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Re: Minutes from Feb. 7. 2018

World Interfaith Harmony Week 2018

"Inspiring Faith in Humanity" - Committee of Religious NGO's. Tillman Chapel at the Church Center for the United Nations.

Date: February 22, 2018

Marilyn D. Kinelski, UN CoNGO Consultative Status Representative Sovereign Military order of the Temple of Jerusalem - OSMTH: Member UN CoNGO Committee on the Family also attended.

Welcome and Introduction – Rev. Dionne Boissiere, Chaplain for the Church Center for the United Nations

Invocation - Swami Parameshanaada, President of the Committee of Religious NGO's

Reflections From United Nations Alliance of Civilizations – H.E Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations.

Spoke on the issue of "many cultures but one humanity" who must all cooperate for the benefit of humanity. We are all bridge builders for the common good.

Reflection from Hungary Missions Ambassador – H.E. Ambassador Katalin Annamaria Bogyay

"The time if out of joint' Shakespeare - Hamlet

Everyone can make a difference, balance your self first then balance the world. Interfaith dialog is extremely important. Preventive diplomacy is important for all of us to understand each other. We need to stick to our values and protect the vulnerable to make the world harmonious – we need balance.

Reflections on the world situation - Rev. Jesse Jackson

"Live together and build bridges". Fight for family interconnection. Taller is not better, pull down walls, separation is not strong...no wall for Mexico. Looking forward when North and South Korea can join hands and play together.

Reflections – Holy See Representative – Msgr. Franco – "Actions speak louder than words", we must embrace humanity. Reflections on the life of St. Anthony of Padua – all religions can change the world but actions speak more than just words.

There were numerous musical interludes during the program as well as Aztec native spiritual dances followed by numerous prayers to include an Ancient Shinto Prayer, Jewish Scripture from Rabbi Roger Ross from the Committee on Spirituality. Following these prayers, there were prayers for humanity from the Buddhists, a Baha'i Prayer, Episcopal Prayer, Sikh Prayer, Catholic Prayer, Jain Prayer, Hindu Prayer, Muslim Prayer, Blessing from Divine Mother- Light of Awareness International Spiritual Family, a Mennonite Prayer and an Earth Prayer. Many religions with the same concern for humanity and harmony in the world.

Following the meeting there was food and fellowship provided by the United Sikhs for youth interaction with the Holy See Youth Representatives and Hindu Youth Representatives.

This meeting and social concluded the activities at the UN for World Interfaith Harmony Week.