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FROM: Eleanor Mitchell, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Visit of American fine arts specialists to Soviet Union

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It may be of interest to you to know that a group of three Americans representing the fine arts field is planning to leave on April 20 to spend one month in the Soviet Union. They are going as U. S. Specialists sent by the Division of International Education of the U. S. Office of Education in collaboration with the Department of State under the East-West contract between the United States and the USSR.

The purpose of the visit is to participate as a study team in observing the arts education in the USSR. Members of the group are:

Dr. Mayo Bryce, Specialist, Education in the Arts  
Office of Education  
Department of Health, Education and Welfare  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dr. Ralph G. Bealke, Executive Secretary  
National Art Education Association  
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After their stay in the Soviet Union Dr. Bryce and Dr. Bealke plan to visit Warsaw, Helsinki, Stockholm and Oslo to continue their study of art education in those countries.

It occurs to us that you may be interested in asking suggestions of contacts made on your trip which might be of use to this group. If so, we suggest that you send them to Dr. Bryce as soon as possible.