## Chapter III

## Dissemination and Endorsement of the Earth Charter

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Following the launch of the Earth Charter in 2000, agreement was reached that the first goal of the Earth Charter Initiative should be "to promote the dissemination, endorsement, and implementation of the Earth Charter by civil society, business, and government." During the next two years, the Secretariat concentrated its efforts on widely sharing the Earth Charter and seeking endorsement from individuals and organizations in different fields.

First, the Earth Charter was widely circulated among the existing network of organizations and individuals that had participated in the consultation process and who were requested to help disseminate and seek endorsement. Volunteer Earth Charter Focal Points in 54 countries helped to disseminate it. A number of events were undertaken to raise awareness and support of the Earth Charter. Some of these events were organized by the Secretariat, in partnership with another organization, and others were organized independently from the Secretariat. On other occasions, the Earth Charter theme was added to the agenda of ongoing events. These events have generated support for the Charter. Sometimes, exposure to the Earth Charter at an event prompted others to share the Charter at subsequent meetings in other arenas as well.

## A) Translation and Brochure Dissemination

In order to have groups and individuals endorse and actually use the Earth Charter in different fields, people needed to read the Earth Charter. Accordingly, translating the Earth Charter in different languages was one of the first tasks that needed to be addressed. Thus the Earth Charter has been translated into 32 languages since its launch. This was of major importance to reach out to people in different regions of the world. Some focal points continue the effort of translating it in other local languages.

This also involved publishing Earth Charter brochures in different languages. Over 520,000 brochures in English have been published and nearly all distributed from the Vermont Earth Charter Office and Earth Charter USA. Originally, distribution of these brochures was done *gratis*. However considering the growing demand, since early 2004 Earth Charter USA office have been charging US\$0.10 per English brochure. The Secretariat produced and distributed approximately 33,000 brochures in Spanish, French and Portuguese and 10,000 in English. Downloadable versions of the Earth Charter in English, Spanish, and French are available for printing locally by groups and/or individuals.

In partnership with other organizations Earth Charter brochures were published in Danish, Nepali, Indonesian, Greenlandic, Hungarian, Japanese and other languages. Herewith are some examples of how this process was undertaken.

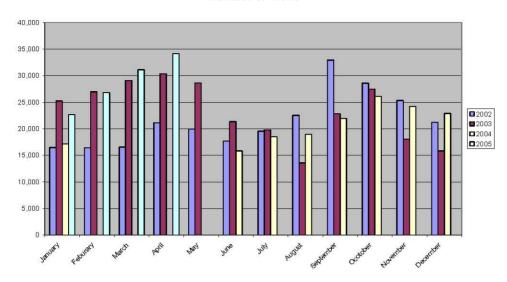
- Leonardo Boff, Earth Charter Commissioner, engaged the Brazilian Ministry of Environment, The Public Enterprise ITAIPU and the Centro de Defesa dos Direitos Humanos de Petropolis in a collaborative project to produce 1,500 Earth Charter videos, 25,000 booklets and 1000 posters for wide distribution with the purpose to promote the Earth Charter in Brazil.
- The Ministry of Environment of Mexico also enabled the Mexican Earth Charter Focal point to produce brochures locally and widely distribute them.
- Wakako Hironaka, Earth Charter Commissioner and Senator in Japan, engaged different groups to help produce an Earth Charter booklet in Japan, which has educational purposes.
- Erna Witoelar, Earth Charter Commissioner engaged local NGOs in Indonesia, such as Kehati, to help with the production of the Earth Charter Brochure in Indonesia. It was widely distributed in 2002.
- Princess Basma Bint Talal took the leadership to have the Earth Charter translated into Arabic and also to have brochures in Arabic produced and widely disseminated.
- Kamla Chowdhry helped in the process of translating the Earth Charter into Hindi.
- Henriette Rasmussen was instrumental in the process of having the Earth Charter translated into Danish and Greenlandic and its subsequent brochure printed.

## B) Website

Setting up websites in different languages was also necessary. The Secretariat undertook the task of setting up English, Spanish and French websites, benefiting from significant volunteer support, particularly in the French website.

