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**Dear Rita:**

(1) Many thanks for your msg (**ATTACHMENT 1**) about Supercourse of Global Health Network University at the University of Pittsburgh. I visited its web site with great interest. It is certainly impressive one.

I shall wait your first vision statement of GUS Tanzania/East Africa soon.

**Dear Ronald:**

(2) It has been some time since you once joined in our "Global Lecture Hall (GLH)" videoconference which was originated from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville in July 1994 which connected with a conference on distance education held in Moscow and many other universities in Europe and the US. Since then, I met you at the mtg of Surgeon General Dr. Koop and the conferences of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in Washington, DC several years ago.

(3) I read your essay in the attachment below, with great interest.

I agree with your contention 100%, i.e., if you have something to do after retirement, you can keep you young!!

(4) I also sincerely congratulate your accomplishment of establishing Global Health Network University <<http://www.pitt.edu/~super1>>.

As you know, we are creating Global University System (GUS), as focusing to set up the network of facilitators and learner support system which are often forgotten or ignored by many providers of distance education.

Thus, your system and ours may have well matched synergy.

(5) I just came back from my fact-finding and assessment trip to create GUS/Alta Mir in Novosibirsk and Altai region in Siberia.

We were overwhelmed with astonishing interest in our project at all levels of governments, municipalities, higher educational and healthcare institutions, NGOs, etc.

**Dear E-Colleagues:**

(6) Pls retrieve my following previous list distribution;

(a)

**(09/21/06) (1) Fact-finding and assessment trip to create GUS/Altai Mir in Siberia and (2) Proposed direction for the Working Group on Infrastructure**  
<http://tinyurl.com/pedfk>

(b)

**(09/23/06) Planning activity of the working group «Global Collaborative Research and Development» of GUS/Altai Mir**

<http://tinyurl.com/q7zuu>

**(c) (09/26/06) GUS/Alti Mir; Working Group on Community Development**

<http://tinyurl.com/jvaf4>

This distribution is about the working group on "Global e-healthcare/telemedicine" out of 5 working groups mentioned in Item (6)-(a) above.

**Dear two Alexanders at Novosibirsk State Medical Academy:**

(7) It was certainly our great pleasure to have had the privilege of visiting your academy in Novosibirsk.

**Dear Alexander:**

I also sincerely thank you for your kind hospitalities and driving to Gorno-Altai. It was such memorable days with you in beautiful Altai regions.

Pls convey our sincere thanks to Professor, Rector, Dr. Anatoly Ephremov for his kind support letter provided to us <http://tinyurl.com/ztavn>. It is certainly our great honor and privilege to receive it.

(8) Pls visit the URL of the Global Health Network University mentioned above.

Should you be interested in some of those courses, pls inform me, though there may have language difficulty. This is because you indicated me of your desire to import some Continuing Medical Education (CME) program from the US.

We will then configure to organize a workshop, say, in Novosibirsk, to have meeting of the desired course instructors with your facilitators, learner supporters and learners. We believe that such face-to-face mtgs would be crucial and vital necessity for the success of distance education, which are often ignored.

Distance education providers often forget tremendous capacity of human brain — for example, once you meet with someone, you can recall his/her face with the circumstances and surroundings when you talk with him/her over the phone even after many years.

After having such face-to-face meetings with instructors and learners at the latter's locations, they can more intimately communicate through email and list with occasional videoconferencing. Bringing instructors to learners locations (rather than other way round) would keep brain drain, thus saving US\$80,000/learner which is mentioned in Ronald's essay below.

Also, the essence of education is not mere transfer of knowledge, but inheritance of wisdom which can effectively be done with human contacts.

**Dear Rita:**

(9) Rector Ephremov of Novosibirsk State Medical Academy also requested me to locate some medical institutions for cooperative relationship.

Pls discuss this matter with Zena;

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Pls convey her my sincere thanks for her providing us with a conference room last time for our discussion of forming GUS/NYC Chapter.

