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Inaugural Margaret Quass Lecture: 'Education and Citizenship: A 21st-Century Challenge'

LONDON, UK – 18 January 2007. The Council of Education in World Citizenship (CEWC; www.cewc.org), in partnership with the UK National Commission for UNESCO (www.unesco.org.uk) and Kingston University School of Education (www.kingston.ac.uk), is delighted to present the inaugural Margaret Quass Lecture, 'Education and Citizenship: a 21st Century Challenge' on 28th February 2007 at the National Liberal Club (1 Whitehall Court, London SW1A 2EL) from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

The lecture will be given by Christine Gilbert, CBE, Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Schools. Prior to her appointment as HMCI in October 2006, Gilbert was a teacher for 18 years and head teacher for eight.

The lecture has been made possible by the generous legacy of Margaret Quass, OBE, a former Director of CEWC. Quass was a major contributor to the field of education over many decades. Despite fighting cancer for a considerable length of time, she continued to campaign for causes close to her heart right up until the time of her death.

Lecture documents are will be available at
http://www.unesco.org.uk/Margaret_Quass_Lecture.htm.

To guarantee a place at the lecture, please contact Noura Moujahid on +44 (0)20 8941 6755 or at n.moujahid@kingston.ac.uk by 31 January 2007.

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Notes to Editors

- *The Council for Education in World Citizenship was founded in 1939 as an independent organisation dedicated to education for international understanding, for young people of all ages. Its mission is to develop and promote active citizenship involving students, teachers and other citizens in taking responsibility for our future.*
- *The UK National Commission for UNESCO (www.unesco.org.uk) is an independent body which works in partnership with both the Government and civil society in the UK, to provide the following: objective and professional advice for the Government on UNESCO-related matters, develop UK input to UNESCO policy-making, promote reforms within UNESCO, and encourage support in the UK for UNESCO's ideals and work.*
- *UNESCO (www.unesco.org) believes that education is key to social and economic development. UNESCO works for a sustainable world with just societies that value knowledge, promote a culture of peace, celebrate diversity and defend human rights, achieved by providing education for all.*
- *The mission of the UNESCO Education Sector is to: provide international leadership for creating learning societies with educational opportunities for all populations, and provide expertise and foster partnerships to strengthen national educational leadership and the capacity of countries to offer quality education for all.*

- The **School of Education at Kingston University** is rated among the top education departments in the country. The latest National Student Survey, which monitors satisfaction with university courses, have led to the School being rated the best in the United Kingdom for the quality of its BA(Hons) in Primary Teaching.
- To view the **Annual Report of HM Chief Inspector of Schools** (2005-6), please go to http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/shared/bsp/hi/pdfs/22_11_06_ofsted_report.pdf. To view recent news articles on the report, please go to <http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/education/6170848.stm>.