The three Earth Charter sites managed by the Secretariat provide updated information on activities, speeches, essays or any other material produced that is based on the Earth Charter. The statistics for visitors to the Earth Charter website since 2002 track how many different visits (not hits, which would be a much higher number) were made to the website in a given month. The graphics below reveals a higher number of visitors to the site during and following the World Summit on Sustainable Development held in 2002, where the Earth Charter was in the global political limelight. The statistics also show that since June 2004, a year ago, the visits to the site have been steadily increasing; a positive trend that we believe reflects the Secretariat's efforts to regularly update the website and increase its user-friendliness. In the last two months for which the data are available, over 30,000 visits were recorded. It is important to note, however, that due to technical problems, data was not available for four months in 2004. These statistics only feature the visits to the Earth Charter website in English. Statistics for the Spanish and French sites are not available.

#### Earth Charter English Website Statistics Number of Visits



## Other Earth Charter websites

A number of Focal Points and Partner organizations have also made an effort to advance the task of promoting and disseminating the Earth Charter. In this context, the following twelve Earth Charter websites have been put in place by Focal Points or partner organizations.

Italy	http://www.cartadellaterra.it
New Zealand	http://www.earthcharter.org.nz
Norway	http://www.earthcharter-norge.com
Russia	http://www.earthcharter.ru
South Korea	http://www.z9.or.kr
Switzerland	http://www.erdcharta.ch
United States of America	http://www.earthcharterusa.org
ECh USA Community Initiatives	http://www.eccommunities.org
Philadelphia Earth Charter Citizens	http://www.earthchartercitizens.org
Earth Charter of Cowichan Valley	http://members.shaw.ca/earthcharter
Earth Charter Community Summits	http://www.earthchartersummits.org
Earth Charter Youth Group Sierra Leone	http://www.ecygsierraleone.8m.net

In addition, many partner organizations have a section on the Earth Charter in their website.

#### C) Endorsements

The following policy statement was adopted by the Secretariat as a guideline regarding the meaning and purpose of endorsement of the Earth Charter, and it is shared with all organizations and individuals considering endorsement.

Endorsement of the Earth Charter by individuals or organizations signifies a commitment to the spirit and aims of the document. It is an indication that they intend to utilize the Earth Charter in ways that are appropriate given their situation. For example, an organization might use the document to review its operations and modify its activities so that they better reflect the principles of the Earth Charter and it might integrate the Earth Charter into its educational programs. Endorsement also means a commitment to work for the implementation of the values and principles of the Earth Charter and a readiness to cooperate with others in this endeavor. There are many other ways that those who endorse the Earth Charter can help to advance the objectives of the Earth Charter Initiative.

To date the Earth Charter has been formally endorsed by 2,446 organizations.<sup>3</sup> Among these groups are national and international organizations, educational institutions, religious groups, and local governments. These organizations represent many millions of people and in some cases hundreds of organizations or local governments. For example, the 780 organizations that have endorsed the Earth Charter in the United States represent over 40 million people. The NGO Forum at the Millennium UN Summit, which endorsed the Earth Charter, represented over 1,000 NGOs and ICLEI, which endorsed the Earth Charter in 2000, represents over 350 cities and towns. Many organizations have drafted their own statements of endorsement and forwarded them to the Earth Charter Secretariat (examples are available on the Earth Charter website and below).

A system to allow organizations and individuals to endorse the Earth Charter on-line was set in place in 2001. A year later a new requirement was added to this endorsement process which was that the organizations were asked to also send a formal letter of endorsement to the Secretariat by e-mail or by fax. Only when such letters were received was the organization's endorsement actually processed and put on-line. A request was made for all organizations that had endorsed prior to this period to also send formal endorsement letters to confirm their decision.

