



The Spiritual Work of the United Nations and the Liberation of Humanity

Striving to Actualize the Spiritual Will on Behalf of Humanity and the Planet

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Therefore, my brothers, believe in the reality of the work to be done by these great spiritual Potencies, invoked during the three Full Moons of April, May and June. Go forth to the task of helping humanity, of establishing goodwill, of bringing about right human relations and of restoring a true spiritual perspective, with undaunted courage, sure faith and the firm conviction that mankind is not alone.

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

There is encouraging momentum around the world for disarmament and non-proliferation. We are seeing concrete action from governments, greater mobilization from civil society, and a strong call from here in this General Assembly. Each is helping to move us one step closer to a safer world. Now is the moment to build on that momentum – and that is what brings us here today. Disarmament is among the longest-held goals of the United Nations. When we advance this issue, we are returning to our roots – but we are also looking forward.

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, Remarks to the Thematic Debate of the UN General Assembly on Disarmament and World Security, New York, 19 April 2010

Dear Friends,

From the beginning of the nuclear age, and the use of nuclear weapons in Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945, humanity has wrestled with the possibility of harnessing nuclear technology for the benefit of humankind while fully aware of the horrific and wanton destruction which nuclear weapons had unleashed and the fear that this could happen again.

Initial efforts to create an international system, enabling all States to have access to nuclear technology under appropriate safeguards began as early as 1946, but were quickly terminated in 1949 without the achievement of this objective, due to serious political differences between the major Powers. By then, both the United States and the former Soviet Union had tested nuclear weapons, and were beginning to build their stockpiles.

In 1950 Niels Bohr, the Danish Physicist, who worked on the American-British atomic energy project during the war wrote an open letter to the United Nations, urging the countries of the world to create rational, peaceful atomic policies that would guarantee a common security for all.

Shortly thereafter, in December 1953, U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower in his “Atoms for Peace” proposal urged the eighth session of the United Nations General Assembly, to establish an international organization, which would disseminate peaceful nuclear technology, while guarding against the development of nuclear weapons:

“To the making of these fateful decisions, the United States pledges before you - and therefore before the world - its determination to help solve the fearful atomic dilemma - to devote its entire heart and mind to find the way by which the miraculous inventiveness of man shall not be dedicated to his death, but consecrated to his life.”

We yet struggle with this dilemma.

Faced with the existence of massive arsenals of both nuclear and non-nuclear weapons around the globe, with an estimated 30,000 nuclear weapons worldwide, the United Nations system is gearing up for the 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT), which will take place at the New York Headquarters of the United Nations from 3 to 28 May 2010.

In preparation for this Review Conference, the 192-member General Assembly recently held a thematic debate on disarmament and world security. Addressing this august Assembly, Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon re-iterated the global consequences of this monumental predicament and called on the world community to shift its priorities:

“The world is over-armed, and development is under-funded. Spending on weapons worldwide is now well above \$1 trillion a year – and rising. These priorities should be reversed. By accelerating disarmament, we can liberate the resources we need to combat climate change, address food insecurity and achieve the Millennium Development Goals.”

We are thus reminded of the poignantly insightful assessment of Albert Einstein who affirmed that "The release of atom power has changed everything except our way of thinking." As he wisely surmised, “the solution to this problem lies in the heart of mankind.”

It is most auspicious that this renewed impetus to address this seemingly intractable planetary menace is occurring during the span of the three major Spiritual Festivals—a time when new and vital spiritual energies can aid in humanity’s efforts to bring us closer to a safer, more secure and saner planetary experience.

The decisive key, which will indicate whether these spiritual energies are utilized or not, lies, as Albert Einstein noted, within the heart of mankind—and within the ability of disciples and spiritual workers to engage the spiritual will.

At this time of the Taurus Solar Festival we work with the esoteric keynote of Light: “I see and when the Eye is opened, all is light.” It was under this sign that Siddhartha Gautama achieved victory over desire and arrived at illumination, thus attaining buddhic consciousness and earning the title of the Buddha—the “Enlightened” or “Awakened One.”

