



Peace for Public Health Initiative

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The World Federation of Public Health Associations,

Recognizing that war is the most serious of all menaces to health, human life, socio-economic status, quality of life of survivors, and the environment;

Noting that peace is not only the absence of war but also a positive feeling of well-being and safety for people of all countries;

Recognizing the contributions that public health can make to prevent and stop the consequences of war and organized violence;

Having considered the demonstrated and potential contributions that public health action can bring through humanitarian cease-fires, as has been shown in many countries of the world;

Recalling the numerous World Health Assembly resolutions adopted over the last decade that ratify the WHO contributions in making more effective the UN resolutions to strengthen peace and prevent war;

1. REAFFIRMS the commitment of all national public health associations to world peace;
2. EXPRESSES deep concern for the escalation of war throughout the world over the last two years;
3. APPROVES the call for a 48-hour global cease-fire to take place 4th and 5th May 1994;
4. URGES the WFPHA members to endorse this initiative;
5. REQUESTS all delegates at the Forty-sixth World Health Assembly to endorse the development of this initiative.