The list of the organization endorsements is available on line and the Secretariat has options to search by country, region or category. Organizational endorsements are divided into the following categories: faith groups, NGOs, national government agencies, local governments, businesses, schools, universities and other organizations (when it was not possible to identify under which the organization should be classified). In the future, a new category will be added for transnational intergovernmental agencies.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Information taken from the Earth Charter website on 13 June 2005

• Businesses	207
• Faith Groups	223
• Local Governments	423
<ul> <li>National Government agencies</li> </ul>	12
• NGOs	1,241
• Schools	246
• Universities	92
Other Organizations	74

Separate chapters in this Report discuss Earth Charter initiatives with businesses, faith groups, educational institutions, and local governments. Regarding national governments, the endorsements have involved action by the following governmental agencies:

Ministry of Sustainable Development, Bolivia
Government of Costa Rica, President
Ministry of Environment, Costa Rica
Ministry of Environment, Ecuador
Ministry of Environment, Jordan
Ministry of Health/Health of Cairo Department, Egypt
Ministry of Youth, Egypt
Ministry of Environment, Honduras
Government of Mexico, President
Ministry of Environment, Mexico
Government of the Republic of Niger, Prime Minister
Parliament and Senate of Puerto Rico
Parliament of the Republic of Tatarstan, Russia
Parliament of the Republic of Kabardino-Balkaria, Russia
Parliament of the Republic of Kalmykia, Russia

It should also be noted that the endorsements under the category of "Universities" involve in some cases endorsements by particular groups within a university.

The list of individual endorsements, which includes over 12,000 names, is not available to the public.

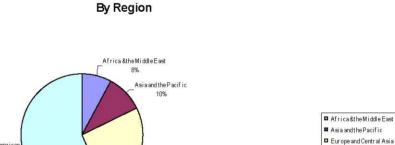
The possibility of being identified in the above categories for organizational endorsement was only set up in 2004, which means that classifying the significant number of endorsements that had already taken place had to be done manually by the Secretariat staff, and with minimal information about the organizations. This poses questions about the accuracy of the classification in categories of this endorsement list, which should be **seen as approximate information.** In addition, over the past years the server that holds this data has broken down twice, and although the information was recovered through back up files, this list probably contains a certain margin of inaccuracy. There is also a certain possibility

that in the case of an organization which endorsed the Earth Charter online, we did not receive the official letter of endorsement to confirm it, but their name may appear on line. This could quite possibly have happened through a computer error. The Secretariat would need a person to go through all the names and letters to check that. At this stage the Secretariat does not have the human resources necessary to do work.

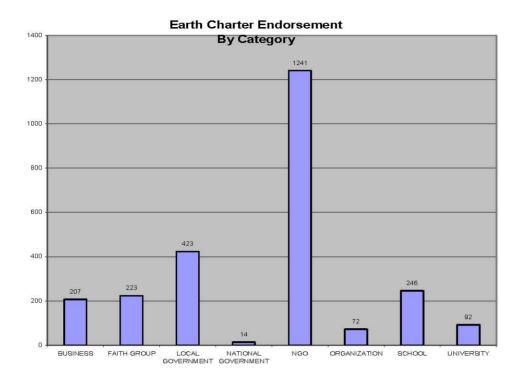
Another problem that most likely affected the list of endorsement is that over the past five years, The Earth Charter P.O. Box changed twice for different reasons. A significant number of brochures were issued between 2001 and 2003 with P.O. Box numbers that are no longer functional. These brochures were widely distributed, encouraging groups to send their endorsement letters. It is believed that significant correspondence was lost in this process.

Reports on organizational endorsements by region and by category can be seen in the following graphics. It is important to note that this is approximate information; a good number of the business organizations that have endorsed the Earth Charter are local and relatively small; national governments include Ministries, parliaments and some parties; in the case of the university category, it includes cases of a whole university as such and others are departments or the faculty of a university. A lot of work could be done to further organize and clarify this list, but it requires time and a person dedicated to that.

