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## Statement by the spokesperson of the French Peace Movement

### Saturday, September 24th, March Together for Peace!

The orientations of the French Government announced during the Summer University of defense, aiming to a significant increase in military expenses in France, through almost a doubling of budget devoted to nuclear weapons, but also a mindless increase in spending of armament which would go from 31 billion to 42 billion Euros in a few years, are unlikely to provide security of French people.

This militaristic answer to the challenges we are facing is outdated and inadequate. It is the sign of an outmoded political vision, as it is unable to think about new paradigms to assure the security of French people and contribute to world peace.

It is in fact the military-industrial lobby dictating his law.

There are other solutions to help individual and collective security of people living in France or anywhere else in the world. These solutions are to search through achieving the SDO (Sustainable Development Goals) of which United Nations have made one of the foundations of peacebuilding in years to come.

These are alternative solutions which will be expressed together on Saturday, September 24th, by thousands of citizens during organized marches in around twenty cities in France on the occasion of the International Day of Peace to the appeal of a hundred of organizations. They will thus express their common will to live in a world of justice, solidarity, fraternity and peace.

None of our differences should stand in the way of the expression of this common yearning.

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