

Excerpts of speeches at ISCP General Assembly during World Summit 2019 and 2020

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The International Summit Council for Peace (ISCP) is an organization that True Mother, a founder of the Universal Peace Federation, initiated as one of UPF's primary associations on February 8, 2019, during World Summit 2019 in Seoul. True Parents had launched a similar organization, the Summit Council for World Peace, in 1987, as a forum for public figures who were no longer in office as well as people of noble birth to apply their wisdom and experience in exploring remedies to the world's problems and means of ushering in world peace. ISCP's mission is similar in intent, but it is a network of heads of state or government as well as those no longer in office. The purpose of the organization is to harness the knowledge, experience and wisdom of those that are or have been responsible for dealing with problems at the highest levels of their own nation to help grapple with problems that affect other nations, such as poverty and corruption, as well as international problems such as war, climate change and conflicts between religious groups.



Chuichi Date, member of the House of Councilors in Japan's Diet (2016–2019)

The International Summit Council for Peace was proposed by Dr. Sun Myung Moon and his wife, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. They have committed their lifetimes to achieving world peace. In particular, this year marks the one hundredth anniversary of Dr. Moon's birth and the seventy-seventh anniversary of Dr. Han's birth. They have promoted the concepts of interdependence, mutual prosperity, and universal values, and today the spirit of those concepts is more urgently needed than at any other time in history.

I would like to express my respect to Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, who has made great efforts, going four laps around the earth, last year alone, for a project to promote world peace, echoing her husband's determination. I think that's exactly why she is praised as the "True Mother, the Mother of Peace" who is creating peace in the world.



José Manuel Barroso, president of the European Commission (2004–2014), prime minister of Portugal (2002–2004)

Firstly, I would like to express my gratitude to UPF and to Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. Thank you for your kind invitation to be with you in this great country, Korea.... It is only appropriate that I start with a quotation from Spinoza. In 2012, I had the privilege and the honor of accepting the Nobel Peace Prize on behalf of the European Union, and in my acceptance speech, I quoted Spinoza, a great Dutch and European philosopher, who said "Peace is not an absence of war; it is a virtue, a state of mind, a disposition for benevolence, confidence and justice."

When we try to go for peace, for instance in this region or in other parts of the world, of course, we must pursue that goal through political, diplomatic and security means, but I think we should also think about the cultural and people- to-people contacts -- everything that can generate an atmosphere of virtue, reconciliation and justice. It was that spirit, for instance, that made possible the reunification of Germany.



Jimmy Morales, president of Guatemala (2016–2020)

Hope is wishing for something to happen. Faith believes that it will happen. Courage makes it happen. It is an honor to be at this UPF 2020 World Summit to talk about building peace with interdependence, mutual prosperity and universal values. I would like to express my gratitude to those who provided this opportunity, especially the founder, Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. I would like to thank the Universal Peace Federation for inviting me to participate in this world summit that brings together the leaders of 170 countries from the five continents. I have traveled from Guatemala accompanied by my wife, Patricia Marroquin de Morales, and other national leaders to tell all of you that it is possible to bequeath a better world to future generations if we all do our part. Dr. Moon,

thank you for your example and courage at the head of the UPF. And to all of you, my best wishes for the prosperity of your families and nations.



Christopher Loeak, president of the Marshall Islands (2012–2016)

Allow me also to take this opportunity on behalf of our executive leaders, his excellency President David Kabua, and the people of the Republic of Marshall Islands, to thank Mother Moon, UPF and their partners for the tireless and important work they have done and continue to do to promote peace and security -- not only in one country but throughout our global community. Such an audience, as we have here, can only be attributed to the work and universal message of peace from Rev. Moon and the efforts of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon as she carries on that legacy.... Your message to the world on peace and security does not go unnoticed or unanswered. The Marshall Islands will continue to be vocal and advocate for the cessation of war and of the nuclear arsenal.



Sione Vuna Fa'otusia deputy prime minister of Tonga (October 2019–December 2020)

The Universal Peace Federation maintains that any successful strategy for peace must take into account the spiritual dimension of all human identity, experience and direction. A world where all resides in peace, a world in which all nationalities, ethnicities, races, cultures and worldviews are called to exist together in mutual respect and harmony, as the cofounder, Dr. Moon described, is the ideal world, one family under God. This ideal calls for teaching by example, since the path to such a society is through living a life of true love and living for the sake of others.



Stephen Harper, prime minister of Canada (2006–2015)

I have been honored to be a small part of the work this organization does to advance peace, interfaith understanding and dialogue. I am also honored to be here in this particular year, which I know is a momentous year for the Universal Peace Federation, because it is the centenary of the birth of their co-founder Rev. Sun Myung Moon. I certainly know, as we all noted earlier, that under the continued leadership of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, you have a more momentous program, a more ambitious program than ever before.... The constant efforts of civil society led by this organization, the Universal Peace Federation, to bring about reconciliation between religions and nations, and especially between Koreans, North and South, will be more important than ever and

will lay the groundwork for eventual success.



