

Peace Prize from Slovakia 2015 Slovakia, Bratislava 10. – 13. December 2019

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Who is afraid and why?

Before entering the 26th year of our club's existence

The last day of this year's May will not go down as one of the good ones in the 25-year history of our club/association, especially because eight of our members have undergone planned or, in some cases, urgent surgeries. Five of our members have health problems. Nineteen of our members are abroad on business, including in China, Russia, the US, Hungary, Norway, Finland and Cyprus... – and two have already left for summer holidays. Fifteen members are attending to urgent professional duties. This means that more than a third of the hundred and forty-five regular members from Slovakia have apologised for their absence. We have 73 members attending, and two are on their way here.

The question is, how many of our absent members, who are still, figuratively speaking, between heaven and earth, have been, for over a year and a half now, living undercover or have deliberately disappeared from the public eye?! The fact is that, at the request of several members, our meetings are closed to the public and with a minimum number of guests. Longer breaks during our meetings have also been requested. We were in a similar situation twenty-one years ago – in 1997, and then the same happened in 2011 and 2012 and, finally, between January and March 2017. What triggered these situations and what were their consequences?

On 2 August 1996, I was on my way back home from Prague to Bratislava after midnight. I was driving from a meeting with major shareholders of the Hospodárske noviny daily as I was the newspaper's editor-in-chief at the time. At one point, I spotted a rail across the road and a couple of unlit cars. I did not brake. Instead I pushed the gas pedal to the floor... I stopped at the nearest gas station where I met a businessman driving a sporty Mercedes. He assured me that he had not seen anything and advised me to take a break. On the following day, there were problems with my car's front axle and my car mechanic was confused.

On Monday, 5 August 1996, I 'impersonally' mentioned in the daily's editorial the horrors one could experience on the way from Prague to Bratislava. Early afternoon, a secret service agent paid a visit to me saying he wanted to help me. I thanked him politely for his interest and said that the incident had not happened to me. 7 972 days have passed since then, and my associates and their families still keep memories from the Mečiar period and then Dzurinda period of weird and rather dangerous situations on their business trips, as well as offers for media campaigns against particular individuals in politics and business.

During Fico's governments, things were quite simple. After governmental policies were criticised by our association, we became unwanted, even in situations when we were doing things improving the image of our country and its citizens, and thus indirectly their representatives. This happened quite often, and despite my experience, I do not regret it. Politicians come and

go, even though it sometimes takes rather long. There was never any dialogue, no exchange of views, and the secretariats of Prime Minister Fico and his successor Pellegrini did not and still do not respond to our proposals. The fact that we were quite clear at, and even after, this year's assembly in March that our country needs early parliamentary elections may have played a role in this. Another fact is that not all of our members agreed with this view.

Without exaggeration, we are standing in the way because we have an opinion which is actually supported by facts, arguments and most recent or still valid documents. During those twenty-five years, we found this to be true regardless of which government was in power. On more than one occasion, prominent Slovak figures, mostly crown billionaires, have asked me why we kept opposing everything and what the actual purpose of our association was. The purpose is to provide a different view, different stances from those of the government and the opposition and those in the media whose owners, spawned by privatisation, are intertwined and interconnected in a multitude of ways. Though unpleasant, it is also an honour to be tabooed. And then, we do not grovel to anyone and those who wanted us to do so were advised to peter out or leave.

We got used to the lack of decency and the arrogance of many government officials. And we were wrong to hope that they would disappear over time. We have once asked Mr Posluch, the late Prosecutor General, to explain to Dzurinda and the members of his cabinet what their duties towards the public, the media and associations like ours were. Cardinal J. Ch. Korec, who I used to meet with from 1988 until his last but one medical collapse, also helped us in relations with some of the god-like opposition 'players' and diplomats. However, the truth is that already back then there were honourable people among us who were afraid.

They were worried that by expressing an opinion different from the official one they would put themselves, their political ambitions, social status and business at risk. They judged it right, and their silence literally meant gold. Gold as in privatisation opportunities, public procurement orders or positions affording commissions. Suddenly, as if we found ourselves in the final stage of the former regime when the children of Communist functionaries studied at elite universities to be then given attractive positions in the party and economy. Children and even grandchildren of Communist functionaries started finding and 'marrying' each other.

