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Dear Prime Minister,

We live in times when communities are being fragmented by financial hardship and political uncertainty. Internationally, recent headlines about boats being seized by Iran once again raise the possibility of the UK stumbling into another war. All the while, unresolved questions around Brexit continue to threaten a peace so painstakingly built in Northern Ireland. It also opens-up wider questions about how we define security both collectively and internationally today. As the tensions with Iran clearly demonstrate, the need for continued diplomatic efforts to control and reduce the spread of nuclear weapons will continue to need constant attention

As you lay out your agenda for the coming weeks, we ask that you prioritise the work of authentic peace. One built on justice and reconciliation. We ask that you seek peace by peaceful means, prioritising respectful dialogue, the use of international systems and networks and the measured and thoughtful deployment of negotiators and mediators. Then ensure you give sufficient time and attention for these approaches to make a difference.

Yrs. Sincerely

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