**Dear Alexander:**

The following persons have also already indicated their willingness to help our GUS project to name but a few;

Professor Rashid Bashshur, Ph.D. -- on CME  
President of the American Telemedicine Association  
Editor-in-Chief of the Telemedicine Journal  
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Principle Investigator  
Bangladesh-Ottawa: Partnership in Medical Education  
University of Ottawa

Susan S. Witte, Ph.D. -- on HIV/AIDS Education Program  
Associate Director, Social Intervention Group  
Columbia University

Ninfa Saturnino Springer, PhD, RD, FAAMR, FADA — on nutrition course  
Virtual Class on Nutrition (VCON)  
The University of Michigan

Joanne K. Kumekawa, MBA — on public health policy  
Director, Kingston eHealth

**Dear Marina:**

Pls translate the pertinent portion of the above to Alexander. Pls also tell him that I am waiting his write-up in English to be included in our report to the Eurasia Foundation. Thanks.

**Dear Linda:**

(10) Many thanks for your excellent summary of our fact-finding and assessment on e-health/telemedicine in Altai region in Siberia <<http://tinyurl.com/ndsno>>.

You may also be very interested in visiting the URL of the Global Health Network University mentioned above, since you are affiliated with the University of Pittsburgh.

**Dear Carol:**

(11) Pls summarize the above (including Linda's reports mentioned above and about her three mtg

reports in her recent msgs) and revised your next-to-final report to the Eurasia Foundation. Thanks.

Best, Tak

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**ATTACHMENT I**

> From: Rita Hindin <rhindin@gmail.com>  
> Date: Wed, 13 Sep 2006 22:17:19 -0400  
> To: Winston O Soboyejo <soboyejo@Princeton.EDU>, Takeshi Utsumi  
> <utsumi@columbia.edu>  
> Cc: Mohamed Yunus Rafiq <mwalukere@gmail.com>  
> Subject: re: Super Course  
>  
> Greetings Takeshi, Wole, Yunus,  
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> This very interesting e-mail from the folks who started the  
> Supercourse, an on-line repository of epidemiology (and, increasingly,  
> also other) lectures, made me want to re-open the conversation about  
> linking GUS with them. The home page of the Supercourse is:  
> <http://www.pitt.edu/~super1>.  
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> Takeshi,  
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> I hope your recent travels have gone very well and welcome back to the  
> United States.  
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> We're hoping to get a first vision statement of GUS Tanzania/East  
> Africa to you before too long.  
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> Best,  
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> Rita  
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> ----- Forwarded message -----  
> From: Ronald E. LaPorte, Ph.D. <super1+@pitt.edu>  
> Date: Sep 8, 2006 11:08 PM  
> Subject: Super Seniors  
> To: super2@pitt.edu  
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> Supercourse Newsletter  
> [www.pitt.edu/~super1/](http://www.pitt.edu/~super1/)  
> September 8, 2006  
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> "Wired, Tired and Retired"  
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> During the past few weeks we have been talking to several groups about  
> helping to build an expert "Reach back" system. The concept is simple.  
> Suppose you are responding to the Bam Earthquake in Iran, and you are  
> a public health person. You see a building leaning but with people  
> crying inside. You do not have expertise in structural engineering,  
> however, perhaps you can "reach back" to experts in Los Angeles,  
> Tokyo, or Santiago who can help. We have been thinking about this as  
> we have the largest network of public health people in the world, who  
> have already responded during the Tsunami, the Bam Earthquake,  
> Katrina, etc.  
>  
> It might be interested to build a new network, a "retirement network".  
> I am 57 years old, the arrows and knives of academia are festering in  
> my back. I begin to think of retirement as a way to leave the life

