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A Letter from Peter F. Drucker

Peter Drucker's note to the Foundation Board and staff provides us with renewed inspiration in this difficult time. We hope you see yourself -- as leaders from all three sectors -- and the role you can play in strengthening the social sector. It is this sector, Drucker has noted, that will "largely determine the values, the vision, the cohesion, and the performance of the 21st century society." [[Full quote](#)] -- Rob Johnston, President & CEO

September 18, 2001

To my Friends and Associates at the Drucker Foundation, New York City

Dear Friends:

Doris and I are most happy to learn from Frances that all of you are well and personally unscathed by this great tragedy. And I am sending all of you my most fervent wishes for a speedy and complete recovery from the emotional shock. Even out here -- 3000 miles away -- we haven't really recovered from it yet. And I am sure all of you realize that the mission and the work of the **Drucker Foundation** will only become more important in the months and years ahead. Till now the US had been the only major country free of terrorism - - Germany, France, Japan went through several decades of it; the UK and Spain still live with it every day. If the experience of these countries teaches anything it is **not** to abandon daily life and civil society -- that's exactly what the terrorist wants. It is, on the contrary to **strengthen** daily life and civil society and to re-affirm their basic values and fundamental decencies. **And that is after all, what the Drucker Foundation is all about.**

With affection and in warm friendship,

Peter F. Drucker
Claremont, California

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