Fashion repeats itself, and the same is happening today. Is it an attempt to bring a renaissance of feudalism in the 21st century? But today's clans, unlike the ones in the past, only follow their own morals and operate without any barriers. They want positions, wealth and power, even if they have to sell their soul to the devil. Just like in the former regime, we cannot say that today, opportunities are given to those who are most capable. Those who get the opportunities are often... well I better do not go into the details. So many of them are treacherous people who would be willing to disown or, as was the case of our current president of the republic, give a 'makeover' to their parents just to step up the ladder.

To be on 'top', viewed as part of the cream of society, is indeed infectious and it depletes not only memory but, tragically, also common sense. It is quite unfortunate and also incomprehensible to them that the old truth still stands: 'Honour and character cannot be

bought'. They do not realise that honour and character are not a given and that this unique symbiosis needs to be nurtured. If just once it is not fed with what it needs to survive, it disappears irreversibly, and the individuals turn into creatures, even if they wear the most expensive clothes with the most expensive accessories and have the most expensive car or the odd little jet. And they can pretend to be the most human creatures of all when it is time to act, they fail and still get swollen with pride that there are none better than them.

Perhaps, many of them did not have a children's room or had back luck for grandparents or parents. They may have worked their way 'up', but there is still a stink of falseness and deceit coming from their mouth. Over the twenty-five years of its existence, more than a thousand people from Slovakia and almost two hundred from abroad have been part of our club/association. So I have a problem. What to do with those who have lost their faces and do not mind losing even their trousers or skirts, what to do with those who have abused people's trust and kept stealing, even if with a stamp of legality; what to do with those who put others above their own nation and with those who have lost sound judgement for the sake of their position?! A Hamlet question it is.

People with common sense who need to work every day to provide for themselves are the majority in this country. And they must be pale with anger at the government coalition giving them breadcrumbs and realising now, 29 years after the change of regimes, that the masses should be finding their lives have improved. Suddenly, hundreds of millions and even billions of completely unknown origin are available. Had they been under concrete somewhere?! Or have they been created on paper by some bureaucratic magic? That is not impossible. A long time ago, under the former regime, negative GDP was turned into positive by changes in depreciation rules, so I know what I am talking about. Manipulation with pensions and the pension scheme has started all over again.

Again, the word is that it is the state which provides pensions. Both the coalition and the opposition meditate over the ageing of the population and the soon-to-come shortage of people in productive age. These would-be experts claim that there will not be enough money for pensions. So much demagogy that even an authoritarian state would not need to be ashamed! Imagine technology replacing people in jobs – the imposition of a tax on the jobs... We do not need the 'revolutionary destruction of machines' from the times of early capitalism in England. It is enough that politicians are damaging people's mental health, for example by declaring that what we need is a coup d'état.

In recent days, the 'media players' came to the conclusion that those who are the rotten apples needed to be destroyed. The public opinion is under attack from a line-up of experts with almost identical opinions coming from all electronic media (!). If we wanted to find a non-partisan expert in it, we would maybe find one. Although, we have noticed on one TV station that people need good news. There are some. Aren't we tired of the factories for political parties and individual media? And many, including some of our members, are becoming apathetic or even resigned, and just like in the old days, they are afraid.

They fear for their lives and social 'securities', whatever they are, they are afraid of war, including nuclear, or another wave of migration into the unprepared Europe, called for by the German

chancellor and several other EU leaders, but also EU officials and authorities. They are afraid of terror, devaluation of the currency and potential loss of savings, afraid of control over movement, minds, mail and communication in general. These fears are constructs of politicians and their bases and are disseminated by volunteers who have come to believe that they are better people – the übermensch. The wise words on our invitation written by novelist José de Sousa Saramango were meant to give our members a bit of encouragement, an idea inspired by one of my friends who also provided the proverbial addendum.

Let me quote from the invitation.

Imagine a story about a country where people stop dying.

After an outbreak of general enthusiasm, people gradually realise the unpleasant consequences.

The Catholic Church is the first to realise that without death there is no resurrection.

And that is a serious problem for believing. Life insurance companies and the funeral industry are going bankrupt. The government is facing problems with pensions, families with caring of an increasing number of their over-aged relatives. No one inherits anything.

Organised crime takes matters into its own hands. Old people are trafficked to countries where death still exists.The government arrives at the conclusion that unless people start dying again, it is going to be the country's end.

This story implicitly contains two interesting lessons.

First, organised crime is quick to take advantage of any 'novelty', and second, as a rule, people are blindly enthusiastic about change at first, but once they realise what it all means, their enthusiasm fades away.

And then they keep saying – 'this is not what we imagined'. So they look for someone to blame!

