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Dear Mayors for Peace Member Cities,

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 other member cities, please feel free to contact us!

Visiting Nicaragua and the 78th Winter Meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors

(January 2010)

The president of Mayors for Peace visited Nicaragua, where the number of member cities has rapidly increased and met with President Ortega of Nicaragua. It was announced that all Nicaraguan municipalities would soon join Mayors for Peace. He also attended the 78th Winter Meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM) in Washington DC. The USCM has adopted five resolutions supporting our initiatives. At the meeting, Mayor Akiba called for the joint efforts of cities toward the success of the NPT Review Conference to achieve a world without nuclear weapons. He visited the White House and invited U.S. President Obama to Hiroshima.

▼For more information, please visit our website at: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/gallery/nicaragua_uscm.html</u>.

<*>Participation in the 4th Nagasaki Global Citizens' Assembly for the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons (February 2010)

The 4th Nagasaki Global Citizens' Assembly for the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons was held in Nagasaki City from February 6th to 8th. Mayors for Peace held a booth for promoting our activities.

▼ "Nagasaki Appeal 2010" adopted at the Assembly can be downloaded from their website at: <u>http://www.ngo-nagasaki.org/appeal_e.pdf</u>.

▼For inquiries about the Assembly, please contact the Secretariat in Nagasaki. E-mail: <u>global nagasaki@yahoo.co.jp</u>

<*> ICNND Report – Civil Society Response -The pace is too slow. Implementation must be accelerated. (December 2009)

NGO representatives, including the mayors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, announced a joint statement on the report compiled by the International Commission on Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament (ICNND).

- ▼NGO Joint Statement on the ICNND Report is available at: <u>http://icnndngojapan.files.wordpress.com/2009/12/20091215_ngo_statement_en1.pdf</u>.
- ▼ The ICNND Report is available at: <u>http://www.icnnd.org/reference/reports/ent/index.html</u>.

Seneral Outline of Mayors for Peace in 10 languages is now available

Aside from the existing English and Japanese document pack, we have prepared a 4-page packet of the General Outline of Mayors for Peace in 8 languages! Each packet is PDF file of 700 to 1700KB, including a 2-page general outline, cover letter and registration form, to be updated every month. Please utilize it to spread information about Mayors for Peace in your region and/or to invite your sister/friendship cities.

▼General Outline in each language is available at the following pages. Chinese: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/otherlanguages/chinese.pdf</u> French: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/otherlanguages/french.pdf</u> German: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/otherlanguages/german.pdf</u> Italian: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/otherlanguages/italian.pdf</u> Korean: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/otherlanguages/korean.pdf</u> Portuguese: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/otherlanguages/portuguese.pdf</u>

Russian: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/otherlanguages/russian.pdf</u> Spanish: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/otherlanguages/spanish.pdf</u> English (2pages): <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/mayorsforpeace2020_en.pdf</u> Japanese (2pages): <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/mayorsforpeace2020_ipn.pdf</u>

***>Mayors for Peace Member Cities** (February 1, 2010)

Thanks to your valuable support, our member cities have now reached 3,562 in 134 countries and regions. The number of our members exceeded 3,500 this month and we are aiming to achieve 5,000 by the NPT Review Conference in May 2010. We would be most grateful if you could invite your fellow mayors, who are not yet our members, to join Mayors for Peace.

 \bullet For more information, please visit our website at:

http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/membercity/map.html.

******Cities Appeal in Support of the Hiroshima-Nagasaki Protocol (As of February 23, 2010)

Owing to your sincere efforts, the number of cities that have signed the Cities Appeal has reached 1,209 cities around the world. If your city has not yet signed, we sincerely ask for your 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.

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