Earth Charter Endorsement



Europe and Central Asia



#### EXAMPLES OF EARTH CHARTER ENDORSEMENTS

Some examples of endorsements made by international organizations are the following:

- UNESCO General Conference held in October 2003 adopted a resolution endorsing the Earth Charter which states. "The General Conference....Resolves to:
  - 1. Recognize the Earth Charter as an important ethical framework for sustainable development, and acknowledge its ethical principles, its objectives and its contents, as an expression that coincides with the vision that UNESCO has with regard to their new Medium-Term Strategy for 2002-2007;
  - 2. Affirm our intention, as Member States, to utilize the Earth Charter as an educational instrument, particularly in the framework of the United Nations Decade for Education for Sustainable Development;
  - 3. Invite the UNESCO General Conference to analyze with the UNESCO Director-General how to reinforce, in a practical way, the vision and principles of the Earth Charter in UNESCO programmes.
- IUCN The World Conservation Congress at its 3<sup>rd</sup> Session in Bangkok, Thailand, 17-25 November 2004. The resolution approved by IUCN members states that the congress:

- 1. ENDORSES the *Earth Charter* as an inspirational expression of civil society's vision for building a just, sustainable and peaceful world;
- 2. RECOGNIZES, consistent with IUCN's mission, the *Earth Charter* as an ethical guide for IUCN policy and will work to implement its principles through the IUCN Intersessional Programme;
- 3. RECOMMENDS that the *Earth Charter* be used by IUCN to help advance education and dialogue on global interdependence, shared values, and ethical principles for sustainable ways of living; and
- 4. ENCOURAGES member organizations and states to examine the *Earth Charter* and to determine the role the *Earth Charter* can play as a policy guide within their own spheres of responsibility."
- The International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), the membership of which is made up of 350 cities, towns and counties around the world, formally endorsed the Earth Charter during its tenth anniversary World Congress in Wittenberg, Germany. The resolution adopted by ICLEI states: "We, the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives, endorse the Earth Charter. We commit our organization to the realization of its aims. We will seek to apply its principles in our programs, policies and other activities."
- The Millennium NGO Forum, which brought together over 1,000 NGOs for its meeting at the UN headquarters in late May, 2000, endorsed the Earth Charter in its final report and Declaration. In "We the Peoples Millennium Forum Declaration and Agenda for Action," the Forum "urges governments to endorse the Earth Charter in the UN General Assembly" and "urges civil society to adopt and disseminate the Earth Charter as a tool for promotion of values and actions which will create sustainable development."
- The Third Special Assembly of the Amazonian Parliament, which was held in Lima, Peru, passed a resolution in July 2000 endorsing the Earth Charter and supporting endorsement by the United Nations General Assembly.
- The Russian Association of the Indigenous Peoples of the North (RAIPON), which includes thirty-one indigenous peoples living in Siberia and the Russian Far East, formally endorsed the Earth Charter at its tenth anniversary meeting in the spring of 2000. In addition, the Inuit Circumpolar Conference, the Fenno-Scandinavian Saami Council, and the Danish Committee of Nature and Peoples of the North have joined RAIPON of Russia in pledging their full support of the Earth Charter. The support of these groups representing the inhabitants of the Arctic is especially significant since their representatives were concerned with the wording of certain principles in early drafts of the Charter. Their concerns, however, were addressed, and they are

now actively engaged in promoting the document.

- Green Cross International formally endorsed the Earth Charter at its June, 2000 annual meeting in Geneva, which included representatives from its twenty-six national committees.
- The Sierra Club (United States) Board of Directors at its May, 2000 meeting, approved the following resolution, which was later approved as well by The Sierra Club of Canada's National Board meeting on June 17, 2000: "The Sierra Club Board, acting upon the recommendation of the International Committee, endorses The Earth Charter, recently issued by the Earth Charter Commission and recommends that Club members and entities study its interdependent principles for a sustainable way of life as a common standard by which the conduct of all individuals, organizations, businesses, governments and transnational institutions is to be guided and assessed."
- The Council of the University for Peace, meeting in San José, Costa Rica, passed a resolution endorsing the Earth Charter, which reads: "The Council strongly endorses the aims and the content of the Earth Charter and urges the Rector, in the development of the UPeace program, to take these into account." (November 8, 2000) The University for Peace was created by the United Nations to serve as a center for research and education in support of world peace.

## D) Publications

Another critical mode of disseminating the Earth Charter is through the publication of books, articles, short pieces describing the Earth Charter and its relevance to various sectors. Chapter XI contains a selected bibliography of Earth Charter publications.

