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Dear Mayors for Peace Member Cities,

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## Supports Nuclear Weapon Free World by 2020 [Mexico City, November 20, 2010]

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The final declaration of the Third World Congress of United Cities and Local Governments unanimously expresses its "support for the call of the Mayors for Peace Campaign for a world free of nuclear weapons by 2020 through a new international Convention." The global threat of nuclear weapons received increased attention from the participants. Among the over 3,000 participants, Mayors for Peace representatives participated in the World Congress and held a meeting about the protection of cities from the scourge of war and weapons of mass destruction as a side event. Mayors for Peace also announced a significant break-through in the host country during a signing ceremony of an agreement of cooperation between Mayors for Peace and the Association of Local Authorities of Mexico (AALMAC). ▼For more information, please visit 2020 Vision Campaign website at:

http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/pages/559/.

▼ The full text of the UCLG Recommendations are available at: <u>http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/data/pdf/2010/101120UCLG\_Summit\_recommendations\_adopted\_M</u> <u>exico.pdf</u>.

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<\*> Nuclear Free Local Authorities 30th Anniversary & Mayors for Peace 2020 Vision Campaign Association Board Meeting [Manchester, November 10, 2010]

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The official commemorations for the 30th anniversary of the Nuclear Free Local Authorities (NFLA) began in the People's History Museum in Manchester. The Museum is hosting the exhibition 'Hiroshima and Nagasaki Atomic Bombings – 65 Years On', which has been donated by the Mayor of Nagasaki. It was held from November 4 to 28, 2010 and was officially opened by Mayor Taue of Nagasaki along with representatives of Manchester. In conjunction with this opportunity, a Mayors for Peace 2020 Vision Campaign Association Board Meeting was held on November 5, chaired by the Mayor of Ypres (Belgium). Aside from Ypres, representatives from Manchester (UK), Hannover (Germany), Malakoff (France), Granollers (Spain), Halabja (Iraq), Glasgow (UK), Frogn (Norway) and Nagasaki (Japan), along with Mayors for Peace international staff attended the board meeting. ▼Official report from Manchester City is available on the NFLA website at:

http://www.nuclearpolicy.info/docs/recent events/NFLA 30th anniversary report.pdf.

▼ Report from Nagasaki City by Mayor Taue is available on our website (Japanese only): http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/jp/membercity/activities/Nagasaki November2010.htm.

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**The Brazilian Association of Municipalities (ABM) Signs Agreement with Mayors for Peace** [Campinas, November 11, 2010]

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Mayors for Peace signed an agreement with the Brazilian Association of Municipalities (Associação

Brasileira de Municípios: ABM) during a ceremony in Campinas (Sao Paulo), Brazil. With the agreement, ABM openly declares its support for the Mayors for Peace 2020 Vision Campaign to eliminate all nuclear weapons by the year 2020, and calls upon all mayors from Brazil to formally join Mayors for Peace. As a concrete manifestation of said support, ABM will encourage local governments from Brazil to make symbolic financial contributions to the global campaign in solidarity with the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

▼ For more information, please visit 2020Vision Campaign website at: http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/pages/558/.

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President of Mayors for Peace visited Buenos Aires and Mar del Plata, Argentina

From October 11 to 18, Mayor Akiba visited Buenos Aires and Mar del Plata, Argentina and worked to galvanize international public opinion to eliminate nuclear weapons by calling for understanding and cooperation with Mayors for Peace and 2020 Vision Campaign by attending events related to "Latin American Municipalism Week" and the "AFS World Peace Forum". He also met with government leaders including the chief of cabinet and the foreign minister of Argentina. His visit resulted in a large membership increase of 54 cities in nine countries and regions in Latin America this month, including 22 cities from Argentina.

▼ For more information, please visit our website at: http://www.mayorsforpeace.org/english/gallery/2010argentina.html.

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Thanks to your invaluable support, as of November 1, the number of member cities reached 4,301 in 149 countries and regions. New member cities from Armenia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Iceland, and Puerto Rico 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 Mayors for Peace.

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

▼ Related story is available on the 2020Vision Campaign website at: http://www.2020visioncampaign.org/pages/557/.

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