> table of academia. There are many of us around the world like me,  
> "wired", "tired" and "retired".  
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> Middle age is when work is a lot less fun and fun is a lot more work.  
> ~Author Unknown (science is fun, politics is not)  
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> I was wondering that perhaps we should build a network of retired  
> scientists to provide reach back capabilities to help world wide.  
>  
> I am trying to think of ways to network those who are about to be  
> retired, or who are retired, not only in Global Health, but  
> engineering, physics, psychology, etc. Please write to me at  
> ronlaporte@aol.com if you would like to help build a Retirement  
> Supercourse.  
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> Don't simply retire from something; have something to retire to.  
> ~Harry Emerson Fosdick (Let's retire to a Senior Supercourse)  
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> Supercourse Pedagogy: We received considerable comments concerning  
> Pedagogy. One thing that is perfectly clear, is the very, very few  
> universities have training on how to teach. Graduate students wrote  
> to us indicating how much they need programs like this. Many of us are  
> thinking now: No training in teaching, no Ph.D. Each world wide that  
> teaching about prevention should have a program to teach students how  
> to teach.  
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> Legacy Lectures:  
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> Sadly, James van Allen died Aug. 10, 06 at age 91. Two months before  
> his death he contributed a Supercourse legacy lecture of his life,  
> something we will all cherish. He was very pleased to discuss his  
> scientific life in the Supercourse.  
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> When I was a child, Van Allen was indeed a "rocket" scientist, the  
> brightest of the bright. He was an icon to many people my age of the  
> power and excitement of space science. Few scientists discover  
> something in space, the van Allen radiation belt, and then to have it  
> named after you. Here is a NYTimes article describing Dr. van Allen.  
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> [http://select.nytimes.com/qst/abstract.html?res=F50813FA345B0C738DDDA10894DE40](http://select.nytimes.com/qst/abstract.html?res=F50813FA345B0C738DDDA10894DE404482)  
> 4482  
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> It is indeed an honor that right before his death he contributed an  
> overview of his life and accomplishments so that future generations of  
> young scientists could understand him, and his accomplishments. We  
> have developed a first draft of the van Allen Legacy lecture and this  
> can be found at:  
> <http://www.pitt.edu/~super1/lecture/lec24841/index.htm> . We are  
> indeed pleased to present this to honored scientists such as you.  
> Wouldn't it be wonderful if we had legacy lectures for all IOM, NAS  
> and Nobel Prize winners like Dr. van Allen's?  
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> It is wonderful for us to able to immortalize the words, life and  
> reflection of great people like Dr. Van Allen. His lecture will live  
> on, and we hope that yours will also.  
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> "He was a legend among scientists, the father of physics in space in  
> the United States,"  
>  
> "Space is the hole we are in -- a vast area of human ignorance. The  
> history of the world shows that attacking ignorance is fruitful."  
>  
> This brilliant man spent a few minutes developing a lecture for the  
> Supercourse for future generations. It is indeed a legacy for us all.  
> This is very humbling.

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- > Supercourse translation milestones.
- > Dr. Nicolas Padilla from University of Celaya in Mexico has been one of the strongest supporters of the Supercourse development. Dr. Padilla translated 175 Supercourse lectures from English into Spanish, allowing Supercourse to reach into remote areas of Mexico and other Spanish speaking countries. Dr. Padilla's next milestone is to have 250 translated lectures by December. Dr. Padilla is an excellent epidemiologist and a great friend. Thank you Nicolas!!!!
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- > Lecture of the week
- > Supercourse is proud to have another lecture from India in the Supercourse collection. Dr. Ashish Trivedi, Assistant Professor in the Department of Preventive and Social Medicine, Government Medical College, Bhavnagar, Gujarat, India provided us a beautiful lecture entitled "Cohort Study". It provides a beautiful outline of what is a cohort study, the aims of cohort studies, and ways to analyze them. This lecture can be accessed at <http://www.pitt.edu/~super1/lecture/lec24751/index.htm>
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- > Best regards from Pittsburgh...
- > Ron, Faina, Mita, Eugene, Nicholas, Ali, Julia, Francois, Saida,
- > Legacies of the world
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- > If you would like to unsubscribe from future mailing of the Supercourse Newsletter, please reply to this message and resend it to us with the word "Unsubscribe" in the subject line. Thanks.

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