

Guidelines for the Handling of Mayors for Peace Membership Fees

(Purpose)

Article 1

These Guidelines shall prescribe requirements for handling the Mayors for Peace membership fees ("Fee").

(Fee Payment)

Article 2

1. Mayors for Peace Member Cities ("Member Cities") shall each pay a Fee of 2,000 yen every year (or, in the case of payment in any other currency, an amount converted at the exchange rate between that currency and yen as of the date of payment).
2. The Member City shall pay the Fee by the designated date. In this case, the Member City may pay the Fee through a Mayors for Peace Lead City ("Lead City") or the association which operates the member city's regional chapter.
3. Notwithstanding the preceding two paragraphs, the President may exempt the Member City from Fee payment if the President finds any of the following:
 - (1) It is necessary to allocate funds to activities of Mayors for Peace regional groups;
 - (2) The charge for remittance to the Mayors for Peace Secretariat is excessively higher than the Fee and the electronic settlement system for Fee payment is out of service.
 - (3) There are any other circumstances deemed by the President to be particularly considerable.
4. Notwithstanding paragraphs 1 and 2, the President may, through consultation with Lead City or the association exempt from Fee payment Member Cities that make monetary contribution or equivalent to other local government organizations promoting action toward total elimination of nuclear weapons.
5. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, Member Cities may, at their independent discretion, pay a Fee of more than 2,000 yen.
6. The President shall have no power to expel from Mayors for Peace any Member City that fails to pay the Fee.
7. The President shall not refund any Fee once paid.

(Appropriation of Fees)

Article 3

Fees paid shall be appropriated on a priority basis as funds for expansion of new and existing projects advocated for in the Mayors for Peace Action Plan (2021–2025). If a surplus is expected to occur, Fees shall also be appropriated for conventional Mayors for Peace operating costs.

(Authorization Provision)

Article 4

The President shall be authorized to establish requirements for handling Fees other than as provided for in these Guidelines.

Supplementary Provision

These Guidelines shall take effect on April 1, 2015.

Supplementary Provision

These Guidelines shall take effect on September 1, 2017.

Supplementary Provision

These Guidelines shall take effect on August 1, 2021.