Budějovice

**Travelling exhibitions and a KLP presentation**

There are several collections of photographs which travel all over the CR. Travelling exhibitions are accompanied with showing slides, discussions, and selling African hand-made products.

Documentation photographs collections:
- **“Karibuni Kenya – Viewing Unusual Africa”** – photographs by volunteers from Humanist Centre Narovinu on their ways to Kenya
- **“Africa – A Continent of Many Faces”** – photographs by Ester Starman, which she took for our Humanist Center Narovinu during one of the ways to Kenya. The photographs are for sale and the proceeds support project “Water for Kauti” in Kenya.
- **“People I met”** – photographs from the ways of Miroslav Švejnoha. The author provided Humanist Centre Narovinu with these selling photographs to support various Human Support Campaign projects in Kenya.

In 2007 the exhibitions were held in:
- Museum in Jindřichův Hradec, accompanied with presentations for schools – upper elementary stage, grammar schools, secondary medical school, and an evening for public (May 2005, 21.5.2007 the opening day)
- Regional Museum in Litomyšl (July – September 2007, 5.9.2007 the opening day of the exhibition)
- Museum in Jindřichův Hradec, accompanied with presentations for schools – upper elementary stage, grammar schools, secondary medical school, and an evening for public (13.11.2007, 27.11.2007 the opening day of the exhibition)
- Gallery Belstyle in Ostrava (November – December 2007, 27.11.2007 the opening day of the exhibition)

**Multicultural Ball Africa at the Lucerna**

The Africa Ball, held every year, is the greatest common event of the three civic associations belonging to the Humanist Movement: Narovinu, Dialog Humanist Centre and the University Humanists. This year the ball was held on April, 27 and the proceeds were divided between the individual civic associations, which used them for their KLP projects in Kenya and Guinea. The Lucerna in Prague was less full than in the previous years, which, however, gave more space for wild dancing to African and other rhythms.

It has become a tradition that all the performers work for free, and this year was no exception. The first prize of the rich tombola was a tour to Morocco from the travel agency CK Adventura. We have already succeeded in transporting a collection of school aids and medical materials, which was held in the course of the evening, to the schools and medical centres in Kenya and Guinea.

We want to express our cordial thanks to all performers, sponsors and guests who supported good entertainment and reasonable projects, and we are looking forward to another multicultural ball.

**Volunteer Course “For the World without Wars”**

The aim of the course is to hand over all useful information for the work of volunteers, who are interested in development education, and development cooperation with Africa, to provide experience from Africa and from organisation Africa supporting projects in Europe, to teach how to use essential aids of “Personal growth” for gaining enough energy and inner power for being able to help the others and to manage in new, stressful situations – for instance relaxation techniques, psychophysics, and self-understanding.

All volunteers will be allowed to participate in Humanist Centre projects.

In the year 2007, these volunteer courses were held:
- 16.-17.6.2007 Prague – conducted by the coordinator Dana Feminová
- 27.-28.10.2007 Prague – conducted by the coordinator Jana Soukupová
- 24.-25.11.2007 Prague – conducted by the coordinator Jana Soukupová
**OTHER EVENTS - SEMINARS AND INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS**

