



We are all responsible for making sure that Human Rights are reaffirmed in our ways of thinking and in our actions.

Principles to guide the exercise of human responsibilities

To face the challenges of today and of tomorrow, it is just as important to unite in action as to express cultural diversity.

Every person's dignity demands that he or she contribute to the freedom and dignity of others.

Lasting peace cannot be established without a justice which is respectful of human dignity and of human rights.

To ensure the full flowering of the human personality, its non-material aspirations as well as its material needs must be addressed.

The exercise of power can only be legitimate if it serves the common good, and if it is monitored by those over whom it is exercised.

Consumption of natural resources to meet human needs must be integrated in a larger effort of active protection and careful management of the environment.

The pursuit of prosperity cannot be separated from an equitable sharing of wealth.

Freedom of scientific research implies accepting that this freedom is limited by ethical criteria.

The full potential of knowledge and know-how is realised only through sharing them, and through using them in the service of solidarity and the culture of peace.

In reaching decisions about short-term priorities, the precaution must be taken of evaluating long-term consequences with their risks and uncertainties.