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In Canada I have continued to file the monthly infomercials for distribution in our District. As well, these infomercials go to all Zonta Clubs across Canada.

I monitor Womenenews daily for news stories about women's issues around the globe. I also receive a monthly newsletter from the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives. This publication contains in-depth articles about various issues here in Canada.

In September I did two presentations at the D4 Conference. One was on Canada and CEDAW and the other was about Advocacy and PR. At the Conference the District Advocacy Project was voted in and will complement our Service Project which concerns the initiative 'Behind Closed Doors'. I am currently contacting local women's organizations to see how best we can do this in Canada as we don't have the same program.

On the Zonta cruise there were some casual discussions about Advocacy and projects being done by Clubs.

I will be attending the Area 2 Presidents' meeting on Saturday, Nov. 9th to answer questions re Advocacy.

Respectfully

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