

A PROPOSAL FOR A UNIVERSAL DECLARATION ON COMMON SECURITY

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statement in resolution 2282 (2016)

Concurring with the

Emphasizing the importance of a comprehensive approach to sustaining peace, particularly through the prevention of conflict and addressing its root causes, strengthening the rule of law at the international and national levels, and promoting sustained and sustainable economic growth, poverty eradication, social development, sustainable development, national reconciliation and unity including through inclusive dialogue and mediation, access to justice and transitional justice, accountability, good governance, democracy, accountable institutions, gender equality and respect for, and protection of, human rights and fundamental freedoms, of a comprehensive approach to sustaining peace, particularly through the prevention of conflict and addressing its root causes, strengthening the rule of law at the international and national levels, and promoting sustained and sustainable economic growth, poverty eradication, social development, sustainable development, national reconciliation and unity including through inclusive dialogue and mediation, access to justice and transitional justice, accountability, good governance, democracy, accountable institutions, gender equality and respect for, and protection of, human rights and fundamental freedoms,

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Recognising that this resolution builds on the legacy of Olof Palme concept of Common Security .in his 1982 UN report: Common Security a Programme for Disarmament

“True security exists when all are secure, through “common security” (Olof Palme, 1982) whose objectives could be extended to include but not limited to the following:

(a) to achieve a state of peace, and disarmament; through reallocation of military expenses and delegitimization of war;

(b) to ensure the preservation, conservation and protection of the environment, the respect for the inherent worth of nature beyond human purpose, to reduce the ecological footprint and to move away from the current model of unsustainable and excessive overconsumption

(c) To enable socially equitable and environmentally sound employment, energy and transportation and the right to development,

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(d) to promote and fully guarantee respect for human rights including labour rights, civil and political rights, indigenous rights, social and cultural rights – right to food, to housing, to safe drinking water and sanitation , right to education and right to universally accessible not for profit health care system; right to water and sanitation

(e) to fulfill the Sustainable Development Goals.

(f) to respect the international rule of law, its instruments and the jurisdiction and decisions of the international Court of Justice

Recalling the expressed wish of Nitun Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs of the United Nations from 1992 to 2003, who stated in 1995, on the anniversary of the UN in San Francisco that he hoped that the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development would be the culmination of the preceding summits and conferences. From the UN Conference on

Environment, Development, (UNCED, the 1993 World Conference on Human Rights in Vienna, 1994 United Nations conference on population and development- in Cairo, World Summit for Social Development 1995 in Copenhagen, and the Fourth World Conference on Women. Action for Equality, Development and Peace in 1995 in Beijing

Recalling also Secretary-General Boutros Boutros Ghali's confirming that "the spirit of the Global Compliance Resolution reaffirms the commitment of people the world over to the principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations. This resolution was calling for compliance with international instruments on the 50th anniversary of the United Nations.

Acknowledging Former Secretary General Kofi Annan's initiative, in 2000, when he urged states to sign and ratify international treaties, conventions, and covenants and to discharge the obligations under these international instruments.

Concurring with the "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development", which adopted a comprehensive, far-reaching set of universal and transformative Sustainable Development Goals and targets, which contributes to the advancing of common Security

Recognizing that the UN General Assembly which reflects the fundamental principle of the sovereign equality of States, Organs and Agencies of the UN, along with the International Court

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of Justice are the principle organs of the United Nations for achieving Common Security

Reaffirming Former Secretary General Ban Ki Moon`s appeal at COP 15 for states to negotiate with a global vision not with vested national interests

Reaffirming also the UNESCO Declaration on the Use of Scientific and Technological Progress in the Interests of Peace and for the Benefit of humanity, 1975

Convinced that the following international instruments reflect provisions, at a minimum, for achieving common security and for countering threats to common security:

Nuclear Non- proliferation Treaty (NPT), Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT);Anti-Personnel-Mine-(APM); Cluster Munitions (CCM); Arms Trade (ATT); Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC);The Biological Weapons Convention (BWC); The Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) And the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons; International; UN Conventions on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), Convention on Torture (UNTC); Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and its protocols; Convention on Endangered Species (CITES); UN Framework on Climate Change (UNFCCC); Convention on Preservation of Cultural and Natural Heritage WHC); Convention on Disaster reduction, (UNISDR); Convention on Desertification (UNCCD), Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and its Montreal Protocol (MP); Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (UNTC)

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and its protocols, International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR); The Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties;; Convention on Rights of the Child (CRC); Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and its protocols, International Convention on The Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD); on Genocide (CPPCG); Convention on Rights of Migrant Workers and Their Families, Conventions on Labour (ILO), Convention on Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols Thereto (CTOC); ; Convention on Persons with Disabilities (CRPD); Declaration on the Rights of indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) ; Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties (VCLT) International Court of Justice (ICJ); and the International Criminal Court (ICC) an the Rome Statute.

Declares the following;

Article 1.The need to redefine “true security’ as “common security” and strive

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Article 3

States undertake in 2018 to further common security by signing, and ratifying and enacting the necessary legislation to ensure compliance with the international instruments that prevent the threats to common security and that promote the fulfilment of common security

Article 4 the United Nations and specialized agencies should take appropriate sustainable measures to implement the present Declaration, in particular the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs, and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. International, regional, national and local organizations and civil society are encouraged to support and assist in the implementation of the present Declaration.

Article 5

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International and national institutions of education for common security shall be promoted

1.that on the 73 anniversary to sign and ratify conventions , covenants and treaties and enact the necessary legislation to ensure compliance

**NEGOTIATE WITH A GLOBAL VISION TO STRIVE TO ACHIEVE TRUE
SECURITY:COMMON SECURITY**