My friend Prof. Masarik, who is with us here today, sent an addendum to this message, which is a quote from the novel The Leopard by Giuseppe Tomasi di Lampedusa: "For everything to stay the same, everything must change." This fits Slovakia pretty well.

When we do find a pinch of good mood, thanks to people who are nice and do not tend to bow down, it does not last long. It is because official documents of governments and even documents prepared by secret services find their way to us, too, and tell us where the world and mankind, including us as a nation and individuals, is supposed to be heading. One of such

documents from the early 70s of the last century, approved in the parliament and okayed by 50 freemasons out of the 56 who signed it, if I counted correctly, directly describes a planned route to world domination. Allegedly, this is how it has always worked, and it is accompanied by nervousness, unrest and then fear of every human.

I am pleased that the members of this association were always elite individuals from the most diverse spheres of human activity. It is our moral obligation to continue what we have been doing over the past twenty-five years.

Bratislava, May 31, 2018

Declaration by the International Peace Committee on the Decline of Human Civilization and on the Realistic Possibility of its Self-Destruction as well as the Targeted Devastation of Human Rights and Freedoms of 13 May 2018

The International Peace Committee presented its last public statement on the economic and social development of Slovakia in the context of the European and global developments on 15 March. Eight members of the International Peace Committee have signed its statement called The Quarter Century Result of the Slovak Republic: "It is not possible to bind sand into sheaves and to rake water..." and more than thirty of our members were consulted in the drafting process of this statement.

The unquestionable fact is that the situation in the world has not changed in terms of the possibility of a global conflict, i.e. the nuclear apocalypse. The competition for leadership in the world or in individual regions has been too devastating to what we perceive as humaneness. In a way, it is absurd since hatred of any intensity is alien to and essentially disapproved by the majority of people on this planet. We have become serfs of political leaders who fail to even understand the rudimentary Spinoza's idea that ... "Peace is not the absence of war; it is a virtue, confidence, justice."

Without inclination to any naivety, in the world politics, in Europe and in other parts of the world, there is no such political leader who would not have honestly proclaimed that peace and human happiness or the good of their nation is the highest value for them. However, they are always only one step from declarations with such content to war and pushing through their ideas of democracy and its bearers anywhere in the world. Of course, all this is committed in the name of the holiest ideals of DEMOCRACY and FREEDOM imposed on other countries with bayonets. And Picasso's visual symbol, the Dove of Peace? Well, it has already become an appropriate foodstuff for war grilling of defenceless people at military barbecues held in the territory of other countries a long time ago.

The problem of this detrimental and upsetting situation is the evolving civic stagnation which can be ascribed without exception to political leaders who, however, have been elected by citizens in free parliamentary elections. This absurdity, which is said to be driven from one centre, had commenced at times when superpowers and world powers divided the spheres of influence at the end of WWII and after the emergence of super power's and later power's nuclear arsenal followed by states in militant position.

The times when friendly relations between countries and their peoples were established and developed are gone. Some leaders even proclaim and do what they can to make nations perish one by one and as soon as possible. Especially in the interest of the position of their own country and themselves. The policy of dictate and/or fake solidarity is in. German master of mysticism

and philosopher Johannes Eckhart responded to such leaders with these words: "The greatest power available to man is not to use it." Probably he was very well aware of the boomerang effect of power. Visits by representatives of states are rather exceptional, and they will not reach out to ordinary people. And when they take place, then it is about the set pieces and the stage as such and the caressing with words, sentences and hugs.

If official friendships and alliances do exist, then only by the decision of the leaders. The same also applies to hostilities. At the level of our Association we have also noticed that compared to their predecessors from the 1990s to 2008 when the World was hit by a more than deep economic and financial crisis, amorality and the lack of culture of most leaders and their self-centredness have started to gain the upper hand among both domestic and foreign political leaders.

Circumventing the principles of international law and its imperative obligations has become a standard that brings closer the time of disruption and erosion of humaneness, slow though irreversible perdition of human race as its bearer and of instigators of global conflict being presented as the safety belt securing the survival of our civilization (!). No one has a chance for life if it happens. In spite of the belief in common sense, we are getting the feeling that it is being razed to the ground out of the will of particular leaders or it is cast out to places where it cannot function.

This happened because of Germany and the other Member States of the European Union which have opened themselves to emigrants from Africa and Asia without security measures. Out of them, less than a fifth has been genuine migrants as a result of the war in their home countries. And it happened without communicating with those who had really rational reasons to prevent emigration tsunamis as it has been confirmed by the poor integration and subsequent problems, including crime and terror, which are a confirmation of a political adventure at the expense of millions of EU citizens.

