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"Peace is not everything but without peace there is nothing." Willy Brandt, Nobel Peace Laureate.

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deeply concerned by the fact that conflicting governments and parties all over the world deny their responsibility to protect civil society, especially those who are most vulnerable: the elderly, women and children, ill and handicapped people;

equally concerned by the fact that men are forced to fight and arms are designed sophistically, produced and made use of to win the war or armed conflict no matter what the costs are, the number of human lives and human resources at stake;

alarmed by the negative effects of such criminal and ruthless warfare to nature itself with long lasting damage, contamination and increase of climate change because of extreme carbon emissions, not to speak of the danger of a deadly nuclear war that has become more threatening than ever;

convinced that the participation of women would make a difference when it comes to end the spiral of destruction and grief and thus provide a chance of a good life for all and everyone;

requests wide implementation of the UN Security Council Resolution 1325 (2000) which is binding and would bring women to the peace tables in peace negotiation processes at the decision making level;

and appeals to the leaders of all conflicting parties, including Russia and Ukraine to make use of the means of arbitration and good services that are available worldwide, as offered by the UN, the OSCE, the African Union (AU), the Mediterranean Network, and others.

Win peace, not war as the basis of life, survival, wellbeing, development, human security and happiness!