## The Work of the Soong Ching Ling Foundation

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We are China Soong Ching Ling Foundation (CSCLF), a non-governmental organization (NGO). In memory of Soong Ching Ling, a great lady of the 20th Century, and the former Honorary President of the People's Republic of China, the foundation was founded after her name in May 1982.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1.</sup> Mr. Chen's extensive and fascinating power-point presentation is available on the Schiller Institute's New Paradigm website.

Our Objectives are Peace, Reunification, and Future: Peace—Promoting International Friendship and Safeguarding World Peace; Reunification—Developing Exchanges across the Taiwan Strait and Promoting Reunification of the Motherland; Future—Caring for the Future of the Nation and Developing Children's Work.

Our Missions are to carry forward the great thinking and spirit of Dr. Sun Yat-sen and Soong Ching Ling, and fully explore their academic and cultural values; to strengthen exchanges and cooperation with well-known

international institutions, charorganizations. itable friendly individuals; to make close contacts with the relatives and descendants of Dr. Sun Yat-sen and Soong Ching Ling, and unite with all patriots at home and abroad so as to widely attract talents and intellectual resources; to promote exchanges and cooperation with Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Macau at all levels in various fields; to develop welfare and charity projects so as to raise funds through various approaches, care for people's livelihood, help people in need, and build a harmonious society; to build more public service facilities beneficial to the development of children and welfare of women, and start some other related activities.

Peace is one of the three objectives of CSCLF. In the past 30 years, CSCLF, taking peace as the theme, and chil-

dren as messengers in the cross-cultural exchanges, has established friendly cooperation with over 30 countries across five continents. CSCLF has continuously kept regular mutual exchanges with over 10 countries and regions, for 20 years, through the Soong Ching Ling International Youth Camp in China, the Asia-Pacific Children's Convention in Fukuoka in Japan, the International Festival of Children's Art in Ukraine, and the Winnipeg Folk Festival in Canada, etc. By so doing, we have helped Chinese children to



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EIRNS/Chris Lewis *Chen Bo outlined the many activities* 

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around the world of the Soong Ching Ling Foundation.

learn about the world, and foreign kids to better understand China.

Since its founding, CSCLF has received tens of thousands of foreign friends, including heads of state, current and former politicians, ambassadors and their spouses, and world celebrities. In addition, CSCLF has also organized many delegations to visit the United States, Canada, Thailand, the Philippines, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Uzbekistan, Ukraine, Russia, France, Austria, and Italy for signing agreements, attending forums, and conducting friendly exchanges. All these

visits have produced good impacts.

For many years, CSCLF has conducted fruitful cooperation with UNDP, UNICEF, and WHO, and famous corporations, such as Coca-Cola, Starbucks, McDonalds, Nokia, Toyota, and BMW, etc., in the fields of culture, education, health, medical services, science, technology, and environmental protection. Such cooperation has effectively promoted the process of the internationalization of welfare and charity undertakings of CSCLF.