

RESOLUTION

of the Republican peacekeeping conference
“The role of religions in peace building”
as part of the World Interfaith Harmony Week.

6.02.2018

Educational institution “Polotsk State University”

admitting the importance and relevance of the Republican peacekeeping conference “The role of religions in peace building” held as part of the World Interfaith Harmony Week,

taking into consideration the significant contribution of religious confessions of the Republic of Belarus to promoting peace and consent in our country,

showing concern about saving, revival and transmission of religious heritage,

recognizing the imperative need for dialogue among different confessions and religions in enhancing mutual understanding, harmony and cooperation among people,

in order to popularise the values of peace, dialogue and consent,

basing on the principles of equality, tolerance and solidarity,

taking into consideration the provisions of the resolution of the UN General Assembly 65/5 “The World Interfaith Harmony Week”,

in accordance with the existing legislation of the Republic of Belarus,

combining the efforts of public authorities, social organisations, educational, scientific and cultural institutions, diplomatic missions,

the participants of the conference agreed on the following:

1. Hold annually the Republican conference “The role of religions in peace building” as a platform for the discussion of relevant issues for the interreligious dialogue within the framework of the programme of the Belarusian fund of peace “Peace through spirituality”;
2. Promote attraction of the youth to the topic of interfaith relations through organising awareness-raising activities together with the leading religious confessions of the Republic of Belarus;
3. Expand the sphere of cooperation in the subject area with diplomatic offices in the Republic of Belarus, with the United Nations Organisation Office in the Republic of Belarus;

4. Continue the work on the erection of the memorial complex “Urochische Peski”, the construction of which has united in the noble cause the believers of all religious confessions of Belarus;
5. Offer the heads of all religious confessions of Belarus to conduct religious service for peace in all churches of the country on the World Peace Day on September 21;
6. Consider a top priority, a moral duty of the followers of any religion and belief – encouraging people to peace, tolerance and mutual understanding, justice and human dignity, fostering interconfessional harmony;
7. The Belarusian Fund of Peace together with the heads of the major religious confessions of Belarus annually hold thematic practical activities, aimed at promoting peace and mutual understanding among people, states and nations, assisting peace building and consent within the Belarusian society, respectful treatment of national traditions and religious differences of the citizens living in our country.
8. The Belarusian Fund of Peace in the period of next republic Interfaith Harmony conference to prepare the video about kind interfaith relationship in Belarus. The concept of the video to do together with confessions leaders of Belarus.
9. Provide extensive coverage of the activities organised in the media (television, radio, print and electronic media).

On behalf of the participants of the conference the resolution was signed by:

*His Eminence Metropolitan
Paul of Minsk and Zaslavl*

*His Eminence Metropolitan
of Minsk and Mogilev
Tadeush Kandrusевич*

*Mufti of the Muslim
religious community in the
Republic of Belarus
Abu-Bekir Shabanovich*

_____ *signed* _____

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_____ *signed* _____

*Chairman of the Jewish
Religious Community in
Belarus
Grigoriy Haitovich*

*Chairman of “The
Belarusian Fund of Peace”
M.V. Misko*

*Commissioner of
Religions and
Nationalities of the
Republic of Belarus
L.P. Gulyako*

_____ *signed* _____

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