And none of those held responsible names particular leaders. This is the reality when EU, EC and EP officials have the feeling, and why should they not have it when knowing their social status today and in the future, they may act without the consent of the citizens. Especially because emigrants – migrants persistently require a change of the character of their host countries and, in many cases, also of their home countries. Citizens did not vote on this issue when joining the EU and the representative mandate is weak for taking such decisions.

Today references only accidentally or even by mistake recall legendary human personalities of the previous century. Those people who due to their popularity among the broadest strata of society contributed to peace surviving in some parts of the world and Europe, respect for individual nations, the primacy of dialogue over warfare, and, ultimately, the improvement of living conditions. It may be said until today, that they were almost one century ahead of their successors.

Until today, Robert Schuman, Francois Mitterand, Helmut Kohl, Charles de Gaulle, Konrad Adenauer, JFK, Jacques Santer, John Paul II and dozens of other personalities rank among the

top class of politics and its impact on people's lives. The current leaders do not want to think of them out of fear to be compared with them. We have arrived at times when citizens are being manipulated and fooled, and what is even worse, they are infected with malice, hatred, and above all arrogance in the name of so-called higher principles.

Almost blind obedience, civic blindness, deafness and muteness are required, and many are even unaware of it in their educational and cultural dullness or submission to consumption. This applies to all war conflicts that are supported directly or indirectly by other countries solely in the interest of their own power ambitions and goals rather than for the peace and happy life of the local population.

Let us hope that new personalities, who will have the ability to materialize the ideals professed in recent past, to freshen up public opinion with them and, at the same time, get the support of successful economic leaders, are growing up to their maturity. These are personalities so much needed today for the renaissance of human society and the return to humaneness. According to the opinion of leaders, all the problems that are frightening and so to say in front of our door can be settled by radical reduction of arms spending in a very short time.

It is one if not the only way to solving hunger, poverty, suffering and wars, crime and migration driven by mindless political naivety, ambitions of big nations for supremacy over the small ones, followed by their removal from the current history. We once perceived the disarmament process as an endless series. However, superpowers and world powers supported by other countries may provide a once-in-a-lifetime movie in which the only bloodless battlefield will be the building of economy and infrastructure.

Representative democracy and autocratic governance in the name of democracy is a retardation process. We need respect for people and their decisions about being or not being. It is so also because there is a surplus of those who feel and behave in such a way that they are the only ones who may and should decide and also to condemn and cause suffering of all sorts. It is unbelievable how they can tell lies to the public literally in live broadcasting, but it is also terrifying that they have such an opportunity and that we give it to them.

There is more than enough of self-proclaimed geniuses, and the threatening thing is that like in the 1930s, they invoke fear of thinking and of presenting own opinion. We must not allow a state when the power of ideals of peace consists in forgetting. Or in a strange, though inexcusable sorrow, or even presentation of ideological perverseness contained in the concept of or even in preparation for "global loneliness".

P. Kasalovský, Dr., founding member of the Informal Economic Forum – Economic Club and its representative since 1993, the co-initiator and spokesperson of the International Peace Committee

Medzinárodný mierový výbor International Peace Committee December 2018 – November 2020



Membership for the period from 1 December 2018 to 30 November 2020 offered by Dr. Peter Kasalovský, founding member of the Informal Economic Forum – Economic Club and its representative since 1993, the co-initiator and spokesperson of the International Peace Committee has been accepted by the following distinguished personalities – laureates of the "Peace Prize from Slovakia 2015", the Golden Biatec and the Eminent Personage of Economy:

- Anton Barcík, Ing., CEO, Považská cementáreň, Ladce
- Ján Blcháč, Ing., PhD, mayor of the town of Liptovský Mikuláš
- Daniel Bohmer, Associate Professor, MUDr., PhD, Head of the Institute of Medical Biology, Genetics and Clinical Genetics of the School of Medicine and University Hospital Bratislava
- Ján Breza, prof., MUDr., DrSc.
- Miroslav Budoš, Ing., entrepreneur
- Jan Campbell, Ing. PhDr., biocybernetist, analyst, FRG
- Peter Čatloš, Ing., PhD, entrepreneur
- Zoltán Černák, Ing., agrobusinessman
- Ján Gabriel, Ing., Association's Committee Chairman
- Jacques Hogard, Chairman of the E.P.E.E Group, France
- Peter Hrinko, Ing. entrepreneur, Association's Committee Vice-Chairman
- Tomislav Jurik, RNDr., CSc., Chairman of the UNIPHARMA, a.s.
- Jan Keller, Prof. PhDr. PhD, sociologist, pedagogue, Czech Republic
- Jozef Masarik, Prof. RNDr. DrSc., physicist, spokesman of the International Peace Committee, Association's Committee, Vice-Chairman
- Peter Mihók, Assoc. Prof., Ing., CSc., President, Slovak Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Honorary Chair, World Chambers Federation

