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## Press release

### **More than 1,000 kids from 70 countries in France this summer to foster solidarity worldwide!**

Throughout August, Secours populaire français is setting up 16 “copain du Monde” summer camps all over France. Coming from 70 different countries where the organization is active worldwide, more than 1,000 kids will share a unique journey, representing an unprecedented spread of hosting capacities. During their stay, children will engage in intercultural exchanges through cultural activities, sports and creative workshops, so that the words solidarity and hope can be turned into actions.

- **Gravelines summer camp** – August 5<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>; with kids from Burkina Faso, Central African Republic, Greece, Lebanon, Peru, Ukraine... and 20 more countries represented! *Gravelines – 300 km from Paris*
- **Lechiagat summer camp** – August 9<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>, with kids from Benin, France, Haiti and Madagascar. *Lechiagat – 600 km from Paris*
- **Chailles summer camp** – August 10<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>, with kids from Benin, France, Laos, Kosovo, Morocco, Rwanda and South Africa. *Chailles – 200 km from Paris*
- **Echandelys summer camp** - August 10<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> with kids from China, France, Iraq, Morocco and Syria. *Echandelys – 470 km from Paris*
- **Xonrupt-Longemer summer camp** – August 16<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>, with kids from Haiti, Israel, Japan, Nepal and Philippines. *Xonrupt-Longemer – 450 km from Paris.*
- **And 11 other summer camps to discover!**

**Kids attending “copain du Monde” summer camps will all be coming to Paris on August, 19<sup>th</sup> for the highpoint event of the season: “Le Pari(s) des solidarités”! More than 70,000 kids and their families are expected on the Champ-de-Mars, by the Eiffel Tower, to celebrate an outstanding holiday experience, for the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the organization.**

Built on the idea that children have a key role to play in dealing with global issues, the “copain du Monde” movement focuses on The Convention on the Rights of the Child and its application worldwide. For kids to experience other cultures in a peaceful and safe environment, “copain du Monde” summer camps lead the way for children everywhere to become drivers and players in international solidarity, while encouraging the worldwide development of the movement.

\* Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Burkina-Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Egypt, Ethiopia, Germany, Greece, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kosovo, Laos, Lebanon, Madagascar, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Nepal, Netherlands, Niger, North Korea, Palestine, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Romania, Rwanda, Salvador, Senegal, Serbia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Syria, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United-Kingdom, Western Sahara ...

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