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STR DRUM

Violin I

Violin II

Vla

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Bas

THEY ARE NOT HEALTHY

THEY'RE SICK UNWELL

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STR DRUM

THEY ACHE AND WANT

THIRST
THEY HUNGER AND STARVE

VOC

STR DRUM

NO NEED
THEY HAVE NO MIRRORS FOR THAT

THEY WISH FOR MORE

VOC

STR DRUM

25

THEY NEED TO EAT

FOR STRENGTH TO SIMPLY LIVE

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THEY
YET MILLIONS HAVE NO HOPE

THEY SU - FFER

35

VOC

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THEY
AND THEN DIE

40

VOC

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TRUMPET

DRUMS

CRUSTAIN

VIOLIN

VIOLA

GIUITS

CLAS TIME

TRUMPET

DRUMS

VIOLIN

VIOLA

GIUITS

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TEACHER

WE HAVE SOME NEWS

VOCAL

DRUMS

PIANO

VIOLIN

VIOLA

GIUITS

RE-GAR-DING THIS

A PLAY OF NUMBERS

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ENZY

A GOOD OC-CASION

TO DO A BIT

VOCAL

ENZY

20 OF COUN-TING

CAL-CU-LATING

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NEWSCASTER
 (POVERTY)

(VIDEO)
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NEWSCASTER:

Hunger, overpopulation, poverty and despair were the topics on the minds of the world's leaders this week. The heads of 120 countries met in the capital for the International Conference on Poverty. This was the largest gathering of world leaders ever assembled. Conference organizers say 1.3 billion of the world's population currently live in absolute poverty. An even larger number do not have access to even the most basic health care. Very little is being done to change that. The goal of the conference? To allocate more money and resources for education, health and other human development programs in less developed areas.

Less than 2 kilometers away from the conference of kings, presidents and prime ministers, a forum of non-governmental organizations met to condemn government greed and indifference. The non-governmental delegates outnumbered the official ones by ten to one. By week's end, many promises and very few commitments or concrete proposals were made. The message was clear: the days of unconditional foreign aid are over. Poorer countries will have to turn to the wealthy in their own societies for assistance. As one disappointed guest remarked: "Any reform is far away, so the world gets summits".

The start of the week-long summit also set in motion a clock designed to track the number of children born into destitution during every minute of the summit. By week's end, the number well exceeded a half million babies. The digital display was turned off, but the clock ticks on.