- Mikuláš Milko, Ing., CEO, CK Hydrotour, a.s.
- Jiří Mikulenka, Ing., traveller
- Tibor Mikuš, Ing. PhD, President, Slovak Nuclear Forum
- Eva Mišíková, JUDr., lawyer
- Ján Miškovský, Ing., entrepreneur, janom, s.r.o.
- Víťazoslav Moric, Ing., PhD, President of ŽOS Vrútky, a.s.
- Svetozár Naďovič, Ing., Major General
- František Pancurák, CEO, Swiss Aqua Technologies AG, Swiss
- Rudolf Schuster, President of the Slovak Republic in 1999-2004
- Heidy Schwarczová, Ing., PhD
- Tomáš Šálek, MUDr., clinical oncologist, President, Slovak Oncology Society
- Ján Šály, Dr., a former high-ranking police officer
- Vojtech Tkáč, Prof. JUDr. PhD., pedagogue and international expert
- Ladislav Vaškovič, Ing., CSc., entrepreneur
- Beijing Rongxiang Institute of Regenerative Medicine Co,. Ltd.
- Prof. Muhammad Yunus, financier and social leader, winner of Nobel Peace Prize, Bangladesh

Bratislava, October 13, 2019

Nominations for the 5th edition of the "Peace Prize from Slovakia 2015"

- 1. Prof. Muhammad Yunus, Nobel Peace Prize laureate, a personality humanising and socialising human society worldwide, Bangladesh
- 2. Jaromir Nohavica, folk singer, songwriter, composer, guitar and helicon player, professing the uniqueness of life as such and purity of human relationships, Czech Republic
- 3. Prof. Klaus Schwab, founder and president of the World Economic Forum, Switzerland
- 4. Helene Fischer, the 2018 World Female TOP 10 "non-English" singer who is also engaging in roterkeil.net which is fighting child prostitution, Germany
- 5. Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer, CDU President, Germany, demonstrating efforts to reconcile German national interests with the interests and needs of the EU and its individual members while paying attention to reconsidering the German approach to migration
- 6. Prof. Thomas Piketty, the French economist, elaborating on the theory of capitalism and democratic values destruction avoidance
- 7. The World Food Prize Foundation /1986/, Des Moines, Iowa State, USA, and its President Amb. Kenneth M. Quinn for developing the vision of its founder and Nobel Prize laureate Dr Norman E. Borlaug by presenting exceptional ideas for improving food quality, quantity and availability worldwide

Previous Laureates:

- 1. Pope Francis the prize is in the custody of entrepreneur, writer and social actor Š. Kassay,
- 2. OECD Secretary General J. Á. Gurria,
- 3. M. Attar, Syrian entrepreneur and patriot,
- 4. Anton Barcík, entrepreneur, peace and spiritual activist,
- 5. M. Babčanová, entrepreneur and jewellery-maker,
- 6. R. Bierman, producer and director,

- 7. Cardinal S. Dziwisz,
- 8. Citizens of the P.R.C.,
- 9. A. E. Yunitski, CEO of SKY WAY, Belarus,
- 10. HE R. Schuster, President of the Slovak Republic in 1999-2004,
- 11. J. F. Kennedy, 35th US President and peacemaker, in memoriam,
- 12. Canceled 05/23/2019
- 13. Gen. Charles de Gaulle, President of the French Republic and legendary personality of anti-fascist resistance and rapprochement between West and East, in memoriam.

Ceremonial announcement of the 2019 Peace Prize from Slovakia 2015

Distinguished guests, Members of the International Peace Committee and Economic Forum Association, Ladies and Gentlemen

It is my great honour to welcome you to our meeting, to convey greetings from Chairman of the National Council of the Slovak Republic Andrej Danko and to warmly welcome our special guest – President of the World Food Prize Foundation Ambassador Kenneth Quinn.

Let me share some ideas with you.

