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### **Request for Submissions: *Women and Politics***

*Women and Politics* invites submissions for its planned symposium issue on "Public Issues in the Maternal-Fetal Relationship," edited by Janna Merrick and Robert Blank. They are interested in receiving scholarly research manuscripts that focus on one of a growing array of topics such as coerced obstetrical intervention, prenatal testing, fetal protection policies, substance abuse by pregnant women, fetal research, and the notions of fetal rights, fetal harm, or duty of a pregnant woman for fetal health. All papers submitted will be referred through the journal's normal review process.

The deadline for submission of completed manuscripts is April 1, 1992. Interested authors are encouraged to submit an abstract or short outline to the editors by November 1, 1991.

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### **Call for Paper Proposals: International Organizations and Environmental Policy**

Paper proposals for a symposium on international organizations and environmental policy are solicited. Robert V. Bartlett, Priya Kurian, and Madhu Malik will serve as co-editors of *International Organizations and the Global Environment*, to be published by Macmillan Press under the auspices of the Policy Studies Organization. Some of the individual chapters may also appear, in a modified form, in a symposium issue of the *Policy Studies Journal* or the *Policy Studies Review*.

This symposium will focus on policy research on and evaluation of the role of international organizations in environmental policy. Contributions focusing on purely descriptive case studies, institutional descriptions, review essays, and historical recitations will not be appropriate.

The preliminary categories of topics are: theoretical perspectives on international organizations; empirical understandings of international organizations; problems faced by international organizations; and solutions with possible roles of international organizations. The list is not exhaustive, and other proposals that address the general themes are welcome.

The deadline for proposals is October 1, 1991. For further information regarding paper guidelines and submissions contact:

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### **Call for Paper Proposals: 1992 Conference on the 'New World Order': A Challenge to International Leadership**

The Association for the Advancement of Policy, Research and Development in the Third World invites proposals for papers for possible presentation at the 1992 Conference on the 'New World Order': A Challenge to International Leadership. The conference will be held November 15 - 20, 1992 at the Woodcliff Lake Hilton, New Jersey near Manhattan, New York City.

The conference will focus on United Nations' centered issues, third world geographical issues, and applied policy studies relating to the third world. Some of the topics to be addressed are: "New World Order - Will it last?"; world food agenda; global environmental agenda; third world economic development; aging, social welfare and development; and "Middle East - What Next?".

The deadline for paper proposals is November 15, 1991. For further information and paper guidelines contact:

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### **European Sociobiological Society**

The 14th meeting of the European Sociobiological Society will be held August 30 - September 1, 1991 in Liblice Castle, Czechoslovakia near Prague. The theme of this year's meeting will deal with the biology of morality. The European Sociobiological Society has the objective of serving as a forum for the study of the role of biological factors in the behavior of animals and human beings, with special emphasis on evolutionary influences.

All inquiries concerning the meeting should be directed to:

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### **Christianity and Democracy: Past Contributions and Future Challenges**

The Law and Religion Program at Emory University and the Center for Public Justice of Washington, D.C. will co-sponsor a major international conference on the Emory campus, November 14-17, 1991. The conference, entitled "Christianity and Democracy: Past Contributions and Future Challenges," will debate both the positive and negative influences of Christianity on democratic institutions throughout the world.

The conference will include keynote addresses by former U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers of the Netherlands, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa. Leading politicians, clerics, jurists, and academics from a variety of political positions and Christian persuasions will discuss the interaction of Christianity and democracy on an international scale.

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