



Interfaith Leaders Reiterate Commitment to Peace

We, representatives of different faiths, appreciate the religious freedom, meet in the Kingdom of Bahrain for an interfaith dialogue.

Encouraged by the global awareness and firm rejection of all acts of violence made in the name of religion, we renew our determination to put all efforts to curb all forms of incitement to hatred, terrorism and the violation of the right to life.

United by our collective belief in the dignity of the human person, and the pursuit of peace, we renew our appeal to all religious leaders to promote tolerance and respect within their own faiths, and towards others.

Dedicated to interfaith dialogue, we commit to promote the culture of peace, mutual understanding, speak out against violent extremism, sectarianism, exclusion and segregation.

We reiterate our strong commitment to serve as one the cause of peace by reinforcing our solidarity and to further promote inter-religious dialogue.

We renew our attachment to the freedom of speech, freedom of the press and the freedom of expression, while encouraging the respect of cultural and religious distinctions.

We further emphasize the importance of value based education as a vital tool for promoting and maintaining peace;

We call on all educational and cultural institutions to promote the values of peace, dialogue, dignity, and diversity.

We encourage the involvement of women and youth in such dialogues and in peace processes.

We believe that interfaith dialogue contributes to cooperation across cultures and regions and therefore reduces the risks of conflict.

We reiterate our rejection of attempts to instrumentalize religion to foment conflict and call on all faith leaders to act accordingly in words and deeds.

No single cause deserves one single drop of blood.

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