**Further events for the public**

- Beneficial performance of the theatre Kámen for “Ostrov Naděje” project on Rusinga Island (8.3.2007)
- Participation in NGO market of non-profit organizations in Prague (4.4.2007)
- Human Support Campaign presentation in Retirements home, Prague 5 (12.4.2007)
- Presentation stands of Human Support Campaign within Miss Orient in Brno (April 2007)
- Presentation stand of Human Support Campaign within Miss Orient in Prague (28.4.2007)
- The second charitable Evening for Africa in Šlepova Club in Brno (3.5.2007) Proceeds 8.455,- Kc were send to medical centre in Spring Valley slum in Nairobi
- Presentation stand of Human Support Campaign within Miss Orient in Plzeň (12.5.2007)
- Human Support Campaign presentation in Club of travellers in Prague (23.5.2007)
- Human Support Campaign presentation for the youth of Brothers Church in České Budějovice (25.5.2007)
- Indian Night, Music Club Dundee Jam in Kladno. The visitors experienced the taste of Indian atmosphere and by their contribution they supported our project “Island of Hope” in India (26.5.2007)
- The opening day of the exhibition “We Paint on the Network – Music and I” in City Museum of Prague (11.6.2007)
- A concert within World Day of refugees CROSSING BORDERS, Prague, info stand (20.6.2007)
- Human Support Campaign presentation in DDM Prague 3 – Shell (26.6.2007)
- Human Support Campaign presentation within Bio-fair in Chrudim (11.9.2007)
- Human Support Campaign presentation within African Day in DDM Prague 3 – Shell (13.10.2007)
- A concert within the Day against racism, Prague Bunker Parukářka, info stands (8.11.2007)
- North Litoměřice – Human Support Campaign presentation (9.11.2007)
- A concert for Korogocho – Club Vagon, Prague (11.11.2007)
- AFRIKA - Jazz African inspirations, a concert to support Distance adoption project (Moravian Ostrava, 13.11.2007)
- Flying through World with Shell. Talking and projection about India, experience game about dividing people into castes, music and art workshops, Prague, DDM Prague 3 (24.11.2007)
- Advent full of angels – Ostrava (27.11.2007)
- Krásensko – KLP lecture for children (15.12.2007)

**Meetings, seminars and international meetings we participated in**

11.1. – 16.1. International meeting of Humanist Movement – Roma (Assemblea)
20.1. One day seminar of Distance adoption coordinators
24.-25.2. Term meeting of coordinators of Humanist Centre Narovinu / Svätý Jan pod Skalou
7.4. – 9.4. Seminar work with energy – personal development techniques
7.6. Punta de Vacas – a meeting with a projection and chat - Prague
14.6. General meeting FORS
29. – 30.6. Seminar Reconciliation – personal development techniques
9.7. – 16.7. Term meeting and seminar with coordinators of projects in Kenya – Kenya, Mombasa
16.7. – 19.7. Meeting with representatives of the organisation „Kids for tomorrow“ from New York – agreement on the project Sewa Academy – Nairobi
20.7. – 27.7. Seminar on the theme Reconciliation and non-violence, pedagogical seminar for nursery schools teachers and meeting to a project „Island of hope“ – Kenya, Rusinga Island
11.8. – 19.8. Humanist summer camp – Southern Italy, Vieste
28.9.-30.9. Term meeting of the coordinators of Humanist Centre Narovinu / Svätý Jan pod Skalou
5. – 7.10. Kenyan Humanist Forum – Kenya, Nairobi
21.10. Humanist European region – meeting of humanist organizations in European region – Prague, Hotel Duo
2. – 4.11. International conference for nuclear demilitarization – Spain, Madrid
9.11. Seminar „By education to Non-Violence“ - Litoměřice
24. – 25.11. Seminar „Non-Violence“
1.12. One day seminar of Distance adoption coordinators

**OPEN DOORS – an integrating camp for children from refugee camps**

This was the third time when children from different countries (Chechnya, Byelorussia, Angola, Somalia, Ukraine.), from different cultures, with various problems met together. The Open Doors project 3 was intended especially for children from refugee camps, children with behaviour disorders, from socially deprived families, and also children from Czech problems free family background. The camp works with techniques of experience pedagogy and mediates children with the feelings of uniqueness. There is multiculturalism, religion, respect and many others among the themes of the camp.

The entire camp was finished by festive evening. Because of a great response from previous years, there were more than 80 children who took turns in the camp.

The children’s integrating camp “Open Doors 3” was held in Studenec, Semily, 6.-13.07 and 14.-21.07.2007.

**“EUROPE FOR PEACE” CAMPAIGN and “THE POWER OF NON-VIOLENCE”**

A peace, non-violence movement is developing all over the world, which connects people of different cultures, religion, races and generations. We exert pressure on politicians and those who has the power, so they would revalue and change their catastrophic decisions. This international campaign “To Europe for Peace, to Europe without Weapons” has clear and realizable objectives. The declaration you can join with your signature, and new information about the campaign for complete nuclear demilitarization of the whole world is to be found on [www.europeforpeace.eu](http://www.europeforpeace.eu).

