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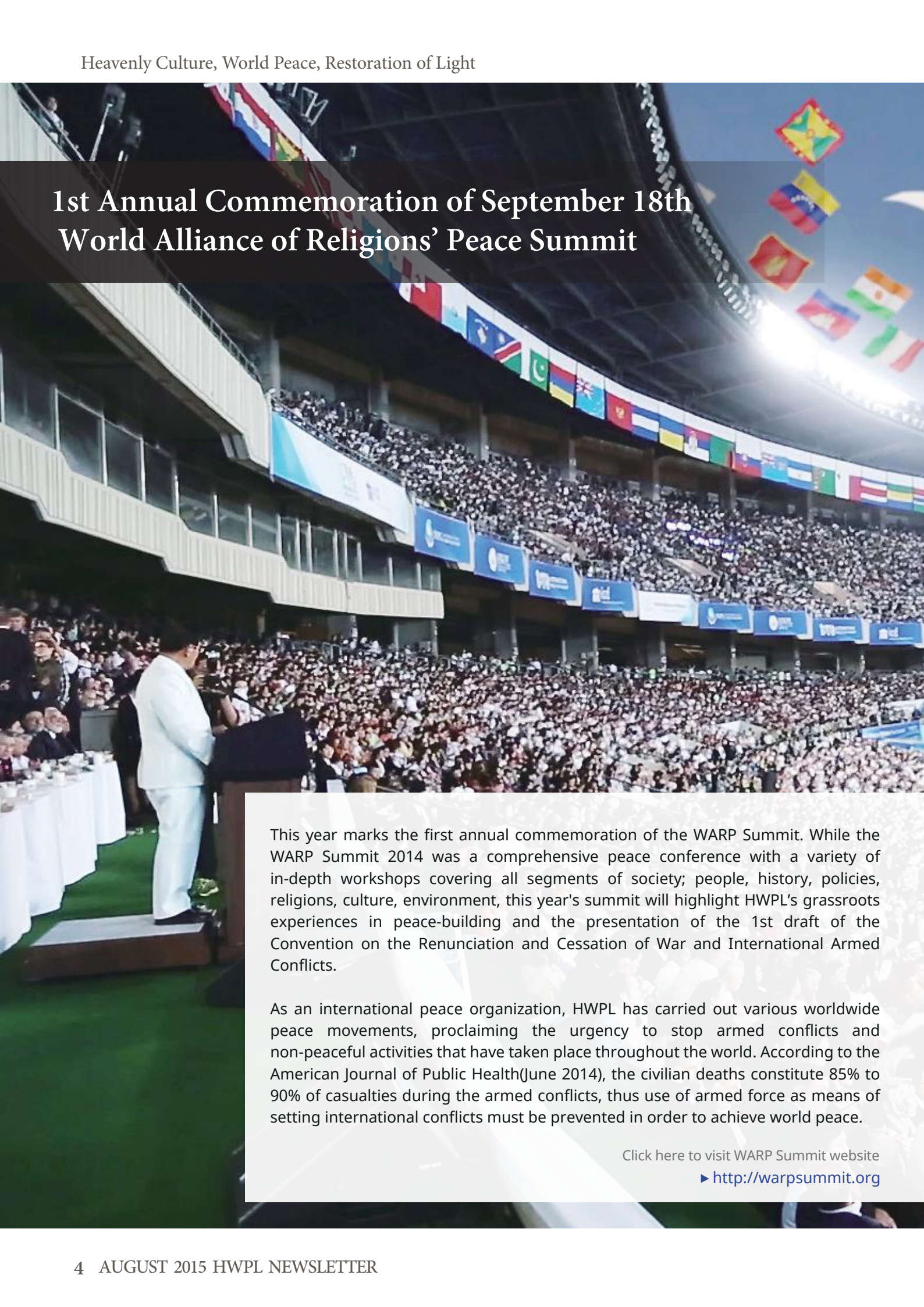
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1st Annual Commemoration of September 18th World Alliance of Religions' Peace Summit



This year marks the first annual commemoration of the WARP Summit. While the WARP Summit 2014 was a comprehensive peace conference with a variety of in-depth workshops covering all segments of society; people, history, policies, religions, culture, environment, this year's summit will highlight HWPL's grassroots experiences in peace-building and the presentation of the 1st draft of the Convention on the Renunciation and Cessation of War and International Armed Conflicts.