Samdech Hun Sen, prime minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia (1993-)

Today, I am honored and delighted to join the World Summit General Assembly and the General Assembly of the International Summit Council for Peace. At the outset, on behalf of the Royal Government of Cambodia, I would like to express profound gratitude to the people and the government of the Republic of Korea and to the Universal Peace Federation for the warm welcome and hospitality extended to me and Cambodia's delegation. This World Summit is an important forum, providing a rare opportunity for both governmental and non-governmental leaders from all corners to discuss and exchange views on the development of regional and global situations to resolve common challenges, to maintain peace, security and ensure sustainable human

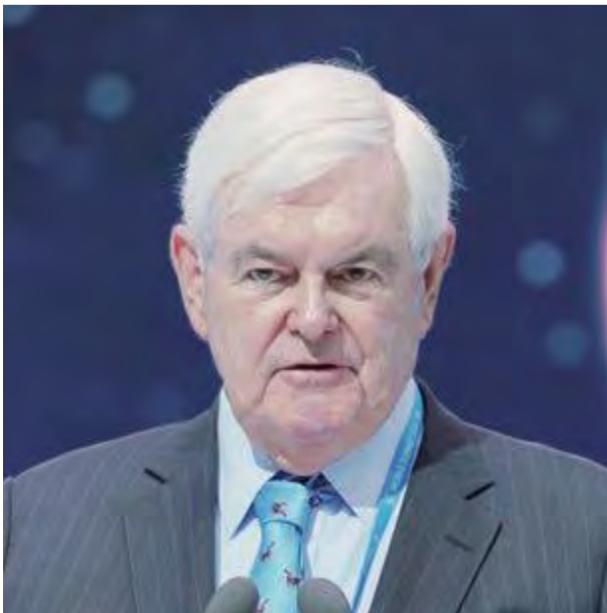
development for the world. Furthermore, the theme of this forum, "Peace, Security and Human Development," is relevant and important, while all nations around the world are currently facing a wide range of challenges threatening the peace, economic growth, prosperity and harmony among the people in the world.



Henry Van Thio, vice president of Myanmar (2016–February 1, 2021, through forced removal during the Myanmar coup d'etat)

I would like to thank the Universal Peace Federation for organizing this summit on peace, security, and human development. . . . I think UPF is a well-established institution to promote harmony among different groups. We need to pursue the goal of peaceful coexistence and the development of our societies. To achieve this goal, cooperation from NGOs is essential. We expect our efforts to be strengthened through this cooperation. We must solve challenges through mutual understanding and the drive for social harmony. In this regard, young people serve as sources with enormous potential for the nation's development. Therefore, young people should be able to receive a quality education at all levels. We have governments, civil society

organizations, academic organizations, international organizations, and parents, all of whom need to contribute in the present world.



Newt Gingrich, US congressman (1979–1999) speaker of the US House of Representatives (1995-1999)

I come today to say to each and every one of you who have busy lives, both up here [onstage] and across the entire room, that your willingness to take time to think about how you can reach out and how you can help Dr. Moon reach out is very appropriate, as we are here on the one hundredth anniversary of Rev. Moon's birth. Because out of the devastation of World War II and the Korean War, he and his bride found the courage to dream that they could achieve something. What they have created together is amazing. I think each of us should take some courage from their courage. Each of us should share their vision that everywhere across the planet on every continent, people can be brought together. Only by finding a way to work

together will we avoid the disasters that could otherwise afflict the entire human race.



Joo-young Lee, deputy speaker of the Korean National Assembly

Today, many distinguished leaders attended this meeting, including a hundred and fifty heads of state or ex-heads of state from a hundred countries, five hundred parliamentarians and six thousand leaders from numerous sectors, such as politics, economics, religion, media and academia. I want to show my gratitude to Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, co-founder of the Universal Peace Federation, Hee-taek Chung, chairman of *Segye Ilbo*, and others for hosting this summit to discuss world peace and unification on the Korean Peninsula, which we long for. I heard that even last year, in just one single year, summits were held nine times across nations and continents. I believe that the dedication to world peace is the impetus of this summit.



Ban Ki-Moon, chairman of Think Tank 2022 and secretary-general of the United Nations (2007–2016)

Lasting peace and security are humanity's dearest wish as well as the defining pillar of the United Nations. However, as a result of conflict, nationalism, unilateralism, geopolitical tensions, terrorism and ethnic and religious strife, lasting peace remains elusive in many parts of the world. Among this spectrum of crises, I welcome that the peaceful reunification of the Korean Peninsula will be the focus of these deliberations. I would like to thank and extend my special gratitude to Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon for hosting this summit and commend her for her long-standing commitment to peace and reconciliation.



Brigi Rafini, prime minister of Niger (2011–2021)

I don't know if you all know about the Sahel area. There is a devastating civil war going on in the Sahel region of Niger. Many people, including civilians have been killed. That is why many people are praying for peace in Niger. We need to bring peace through prayer and action, not just words. I would like to stress once again, that peace is needed. As I said, I'll give you a short message. We have already heard many speeches. Now we need action, not just speeches. The world needs peace; it's our common task, and it needs everyone's participation and effort. All of us will be able to build peace around the world if we try to solve our common challenges. I look forward to good results. Once again, I would like to thank Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon for inviting me to this important

conference. Congratulations on the hundredth anniversary of the birth of Rev. Sun Myung Moon and the seventy-seventh anniversary of the birth of Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. I wish you all great success.