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SATURDAY AUGUST 31, 2013 NOON RALLY AGAINST MILITARY INTERVENTION IN SYRIA AT THE CENTAPH VICTORIA, BC CANADA

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PETITION AGAINST MILITARY INTERVENTION IN SYRIA

COGNIZANT THAT resorting to military intervention, the US and its allies will be in violation of the fundamental purpose of the United Nations – to prevent the scourge of war

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AWARE THAT in May 2013 U.N. human rights investigators have gathered testimony from casualties of Syria's civil war and medical staff indicating that rebel forces have used the nerve agent sarin, one of the lead investigators;

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<http://www.reuters.com/article/2013/05/05/us-syria-crisis-un-idUSBRE94409Z20130505>

AWARE THAT the US has ratified the UN Chemical Conventions but has not yet completely eliminated chemical weapons, Israel has signed but not ratified the UN Chemical weapons Convention, and Syria will only ratify the chemical weapons Convention if Israel enounces nuclear arms

<http://www.nti.org/country-profiles/united-states/>

AWARE ALSO THAT Canada, Israel and US have refused to adopt the Declaration on a nuclear Arms Free Middle East

NOTING THAT 188 states have ratified the Chemical Weapons Convention, the provisions in the Convention have become international peremptory arms

DEEPLY CONCERNED that the US and its allies are attempting to secure support, through Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, for an intervention into Syria, rather than invoking chapter VI- the peaceful resolution of disputes.

Given the social, environmental, health, human rights, economic consequences of war, under no conditions or circumstance is war legal or just.

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THE FOLLOWING SIGNATORIES :

Oppose military intervention in Syria

and call for

*invoking Chapter VI - the peaceful resolution of disputes- of the Charter of the United Nations, and

*respecting the International rule of law including a referral to the International Court of Justice, as per the Chemical weapons convention

*for increased humanitarian aid to countries aiding Syrian refugees

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