As an international peace organization, HWPL has carried out various worldwide peace movements, proclaiming the urgency to stop armed conflicts and non-peaceful activities that have taken place throughout the world. According to the American Journal of Public Health (June 2014), the civilian deaths constitute 85% to 90% of casualties during the armed conflicts, thus use of armed force as means of setting international conflicts must be prevented in order to achieve world peace.

Click here to visit WARP Summit website
▶ <http://warpsummit.org>



To that end, at the 1st Annual Commemoration of the WARP Summit, HWPL aims to present the 1st draft of the Convention on the Renunciation and Cessation of War and International Armed Conflicts, prepared by HWPL Peace Advisory Council. Through presenting such convention, HWPL hopes to strengthen its awareness and discuss the way forward.

Moreover, through initiating the worldwide campaign to support the articles, HWPL hopes to strengthen social cohesion, solidarity, and peace in the world, actively playing the role of non-governmental peace organization to represent civil society. This is in line with the Declaration of World Peace¹, a milestone in the history of world peace.

The 1st Annual Commemoration of the WARP Summit will make huge strides and bring the new wave of peace.

¹ The Declaration of World Peace presented by Chairman Man Hee Lee of HWPL at the International Peace Youth Group Walk Festival on May 25th 2013

Click here to read the Declaration of World Peace
▶ http://issuu.com/hwpl/docs/declaration_of_world_peace

Introduction of the Host Organization

I Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light



HWPL

Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL) has been working to put an end to all armed conflicts and to bring world peace. Along with the International Peace Youth Group (IPYG, 488 branches in 96 countries as of August 15, 2015) and the International Women's Peace Group (IWPG, 173 branches in 35 countries as of August 17, 2015), HWPL is taking the lead in creating world peace by launching a worldwide movement that transcends nationality, race, religion, and culture and by resolving various disputes and conflicts of the world.

Taking notice of HWPL's matchless performance and ability in creating peace, former and current heads of state are supporting its activities as the members of HWPL's Peace Advisory Council. Also, religious and social leaders of various countries have cooperated and became members of the organization.

I Chairman Man Hee Lee



Man Hee Lee,

Chairman of Heavenly Culture,
World Peace, Restoration of Light

Mr. Man Hee Lee, the founder and chairman of HWPL, is a veteran of the Korean War. Having witnessed countless deaths of his peers and experienced the pain of a divided nation, Chairman Lee resolved to devote his life to achieving peace. Since then, he has been promoting a worldwide movement for peace not just for one nation, but for the whole world.

In 2010, Chairman Lee proclaimed the Declaration of Unification in hopes of putting an end to all wars and bringing unification to his home country. As a messenger of peace who awakens peace in humanity, Chairman Lee has been delivering the message to end all armed conflicts and to achieve world peace.

Leading practical peace movements, in particular, his solution to make peace a reality to establish an article on convention on the renunciation and cessation of war and international armed conflicts has been acknowledged internationally and received many positive responses.

I The spirit of motherhood protects the future generations



Nam Hee Kim,

Chairwoman of the International
Women's Peace Group (IWPG)

The International Women's Peace Group (IWPG) is a peace group catering to the women of the world. The noble and selfless spirit of motherhood is one of the most powerful forces governing our human existence, and IWPG sees it as a means to achieving peace, being able to protect all the children of humanity. IWPG was founded to protect the precious human lives with a mother's love and to pass down a world of peace to future generations.

Ms. Nam Hee Kim, the chairwoman of IWPG, has served as a leader figure in one of the most active civilian volunteer organizations in the world, and has shown herself to be the role model and mentor for women all over the world.

Currently, IWPG is working together with woman leaders throughout the world, as well as 173 branches and partner groups overseas, to actively support women's peace activities including various volunteer services, academic education, and cultural and artistic exchanges.

I Youth around the World Unite for World Peace



Du Hyun Kim,

Director of the International
Peace Youth Group (IPYG)

The International Peace Youth Group (IPYG) aims for a world of peace without war and armed conflicts. Its vision is to create a culture of peace amongst the youth of the world, and to inspire them to act as the voice of conscience and reason before their heads of state, law makers, and leaders, to steer society away from conflicts. The IPYG Walk for World Peace and Restoration, held in 2013, manifested the youth's potential to change the world. Currently, IPYG consists of 488 youth-centered organizations of 96 countries, including UN and government-affiliated youth organizations. Members of IPYG have hosted large-scale peace seminars and are leading the way for a practical and sustainable movement for peace.