## Appendix I: Selected List of International Organizations Endorsing the Earth Charter

African Academy of Sciences\*

Club of Budapest

Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace (400 members)

Copernicus-Campus\*

Council of the Parliament of the World's Religions

Global Higher Education for Sustainability Partnership – GHESP\*

Global People's Assembly Service Council

International Association of Universities - IAU

International Baccalaureate Organization

International Community for Ecopsychology (ICE) & their 25 members in 6 countries

International Consortium on Religion and Ecology (ICORE)

International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI)

International Council for Science\*

International Human Rights and Immigration Counseling Center (IHRICC)

International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War

International Process Network, the

Inuit Circumpolar Conference

IUCN - The World Conservation Union

Keep It Real Discussion Forums

Leadership for Environment and Development (LEAD)

Millennium NGO Forum (a group of a 1000 NGO's)

North American Association of Environmental Education

Pax Christi International

Pax Romana ICMICA

Peaceways - Young General Assembly

Roman Catholic Religious Congregation the Society of the Devine Word

Science Council of Asia\*

Sisters of Earth - International Conference (more than 100 signatures)

Soka Gakkai International

States Council of Lassaira and New Albion

The International Council for Science

Third World Academy of Science\*

UNESCO - United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization\*

United Nations University\*

University for Peace

University Leaders for Sustainable Future

Women & Environment Development Organization - WEDO

World Federation of Engineering Organizations – WFEO\*

World Mind Society

World Resources Institute

WWF International

<sup>\*</sup> These organizations were all signatories of the Ubuntu Declaration on Education and Science and Technology for Sustainable Development issued at the World Summit on Sustainable Development issued at Johannesburg in 2002. Several of these organizations, including UNESCO, independently endorsed the Earth Charter.

