Manifesto of the 3rd World March

for Peace and Nonviolence

Fourteen years after the *First World March for Peace and Nonviolence*, the reasons that motivated it, far from diminishing, have become stronger. Today, the *3rd World March for Peace and Nonviolence* is more necessary than ever.

We live in a world in which dehumanization is growing, where even the United Nations is no longer a reference in the resolution of international conflicts. A world that is bleeding to death in dozens of wars, where the clash of "geopolitical plates" between dominant and emerging powers is affecting civilian populations first and foremost.

With millions of migrants, refugees and environmentally displaced people pushed to defy borders fraught with injustice and death. Where wars and massacres are justified by disputes over increasingly scarce resources.

A world in which the concentration of economic power in the hands of a few has destroyed, even in developed countries, any expectation of a society of prosperity and well-being.

In short, a world in which the justification of violence in the name of "security" has led to the growth of uncontrollable warfare.

For all these reasons, we, the participants of the 3rd World March for Peace and Nonviolence, "we, the peoples", want to raise a great global outcry to:

- Call on our governments to sign the Treaty for the Banning of Nuclear Weapons, thus
 eliminating the possibility of planetary catastrophe and freeing up resources to solve
 basic needs of humanity.
- Call for the re-foundation of the United Nations, involving civil society, democratizing the Security Council to transform it into a genuine World Peace Council, and creating an Environmental and Economic Security Council, reinforcing the five priorities: food, water, health, environment and education.
- Call for the incorporation of the **Earth Charter** into the "International Agenda" of the *Sustainable Development Goals* to effectively address climate change and other fronts of environmental unsustainability.
- Promote **active nonviolence** in all spheres, particularly in education, to become the true transformative force in the world, to move from a culture of imposition, violence and war to a culture of peace, dialogue, collaboration and solidarity in every locality, country and region from a global perspective.
- To claim the **right to conscientious objection** in order not to collaborate with any form of violence.

- To promote declarations of **ethical commitment** in all fields, in which there is a public commitment never to use received knowledge or future learning to oppress, exploit, discriminate against or harm other human beings, but to use it for their liberation.
- To design a future in which the life of every human being has meaning in harmony with themselves, with other human beings and with nature, in a world without war and without violence in order to finally emerge from prehistory.

"We are at the end of a dark period in history and nothing will ever be the same as before. Little by little, the dawning of a new day will come. Cultures will begin to understand one another; the peoples will experience a growing yearning for progress for all, understanding that progress for the few ends up being progress for no one. Yes, there will be peace, and out of necessity it will be understood that the outline of a universal human nation is taking shape.

"In the meantime we, the unheard, will work from today on, all over the world, to put pressure on the decision makers, to disseminate the ideals of peace based on the methodology of nonviolence so as to prepare the way for the new times."

Silo (2004)

BECAUSE SOMETHING HAS TO BE DONE!!!

I commit myself to support to the extent of my possibilities and on a voluntary basis this 3rd World March for Peace and Nonviolence that will leave Costa Rica on October 2, 2024 and after circumnavigating the planet will also end in San Jose, Costa Rica on January 5, 2025, seeking to make visible and empower these movements, communities and organizations, in a global convergence of efforts towards these objectives.

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