Preliminary Meeting of World Leaders at the WARP Summit 2014



Emil Constantinescu
3rd President of Romania



The World Alliance of Religions' Peace Summit is one of the most important events dedicated for peace, organized when new bloody conflicts have risen in many regions.

The Summit in Seoul aims much more than punctually and temporarily solving these conflicts. It aims to create a culture of peace through restoration of harmony between people and nature under God, regardless of one's own religion or belief.



Bertie Ahern
Former Prime Minister of Ireland



I think anything that any of us can do individually or collectively to work for peace or to make far better future is worth doing. And I think it's a good time for us to come together and

at least, in our own way at our advice, to cause for peace in our own countries and throughout the world.



Haris Silajdžić
21st President of Bosnia and Herzegovina



I am really proud to take part in this noble effort led by our friend Mr. Lee. So the question is, how can we make them an instrument to making peace and convincing people

that the other option, not war but peace is needed today.



Bernard Martínez Valerio
Former Minister of Culture, Arts and Sports in Honduras



The history of peace will be rewritten today around the Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light. Honduras is far away in distance from Korea, but we want to be

close with Korea in the work for peace.



Hrant Bagratyan
Former Prime Minister of Armenia



We see that there are big confrontations in a lot of cases, and we see that religions not all the time are playing a positive role to solve these confrontations. That's why I appreciate for such an event like this, and to get the opportunity to be involved in. Thank you.



Bajram Kosumi
Former Prime Minister of Kosovo



This Summit I believe is a step forward to understand better the peace, the message of peace. And I congratulate especially Mr. Lee who worked so much on engagement with big energy for peace not only in his country, his region but in all.



Antonio Bells
Vice President of Palau



You are taking a very serious business going under your control. My message today is to work with Mr. Lee and rest of the people in the world and religious organizations to see what we can do to live for peace.



Dorin Cioaba
President of the International Romani Union



I would like to thank especially Mr. Lee for inviting me to be here along with other heads of state. Your Excellencies, we the Romani people will fully support you for peace.



Laauli Leuatea Polataivao
Deputy Speaker of the Samoan Parliament



We came here for 36 hours. It's a long way from home but we are here to show our commitment and our support for Mr. Lee and your organization for this Peace Summit for

the benefit of our people and our world.



Kgalema Motlanthe
3rd President of South Africa



Greetings and congratulations to President Lee and Ms. Kim for hosting this very important Summit on peace. It is my hope and prayer that this World Alliance of Religions' Peace

Summit will convey the importance of peace.



Rosalía Arteaga
Former President of Ecuador



I want to congratulate Mr. Lee and all his team to convocate all of us to be here talking about one of the most important impressive achievements of men and women that is peace.



Renchinnyamiin Amarjargal
Former Prime Minister of Mongolia



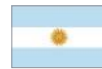
We do understand that peace and cessation of war are very important. Having the Summit here in Seoul seems to me very much symbolic and I want to wish to the Summit all the best.



Rexhep Meidani
3rd President of Albania



I'd like to say that religion is helping the peace. My conviction is that this Summit will give the right contribution at the right moment and strengthen the peace everywhere in the world.



Eduardo Alberto Duhalde
53rd President of Argentina



I am very glad to see so many heads of state gathered here today. We have to spread the message of peace in our own countries. We have to let the next generation know also.



Xhezair Zaganjori
President of the Supreme Court of Albania



It's an honor and pleasure to be here and we will have the possibility during next days to discuss also about the impact of international law to world peace and security of the world.



Khil Raj Regmi
Former Prime Minister of Nepal



This noble task started by Mr. Lee and in this conflicting world—that is a very important one. And we are gathering here to promote peace all over the world.



Cassam Uteem
Former President of Mauritius



I think this is a very good idea of bringing many people together. I hope that leaders of each nation make an effort to realize peace through this Summit.



Stjepan Mesić
2nd President of Croatia



I would like to thank everyone. And I extend my hearty welcome. I believe that this very day is the time to send the message of peace to the world.



