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Beijing 2008 Olympic Orchestra Participants:

We have just received some very exciting news! The Beijing Organizing Committee of the Olympic Games (BOCOG) Cultural Division has determined that the Beijing 2008 Olympic Orchestra will perform in Tiananmen Square as part of the China/International Olympic Committee Cultural Celebration at the Olympics.

***We are the first and only foreign group to ever gain permission to perform in Tiananmen Square.*** The invitation is much like that given to the "THREE TENORS" five years ago when they were the only foreign group given permission to perform in the Forbidden City. This is a great honor for us, and we have been given 50 – 60 minutes to perform.

Due to high security, only 2000 spectators are to be allowed in Tiananmen Square. However, security has accepted an increase to 3000 for our performance only to accommodate the extra media that will cover the event.

Entry into Tiananmen Square will be restricted to performers and a small number of staff only. Shadow participants and most chaperones will not be allowed on the Square for this event due to the strict security. However, we will try to arrange an area for everyone to view the event as it is televised. The event is primarily for international media and Chinese television.

This performance is part of a daily Chinese television show that runs from 7:00 – 9:00am leading up to the opening ceremonies of the Olympic Games. Our performance date is 3 August, 2008 at 8:00am. The Square is cleared and will reopen for visitors at 9:30am daily.

Besides being the only foreign group, we are the only non professional group allowed to perform during this Cultural Celebration of the Olympics and China.

We are making history at this event. This performance will be a treasured memory for all participants.

Sincerely,

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