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Dear Pureza:

(1) Many thanks for your msg (**ATTACHMENT I**), albeit very belated reply.

(2) I was very sorry I could not attend your "International Congress on ICT: Global Challenge in Education" on November 16 to 18th of the last year, which was initiated by the Commission on Higher Education, Department of Education and the Technical Education & Skills Development Authority (TESDA) of your Cebu region <<http://www.ict-congress.com/>>.

I visited its very impressive web site with great interest.

(3) My reason why I could not attend it were;

(a) My wife and I were invited to attend the following;

**Workshop on Global University
System**

Thursday, 19 October, 2006
TOBB Economics and Technology
University, Ankara, Turkey
<http://tinyurl.com/yxu3p5>

This was to create GUS/Turkey. This trip was also accompanied with our sight-seeing trips to

Cappadocia and Istanbul in the following week — see our following previous list distributions;

(i) (06/01/06) Inexpensive laptop and possible creation of GUS/Turkey
<http://tinyurl.com/y443wc>

(ii) 08/10/06) Possible creation of GUS/Turkey
<http://tinyurl.com/y64fxu>

(iii) (10/12/06) Creating GUS/Turkey
<http://tinyurl.com/ya8ugv>

(b) By November 30th, we had to submit our final report to the Eurasia Foundation about our Fact-finding and Assessment trip to Novosibirsk, Siberia last September to create GUS/Siberia, which was made with the fund from the US Agency for International Development (USAID) through the Eurasia Foundation — see;

(i) (12/02/06) Report on Fact-Finding and Assessment Trip To Create Global University System/Siberia (formerly Altai Mir)
<http://tinyurl.com/yxzsx9>

(ii) 02/13/07) Fund raising for e-Healthcare projects of GUS/Siberia and of Kenya Ministry of Health
<http://tinyurl.com/2xnhux>

(iii) 02/21/07) Next steps of e-healthcare/telemedicine project of GUS/Siberia
<http://tinyurl.com/2ebecj>

(iv) (02/23/07) E-health projects in Kazakhstan, Altai/Siberia and Kosovo
<http://tinyurl.com/397odw>

(4) At your conference web site, I learned that your people have accomplished a great deal on e-learning after completing connectivity with narrowband Internet. My wholehearted congratulation to this accomplishment!!

However, I think that your next step is to have broadband Internet;

“Modern e-learning and telemedicine require high-speed access to the World Wide Web. Multi-media requirements might include two-way audio, full-motion videoconferencing up to MPEG4 quality, television-quality netcasting, and high-resolution image transfer for telemedicine. The objective of increasing quality of audio/video

delivery, high interactivity, and broadband throughput can be seen as a global objective of closing the digital divide to improve e-learning and e-healthcare services in order to eradicate poverty and isolation in rural/remote areas of developing countries.”

This was what I said in our following paper;

Takeshi Utsumi, P. Tapio Varis, and W. R. Klemm
"Creating Global University System"

<http://tinyurl.com/sfgm7>

This paper is in the following book;

Global Peace Through The Global University System

Tapio Varis - Takeshi Utsumi - William Klemm (Eds.)

University of Tampere, Finland 2003

ISBN 951-44-5695-5

The entire contents of this book can be retrieved at;

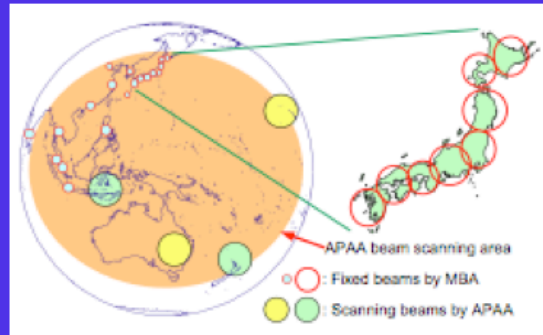
<http://tinyurl.com/kofpf>

In the bottom line of this page, you can
find the following;
"Interview with Takeshi Utsumi" by
Parker Rossman

(5) When you will have GUS/Cebu/Pilippines, you may consider to have a link to WINDS, a broadband Internet satellite at 2.5 Gbps — I understand that this satellite will be launched in the coming April -- see;

(a) (03/06/06) Gigabit satellite over South Asia and the Pacific
<http://tinyurl.com/22b4bq>

Wideband InterNetworking engineering test and Demonstration Satellite (WINDS)