Early in the year 2015, we together with Rongxiang Xu, an outstanding Chinese scientist working in the United States – the founder of the science of damaged body organs and tissues regeneration and a doctor close to US President B. H. Obama and his family, initiated our International Peace Committee. Unfortunately, he tragically died. We started this initiative mainly because we came to the conclusion that we were "coming down" on the evolutionary spiral of our civilization. We are technologically and technically more advanced, the development of weapon systems and armaments in general continues. The nuclear potential of not only great powers and powers but also of other states has grown to such a volume that confrontational thresholds are feasible.

Societal and social disparities among the people on this planet as well as between regions and nations are growing and the possibility of disarmament and safe peace has become almost illusory. This is the result of doings by current political leaders and, unfortunately, also of people having a voting right who have given them room for irresponsibility and even for gambling with humankind. This has not happened from day to day nor from year to year, no, this has happened in the 21st century.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

No one of the 33-member International Peace Committee for the years 2018–2020 feels to be a saviour or rescuer of peace – peaceful conditions for life and our civilization. However, all our members feel ordinary human responsibility for returning to the times when we were closer to a new security system in the world. Even at the turn of the millennium, several world leaders indicated such a need. Then, "silence" set in and it continues until today unless we take the babbling, twiddling and twittering of songbirds – political leaders seriously.

Is it the silence before a heavy storm, before the beginning of an ice age or even before an apocalypse? Before deadly events, which vision is outlined in books and movies, which many politicians and various leaders are talking about? However, it is only a poor imitation of what could happen if the notion that a global war and any war is permissible or even necessary was to be further disseminated.

The "Peace Prize from Slovakia 2015" is not covered by millions of USD or Euros. It is covered by the highest possible respect of mortals to what individuals and/or groups of people do for a peaceful life. They act humanely – humanitarianly to promote common sense, to promote health, education and life in dignity for everyone today or in near future.

Five years ago, we came to the conclusion that the year 2015 was the zero point on the road to peace. So, that year, I quote the founders, "... when everyone talks about peace, however, their actions are outside this line of evolution. Either, they are targeted – intentional in the interest of power ambitions or incompetent. It reminds of the situation in the European Union when the time of disintegration came and those who facilitated it acted as if they were actually the fire-fighters or rescuers preparing the ground for happy life."

We remember what the late laureate of the "Peace Prize from Slovakia 2015" for the year 2016, a patriot, entrepreneur and chief executive of the Syrian Chambers of Commerce M. Attar talked about. This great man organized over eight thousand volunteers to help old people and children in war hit Syria over the years. He also financed this aid.

Not only is the dreadfulness of the destruction of life as such in that country happening close to us – albeit a relative closeness, but also due to media it is also real. And again, in the second month of this autumn, the hopes of peace have been choked down when the Turkish army entered Syrian territory. And those who are the only ones having the possibility and capabilities to bring peace are unable to act united against this unacceptable Turkish invasion.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In the fifth edition of the "Peace Prize from Slovakia 2015", personalities and organizations working for peace and for peaceful life, for public opinion supportive to peace and return of the currently absent traditional human ideals contained in the three conceptually richest words in every language/tongue – Liberté, Fraternité, Egalité – to real – and practical life of all nations and their states, have been nominated.

A day or two before and a day or two after the Remembrance Day of the Hiroshima tragedy on 6 August, thirty-one out of thirty-three members of the International Peace Committee took a closed electronic vote and vote by mail on the new laureate. In accordance with the Statute, one person, President of the Russian Federation Vladimir V. Putin, extended the number of nominees.

Distinguished guests, Members of the International Peace Committee and Economic Forum Association, Ladies and Gentlemen

In accordance with the Statute of the "Peace Prize from Slovakia 2015", I announce the World Food Prize Foundation and its President Ambassador Kenneth M. Quinn to be the 2019 winner of the vote and the laureate of the Prize.

Certificate of Authenticity

No. 14

"The 2015 Peace Prize from Slovakia" is to be awarded on the basis of closed voting by the members of the International Peace Committee and the Informal Economic Forum Economic Club on 6 August 2019

"The 2015 Peace Prize from Slovakia"

Based on the unanimous vote of the members of the International Peace Committee on the Remembrance Day of the Hiroshima tragedy on 6 August 2019

> this 2015 Peace Prize from Slovakia for 2019 is awarded to

The World Food Prize Foundation and its President Amb. Kenneth M. Quinn

For developing the vision of its founder and 2001 Nobel Prize laureate
Dr. Norman E. Borlaug by presenting exceptional ideas for improving food quality,
quantity and availability worldwide

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Bratislava, 6 August 2019