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Dear

Once again, at this time of the year, our thoughts brings us back to the happy and warm memories of you and with these in mind we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

With Jacky's return from Tokyo, where he spent three years at the United Nations University, we are all extremely happy to have him back with us and we will try to adapt to living with him again!!!! Travel was our temporary solution to our living separately and so this is what the family did this year 1997.

Jody is now 18 years old and is on his final year of senior high school. He spent his two months summer vacation with Jacky in Tokyo where he studied Japanese language and also, enjoyed what Shibuya Downtown could offer him. He has become quite a computer wizard and even helped Jacky's friends at UNU/IAS.



Joel is 14 years old and is in Grade 8th. Last May, he was fortunate enough to represent Sweden as one of the 16 teenagers to attend the Youth Congress (Supercongresso '97 10-11 May) in Rome, Italy. He also spent his summer vacation in Los Angeles, California with his grandmother, uncles, aunties, cousins, and other relatives.

Agnes visited Tokyo in July and made a stopover in Manila, 12 years after her last visit in Philippines. She met some relatives and some very good friends whom she had not seen for 23 years !!! She is still suffering from her chronic neck and shoulder pains and is still undergoing physiotherapy

rehabilitation and recently, she has started Tai-chi and Qui-gong too. Early this year she resigned from her position from Karolinska Institute due to health problems. While in Japan, she had a memorable reunion with her former Prof. in Osaka University as well as a fantastic time with her former colleagues and friends from the same University. Jacky, Jody and Agnes also visited Nara, Matsumoto and its highland peaks.



Jacky was in Stockholm last October for a short visit. Although it was only for a week, the family had a happy time together.



At the moment we do not know what 1998 will bring us but, we are very thankful for all the time we can be together. Again, our warm wishes for a very Merry Christmas and may the coming year 1998 be as happy, healthy, and prosperous as we all wish it to be.

Our Love,

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