Quaker public witness for Peace

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We seek a world which finds nonviolent ways to solve problems. Cooperative mutual security, and a more independently-focused Australia foreign policy, is a safer, less costly way, to settle differences.

Honouring War Dead by Stopping War

Australia has involved itself in the longest war in our history. Its wars in the Middle East have achieved little – in fact, may have left matters worse. If Australian military service is to have value, it must be to reduce the occasion of war, not by increasing number of the ways we find to fight.

War is Costly for Children and Other Living Things.

Our involvement in Afghanistan and Iraq has demonstrated the futility in spending hundreds of millions of dollars to change regimes in other countries. In the last hundred years most people killed in wars have been civilians, bringing much misery to communities. Money spent on war is money not spent on education, health, public infrastructure and foreign aid.

Quakers say: Sign the Nuclear Ban Treaty

On July 7, 2017 the United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons was successfully concluded at the UN Headquarters in New York. We encourage you to write a letter to the Australian Prime Minister (c/- Parliament House, Canberra 2600) urging him to support this treaty, consistent with Australia's commitment to Article 6 of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

Who are the Quakers? Quakers believe that there is a spirit within each of us that joins us all together – some call it 'that of God'. Respect for the spirit means that we cannot deliberately harm or kill another person without damaging that spirit. Pacifism is an active process of removing situations where violence and war may occur.

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