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القمة العالمية للتسامح World Tolerance Summit

DUBAI DECLARATION ON WORLAD TOLERANCE SUMMIT

Following the two days of reflections, deliberations, sharing of experiences and discussions on the World Tolerance Summit organized by the International Institute of Tolerance in Dubai on November 15 & 16, 2018 under the Patronage of H.H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, United Arab Emirates Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai;

We, the participants of the Summit who came from different part of the world;

THANKS the Almighty God creator of the universe

EXTEND our appreciation to H.H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, to the International Institute of Tolerance and the organizers of the summit for taking the initiative for organizing the World Tolerance Summit to promote tolerance, a culture of peace, mutual respect, human dignity, inter-religious and intercultural harmony and compassion amongst people of the world;

WELCOMING the initiative of World Tolerance Summit, the establishment of International Institute of Tolerance and the Decision of the General Assembly of the United Nations to celebrate November 16 as International Day of Tolerance;

ACKNOWLEDGE that United Arab Emirates is a shining example of inclusion and tolerance, as evident in the co-existence of more than 200 nationalities living harmoniously and peacefully without fear, conflict and discrimination in the country;

BEARING IN MIND that diversity of our world's many religions, languages, cultures and ethnicities is not a pretext for conflict, but is a treasure that enriches us all.

AFFIRMING the statement of the Preamble to the Constitution of UNESCO which stated that "since wars begin in the minds of men, it is in the minds of men that the defences of peace must be constructed";

ACCEPTING that tolerance is neither indulgence nor indifference. It is respect and appreciation of the rich variety of our world's cultures, our forms of expression and ways of being human;

KNOWING that peaceful co-existence, tolerance and harmony among all nations and cultures can be significantly enhanced by promoting unity in diversity, inter-religious, inter-cultural and inter-civilization constructive dialogue and education;

KNOWING the importance of promoting understanding, tolerance and friendship among human beings in all their diversity of religion, belief, culture and language;

BELIEVING that education for tolerance should aim at countering influences that lead to fear and exclusion of others, and should help young people develop capacities for critical thinking and ethical reasoning;

AFFIRMING that the life, dignity, rights and wellbeing of each person should be protected and safeguard;

CONCERNED by the rise of hate speech, Xenophobia, stereotype, misuse of Religion which is often instrumentalized by radical groups to serve their own interests and perpetuate violence;

RECOGNIZING that respect for the diversity of language, traditions, religions and cultures can contribute to the combating of ideologies and practices based on discrimination, intolerance and hatred and help to reinforce peace, social justice and friendship among peoples;

NOTICING with great sadness the manifestations of cultural prejudice, intolerance and xenophobia towards different ethnic group, cultures and religions in different part of the world;

EMPHASIZING the need to enhance the working partnership among all stake holders in the world to promote tolerance, harmony, peace and the dignity of all individuals as enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

RECOGNIZING the common and shared value of all religions, faith traditions, and indigenous culture as stated in the teaching of the Golden Rule which says “Treat others the way you want to be treated” is a fundamental principle of life and the foundation on which morals, values and ethics are founded;

CONVINCED that peace in the world is possible only when we make peace within ourselves, our families and in our respective communities;

We hereby:-

* Commit ourselves to take a personal pledge for tolerance, peace and non-violence and to deepen our solidarity with one another and to broaden the space for common action for the good of all humanity and the preservation of the environment in working in close partnership as citizen of the world;

* Affirm that our world, more than ever, needs the teaching of the Golden Rule which says “Treat others the way you want to be treated” as it is a fundamental principle that addresses critical issues such as human dignity, democracy, human rights, respect for each other, gender equality, social justice, interfaith harmony, constructive dialogue among nations, conflict prevention, and building right human relationships;

* Affirm the purposes and principles enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in particular the rights to freedom of thought, conscience and religion;

* Express our commitment to the resolutions of the United Nations on International Day of Tolerance, International day of Peace, World Interfaith Harmony Week, the declaration and program of action on a culture of peace, The Alliance of Civilizations, the global agenda for dialogue among civilizations, the promotion of interreligious and intercultural

dialogue, understanding and cooperation for peace and on the elimination of all forms of intolerance and discrimination based on religion or belief;

* Call member states of the United Nations to introduce in the school curriculum moral peace & ethical education and to promote and encourage universal respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion;

* Committed to promote peaceful coexistence, mutual respect, understanding, human dignity and friendship among human beings in all their diversity of religion, belief, culture and language;

* Affirm that interreligious & intercultural dialogue and cooperation is an integral part to promote tolerance, a culture of peace, harmony and mutual respect among civilizations;

* Bring to the attention of the international community the need to intensify cooperation at national, regional and international levels in implementing the existing United Nations resolution on tolerance, promotion of a culture of peace and dialogue among civilizations and different religions and active engagement of the youth ;

* Committed to combat hatred, prejudice, intolerance and stereotyping on the basis of religion or culture as this represents a significant challenge to peaceful co-existence;

* Reaffirm the promotion and protection of the preservation of the environment, rights of indigenous people, people with disabilities, women and persons belonging to national or ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities;

* Committed to walk the talking by being a living example of the change we want to see in the world

MAY PEACE PREVAIL ON EARTH

Done on November 16, 2018 in Dubai, UA