

## Mayors for Peace News Flash (June 2011) No.18

Dear member cities and supporters of Mayors for Peace,

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

Please find below news related to the most recent activities of Mayors for Peace.

If your city has any news it wishes to share with others, please feel free to contact us!

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### ■US Conference of Mayors Adopts Resolution in Support of 2020 Vision

[Baltimore, US, June 20]

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A resolution sponsored by US members of Mayors for Peace has been adopted at the 79th US Conference of Mayors annual meeting. Prior to adoption, it was endorsed by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, the first UN chief to address the USCM. The resolution supports the Secretary-General's Five Point Plan for Nuclear Disarmament and Nonproliferation; calls for the US nuclear arms budget to be slashed; and pledges USCM support for the 5000-members goals.

▼ Related Story (2020 Vision Campaign website):

<http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/en/home/artikel/9e8ece2ce4/-01754cd90e.html>.

▼ Full text of the resolution (PDF):

<http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/2011/USCM2011resolution.pdf>.

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### ■Network Objective: 5000 Member Cities by August 6th!

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Question: Is it possible to push Mayors for Peace membership over the 5,000 threshold by August 6th? The answer from the 2020 Vision Campaign Board of Directors June 9th meeting: YES! A major motivation is the desire to provide media coverage of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki commemoration with an additional news hook. The message to the world will be "Cities Are Not Targets! Abolish Nuclear Weapons!" Please join us in inviting your neighboring mayors who are not yet our members.

▼ Full article (2020 Vision Campaign website):

<http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/en/home/artikel/89747f8d47/network-objective-5000-cities-by-au-1.html>.

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### ■The First Brazilian Mayors for Peace Newsletter published with National Front of Mayors (FNP) and Brazilian Association of Municipalities (ABM) [Brasilia, Brazil, June 16]

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Mayors for Peace published the first newsletter for Brazil aiming to bring its activities and information closer to Brazilian Mayors. The publication was produced with the FNP (Frente Nacional de Prefeitos) and ABM (Associação Brasileira de Municípios), two major associations of local governments in Brazil. The first publication reports the developments achieved so far in Brazil, as well as other relevant events about the international network.

▼ Full article (2020 Vision Campaign website):

<http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/en/home/news/artikel/72e7601ffe/first-brazilian-mfp-newsletter-publi.html>.

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### ■ The Financial Contributions from Member Cities to the 2020 Vision Campaign - Update for May 2011 [Ypres, Belgium]

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The 2020 Vision Campaign received donations from 14 cities in 5 countries this May, coming to a total of € 2.801,32. We would like to extend our gratitude to our member cities for this generosity in supporting our efforts to realize a nuclear-weapon-free world by 2020.

▼ Full article (2020 Vision Campaign website):

<http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/en/members/contributors/artikel/4880b02644/contributions-update-may-2011.html>.

▼ List of cities that made contributions in May:

[http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/fileadmin/user\\_upload/2020VC/About\\_us/Contributions\\_May\\_2011.pdf](http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/fileadmin/user_upload/2020VC/About_us/Contributions_May_2011.pdf).

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**■ Mayor of Nagasaki Attends the 1st Gautam Buddha International Peace Award Ceremony**  
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On May 17, Mayor Taue of Nagasaki attended the 1st Gautam Buddha International Peace Award Ceremony in Lumbini, Nepal. His report on his trip to Nepal including information on the Atomic Bomb Photo Panel Exhibition is now available on our website.

▼ Full article:

[http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/topic/2011/nagasaki\\_report\\_buddha\\_peace\\_award.html](http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/topic/2011/nagasaki_report_buddha_peace_award.html).

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**■ Mayors for Peace Member Cities – 28 new cities**  
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Thanks to your invaluable support, as of June 1, 2011, the number of member cities reached 4,732 in 150 countries and regions. As a result of promotion on the occasion of a National Meeting of the Federación de Municipios Libres de Perú (FEMULP) in May, 18 cities from Peru joined Mayors for Peace. As our recruitment drive will continue, we would be most grateful if you could invite your fellow mayors, who are not yet our members, to join us.

[Correction] the number of new members from Brazil which appeared in the last issue was wrong. The actual number was 5, not 34. Please accept our apology for the mistake.

▼ Related information (PDF):

[http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/2011/newmembers1106\\_en.pdf](http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/2011/newmembers1106_en.pdf).

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**■ Cities Are Not Targets! (CANT) Petition Drive Continues**  
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Thanks to your invaluable support, the total number of the signatures collected for our grass-roots petition drive, “Cities Are Not Targets! (CANT)”, since February 2007 has reached 1.1 million. Mayors for Peace launched a new version of the CANT petition drive last December, focusing on a nuclear weapons convention and clearly setting a time framework for abolition of nuclear weapons by 2020. We would appreciate your continued support.

▼ Petition form (PDF):

[http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/petitionform\\_en.pdf](http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/petitionform_en.pdf).

▼ Online petition:

<https://www.ssl-hiroins.city.hiroshima.jp/pcf/en/form.htm>.

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**■ Please share your information on “Member Cities’ Activities” Webpage**  
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Information from member cities is available on the webpage “Member Cities’ Activities” on the Mayors for Peace website. Information from Reykjavik (Iceland), Nishinomiya (Japan, link to Japanese page) and Manchester (U.K.) is now available. If you wish to introduce the peace related activities of your city, we can create a link to your city’s website or the website of the peace event. Please send the name/title of the activity along with the link to the address below.

▼ Email: [mayorcon@pcf.city.hiroshima.jp](mailto:mayorcon@pcf.city.hiroshima.jp)

▼ To see the “Member Cities’ Activities” webpage, click the link below:

<http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/membercity/activities/index.html>.

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