



Bogota Peace Declaration June 4th 2015

CONSIDERING the ongoing armed conflict, which started in Colombia more than 50 years ago, and which has already made over 220,000 deadly victims and has affected another 5 million victims,

I HEREBY SUPPORT AND URGE the parties taking part in the Havana Peace negotiations to conclude a peace agreement to put an end to the armed conflict in Colombia.

AND FURTHERMORE CONSIDERING the United Nations 2013 Global Study on Homicide declaring Latin America one of the world's most violent region.

CONSIDERING that the United Nations Charter's Article 26, asks for the establishment of a system for the regulation of armaments with the objective of granting the least deviation possible of human resources and economic resources away from global needs; and considering that military expenses increased to USD \$1.75 trillion in 2013;

CONSIDERING that nuclear weapons, together with climate change, are the most significant challenges that humanity faces today; a deep concern is expressed in regards to the existence of over 16,000 nuclear warheads from which half are ready for immediate use;

URGE our national governments to recognize that disarmament and a culture for peace and non-violence are conditions towards sustainable development; and to coordinate a global plan for disarmament with the goal of achieving the commitments of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs); and the necessary funding to satisfy the urgent needs of the local governments and its citizens.

Latin American cities live common problems such as unemployment, poverty, violence, phenomena of migration and proliferation of weapons, among others. These and other phenomena that encourage the use of violence must be addressed comprehensively by national and /or local governments.

I hereby express my city/municipality's support for the above "Bogota Peace Declaration" and desire to join Mayors for Peace.

Mayor's Signature: _____

Mayor's name: _____

Name of your city/municipality: _____

Name of your country: _____

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