# Appendix II: Endorsements by Cities and Towns

City of Ayaviri, Peru	City of al-Sultani, Jordan	City of Cala, Spain
City (District) of Lacaquiz, Peru	City of al-Wastiyyah, Jordan	City of Campotejar, Granada, Spain
City (District) of Mollepata-Anta, Peru	City of al-Zarka, Jordan	City of Candin, Spain
City (District) of Montero-Ayabaca-Piura, Peru	City of Andorra, Teruel, Spain	City of Casas de Juan Nuñez, Spain
City (District) of Pucyura-Anta-Cuzco, Peru	City of Andujar, Spain	City of Castejón de Sos, Huesca, Spain
City (District) of San Juan Bigote, Peru	City of Antella, Spain	City of Castrillo de la Vega, Burgos, Spain
City (Provincial) of Junín, Peru	City of Arcones, Segovia, Spain	City of Castrillo de Villavega, Spain
City (Provincial) of Tocache, Peru	City of Arcos de Jalón, Soria, Spain	City of Cayuela (Burgos), Spain
City Council of Burlington, United States	City of Arcos de la Llana (Burgos), Spain	City of Cedeira (A Coruña), Spain
City Council of Potchefstroom, South Africa	City of Åre, Sweden	City of Cendea de Galar, Spain
City di Sarzana, Italy	City of Arenys de Munt, Spain	City of Cervera del Llano, Spain
City Dieban al-Jadiddah, Jordan	City of Argamasilla de Alba, Spain	City of Chetilla-Cajamarca, Peru
City of al-Naseem, Jordan	City of Arroniz, Navarra, Spain	City of Chiloeches, Spain
City of Abedalah bin Rawaha, Jordan	City of Arteixo, Spain	City of Chingas, Peru
City of Acraquia, Peru	City of Atalaya del Cañavate, Spain	City of Chirivel, Spain
City of Aeen al-Basha al-Jadiddah, Jordan	City of Azanuy-Alins, Spain	City of Choropampa, Peru
City of Alajuela, Departmanento	City of Azuara, Zaragoza, Spain	City of Cifuentes, Guadalajara, Spain
de Gestión Ambiental, Costa Rica	City of Bab Amman, Jordan	City of Colungo, Huesca, Spain
City of Alarcon, Spain	City of Bailen, Spain	City of Cotahuasi, Peru
City of al-Arthah al-Jadiddah, Jordan	City of Bal'ama al-Jadiddah , Jordan	City of Dair al-Kahf al-Jadiddah, Jordan
City of al-Asha'ri, Jordan	City of Ballesteros de Calatrava, Spain	City of Deir Abu Saeed al-Jadiddah, Jordan
City of al-Augoon, Jordan	City of Bani Hamidah, Jordan	City of Delail, Jordan
City of al-Azraq, Jordan	City of Bani Hashim, Jordan	City of Deza, Soria, Spain
City of al-Basilyyah, Jordan	City of Baniarrés, Spain	City of Diesah, Jordan
City of Aldelwale del Lette Cicana Casin	City of Barcelona, Spain	City of Diputación Provincial, León, Spain
City of Aldeine Grands Spain	City of Bárcena de Campos (Palencia), Spain	City of Dir Allah al-Jadiddah, Jordan
City of Alafania Blatfora, Spain	City of Barco de Valdeorras, Spain	City of Dólar, Granada, Spain
City of Algímia D'Alfara, Spain	City of Bayubas de Abajo, Spain	City of El Fresno, Ávila, Spain
City of al-Halabat, Jordan	City of Bellingham, United States	City of El Padul, Granada, Spain
City of al-Hareth bin Ammer, Jordan	City of Beniarrés, Alicante, Spain	City of El Viso del Alcor, Sevilla, Spain
City of al-Hashemiyah al-Jaddidah, Jordan	City of Berco de Valdeorras, Orense, Spain	City of Els Poblets, Spain
City of al-Hizman, Jordan	City of Berja, Spain	City of Elvillar (Alava), Spain
City of al-Jineed, Jordan	City of Berkeley, United States	City of Estepar, Burgos, Spain
City of al-Jizah al-Jadiddah, Jordan	City of Bienvenida, Badajoz, Spain	City of Ezcaray (La Rioja), Spain
City of al-Karak, Jordan	City of Bierain al-Jadiddah, Jordan	City of Ezcaray, La Rioja, Spain
City of al-Ma'areed, Jordan	City of Blacos, Spain	City of Fabero (León), Spain
City of Almada, Portugal, Portugal	City of Bonrepós i Mirambell, Spain	City of Fariza, Spain
City of al-Muaqqar District, Jordan	City of Borja, Spain	City of Fermoselle, Spain
City of al-Qadissah, Jordan	City of Borox, Spain	City of Fontanosas, C. Real, Spain
City of al-Quairah, Jordan	City of Brmah, Jordan	City of Fuenmayor, Spain
City of al-Rwaished, Jordan	City of Brqash, Jordan	City of Fuentidueña de Tajo, Spain
City of al-Salihiya wa Naiefa , Jordan	City of Cabañas de Ebro, Zaragoza, Spain	City of Fuhais, Jordan
City of al-Shafah, Jordan	City of Cadalso de los Vidrios, Madrid, Spain	City of Gaucin, Spain
City of al-Shrrah , Jordan	City of Caiamarca, Peru	City of Gemuño. Ávila. Spain

