

Mayors for Peace News Flash (November 2008) No. 1

Dear Honorable Mayors of Mayors for Peace member cities,

Thank you for your ongoing support for the activities of Mayors for Peace.

Let us extend our heartfelt gratitude for your kind cooperation for filling out the Questionnaire for the 7th General Conference. In order to meet member cities' requests and suggestions to improve communications through the internet, as stated in the Questionnaire, the Mayors for Peace Secretariat would like to issue email news flash, aside from the conventional Mayors for Peace Newsletters issued twice a year. We hope this will be useful for your city's local activities for peace.

◆ **2020 Vision Campaign Association Board Meeting and other activities in Belgium, Germany and Luxembourg** (November 9 to 14, 2008)

The Meeting of the Board of Directors of the 2020 Vision Campaign Association was held in Ypres, Belgium. The president of Mayors for Peace also visited some member cities in Belgium, Germany and Luxembourg. He attended various meetings on peace in each city, met representatives of national governments and NGOs, and asked them for further support for the activities of Mayors for Peace, in promoting efforts to the abolition of nuclear weapons by the year 2020.

▼ For more information, please visit our website at:

http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/gallery/2020_2008.htm

◆ **Submission of some of the collected signatures for the petition "Cities Are Not Targets (CANT)" to the President of the UN General Assembly** (October 27, 2008)

President Akiba of Mayors for Peace visited UN Headquarters in New York, submitted some of the 370,221 collected signatures for the petition "Cities Are Not Targets (CANT)" to the President of the UN General Assembly. Since the CANT petition drive will continue, your continued support is deeply appreciated.

▼ For more information, please visit our website at:

http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/gallery/cant_un.htm

◆ **The Mayors for Peace Coordinator in North America won MacBride Peace Prize** (November 14, 2008)

Ms. Jaqueline Cabasso, who serves as our coordinator in North America, was awarded this year's Sean MacBride Peace Prize, given by the International Peace Bureau (IPB). The Prize was established in 1992, commemorating IPB's former chairman and president Mr. MacBride, the winner of the 1974 Nobel Peace Prize. The Prize are given to a person or organization that has done outstanding work for peace, disarmament and/or human rights.

▼ For more information, please visit our website at:

http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/topic/ipb-award_jacqueline_cabasso.htm

◆ **Mayors for Peace Member cities** (November 4, 2008)

Thanks to your valuable support, our member cities reached 2,468 in 133 countries and regions.

▼ For more information, please visit our website at:

<http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/topic/list/56.htm>

◆ **Cities Appeal in Support of the Hiroshima-Nagasaki Protocol** (As of November 11, 2008)

Owing to your sincere efforts, the number of cities that have signed on the Cities Appeal reached 404 cities around the world. If your city has not yet signed, we sincerely ask for your valuable endorsement, since support from more mayors will be necessary to allow the Protocol to be received at the 2010 NPT Review Conference. We deeply appreciate your kind support.

▼For more information, please visit our campaign website at:

[http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/pages/462/Most recent results on Cities Appeal in Support of the Hiroshima-Nagasaki Protocol](http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/pages/462/Most_recent_results_on_Cities_Appeal_in_Support_of_the_Hiroshima-Nagasaki_Protocol)

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