



MANIFESTONS !

FOR THE RIGHT TO LIVE WITH DIGNITY AND IN PEACE



« True peace means defending human rights for all », said the Secretary-General of the United Nations in 2018. These rights are at the heart of the program « **For a culture of peace and non-violence** » defined by UN resolutions that propose **to the people to act** for the realization of all human rights and particularly:

- *for a fair and sustainable economic and social development that preserves the future of the planet and of humanity*
- *for the accomplishment of all economic, social and cultural rights for equality between women and men*
- *To enable the real democratic participation of citizens in the political, economic, social and cultural life of their country to develop understanding, tolerance, solidarity, fraternity and respect for linguistic and cultural diversity*
- *for freedom of opinion, of the press, the circulation of information and knowledge*
- *for the right of men and women to live in a world of peace, free from wars and nuclear weapons and banning the illegal trade of arms*
- *for strengthening a culture of peace through education.*





This culture of peace and non-violence implies in other words the realization of rights for which entire populations are currently struggling in the world and in France to :

- ✓ the right for each person to have the financial and material means to live a dignified life from work and / or retirement
- ✓ the right to live in the country of choice without having to flee wars and / or misery and the right of migrants and refugees to be humanely welcomed
- ✓ the right for every person to benefit from free or low-cost public services to educate themselves, to train themselves, to take care of themselves, to live at all stages of their life
- ✓ the right to live in a world free of nuclear weapons whose total elimination is expected in the Nuclear Weapons Banning Treaty adopted at the UN on 7 July 2017 (only 9 countries have nuclear weapons)
- ✓ the duty to preserve the survival of humanity against the dangers of climate change and nuclear weapons
- ✓ the right to fight for our rights with our trade union organizations and movements without being repressed, wounded, arrested, imprisoned in France or elsewhere.

All rights mentioned in this document can not be fully realized

- 1 In a world that spends \$ 1800 billion a year on military spending but gives only \$ 5.7 billion to the United Nations whose role is building and defending peace.
- 2 **In France** with a government considering:
 - that the sale of weapons (including to states like Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates that destroy Yemen and its civilian populations) - is a normal activity because generating substantial profits for some multinationals or for the Country.
 - It can violate the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) by doubling the annual dotation devoted to nuclear weapons (37 billion € over 7 years but 110 billion € over twenty years if we do not stop these programs called modernization of these weapons) while at the UN on July 7, 2017, 123 States have just voted a Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW).
- 3 **In Europe** with a European Union policy that has generated the setting up of a European Defence Fund (EDF) with 13 billion Euros for arms manufacturers and requires via NATO that all the EU states are increasing their military budgets to reach 2% of GDP but at the same time demand to limit public spending while advocating the privatization of public services. All this to the detriment of the services provided to the populations, and the access to their rights.

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