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## SAY NO TO WAR, TO EVERY ACT OF WAR

The immediate establishment of a high-level trilateral committee between special representatives of the United States, the European Union and Iran, with a mandate to re-establish dialogue between the USA and Iran. The appeal by the Movement for politics and policies for unity and New Humanity of the Focolare Movement.

The Movement promoting Politics and Policies for Unity expresses its grave concern at the escalating conflict between Iran and the United States. The institutions of international politics, together with non-governmental organizations, have a special responsibility to act at the service of peace and rights peoples' rights.

Only steadfast international dialogue and diplomacy, in a spirit of hope, can take genuine steps towards peace.

We are facing one of the biggest challenges of the 21st century. There must be a way to resolve it, shown by human values and willing hearts. "We no longer see people's faces, those who suffer, are limited, tormented and ultimately slaughtered on battlefields": these are the words of Hon. Igino Giordani in a heartfelt speech to the Italian Parliament. We are called to see, to rediscover the face of every person, to say no to war, to every act of war.

To achieve peace, however, tireless diplomacy and negotiation are needed, because war and terrorism represent complete defeat for humankind.

This is why we urgently call for the establishment of a high-level trilateral committee between special representatives of the United States, the European Union and Iran, with a mandate to re-establish meaningful dialogue and ultimately achieve a peaceful solution to the conflict.

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