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PRESS RELEASE

After Nice massacre: being united, trying to understand and defend all human rights

The French Peace Movement affirms its solidarity and compassion with the victims of the Nice's tragedy in which 85 people had been killed and many others injured and traumatized by the odious act premeditated and thought by a deranged person, that Daesh (ISIS), in his murderous logic inciting to multiply individual crimes, claims has one of his "soldiers".

The French Peace Movement shares the pain and the suffering of the victims and their families. It reaffirms its total and general condemnation of all terrorists acts that strike all over the planet.

Whatever the way in which everyone of us expresses himself, it's the same aspiration to leave in peace and security -with pain and indignation- that expresses in the population reactions.

It's about this legitimate aspiration for peace and individual and collective security that we have to build resistance to hate and violence.

Indeed, it's in the human mind that emerges the worst human madness, but also where rises the human solutions. Also, these solutions can't come mainly from the police and military field. These solutions will be building first of all by economic, social, cultural, political and educative policies held in the long term, in a process targeting the satisfaction and the respect of human rights and the promotion of a culture of peace.

That's why human security needs to be ensured without security withdrawal which would diminish democratic, associative or civil life. Indeed, democracy is the best way to oppose to the strategy of fear, terror and obscurantism. That's why we are unfavourable toward the renewal of the state of emergency and toward any measure aiming to banalise the carrying of weapons, or aiming to militarize even more the national life and the international relations.

Therefore, democratic debate should continue on the analysis of the causes and national and international process having conducted to the actual situation and to the attraction of thousands of young French and European people in the deadly spiral without any end of the wars in the Middle-East.

This debate is essential to avoid any conflation that would raise a part of the population living in France against another.

To the logic of war (Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya ...), of violence, of conflict between everyone against everyone, which prevails over the entire world and that generated only failure, chaos and monstrosities; it is time to substitute a logic based on the satisfaction and respect of all human rights, and based on the prevention and political resolution of conflicts, as the UNESCO and several UN resolutions invite us, calling to the promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence.

As of now we need to act together for the fulfilment of all human rights in order to overcome the current difficulties across the construction, step by step, of a civilization based on the values of liberty, equality, solidarity, justice, fraternity, dignity and peace, in order to keep more away every day the spectrum of violence, racism, xenophobia and war.

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The French Peace Movement

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