City of Cajamarca, Peru

City of Gemuño, Ávila, Spain

City of Ghawr al-Safi wa al-Mazra'a, Jordan City of la Villa de Medellín, Spain City of Mut'a wa al-Mazar, Jordan City of Glasgow, United Kingdom City of La Villa de Riaza, Spain City of Na'oor al-Jadiddah, Jordan City of Goianésia, Goiás, Brazil City of la Villa de Santa Brigida, Spain City of Navaleno, Spain City of Navalvillar de Pela, Spain City of Goiania, Brazil City of Lácara, Badajoz, Spain City of Gorafe, Spain City of Langa de Duero, Soria, Spain City of Navas del Madroño (Cáceres), Spain City of Las Cabezas de San Juan, Sevilla, City of Gordoncillo, León, Spain City of Nepas, Spain Spain City of Granja de Torrehermosa, Spain City of Nis, Republic of Serbia, Yugoslavia City of Las Navas del Marqués, Ávila, Spain City of Great Ajloun, Jordan City of North Vancouver, Canada City of Laviana, Asturias, Spain City of Great al-Mafraq, Jordan City of Olvega, Spain City of León, Spain City of Great Irbid, Jordan City of Oslo, Norway City of L'Hospitalet, Spain City of Great Jerash, Jordan City of Palazuelo, Spain City of Llanera de Ranes, Spain City of Great Madaba, Jordan City of Palma del Río, Spain City of Loja, Spain City of Great Rimtha, Jordan City of Panton, Spain City of Loranca de Tajuña, Spain City of Great Salt, Jordan City of Pareja, Spain City of Los Cortijos, Spain City of Great Tafila, Jordan City of Pedralba, Spain City of Los Rábanos, Soria, Spain City of Pedro Bernardo, Ávila, Spain City of Griegos, Spain City of Loub wa Mlaih, Jordan City of Guadamur, Spain City of Peñarroya-Pueblo Nuevo, Spain City of Lugros, Spain City of Gudarrama, Madrid, Spain City of Peralta de Calasanz, Spain City of Ma'adi al-Jadiddah, Jordan City of Guisando, Spain City of Peranzanes, Spain City of Ma'an, Jordan City of Guissona, Lerida, Spain City of Piñar, Granada, Spain City of Mahes, Jordan City of Hasa, Jordan City of Pinoso, Spain City of Mala, Granada, Spain City of Heidelberg, Germany City of Polanco, Cantabria, Spain City of Manshiyat Bani Hassan, Jordan City of Higuera de Llerena, Badajoz, Spain City of Polopos-la Mamola, Granada, Spain City of Marj al-Hamam, Jordan City of Hontoria del Pinar (Burgos), Spain City of Poroy-Cuzco, Peru City of Mazar al-Jadiddah, Jordan City of Hortigüela (Burgos), Spain City of Pozoblanco, Spain City of Mazatlan, Mexico, Mexico City of Hosba'n al-Jadiddah, Jordan City of Princes al-Hussein bin Abudullah, Jordan City of Medellín, Spain City of Hosha al-Jadiddah, Jordan City of Puebla de don Fadrique, Spain City of Melbourne, Australia City of Huaynacotas, Peru City of Pueblonuevo de Guadiana, Badajoz, Spain City of Membrilla, Spain City of Huseiniya al-Jadiddah, Jordan City of Qatraneh, Jordan City of Middle Shouneh, Jordan City of Iel al-Jadiddah, Jordan City of Origrah wa Finan, Jordan City of Miguelturra, C. Real, Spain City of Igueña, Spain City of Quesada, Provincia de Jaén, Spain City of Miño de Medinaceli, Spain City of Irhab, Jordan City of Quiequeros, Peru City of Mo'aab al-Jadiddah, Jordan City of Irixo, Spain City of Quiroga, Spain City of Molinaseca, León, Spain City of Jalance, Valencia, Spain City of Rabano de Aliste, Spain City of Moncada, Spain City of José Domingo Choquehuanca, Peru City of Rabiet al-Koorah, Jordan City of Moncofa, Castellón, Spain City of Julcammarca (Huancavelica), Peru City of Renieblas, Spain City of Mondejar, Spain City of Jumilla, Spain City of Riaño, Spain City of Monfarracinos, Zamora, Spain City of Kafarat, Jordan City of Riaza, Segovia, Spain City of Monforte de Moyuela, Spain City of Khalediyah, Jordan City of Riga, Latvia City of Montalbán, Teruel, Spain City of Khalid bin al-Waleed, Jordan City of Riola, Spain City of Montemolin, Spain City of Kufranjah al-Jadiddah, Jordan City of Robleda, Spain City of Monterrubio de Armuña, Spain City of La Estrella, Toledo, Spain City of Ruecas, Badajoz, Spain City of Montilla, Spain City of La Frontera, Spain City of Russiefa, Jordan City of Montpelier, Vermont (State Capitol), United States City of La Hiruela, Madrid, Spain City of Sabha wa Dafiyyaneh, Jordan City of Morelia, Mexico City of La Losa, Spain City of Safawi, Jordan City of Morón de la Frontera, Sevilla, Spain

