Every nation, great and small...each and all should develop the realisation that they are organic parts of one corporate whole and that they must contribute to that whole all they have and are. This concept is already present in the hearts of countless thousands and carries with it great responsibility. These realisations, when intelligently developed and wisely handled, will lead to right human relations, economic stability (based on the spirit of sharing) and to a fresh orientation of man to man, of nation to nation, and of all to that supreme power to which we give the name “God.”

The Tibetan Master, Djwhal Khul in *The Externalisation of the Hierarchy* by Alice A. Bailey

We are living through a period of profound turmoil, transition and transformation. Insecurity, inequality and intolerance are spreading. Global and national institutions are being put to the test. With so much at stake, the United Nations must keep pace across the spectrum of its activities — peace, development, human rights, the rule of law, the empowerment of the world's women and youth. There has been important progress on many fronts. Extreme poverty has been cut in half since the year 2000. Democratic transitions are under way in many countries. There are encouraging signs of economic growth across the developing world. Now is the time to raise our collective ambitions. With the 2015 deadline for the Millennium Development Goals fast approaching, we must intensify our efforts to reach all of these lifesaving targets. We must prepare a bold and practical post-2015 development agenda. And
we must continue to combat intolerance, save people caught in conflicts and establish lasting peace.

Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon’s Message, United Nations Day 2012

Dear Friends, As we observe United Nations Day on October 24th, celebrating the 67th year anniversary of our common house of humanity, we have an opportunity to revisit and become reignited by the clarity, the hope and the inspired promise, which surrounded the creation of the United Nations.

Delegates representing over 80 percent of the humanity of the time came together in San Francisco to design together, in the words of this historic documentary, “the machinery to end war—a curse which in 30 years had killed 40 million human beings and maimed countless millions more.”

This year, the opening of the Four Freedoms Park on Roosevelt Island in New York City further provides motivation to return to the founding vision—the dreams and aspirations of those responsible for its founding. Although he died on April 12th, less than two weeks before the momentous United Nations’ Conference on International Organization in San Francisco, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt is recognized as one of the outstanding driving forces behind the conference, and indeed behind the creation of the United Nations.

In his remarks at the dedication of the Memorial Park, Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon paid tribute to President Franklin:

“He had the vision. He helped develop the plans. He even gave us our name. President Roosevelt was driven by a global vision....He believed deeply that leaders everywhere must help people everywhere live [their] dreams.”

The park’s name, Four Freedoms Park, derives directly from that vision in which President Roosevelt enshrined freedom of speech, freedom of worship, freedom from want and freedom from fear, which as he emphatically affirmed, needed to be implemented everywhere in the world. In his address to the U.S. Seventy-seventh Congress on 6 January 1941, Mr. Roosevelt, made clear that these four freedoms were not meant to be a utopian dream for a “distant millennium,” but they were, as he stated, “a definite basis for a kind of world attainable in our own time and generation.” See the text of that address here.

The eight points of the Atlantic Charter as well as the Four Freedoms were instrumental concepts in the transformative thinking that was behind the formation of the
United Nations and they were inscribed into both the Charter of the United Na-
tions—what the delegates at the San Francisco Conference referred to as “The New
World Security Charter,” and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. And, so
it is consequential that the Four Freedoms Park is situated across from the United
Nations and can be seen from the windows of the UN’s executive offices on the 38th
floor of the Secretariat building.

Mr. Ban referred to this significant geographical placement:

“More than 60 years later, the Four Freedoms remain a guide post, and this
park will be a lighthouse. It will be a source of comfort knowing that FDR is
looking out on the United Nations, and it will be a source of inspiration look-
ing out on him from the 38th floor.”

He added, “We at the United Nations are also in the building business. And as we
celebrate what you have built here today, we pledge to continue building on the goals
and the values of the Four Freedoms and the United Nations Charter for all people
and all time.”

Relating the spiritual work of the United Nations and the liberation of humanity is
inherent in the Plan of Love and Light for our world period and there is much to say
about the Spiritual Foundation of the United Nations, as this dedicated section of
our website indicates.

“Freedom is an essentially spiritual attribute, underlying the entire evolutionary
process,” states the Ageless Wisdom. “It has survived aeons of opposition from the
principle of enslaving selfishness and is largely responsible, at this time, for the strug-
gle in which we are all participating.” (The Rays and the Initiations)

Indeed, the Four Freedoms and the 8 points of the Atlantic Charter are recognized
as the “freedoms of the New Age” and these are directly related to the divine “pur-
pose that guides the little wills of men.”

Acting as a mediator and transmitting light, love and spiritual potency to the animal,
plant and mineral kingdoms, humanity’s high destiny is to play its part in transform-
ing planet Earth into a sacred planet where the spiritual energies of light, love and
the will-to-good prevail.
The implementation of the four freedoms on a planetary scale is a fundamental and most basic first step. The Four Freedoms are at the heart of the work of the United Nations and their implementation plays a pivotal role in the evolution of humanity.

