The 17th World Scout Jamboree was held during the summer of 1991 at the Mount Sorak National Park, located in the Province of Kangwon, Korea, 210 km from Seoul. Almost 20,000 participants, representing 135 countries and territories,

made it the largest representation in World Scout Jamboree history. The theme was: "Many Lands, One World". Scouts from Czechoslovakia and Hungary participated as members of the World Scout Movement for the first time since 1947. Contingents from places where Scouting was restarting or starting were also there: Bulgaria, Byelorussia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Russia, Ukraine and Yugoslavia. For the first time the

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Development Village featured

the programme. The Jamboree was visited by

Korean President Roh Taw-woo, H.M. the King of Sweden and H.R.H. Prince Moulay Rachid of Morocco.

1,407 Scouts and Leaders, including 50 Girl Guides, attended from the UK. Andrew Wellbeloved, a head teacher from St Albans was one of the two UK Deputy Contingent Leaders.

Hertfordshire sent one unit, named 'Hert and Seoul' consisting of 36 young people with 4 leaders -

During the jamboree, Dave Garton who was one of the Hertfordshire Unit leaders and a Venture Scout Leader in

Welwyn, met up with the sole representative of the Kingdom of Swaziland, Mongani Mamba, who was camping nearby. The friendship continued after the Jamboree by post and promises were made to meet up again when Hertfordshire's 130-strong 'Under African Skies' expedition was to set off for Southern Africa in 1997 (see past county expeditions). The other leaders were Tony Northcott, a Venture Scout Leader from St Albans, Peter Thorogood and Mike Turner (Unit leader).

After the closing of the Jamboree, the Hertfordshire Unit enjoyed home hospitality for several days in Japan.





HERTFORDSHIRE SCOUTS PREPARE TO DEPART TO 17th WORLD SCOUT JAMDOREE IN KOREA 1991

County Commissioner Paul Brenham seeing the Hertfordshire Unit on the steps of Hatfield House on their way to Korea in their official uniforms complete with Panama hats.