City of Mou'ath bin Jabal, Jordan

City of Muñani, Peru

City of La Orotava, Tenerife, Spain

City of la Rambla, Córdoba, Spain

City of La Vid y Barrios, Spain

City of Sahab, Jordan

City of Salobreña, Spain

City of Sahel Houran, Jordan

City of San Antón, Peru

City of San Bartolomé Lanzarote, Spain

City of San Jose, Costa Rica

City of San José del Valle, Spain

City of San Leonardo de Yague, Spain

City of San Ramón, Costa Rica

City of Sant Antoni de Portmany, Spain

City of Sant Quirze del Vallés, Spain

City of Santa Colomba de Curueño, Spain

City of Santa Eugenia del Arroyo, Soria, Spain

City of Santa Eulalia del Campo, Spain

City of Santa María de Huerta, Soria, Spain

City of Santa María del Mercadillo, Burgos, Spain City of Um al-Jemal, Jordan

City of Santa Marina del Rey, Spain

City of Santa Marina del Rey, Spain

City of Santa Marta, Badajoz, Spain

City of Santiago Millas, Spain

City of Santoña, Spain

City of Santovenia de Pisuerga, Spain

City of Santoyo, Palencia, Spain

City of Sarhan, Jordan

City of Sarou, Jordan

City of Sarou, Jordan

City of Segura de la Sierra, Spain

City of Sharhabeel bin Hasnah, Jordan

City of Shawbek al-Jadiddah, Jordan

City of Shihan, Jordan

City of Shwa'alh, Jordan

City of Siete Aguas, Spain

City of Siwameh, Jordan

City of Sobradiel, Spain

City of Sobrescobio, Spain

City of Solana de los Barros, Badajoz, Spain

City of Solorzano, Cantabria, Spain

City of Soria, Spain

City of Sunbilla, Spain

City of Tabigat Fahel, Jordan

City of Talal al-Jadiddah, Jordan

City of Talayuela, Spain

City of Taybeh al-Jadiddah, Jordan

City of Tazacorte, Tenerife, Spain

City of Tébar, Spain

City of Teulada, Spain

City of Tolox, Spain

City of Toro, Peru

City of Torre de Miguel Sesmero, Badajoz,

Spain

City of Torrecaballeros, Segovia, Spain

City of Torrellas, Spain

City of Torre-Pacheco, Murcia, Spain

City of Torrox, Spain

City of Totalan, Spain

City of Tudela de Duero, Spain

City of Um al-Rasas al-Jadiddah, Jordan

City of Um El-Basatien, Jordan

City of Um Elqotain wa Mykeftah, Jordan

City of Umachiri-Puno, Peru

City of Urbino, Italy

City of Urrea de Gaén, Spain

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City of Valdecaballeros, Badajoz, Spain

City of Valderrueda, León, Spain

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City of Valverde de la Vera, Spain

City of Vara de Rey, Spain

City of Vegacervera, Spain

City of Veganzones, Spain

City of Velamazan, Spain

City of Vellisca, Spain

City of Vilar de Barrio, Spain

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City of Vilches, Spain

City of Villa de la Orotava, Spain

City of Villa de Santa Brígida, Las Palmas,

Spain

City of Villa y Puerto de Tazacorte, Spain

City of Villadecanes, Spain

City of Villahan, Palencia, Spain

City of Villalba de la Sierra, Cuenca, Spain

City of Villalobos, Spain

City of Villanueva de Azoague, Spain

City of Villanueva Mesía, Spain

City of Villaobispo de Otero, Spain

City of Villariezo, Provincia de Burgos, Spain

City of Viñas de Aliste, Spain

City of Vinuesa, Spain

City of Wadi Araba, Jordan

City of West Irbid, Jordan

City of Yarmouk al-Jadiddah, Jordan

City of Za'tari wa al-Manshyya, Jordan

City of Zagra, Granada, Spain

City or Miguelturra, Spain

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Town of Granby, Vermont, United States

Town of Hinesburg, Vermont, United States

Town of Huntington, Vermont, United States

Town of Isle La Motte, Vermont, United States

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Town of Marlboro, Vermont, United States

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Town of Weybridge, Vermont, United States