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Summit of the Future Roadmap
Multistakeholder Consultation

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Thank you Chair, Ambassadors, Colleagues,

On behalf of the Friends World Committee for Consultation (Quakers), thank you for the presentation of the roadmap to the Summit of the Future and the opportunity to provide initial views.

The Summit has been presented as a global moment to rebuild trust, solidarity, and forge a new path forward on what our future should be, and how we achieve it together. In order to deliver on this vision, sustainable, just, and inclusive **peace** must be central to the outcome of the Summit or the proposed 'Pact of the Future'.

The world is currently witnessing the largest number of violent conflicts since 1946, and this deficit of peace is undermining our ability to address the myriad of challenges we face today or prepare for those of the future.

While it is unclear at this point how the forthcoming *New Agenda for Peace (NA4P)* will be reflected in the Summit, building peace and concrete, actionable steps to do so should be included in the outcome document. We have made a joint submission with the Civil Society-UN Prevention Platform to the NA4P process and hope those inputs will also be considered for the Summit. Our submission includes substantive recommendations and reflections to galvanize collective action across all three pillars of the UN, to meaningfully mainstream prevention, mitigate emerging risks, and address root causes and other factors undermining peace.

Focusing on peace will also contribute to ensuring alignment and complementarity between the SDG Summit and the Summit of the Future. Among the reoccurring topics and inputs proposed for the Summit of the Future there are many that overlap with the 2030 Agenda and the 5 P's that anchor that agreement (people, planet, prosperity, peace, and partnership).

We look forward to continuing engagement and meaningful participation of stakeholders in the lead up to the Summit of the Future. We welcome this first convening by Germany and Namibia as cofacilitators and hope for regular information sharing and interactive discussions as we move forward with this process.

Thank you.