Zdravko Jakop
Secretary for Security and Cooperation in South East Europe / Croatia



First of all, I want to thank you for the invitation and I want to congratulate you for such excellent event. I just want to say that peace is possible if all of us work on it.



Alexander Ruts koy
Former Vice-President of Russia



I would like to thank Mr. Lee for hosting the World Alliance of Religions' Peace Summit and for establishing peace throughout the world through his powerful and beneficial activities.

Gaining momentum: Global Signature Campaign

Within only three days of the summit, over 950 religious leaders along with twelve top-level religious representatives, signed the Unity of Religion Agreement and more than 28 leading politicians with 866 people signed the Agreement to propose an article on convention on renunciation and cessation of wars and international armed conflicts, a much needed step toward peace. 183 representatives of women's organizations and 568 youth group leaders have also gathered their hearts by signing the International Women's/Youth Peace Agreements. In total, over 2,200 participants signed on the respective agreements and experienced a momentous act of peace.

Since the WARP Summit 2014 that changed the course of the history of peace, this global signature campaign has gained momentum and reached out to every part of the world. It will continue to be carried out at the 1st commemoration of the WARP Summit in September 2015, seeking to prevent future conflicts and preserve a world of peace.

Click here to watch the video of WARP Summit 2014

► http://hwpl.kr/video/warp_1st.html



Man Hee Lee, Chairman
Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light



Nam Hee Kim,
Chairwoman of the International Women's Peace Group

Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light and I hereby agree in the sight of God, all people of the world, and the Peace Advocate as follows:





Emil Constantinescu
3rd President of Romania

| Agreement to Propose the Enactment of an International Law

We, the former and current heads of state, will sign the proposed international law to end all wars and establish world peace for all nations and people.



Antonio J. Ledesma,
Archbishop of Cagayan de Oro, Philippines

| World Alliance of Religions Agreement

We, the religious leaders, must achieve world peace by uniting all religions under the one and only Creator and bringing wars to an end.

| Agreement of the International Women's Peace Group (IWPG)

We, the women of IWPG, pledge to protect our children by ending all wars and working for the establishment of world peace.



IWPG member

| Appeal of the International Peace Youth Group (IPYG)

We, the youth of IPYG, pledge to protect ourselves from wars and accomplish the appointed task of creating a world of peace, a task that has been given to the youth of this generation.



IPYG member

Proactive Step Towards the Everlasting Peace through Convention on the cessation of International Armed Conflicts

Since the WARP Summit 2014, Chairman Lee and HWPL have continued to appeal to the world leaders to draft an article on convention on renunciation and cessation of wars and armed conflicts. For this section, we have highlighted the efforts of HWPL to promote such convention to bring forth the permanent peace.



I believe our top priority in ending wars and establishing world peace is for the former presidents, justices from each nation, and furthermore the UN, to enact an international law—and for the current presidents from various nations to sign on the International Law for the Cessation of War and World Peace in agreement. The second priority is concerning the world of religion. Throughout my visits around the world, I sincerely urged for the religions to achieve a grand alliance to become one, so that religion can become the light which guides the world to end conflicts. With that will in mind, I am hosting the WARP Summit now. I ask that you will help one another to work earnestly on creating a world of peace. Thank you.



2014.11.19-20

București, Romania

Upon the special invitation of H.E Emil Constantinescu, the former President of Romania, Chairman Lee of HWPL attended the conference commemorating the 25th anniversary for the fall of communism and delivered a keynote speech on 'The importance of a Peaceful Policy for the Unification of the Korean Peninsula'. In his speech, Chairman Lee emphasized, "A true democracy comes when a government exists for the people. All citizens desire a peaceful world. Therefore, leaving a peaceful world as a legacy to future generation by ceasing all wars is the highest feat that democracy can possibly achieve." Chairman Lee also discussed about the current status of the Korean Peninsula and appealed that all former and current heads of state should cooperate with HWPL to bring forth the unification process by the establishment of an article in the international law for the cessation of wars and world peace.



2014.12.04

New York, United States

Chairman Lee, Chairwoman Kim of IWPG and the peace delegation participated in the 2015 UN Peace Resolution. Chairman Lee addressed UN officials, lawmakers, and women leaders of the need to amend the international constitutional law against wars. "I have begun the World Peace Tour with definitive solution to cease wars and establish global peace. Should we be indifferent to those suffering in war because we are living in peace? What is possible seemed impossible only because people found it impossible. If we unite our efforts, we can certainly bring world peace" After his speech, all participants agreed collaborate joining the international peace movement and sign the peace agreement, showing their eager support for the enactment of an international law for the cessation of wars. Through appealing the necessity of a collaborative effort to amend international law to the high-ranking UN officials, HWPL created the platform for all groups wanting peace.