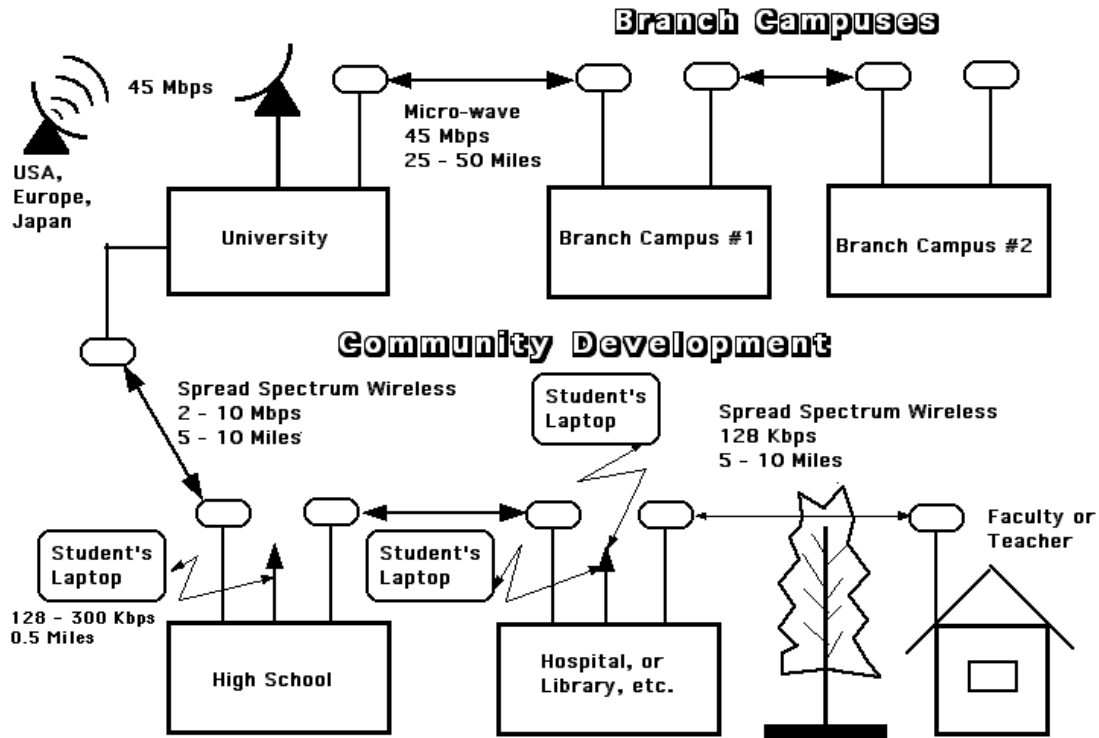


As you see the footprint of this satellite in the attached file <WINDS.pdf> <http://tinyurl.com/2u2hbq>, it covers the Philippines well — incidentally, it seems that someone in Manila seems to have an earth-station for this satellite so that you in Cebu should also be able to access to it, too.

However, you should note the drawback of satellite with its latency (time delay of 0.5 second for round trip to the satellite), and hence its use should be interim until there would be a terrestrial optical fiber landline to be set up.

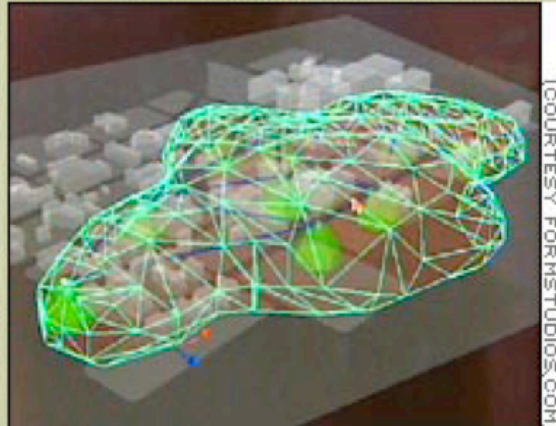
(6) On the other hand, since the cost of both gigabit satellite and optical fiber line are very expensive, you have to have a group of organizations or institutions to share the cost, -- hence the need to form a consortium <Broadband_Diag_11-9-02 copy 2.GIF> <http://tinyurl.com/2sl9az>.

Global Broadband Wireless and Satellite Internet Virtual Private Network (11-9-02)



Once you have broadband Internet linkage to the outside world with WINDS gigabit satellite, you may also have the so-called Wireless Cloud with WiFi (Wireless Fidelity) (at 10 Mbps or so) or WiMax (Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access) (at 45 to 75 Mbps or so) as installing relay antennas at every street blocks — as Philadelphia, San Francisco, Chicago, Taipei/Taiwan, etc., etc. <WiFi Cloud copy.pdf> <<http://tinyurl.com/2wm2qk>>. I have already experienced Internet access with my laptop by such feature in Ankara, Turkey, New Jersey, at Columbia University campus, etc., etc., without paying any fees!! With these features in your Cebu, your students would be able to access your web teaching materials through wireless broadband Internet even at bus stops, etc.

