January 29, 2018

Dear Executive Members of Mayors for Peace:

I hope this letter finds you in the best of health and spirits.

Based on the Mayors for Peace Action Plan decided upon at the 9th General Conference in August 2017, Mayors for Peace will conduct an internship program, receiving staff from member cities to its Secretariat in Hiroshima. It is hoped that this program will not only help Mayors for Peace to strengthen its international functions, but also help the interns to enhance their abilities needed for the management of the organization, contribute to nuclear disarmament activities in their home countries, and ultimately strengthen the network among member cities through their experience of learning about the realities of the atomic bombing in Hiroshima and sharing in the city’s wish for peace.

This year, Mayors for Peace will accept applications for participation in this program as below.

Possible Internship period
Between May 21, 2018 and February 28, 2019

Possible Internship duration
- About half a year: one person
- For two weeks up to one month: five persons

If your city has a candidate, please read the attached Guideline carefully, and submit by email the designated Application Form by Wednesday, February 28. Please note that, in principle, only one applicant is acceptable from a member city. The selection result will be announced around the end of March.

Once it is decided that we will accept an intern from your city, your city will be asked to submit the Memorandum and the intern will be asked to submit the Written Oath. Both of these documents are attached for your reference.

Please note that the implementation of this program will be officially decided when the Hiroshima City Council approves the Hiroshima City Fiscal 2018 Budget (April 2018 – March 2019) in March.

In closing, I extend my wishes for your continued good health and success, and the ongoing development of your city.

Sincerely yours,

MATSUI Kazumi
President of Mayors for Peace
Excerpts from the Mayors for Peace Action Plan:

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2. Strengthening the organizational system and functions

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2) Improving the Secretariat’s functions

   i. Strengthen collaboration between the Secretariat and member cities by receiving interns

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   We will receive interns from a wide range of member cities each year in an aim to strengthen collaboration among the Secretariat and member cities and also to improve the functions of the Secretariat. We will seek to receive interns from new cities when possible.

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