▲ Petre Lăzăroiu, Chief justice in Romania, 20 Nov 2014



▲ David S. Wesley, Superior Court Presiding Judge in L.A, 5 Dec.2014



▲ Banquet after the opening ceremony of the 15th ICCJW, 13 Dec 2014



▲ Inaugural ceremony of the 22nd president of IBP, 7 July 2015



2014.12.13-14

Lucknow, India



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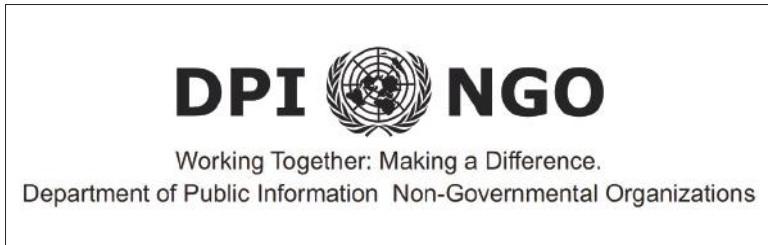
Manila, Philippines

At the 15th International Conference of Chief Justices of the World (ICCJW) hosted by Dr. Jagdish Gandhi, a founder of the City Montessori School, more than 160 chief justices in attendance signed the Agreement to Propose the Enactment of an International Law presented by Chairman Lee. During his speech, titled "The Enactment of an Effective International Law Through International Cooperation," Chairman Lee said, "Just as darkness needs light, the hungry need food, and those in pain and turmoil need love and peace, the world without peace needs someone who has a definitive solution for achieving world peace and who will unite the efforts of leaders around the world," inspiring the decision makers in each sector of the society to support and work for such cause. Many of the experts in the field of international law became the members of HWPL Peace Advisory Council.

Chairman Lee whose achievement is especially noteworthy in the Philippines spoke about the significance of the amendment of an international law for the cessation of wars at the inauguration ceremony of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) in Manila. Chairman Lee appealed to the members of the IBP, saying, "For the future of justice in the Philippines, all the honorable officers who are here with me today have to urge the nations to participate in establishing a law that prohibits the further producing and developing of weapons." He continued, "What is more valuable than leaving fortunes to future generations is achieving peace and leaving it as an everlasting legacy. This is something invaluable," reminding the attendees of the significant role they hold as lawyers. IBP officers have agreed to support the initiative of HWPL through providing practical advices on the revision of the current international law to prohibit wars.

HWPL, officially recognized by UN DPI

I What exactly is UN DPI?



UN DPI stands for the United Nations Department of Public Information. DPI works closely with Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to help the public gain a better understanding the goals of organizations. It also allows organizations to work more closely with the UN on various levels.

I How has HWPL become associated with UN DPI?

NGOs seeking association with DPI must meet strict criteria. The organization must support and respect the principles of the Charter of the United Nations. The NGO must also be reputable at the national, regional or international level and operate at a not-for-profit basis with its own information outreach program. Only organizations that have a good track record of past work with UN Agencies can become associated. HWPL has met these standards on an international scope and has proven through its participation at numerous conferences at the UN, through organizing the World Alliance of Religions' Peace (WARP) Summit and various peace workshops, meetings, and activities globally.

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DPI NGO
Working Together: Making a Difference.
Department of Public Information Non-Governmental Organizations

NGO CORNER
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5-7 August 2015
2015 Youth Assembly at the United Nations

The Youth Assembly at the United Nations (YA@UN) is a unique platform created to foster dialogue and generate partnerships between exceptional youth, UN high officials and staff, private sector, and civil society. The Youth Assembly is committed to empowering youth to become active participants in the success of the UN Millennium Development Goals and the transition to the Post 2015 Development Agenda.

For further information, please visit the official [website](#).

22-27 August 2015
2015 NGO Conference at the United Nations

The 2015 NGO Conference at the United Nations will celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the United Nations, and will bring together the vast diversity of international civil society constituencies, NGO stakeholders, and campaigns to the United Nations. It will provide an important opportunity to build civil society's capacity to implement the UN's post-2015 agenda: the SDGs.