Until the four freedoms become a realized fact for all of humanity, the unmet needs of the bulk of humanity and the resulting anguish and suffering now extant everywhere will continue to create a state of constant turmoil, conflict and war. As a result, the emotional body of the one humanity is as a darkened prison house, keeping out the sun of heightened consciousness and creating a thick and dense covering, preventing an awareness of the spiritual energies seeking entrance into our world.

The implementation of the four freedoms on a world scale would allow for the creation of what UNESCO and others have referred to as a culture of peace. The resulting tranquility would make it possible for new energies and new ideas to impress humanity, and it would bring about those conditions which make it possible for the higher reasoning or meditative functions to thrive.

After 67 years of struggle, we recognize that the attainment of these freedoms is no easy task. The oppressors of humanity do not easily yield their power. As we work with the energies now available on our planet from the sign of Scorpio, it is fitting to consider the question that is identified with the labours of Hercules as he sought to prove himself when taking on the tests and trials of this sign:

“Will the world Hercules [a spiritual humanity] lift this problem up into heaven and ‘elevate the Hydra’ of passion and hate, of greed and aggression, and of selfishness and ambition up into the region of the soul? Or will it carry the whole matter down on to the physical plane with the inevitable corollary of world disaster, world war and death?” (Esoteric Astrology)

As Mr. Ban stated in his address for this year’s United Nations Day, important progress has been made on many fronts, however, humanity’s high destiny is yet highly challenged!

Let us take heart from the esoteric keynote for this sign of Scorpio, which promises triumph once the tests have been undergone and met: “warrior I am and from the battle I [the Soul] emerge triumphant.”

In holding these monthly meditation meetings, at the time of the 12 Solar Festivals—the spiritual high point of each month, we strive to contact, hold and distribute solar
and cosmic spiritual energy in the service of humanity and the planet as a whole. Because the emphasis is on meditation as a planetary service, we strive to set aside our own personal plans, comfort and desires as we seek to become receptive to the Will of God or to Cosmic Will.

Will you join in this month’s meditation meeting as we work to strengthen and support the spiritual work of this common house of humanity?

The meditation meeting will take place at noon on Monday, 29 October 2012 in the UN Meditation Room. We will work silently, in unison, using the meditation outline, “The Spiritual Work of the United Nations and the Liberation of Humanity,” from 12-12:30 p.m. and then reassemble outside the meditation room from 12:30-1:15 p.m. for discussion.

We thank those of you who weekly use this meditation outline based on the “six-fold progression of divine Love.” Your contributions are helping to broaden and strengthen the spiritual consciousness on the planet and they are much appreciated. If you yet need a copy, please let us know; you are encouraged to use it, not only on this Friday of the meditation meeting, but, weekly every Friday.

For those whose geographic location necessitates that you join in subjectively, please note that your meditative thoughts do contribute to the available planetary streams of Light, Love and the Will-to-Good that are now seeking manifestation and expression on our planet.

As long-time practitioners of meditation, we know that when two or more people think the same thoughts, the potency of their individual thought power progressively increases—not arithmetically, but geometrically. When such thinking is carried out regularly, the very rhythm itself produces an even greater potency. A tremendous influence for GOOD lies dormant in the massed thought power in the world.

Let us then work in unison to focus our thought power and creatively and intelligently help uplift the quality of life for all people everywhere and for all forms of life on our planet.

As in the past, you are invited to ponder the quote of the month, posted on the first of every month. As usual, it is accompanied by a photograph of the cosmic landscape in which our planet Earth “lives and moves and has its being.”
Thank you for working with the videos in the Aquarian Age Community YouTube channel, which includes the Great Invocation in the Six Official Languages of the United Nations.

The video under the heading of Reconciliation and the Healing of the Nations continues to be available on YouTube.

Your continued support and help in working with and circulating these videos is welcome and deeply appreciated.

In closing we wish to leave you with some heartening and evocative thoughts on humanity’s long-held vision of a brotherhood of nations and peoples—a vision that is slowly but surely unfolding as we continue to apply ourselves to the creation of a more enlightened future, wherein the best is yet to be:

Harkening to all the songs about Brotherhood one perceives a wondrous poem of the dreams of humanity. If one assembles all the customs, which have been accumulated around the concept of Brotherhood, one arrives at an extraordinarily touching testimony about the aspirations of peoples. The manifestation of achievements in the name of Brotherhood reveals that self-renunciation has been always linked with these endeavors of the pure heart. (Brotherhood, Par. 2, Agni Yoga Society, NY)

In loving and shared planetary service,

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