The Council for the Development of French in Louisiana Issues an Invitation to
Congres International des Ameriques Francophones and to
The Council's Fourth State Meeting
April 3, 4, 5, 1972
Lafayette, Louisiana

CODOFIL ANNOUNCES

The First International Congress of French-speaking Americans will be held in Lafayette from April 3rd, 4th and 5th. All sessions will be conducted in Angelle Hall, University of Southwestern Louisiana and in Lafayette's Municipal Auditorium.

The Congress is sponsored by the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana in cooperation with the colleges and universities of the State, Governor and Governor-elect, members of the United States Congress from Louisiana and from the New England States, distinguished ambassadors from French-speaking countries and distinguished clergymen of Louisiana.

This could very well be the most outstanding international event of its kind ever held in the United States. More than a hundred outstanding visitors and personalities from most of the French-speaking countries in the world will attend as observers and participants. The Congress is unique in that the visitors understand and appreciate that strengthening the national cultural ties, especially that of language, between their countrymen and Louisianans will strengthen all ties between their countries and the United States.

Many of them have been designated as the official representatives for their countries.

BILINGUALISM: CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES will be the theme of the three day Congress. Outstanding personalities from France, Quebec, and the French-speaking countries in the Caribbean and Africa and native French-speaking Louisianans will deliver addresses and participate as members of panels and seminars, all planned to emphasize the cultural and economic benefits gained by bilingualism. Your presence at all of the sessions would help the French world better understand the value to us of our French heritage and our unprecedented efforts to preserve and expand the use of French in Louisiana.

Louisianans have shown great interest in the resurgence of bilingualism in our State. This Congress is one more step to involve more people to help us move along toward the ultimate goal of a bilingual citizenry. Make a special effort to get high school and college students to attend the many sessions of the Congress without cost.
Dimanche
2 avril
Arrivée des Congressistes

Lundi
3 avril
TABLEAUX VIVANTS
Déjeuner, et Esprit acadien
LANGUE ET CULTURE FRANCOPHONE EN LOUISIANE
Ecrivises à la Louisianaise (dégustation)

Mardi
4 avril
PANORAMA LINGUISTIQUE ET CULTUREL
LE BILINGUISE EN AMERIQUE DU NORD
L'EXPERIENCE LOUISIANAISE VUE PAR UN FRANCAIS
Soirée folklorique

Mercredi
5 avril
BILAN DU CONGRES
ASSEMBLEE GENERALE
ANNUELLE DU CODOFIL
BANQUET DE CLOTURE DU CONGRES INTERNATIONAL DES AMERIQUES FRANCOPHONES

The Congress projects Louisiana into the mainstream of the economic life of the French-speaking world. Native Louisianians speaking in French will eloquently present to the representatives of the French-speaking countries of America, Europe, and Africa the richness of Louisiana's French heritage. You must be present to hear CODOFIL synthesize historical, spiritual, conceptual and educational forms into a TABLEAU VIVANT.

The special events were planned to give you a genuine opportunity to meet with and share ideas and good fellowship with our visitors. On Monday, dinner in the Acadian spirit will delight you and your friends. Regardless of the language-crawfish or ecrevisses - you will not want to miss the well known Acadian Crawfish boil.

If Monday is the day for learning and for feasting, Tuesday is the day for fun. The Salangadu-a name that defies definition in English-is more than folksongs-less than a musical,- but entertainment of the highest order. Salangadu presents Louisiana talent under the skilful direction of the distinguished Canadian director, Nicolas Doclin.

Louisiana shares a common language with the French Speaking World. This provides a natural bridge of commerce between the Louisiana - Francophones and the American Francophones. The Congress will help each gain insight into the best ways in which each can help the other develop economically and touristically. You would not want to miss the opportunity to be present at the beginning of what will be a new era of cooperation among the French-speaking peoples of the world.

Dear CODOFIL Advisers,

Whether or not the French language survives in Louisiana depends on you. Whether or not we succeed in developing the French language a practical solution for the benefit of all our people depends on you also. Assistance is needed at this time to help the French word the French word. Is there anyone who can help sponsor the language? Please report this Congress to the best of your ability.

Signed
James Domingaray
Chairman

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HOTEL/MOTEL RESERVATION

I would like CODOFIL to make reservations for Sunday, April 2, [ ]
Monday, April 3, [ ]; Tuesday, April 4, [ ]; Wednesday, April 5, [ ]. I want a single [ ]; double [ ]. I will arrive before 6:00 A.M. [ ] I will guarantee [ ]. Reservations will be held until 6:00 P.M. unless guaranteed.

Name ___________________________________________
Address _________________________________________
Telephone _______________________________________

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Name Mr. __________________ Mrs. __________________
Address _________________________________________
Telephone _______________________________________

Tickets are available for you to participate in the following:

- Acadian Luncheon $4.50 Mr. [ ] Mrs. [ ]
- Creole Style Roast $3.50 Mr. [ ] Mrs. [ ]
- Salangadu (Adult) $3.00 Mr. [ ] Mrs. [ ]
- Salangadu (Children) $1.00 Mr. [ ] Mrs. [ ]
- Banquet $7.00 Mr. [ ] Mrs. [ ]

Enclosed is my check for $_________ payable to the CODOFIL.

Mail this form and your check to CODOFIL, P. O. Box 3936, Lafayette, Louisiana, 70501 before March 28, 1972. Registration card and appropriate tickets will be issued to you at Angelle Hall, U.S.L. You may also purchase tickets at Angelle Hall.