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To: Judges of 2018 World
Interfaith Harmony Week

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, dear Brothers and Sisters, dear Neighbours, dear Friends,

The Public Association "Belarussian Fund of Peace" has an important humanitarian mission: peace propaganda, mutual understanding between people and countries development, promoting peace and harmony in the Belarussian society, respect of national traditions and religious differences and features of different people living in our country.

We are grateful to you for the initiative of world interfaith harmony week conduction and happy to join, to support and to distribute this great idea and to connect people in friendship, goodwill, kind neighbourhood and humanism development.

This year is the first time when we are participating in the Interfaith Harmony Week. However, the idea of interfaith harmony is a basement of Belarussian Fund of Peace. Heads of Catholic, Orthodox, Muslims and Jewish confessions are the Members of Fund Board.

We are holding regular events in the International Day of Peace observed annually on 21 September, supported by UN. Usually we are doing big events to this date with NGO, state bodies, volunteers, members of Belarussian Fund of peace, Heads of confession, kids and youth participation.





This year, **on February 6, 2018** NGO "Belarussian Fund for Peace" decided to support this international initiative by organizing a conference "The Role of religions in preserving peace". Many significant state and public figures took participation in the conference, as well as representatives of major religious confessions of Belarus, Red Cross, UN, UPF delegates, students and ordinary citizens. In coordination with the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Belarus, the conference was hold at the State Polotsk University.





After the speeches of the delegates on the topic of the conference it was discussed the main document of the conference: **RESOLUTION** of the Republican conference “The role of religions in peace building” as part of the World Interfaith Harmony Week. The text of the resolution, signed by Heads of four main confessions in Belarus you can find in our report. After the resolution discussion, all the participants watched the video about praying to the God on all the confessions languages and rituals <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=80p4ox9owSI> .

Later on this day, February 6, all the delegates has joint visit of the construction of the memorial "Urochische Peski" in Polotsk. This memorial has already united believers of all religious confessions of Belarus by its noble mission. If our Week of Interfaith Harmony would be **so lucky to earn your reward** we will spend the money on the **building of the memorial on the place of concentration fascist camp**. Please see the details of the monument here: <http://fondmira.by/programmy-i-proekty/sozdanie-memorialnogo-kompleksa-urochishhe-peski-v-g-polotske>

By expert expertise where could be remains from 40 000 to 150 000 dead people of all the confessions, whose unburied bones sticking out of the earth crying to us, there living brothers and sisters, asking to bury them and to respect the memory of the II World War victims.



After the visit of the memorial Urochsche Peski, the participants of the Conference have visited Polotsk Spaso-Efrosinyevsky monastery (more than 1000 years old) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RYosL0OpzIk#action=share>, where it was prays to God, for peace and people union, for love and friendship.

The day was finished by joint dinner of all the confessions representatives.



That Week of Interfaith Harmony in Belarus became a bright and deep event for all the citizens as it was supported by mass media, by state bodies, confession leaders and followers, youth and kids. It has not only peacekeeping, educational and moral character, but also promotes the peace loving unity and friendship of the people of our country.

We are happy to share with your our report with all our respect, gratitude and our hope on the win as only after respect to the war victims, to our bloody history, we could move to the peace all over the world, staring with our hearts..

With prays and love,

The Deputy Chairman of the Board
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