The Buddha was and is the Conveyer of Enlightenment to the world. He was and is the Lord of Light. And, as a Great Spiritual Teacher, as is always the case, He carved out a new Path for humanity and pioneered the processes of illumination, thus also acquiring the title of the “Illumined One.”

Because of His strivings on behalf of humanity, we understand that the light of knowledge eventually yields to the light of wisdom, which itself is then absorbed by the radiant light of the intuition. Each stage indicates a penetration into a higher realm of consciousness and the achievement of each stage brings about the dissipation of graded layers of ignorance, glamour and darkness.

Through His unrelenting experiments and adamant search to find and eliminate the cause of human suffering and pain, He realized that it is humanity's attachment to desire that leads to suffering. As the cure, he formulated the Four Noble Truths and the Noble Eightfold Path.

From the Ageless Wisdom, we understand that desire can and eventually must be transmuted into aspiration, which ultimately and in time, yields to the directional will.

As spiritual workers committed to planetary healing, at this critical moment that *The New York Times* describes as a "Season for Disarmament," we can aid in this reinvigorated disarmament effort by striving to better understand and actualize the spiritual will. Applying the methods and practice of detachment, dispassion and discrimination, taught by the Buddha, we can strive to distinguish between the expression of a fixed and potent desire, arising as a solar plexus expression and the actualization, to whatever degree possible, of the spiritual will.

The esoteric wisdom tells us that the secret of the spiritual will lies in the recognition of the divine nature of humanity; it is evoked by the Soul as it transforms and transfigures the human mind and controls the personal self. The secret of this will is also closely tied in with the recognition of the unconquerable nature of goodness and the inevitability of the ultimate triumph of good.

Desire works from and through the material form upwards; the spiritual will works downwards into form, bending form consciously to divine purpose. When evoked, such a will ends desire and becomes an immanent, propulsive, driving force, stabilizing, clarifying, and finally destroying all impediments.

The Solar Festival of Taurus is also observed as the Festival of Wesak—the Festival of the Buddha, the spiritual Intermediary between the highest planetary spiritual centre, Shamballa, and the Hierarchy of Love-Wisdom. At the exact time of the Taurus Full Moon, He comes, at great sacrifice, to bless our planet.

Under the influence of these energies emanating from the sign of Taurus and stepped down for us by the Buddha and the Enlightened Beings Who guide and oversee our planetary and human evolution, the world's spiritual community can seek to fit itself—in whatever way is necessary to each one—in order to become responsive and sensitive to these energies and Potencies now available on our planet.

For this purpose, you are called to join in using the meditation outline, "The Spiritual Work of the United Nations and the Liberation of Humanity.

For those of you who live within the vicinity of the United Nations, you are invited to meet in silent meditation from Noon until 12:30 p.m. in the UN Meditation Room on Tuesday, 27 April. Discussion will follow outside the Meditation Room from 12:30 – 1:15 p.m.

Those of us who live outside the New York City area have the opportunity to contribute to this work by using the above meditation outline not only on Tuesday, April 27th, but weekly, every Friday. Please inquire, if you need a copy of the meditation outline available in several languages.

The dates for the meditation meetings of 2010 are posted [here](#), and you are invited and encouraged to take every opportunity to participate.

As you ponder the quote of the month, posted on the first of every month and view the accompanying cosmic image, you are encouraged to imagine the divine circulatory flow that is possible when there is an alignment of individual, planetary and cosmic energies.

We ask that you continue to work with and help circulate the YouTube video featuring the Great Invocation and photos of the UN General Assembly and the UN Meditation Room under the theme of Reconciliation and the Healing of the Nations.

We will be writing to you soon about a Seminar that will take place at the United Nations Foundation on Thursday, 27 May from 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. under the theme of “*How Can World Invocation Day Strengthen and Support the Spiritual Work of the United Nations?*” Please reserve the date and time and plan to join us either in person in New York City, or subjectively from wherever you are.

Let Light and Love and Power restore the Plan on Earth.

In loving planetary service,

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