“The Power of Non-Violence” – We don’t cooperate – Don’t pay another armament and wars

**Self defence campaign** against placing the USA Radar in the Czech Republic

22.2. International conference “Europe for Peace“ / City library Prague
5.8. International memorial manifestation connected with the sad anniversary of nuclear detonation in Hiroshima / Prague
20.10. International conference “Europe for Peace” Brdy, Březnice

*Web pages of the initiative: [www.nenasili.cz](http://www.nenasili.cz)*

**Symbol of Peace**

The objectives of this action are to support peace in the world and express disagreement with all war conflicts being presently fought all over the world. We don’t consider any war as real solution of problems. All conflicts originate in not knowing, intolerance and fear of the difference, which leads to violence and sorrow of the people. We don’t accredit war as a false pretence for spreading democracy, because in fact, all this is only about abusing the weaker states and their resources. There is a way of open dialogue among cultures, understanding, and tolerance.
The living symbol of peace will be created by people of different sexes, age, cultures, languages, religion, and race.

The world without wars is possible, complete nuclear demilitarisation is necessary and realizable, the dialogue among cultures is the only way of peaceful co-existence of nations.

17.3.2007 Symbol of Peace – Prague, Náměstí Miru Square

*Web pages referring to these happenings: [www.symbolmiru.cz](http://www.symbolmiru.cz)*

**An International Day of Non-Violence**

General assembly of OSN set the day of the 2\textsuperscript{nd} of October as National day of Non-Violence. The date is a symbol to commemorate the day of birth of Mahatma Ghandi, the leader of Indian people in the fight for independence. Ghandi become a great inspiration for human rights movement and liberty all over the world by his thoughts and way of life. The Humanist Movement activities are based on active non-violence principals and therefore humanists from various parts of the world decided to support this idea by organising large-scale of events during this day. These events objectives are to spread the idea of non-violence among general public and contribute to strengthening of this aptitude in society. Organized under the patronage of OSN.

2.10.2007 An International Day of Non-Violence – a student’s conference and Symbol of Peace – Prague, Brno, and other towns


**WE COOPERATE AND THANK**

*We would like to express our thanks for a very pleasant cooperation to several organisations and companies that genuinely helped us to help in the year 2007:*

Great Hall of the Lucerna in Prague, Mánes Restaurant in Prague, House of Children and Youth Prague 3 - Ulita, Kámen Theatre, Czech Radio "We Paint on the Network", Wild Geese Foundation, Gallery Belstyle, Radio 1, Expres Radio, British Airways, Caledonian School, AV Media, travel agency CK Adventura, Printing office AFBKK, Copy General, Česká kultura, Cocky v Praze, List of cultural events PIS, Fontana, Grafokon, Newton, Kelcom…

*We thank all supporters, volunteers and donators who joined our events actively, too.*

**FUTURE PROSPECTS**

Considering the fact that all the projects are growing successfully, we are noticing and becoming conscious that it will be necessary to improve their organisation structures. We are in for certain investment in equipment and creating facilities for further staff members, in order to sustain the launched development of the KLP projects and to be able to deal with areas for which have had very little energy left until now. We are preparing the project “Through Education Towards Non-Violence”, and we would like to broaden the disarmament campaign called “Europe for Peace”, the appeal of which we have joined and would like to spread in the ČR.
### Incomes and expenses of Humanistického centre Narovinu in 2007

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**Economic result**: 1 742,00
### School fees fund for adopted children in Kenya

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The reason of overdrawning of the fund originates in result of agreement about gift assignment for this project in the beginning of the year 2008.

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Considering the fact that contribution arrived after sending money for certain project, balance from this fund will be used for Open Doors Camp 2008.
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Providing operation costs of the Narovinu Humanist Centre in the year 2006/ In thousand Kč

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