For further information, please visit the official [website](#) of the 2015 NGO Conference at the United Nations.

NGO Spotlight

Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light

HWPL, formed in 2010, is a newly DPI associated NGO that aims to transcend differences in cultures, beliefs and regions to achieve peaceful solutions. Based in Korea, their ultimate goal is to end all wars and establish global peace. By implementing the use of volunteer outreaches, youth engagements, integration of women and cultural exchanges they hope to share the message of the [Declaration of Peace](#). Their campaigns, which range from signing petitions to hosting street parades, umbrella the theme of bringing awareness to peace-related issues. One of HWPL's successes is their Walk for World Peace and Restoration. This event held in Seoul, South Korea, brought together 30,000 youths from 130 countries who envision the same desire for peaceful solutions.

To get more information about HWPL please visit their [website](#).

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I How can HWPL cooperate to further the efforts and missions of UN?

HWPL, with the DPI association can now work more directly with the UN to raise public awareness particularly in grass root and rural communities about key issues on the UN agenda including the priorities of the UN Secretary-General and the General Assembly. HWPL can also work with the UN to help collect data for the Post 2015 development agenda and can design and implement public information activities and programs including the printing and dissemination of publications promoting the work of the United Nations. Since the association with DPI, HWPL has been featured in the NGO DPI Announcements in the “NGO Spotlight” – where its vision and goal was outlined and noted for volunteerism and efforts toward peaceful resolutions.



▲ Visit in Yallibu, Papua New Guinea, 7 MAR 2013

▼ Visit in Bayan ng Silang, Philippines, 28 SEP 2013





Interview with Suraj Bhattarai, Editor of Himalaya Television

- Please briefly introduce about yourself and tell us how you first engaged with HWPL

My name is Suraj Bhattarai from Kathmandu, Nepal. I have been in the field of media and journalism for 12 years. Currently, I am working as an English News Editor for Himalaya Television. My engagement with HWPL started when HWPL hosted a peace event in Kathmandu which was a turning point for me. I have been working for HWPL since then.

- Can you think of memorable activities that you have experienced with HWPL?

The most memorable experience with HWPL is a gathering of religious leaders for world peace. It is very interesting that all religious leaders come together for the purpose of world peace. We witnessed a lot of hatred based on religious misunderstanding especially in our sub-continent. I think that the peace dialogue among religious leaders hosted by HWPL is an effective way to achieve peace.

- Can you tell us about the living conditions and reconstruction status in Nepal?

I feel very sorry to state that the living conditions of people in my country have been deteriorated after the devastating earthquake. Various generous organizations, International community, and donors have done a great job by assisting Nepal in such tragedy. Reconstruction works have taken place but in a very small scale and on private basis. Government is yet to come up with a planned strategy of reconstruction.

- What message would you like to deliver to Chairman Lee and the members of HWPL about the relief fund provided?

The help and assistance from Chairman Lee and members of HWPL by raising funds for earthquake victims of Nepal has been sincerely appreciated. I have no words to thank Chairman Lee for his generosity as well as his feelings for Nepal and Nepali people. On behalf of all Nepali people I once again thank Chairman Lee and members of HWPL for their work.

- What are your mission and determination to achieve peace as the Publicity Ambassador?

As a Publicity Ambassador of HWPL, my job would be to follow Chairman Lee, as well as HWPL and work according to their guidance to achieve peace all over the world. As a journalist and professional in the field of media, I have decided to spread the works and activities of HWPL in Nepal and elsewhere to achieve lasting peace in the world we live in.

- What is your thought and expectation on the first commemoration of the success of the WARP

The success of WARP Summit has raised my expectation. Seeing the success of WARP Summit 2014, I will be deeply involved in the 1st commemoration of the WARP Summit as well. Truly, it is my honor.

Suraj Bhattarai,
Kathmandu Nepal
Himalaya Television



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As lawmakers understand the significance of the law, I understand the significance of religion. One is the knowledge from the heavens, and the other is the work for many people of the world. Scriptures say, “Forgive and bless each other with love.” At this time, obeying this command is achieving the cessation of all wars and world peace as a legacy to leave for future generations. This is the task appointed to everyone born into this generation.

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