

Peace Round-up – 23rd September 2020

A selection of items from a range of sources. Inclusion here does not imply full endorsement, but is based on current concerns of NFPB and its members.

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Liverpool Greens urge warfare show ban over 'merchants of death' claim

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-merseyside-53805587>

AOC Electronic Warfare Europe will not take place in 2020

<https://www.eweurope.com/event-update#/>

Military police probe British soldier over Yemen war protest

<https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/article/2020-08-25-military-police-probe-british-soldier-over-yemen-war-protest/>

STATEMENT BY VETERANS FOR PEACE UK IN SUPPORT OF LANCE CORPORAL AHMED AL-BABATI

<https://vfpuk.org/articles/statement-by-veterans-for-peace-uk-in-support-of-lance-corporal-ahmed-al-babati/>

Why compassion needs to be at the heart of our response to Channel crossings

<https://www.quaker.org.uk/blog/why-compassion-needs-to-be-at-the-heart-of-our-response-to-channel-crossings>

Racial justice learning for Quakers: a reflection

<https://www.quaker.org.uk/blog/racial-justice-learning-for-quakers-a-reflection>

Racism – An Urgent Concern for Peace Churches

The Britain and Ireland region of Church and Peace recently hosted an online event to discuss the Black Lives Matter (BLM) movement, and why racism must become a priority for peace churches and peace groups.

<https://www.church-and-peace.org/en/2020/09/racism-concern-for-peace-churches/>

Written Submission to the Integrated Review of Security, Defence, Development & Foreign Policy, submitted by Rethinking Security

<https://rethinkingsecurityorguk.files.wordpress.com/2020/09/rs-submission-to-the-integrated-review-03-sep-2020.pdf>

Why I'm friends with the man who shot me

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/ideas/videos/why-im-friends-with-the-man-who-shot-me/p08rh75r>

Culture wars and the work of citizenship

By Jill Segger

<http://www.ekkleisia.co.uk/node/29937>

Online gathering sees enthusiasm for resisting everyday militarism

<https://www.ppu.org.uk/news/online-gathering-sees-enthusiasm-resisting-everyday-militarism>

Friends support new children's rights bill

Bill aims to incorporate the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child into Scottish law <https://thefriend.org/article/friends-support-new-childrens-rights-bill>

Paul Parker: How the Quakers embraced stillness in virtual meetings

<https://www.civilsociety.co.uk/voices/when-two-or-three-are-gathered-online-i-am-there-among-them.html>

UK could be 'aiding and assisting' Saudi Arabia war crimes by selling arms, UN report warns

<https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/uk-saudi-arabia-war-crimes-yemen-arms-exports-ban-un-b453921.html>

Iran and the nuclear deal: latest news

<https://cnduk.org/iran-and-the-nuclear-deal-latest-news/>

COVID-19 and the Lessons from History

analyses the current state of the outbreak, puts it in the context of the past century's worst pandemics

<https://www.oxfordresearchgroup.org.uk/covid-19-and-the-lessons-from-history>

Five years on from UK's first drone targeted killing, increasing secrecy needs serious challenge

<https://dronewars.net/2020/08/21/five-years-on-from-uks-first-drone-targeted-killing-increasing-secrecy-needs-serious-challenge/>

#PeaceMoments

Peacebuilding can look like any one of hundreds of different actions, and mean different things to different people.... . So, to mark the International Day of Peace, we've asked our peacebuilding colleagues, partners and friends from around the world to share their most memorable peacebuilding moments.

<https://www.c-r.org/news-and-insight/peacemoments>

Systems, Relationships, and History: Advocating for Peace Today

Adapted from remarks delivered at the New Association of Friends Fall Gathering, September 2020.

<https://www.fcni.org/updates/systems-relationships-and-history-advocating-for-peace-today-2989>

Civil society tells Canada: Stop arming Saudi Arabia

<https://quakerservice.ca/news/stop-arming-saudi-arabia/>

Filming Police in Europe – new briefing from QCEA

Briefing looks at the law and practice of video recording police operations across Europe, its relationship with public service accountability, prevention of human rights abuses and violence

<http://www.qcea.org/2020/09/filming-police-in-europe-new-briefing-from-qcea/>

Annexation Statement, September 2020

Charities, trade unions, religious groups, and civil society organisations speak out against Israel's plans to annex Palestinian land.

<https://www.palestinecampaign.org/annexation-statement-september-2020/>

Plunged into despair: How Israel's policy affects Gazan families that depend on fishing for a living

https://www.btselem.org/gaza_strip/20200909_fishermen_families_gaza_strip

Climate Justice Now – End Militarism!

<https://xrpeace.org/2020/09/01/climate-justice-now-end-militarism/>

UK armed forces providing training for majority of countries on government's own human rights watch-list

<https://www.caat.org.uk/media/press-releases/2020-09-09>

Trading in Misery: The arms trade, empire and international law

<https://rethinkingsecurity.org.uk/2020/09/17/trading-in-misery/>

Facing the Truth: Engaging with the Climate and Ecological Emergency

<https://rethinkingsecurity.org.uk/2020/09/14/climate-anxiety/>

China and the US: the arms race in space

<https://www.ft.com/video/80b1eb31-6cbc-422d-865b-29686dc9b235>

Weekly lessons from Razor Wire & Olive Branches available via @TesResources

Created with the eyewitness help of Eappi's human rights monitors, we look at questions of peace and justice for Palestinians & Israelis.

<https://www.tes.com/teaching-resource/where-are-palestine-and-israel-and-who-are-their-people-12398310>

We invited you to imagine the world to come...now let's work together to make it happen

<https://reset-uk.org/>

The Rainbow: Peace, Equality and the NHS

<https://thepeacemuseum.eu.rit.org.uk/the-use-of-the-rainbow>

Why Eurosatory should be closed for good – and for the good of the world (Part 1 & Part 2)

<https://qceablog.wordpress.com/2020/09/18/why-eurosatory-should-be-closed-for-good-and-for-the-good-of-the-world-part-1/>

<https://qceablog.wordpress.com/2020/09/20/why-eurosatory-should-be-closed-for-good-and-for-the-good-of-the-world-part-2/>

People Not War

Download and share this zine from CAAT

<https://www.caat.org.uk/resources/caat-news/pdf/caatnews258-people-not-war-zine.pdf>

Global peacebuilders urge governments to recommit to peace

<https://www.quaker.org.uk/news-and-events/news/global-peacebuilders-urge-governments-to-recommit-to-peace>

Unethical and amoral. How the EU weapons programme neglects human rights

<https://qceablog.wordpress.com/2020/09/21/unethical-and-amoral-how-the-eu-weapons-programme-neglects-human-rights/>

Former World Leaders Urge Ratification of Nuclear Arms Ban Treaty

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/09/20/world/treaty-nuclear-arms-united-nations.html>

Is your pension fund wrecking the planet?

<https://sgr.org.uk/resources/your-pension-fund-wrecking-planet>

British training of Saudi pilots continues amid bombing of Yemen

<https://www.dailymaverick.co.za/article/2020-09-23-british-training-of-saudi-pilots-continues-amid-bombing-of-yemen/>

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