**UPF International Newsletter: Invitation to the Peace Talks Webinar: The Role of Parliamentarians in Addressing the Coronavirus Crisis** 

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## Invitation Reminder "Peace Talks" Webinar

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**Greetings from UPF International.** 

We are happy to announce our next "Peace Talks" Webinar will take place on **Friday**, **May 1**, **2020** at **10:00 AM** (Eastern Standard Time New York).

Parliamentarians have an essential role to play in responding to pandemics.

When a pandemic strikes, parliamentarians must work decisively and swiftly to seek to mitigate the negative impact on the health and well-being of citizens of their nations: preventing the pandemic's spread; providing needed relief to offset economic downturns; supporting and strengthening health care workers; and preparing for getting "back to normal" after the pandemic has subsided. In addition, parliamentarians play a major role in disaster preparedness, and in promoting a transparent early warning system.

How might parliaments improve their responsiveness and preparedness? What lessons have we learned from the Coronavirus Crisis?

<u>During this webinar we will hear from parliamentarians with distinguished careers as they share their insights on the role of parliamentarians in responding to pandemics.</u>

#### Panelists:

Hon. Dan Burton, Congressman (1983-2013), U.S. House of Representatives, International Co-Chair, IAPP

Dr. Michael Jenkins, President, UPF International

Hon. Jose De Venecia, Speaker, (2001-2008) House of Representatives, Philippines; International Co-Chair, IAPP

H.E. Albin Kurti, 4th Prime Minister (Interim), Kosovo

Baroness Sandip Verma, House of Lords, United Kingdom

Hon. Jong Seong Lim, Co-Chair, IAPP Korea; National Assembly, Korea

<u>Hon. Bhubaneswar Kalita</u>, <u>Chair, IAPP South Asia; MP, Bharatiya Janata</u> Party, India

Hon. María Fernanda Flores de Alemán, Assemblywoman, National Assembly, Nicaragua

<u>Sen. Khoabane Solomon Theko</u>, <u>Chief Whip, Senate of Lesotho</u>; <u>Chief Liaison Officer to H.M King Letsie III</u>

<u>Time permitting, Q&A will follow the presentations. Questions may be sent to peacetalks@ upf,org.</u>

We hope you will join us for this important and timely discussion.

Click here to register:

us02web.zoom,us/webinar/register/WN\_AcdKPBo2SGCyvjS\_MEjMtg

If you have trouble viewing our webinar on Zoom, you can still participate by going to our YouTube channel by the following link:
Youtube Channel: www,youtube,com/user/upfTv/live

After the Webinar is over, the recording will be posted to our YouTube and to www,upf,org/peacetalks.

<u>Sincerely yours,</u> *Thomas G. Walsh, Ph.D.*Chairman, Universal Peace Federation

### **Upcoming Events**

MAY 7: Vesak Day

MAY 15: UN International Day of Families

JUN 1: UN Global Day of Parents

JUL 18: Nelson Mandela International Day



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