WiFi Cloud



This 3-D animation shows the wireless "cloud" over downtown Athens, Georgia. The project is aimed at attracting new users and creating new content for wireless laptops and PDAs.

"Wireless 'cloud' may offer silver lining; Or is it just 'pie-in-the-sky' technology?
CNN.com/SCI-TECH; July 31, 2002

<http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/science/07/31/coolsc.wireless.cloud/index.html>

(7) Should you still wish to pursue on the creation of GUS/Cebu/Philippines, pls talk with appropriate persons at the Cebu Normal University, South Western University, etc. to form the consortium of the GUS/Cebu, and locate its secretariat university. I would suggest that it would be better at the federal university, since we plan to get the Japanese Official Development Assistance (ODA) fund which comes only through the government channels.

Pls follow my suggestions how to proceed on it, which was made for our Polish colleague in the Item (9) of the following;

(02/17/07) Possible creation of GUS/Poland
<http://tinyurl.com/28fhvv>

When you come up a brief (4 to 5 pages) concept paper, pls send its draft to me, so that we can work on it together, and subsequent fund raising, too.

Dear Regina:

(8) Many thanks for your msg (**ATTACHMENT II**).

I am very delighted to hear of your noble endeavor.

Incidentally, ABC TV News recently reported that a lady in India is now teaching American youngsters with web and videoconferencing via Internet. Home study is now becoming more common in America, and those youngsters studying at home often receive high marks than regular students who are studying at schools. Subsequently, those teachers like you who have good English capability can teach American students from their homes via Internet, thus earning extra money. My life-long dream is to promote such teaching — for the sake of global peace!! -- who is going to kill your teacher, anyway??

I would strongly suggest that you contact Pureza. I admire her that she is a very unique champion on e-learning and has achieved a strong foothold on it as starting with a small high school level e-learning and upgraded it to a college status in a very short period.

You may join in her project of creating GUS/Cebu.

You may also try to explore to get the Grass Root Fund of the Japanese government — which provides about US\$100,000 for K-12 education and NGO activities — see

Comparison of Application Form of Grass Root Fund of Japanese Government

<http://tinyurl.com/2lb958>

Pls feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

(9) Pls inform me your full snail mail address, phone/fax, web (if any) URL, etc., so that we will put you to an appropriate location in our main address book.

I took the liberty of admitting you into our list so that you will be kept updated with our daily progress. Pls enjoy reading it.

Best, Tak

ATTACHMENT I

From: pureza veloso <reza_7454@yahoo.com>
Date: Fri, 10 Nov 2006 11:21:42 -0800 (PST)
To: <utsumi@columbia.edu>
Subject: so depress

Dear Tak,

I am really very much depress for everybody in the secretariat wants you .

If only you feel what I am feeling now maybe you you change your decision.it is because I am so proud of you as the best person to talk about the topic.

We are all willing to orgainize ,if only you could come ,they all want to see you and discuss about GUS.

Again stil hoping for your coming ,no one has taken your place.. If ever we can refund your round trip ticket and your hotel accomodation here is always available.

Please .

Sincerely ,

Pureza

ATTACHMENT II

From: regina macarasig <rlm71466@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, 10 Mar 2007 23:26:04 -0800 (PST)

To: <utsumi@columbia.edu>

Subject: From the Philippines

Attention: Takeshi Utsumi, Ph.D., P.E.,

Good day Sir!

My name is Regina Macarasig of Cebu City in the Philippines. I have been a teacher for 18 years now and I have taught English here in the Philippines, in Japan and in Vietnam. For some years now it has been my dream to be able to start a unique school such as a distance learning institution or one which would offer an alternative learning style for the financially underprivleged but deserving youths and adults in my country.

I have made lots of researches and readings about it and came to know about you as I came across some articles online.

My concept is providing quality education to students who wish to finish their high school without going to a regular school. I believe you are know what I mean. There are existing insitutions offering similar services but I am thinking of providing free education for these students by requesting generous individuals or groups to act as benefactors (pay for their tuition and school fees).

I have made detailed project plan and proposal. I am very inspired to start. I have just finished a short teaching stint in Vietnam and I am back in the PHilippines now.

Please tell me what you think . I need your advice on this. I am looking for a partner who could provide with the finances to jumpstart this project. I know I can run a school like this and I am very optimistic, that ,with the proper guidance and the right people to advice me, this school will be an instrument to provide some of my people the needed break to get quality education.

Thank you for your time and I am praying for your response soon.

Respectfully yours,

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