
UNITING FOR PEACE SYMPOSIUM - UN GREAT POWERS AND WORLDPEACE



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Good evening everyone,

Thank you very much, Mr Vijay Metha, and your board, for your most wonderful invitation. I am very honoured, and excited, to be here, speaking at this conference.

Being an ambassador to the International Cities of Peace, we are creating a large net of peaceful cities all over the world by getting mayors, aldermen and their councils to officially declare their city as an International City of Peace, meaning they promise to support, all peaceful initiatives, and contribute, to a culture of peace, in their cities. Every week we have more new cities becoming part of this network.

Next to this I am International Secretary of the Dutch Peacemovement Pais which is part of War Resisters International; a worldwide pacifistic peace network. I also work for the Dutch United Nations Associations in the Netherlands regarding the coming UN 75 celebration in 2020.

And I came here today to accept the position of Ambassador to Uniting for peace. This because I truly admire the work of Mr Vijay Metha and his longtime work fantastic work for peace.

There is also another little reason why I was very interested to take this role. Which is that I have two queens which are; Queen Maxima and Queen Elizabeth as my father is a Dutchman and my mother comes from the island where James Bond was born, the lovely blue mountain coffee is grown, and the fastest man on earth resides (As I wish we could spread peace on earth that fast).

Jamaica has the national motto 'out of many people' and with my foreparents from many countries from all over the globe, it means that as person I have unity in my DNA.

Coming to the theme of this conference; 'UN Great powers and Worldpeace:

My grandfather Harold George Nosworthy was head of the court of audit at the government of Jamaica, next he was temporary minister of finance and in my year of birth in 1968, he started to work at the United Nations in New York as head of finance controlling of the UN worldwide. He worked closely together with Secretary General Mr U-Thant.

To me my grandfather has always been my greatest example and a true rolemodel of a great UN power for worldpeace, because, as he was working in his position on the top of the world, he had far from a big ego. He was very soft and humble as he was a true serving leader. Down to earth he was while working with his mind connected to his heart.

He was integer and he never needed much for himself. He only took what he needed and used his power as a large span of control to do good. And within this large reach he did many good things for others. He was a very kind and generous man as he took very well care of his family and friends, and also he shared his wealth with the needed. After he died we discovered he had several little streams running to some poor families which he supported on a structural base for the education of thir children, or because they were poor and disabled.

He is to me the true model, of the coming generations modern leaders in power, the ones which we all need, right now (of course this is seen through the eyes of a proud granddaughter).

But unfortately being only an integer leader who works from the heart, does not always work well in complex corrupting government systems. We see wonderful people struggle and fall being in a leadership position.

Due to malfunctioning government systems, our planet home have been challenged with pollution, contamination, war, destruction and with greed. Damaging, aggression, female domination, human trafficking, theft and plunder seem to rule this planet even stronger every day. Because of all this

we now witness a world exploited for greed and power reasons, abused and steered through destructive and deadly structures. Without serious intercession we will pass on to our children a sick and diseased planet.

Also many of us also seem so afraid that we don't have enough. Like predators we feel we need to hunt for materials and resources to protect ourselves and to compete with others. Even when this behavior means that many of us on our planet suffer even die because of our fear and our greed.

It is heartbreaking to see so many of us trying to survive and struggle hard for a simple existence. Some of us do not even have the basic tools to be a human being at all and many of us are refugees and some of us even die from hunger.

Meanwhile earth provides more than enough for all of us.

Meaning there is no need for war, scarcity or destruction. Nowhere on this planet. But we have been distracted and confused and because of that we have lost our ways.

Because war and destructive activities are moreless artificial and led by a small group of ruling plutocrats and large cooperations together with non-human power systems. They only create purposely division and distraction so the taking of the resources of our world can continue. War is about power over resources and is needed to upset and to divide us all.

As climate change, drought, and scarcity of water and food give bring even more challenges worldwide, many investors and large multinationals and many important CEO's have endorsed the europese commissions visions document 'A Clean Planet' and have created a standard letter which they have undersigned for their governments.

I have now added the original version of this particular document:

<https://www.corporateleadersgroup.com/reports-evidence-and-insights/pdfs/ceo-letter-to-eu-heads-of-state-to-signal.pdf>

We now need this same letter and change the words like: 'a Clean Planet' into a 'Peaceful Planet' and and urge all governments to steer toward peace and to end the weapontrade and to stop the spendings to this subject.

(I like to challenge you great thinkers to create a letter as such...)

As we now urgently need to create the peace version of this manifest and send it on straight to all our governments, we need to have it undersigned by the same multinationals and their CEOs and even far more target groups, as we must go and take the next big step and stop the skyhigh large production of weapons and bullets and the new developments on killerrobots and other very scary developments. All governments must therefore assist and also change a large part on the spending of the production of this weaponry into the protection of the worlds most vulnerabel peoples and shelter our refugees, our homeless peoples and our animals. Also we need to go up to those behind the screens who are in charge of the largest resources of this world.

War is about power over resources and is needed to upset and to divide us. We need to unite because only strong unity will empower us to change the negative power of plutocrats, large cooperations and non-human systems that rule and abuse our peoples and our world.

To change this abuse we need to create a global group to get all information depicted and to get familiar with the work structures of all the plutocrats, and the large cooperations on earth, and do research to analyze about where they get the resources; through which companies, to unravel the puzzle of the bigger picture. Also we need to find out who exact are the responsible persons behind the screens.

This information is needed to connect and to bond with the plutocrats to help and support them psychologically out of their also possibly unwanted destructive systems which have been malfunctioning this way ongoing like iron claws in our world for ages. This way we can guide them to steer the world into the right direction. To me his is the main way to solve some of our biggest planetary problems and the only straight road to peace.

So let's evolve our thinking. Our global problems are never too large to handle. Let us all release ourselves from our ego's lets all become serving leaders and let us all unite and lets activate our collective intelligence. And let's find out how to organize and to share the resources of our world equally with all of us. Let us connect our knowledge to our spirit and to our hearts which provide us new useful insights on this matter. Let us not be divided but let us all unite and lets create together a prosper and peaceful planet.

Let's meet with our collective needs, let's share and let's create prosperity for all. Let's act for that; for we have all knowledge, new techniques and tools available.

Let us all keep on being positive and let us strongly work together for peace no matter what and let us never ever give up. And let us all become serving leaders from the heart .

And let us all keep on: Uniting For Peace.

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