



**Message from Mrs Cousteau  
to the Participants of the International Round Table on**

**“Science for Peace: From Talk to Action”**

**Budapest, 9 November 2003**

I am very pleased to join you on the occasion of the Celebration of the World Science Day for Peace and Development and address this message to the participants to the International Round Table in Budapest on Science and Peace: From Talk to Action. As you know the mission of the Cousteau Society is educating people to understand, to love and to protect the water systems of the planet, marine and fresh water, for the well-being of future generations through our ship *Alcyone's* expeditions to the most sensitive regions of the planet. Our mission is a mission of peace through concrete actions.

More than ever we need peace, in particular in the Middle East region and there is no better time than now to work toward positive global change in the direction of sustainable and peaceful societies in such region.

On the occasion of the World Science Day for Peace and Development I have decided to send the ship *Alcyone* to the Red Sea to start its expedition, with a Dive for Peace.

With this symbolic Dive we would express once more our commitment for the scientific cooperation between scientists from this region.

I thank you for haven given me the opportunity to share with you a message of peace. We believe that. through the scientific cooperation, the dialogue and communication we can create the energy that makes peace happen in this strategic region of Middle East.. As citizens of the world, it is our responsibility to think and act for the betterment of humankind as well as our environment

Wishing every success to the Round Table and to your projects, I thank you for your attention.

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