The international community has in recent years been in a state of crisis management, reacting to events rather than proactively addressing root causes and supporting the long-term capacities and institutions that are required for sustainable peace and development. Several recent reports, agreements and resolutions[1] have emphasized the need to focus on preventing crises and addressing the drivers of conflict and subsequent human suffering. Prevention and peacebuilding is generally underfunded, initiated too

ULTIMATE COLLECTIVE OUTCOME

ENDING HUMAN SUFFERING BY ADDRESSING THE DRIVERS OF CONFLICT AND VULNERABILITY, AND REDUCING SUBSEQUENT HUMANITARIAN NEEDS

To achieve this, the international community and all humanitarian, development and peacebuilding actors, consistent with, and acting within their mandate and comparative advantages, should:

COMMITMENT 1

FOCUS ON THE ALIGNMENT AND COHERENCE OF COLLECTIVE SHORT-, MEDIUM- AND LONG-TERM OBJECTIVES SIMULTANEOUSLY

❗ Commit to shared responsibility and collective outcomes in alignment with the Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development in an effort to transcend the humanitarian-development divide.

❗ Commit to focusing on the context-specific alignment of short-, medium- and long-term objectives, working towards collective outcomes, which include addressing humanitarian needs, addressing the drivers of violent conflict and developing institutions, resilience and capacities simultaneously in a complementary and synergetic manner based on respective mandates and comparative advantage.

❗ Commit to an inclusive process involving the local population, communities and civil society in the design and monitoring of activities, including through the establishment of participatory mechanisms to express feedback and grievances, and respond to feedback.

❗ Commit to promoting the empowerment and participation of women, youth, minorities and marginalized or vulnerable people.

❗ Commit to monitoring short-term outputs and longer-term outcomes related to peace, institutions, capacities and resilience, even if they are harder to measure.

COMMITMENT 2

CONDUCT CONTEXT, RISK OR CONFLICT ANALYSIS REGULARLY

❗ Commit to using regular context, risk or conflict analysis to ensure common and shared understandings of the contexts to inform our work, inter alia, responsible and principled humanitarian action, contributing to the promotion of peaceful and inclusive societies, fostering social cohesion, gender equality and respect for human rights and strengthening institutions and resilience at the household, local, national and regional levels, inclusive of local actors.

❗ Commit to undertake joint analysis with other entities working in the same context and space to enable system-wide response to address the most critical risks for conflict and human rights violations, using local knowledge and engaging local actors as much as possible.

❗ Commit to support integrated analysis of, and complementary and cohesive programming around, the interconnected risks of violent conflict, disasters and climate change.

COMMITMENT 3

DEVELOP CAPACITIES, TOOLS AND

COMMITMENT 4

DO NO HARM AND ENSURE CONFLICT-SENSITIVE PROGRAMMING

❗ Commit to doing no harm and applying a conflict-sensitive approach in the design and delivery of programmes while involving local stakeholders.

❗ Commit to further developing policies, good practices and guidance to reach this objective, while building on existing guidance, such as the Sphere standards, and engaging local stakeholders.

❗ Commit to leveraging opportunities for positive impact ("Do More Good") by developing capacities and institutions, enhancing social cohesion and trust, strengthening resilience, promoting and protecting human rights and reducing the risk of violence, while engaging local stakeholders.

COMMITMENT 5

PROVIDE ADEQUATE, SUSTAINED AND RISK-TOLERANT FINANCING

❗ Commit to provide adequate, multi-year and sustained financing of collective outcomes on peace, humanitarian action and development.[2]

❗ Commit to tolerate, mitigate and share risks.

❗ Commit to seeking more flexible use of resources in more effective and integrated ways.

WE, THE ORGANIZATIONS LISTED BELOW, SUPPORT THE ABOVE-LISTED COMMITMENTS AND COMMIT TO CREATE THE SYNERGIES AND COMPLEMENTARITIES AMONG PEACE, HUMANITARIAN AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIONS THAT ARE