Dear Colleagues,

Greetings of Peace!

Another most awaited annual event, The International Day of Peace, is just two months away. Hoping, as usual, that NSO Messengers of Peace Teams are excited to celebrate it by consolidating the yearlong peace actions taken by young people in respective countries.

First of all, we express our sincere appreciation for the continuous contribution of your national and local teams for the implementation of Messengers of Peace Initiative since its launch in 2011.

This year’s theme as announced by the United Nations is “End Racism, Build Peace”. We invite everyone to join efforts with the United Nations as we work towards a world free of racism and racial discrimination. A world where compassion and empathy overcome suspicion and hatred. A world that we can truly be proud of. (UN, 2022).

Under the umbrella of Messengers of Peace Initiative, for the past seven years The International Day of Peace is celebrated by Scouts regionwide as a day of creating awareness, inspiring young people and leaders to make it a commitment day for year-round peace actions. We are proud to say that this day has been awaited by many as it engages young people in large numbers and the positive visibility it creates for Scouting.

Established in 1981, International Day of Peace is observed annually around the world every 21st of September. The UN General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace through observing 24 hours of non-violence and ceasefire.

**Goal for International Day of Peace 2022**

Our goal for this day is to **involve a large number of young people in peace actions/activities at all levels** (physically or virtually as per the local situations) with the objective of creating **massive awareness** on the roles they can play as global citizens leading to positive changes in their communities. Focus for this year is to create a world in which people are treated equally, world free of racism and racial discrimination. Scouting aims to “Create a better world”, and this year’s theme “End Racism, Build Peace” will help us to reflect on this tagline.
**Guideline**

We attach a guide paper on celebrating the "International Day of Peace 2022'' that National Scout Organizations can adopt based on their local needs and situation.

**Report**

To ensure that all activities are well documented, there are two forms, one for NSO to summarize all the activities that took place in the IDP Celebration throughout the country either at unit level or at national level which is exclusive for the MoP NSO Coordinator.

The other form is designed to report each activity/event. NSO can use it to circulate to subnational and grass roots for them to submit this report forms to National that will help NSO to prepare the summarized report. NSO can also give this form to each of the in-charge of National Event/Activity to fill-up, so all national activities have the detailed information available with NSO.

Should you need any further assistance or support from our end, please do not hesitate to contact Kate Aranzamendez (kate.aranzamendez@scout.org) and/or S. Prassanna Shrivastava (prassanna@scout.org) for more information.

With best Scouting wishes,

[Signature]

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**Attachments:**

1. IDP Celebration Guideline
2. IDP 2022 NSO Report Form
3. IDP 2021 Individual Activity Report form

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