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### « 2008 : A Mutual acknowledgement » *To a Peace fulfilment*

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Today, we heard that the Israeli Prime Minister and the President of the Palestinian Authority agreed on an 8 points agreement devoted to the continuation of Peace discussions. The number 8 seems to be of good meaning for the Middle East conflict resolution. That's why, together, let's make the 1428 Hegira year (2007-2008) the year of all hopes.

60 years have lasted since UN decision to create two states in Palestine: a Jewish state and an Arab state. During these years, undertaken actions can be considered both good and bad.

*« The right action is not like the bad one. Push away this one by what is the best: The one who was separated with an enmity from you will then become your warmly friend. But this is offered only to the one who already owns an immeasurable gift. (Quran: Verses well explained ; 34-35.*

Many historical figures behaved according to the Coranic verses in « **pushing away the bad action by what is the best** ». They chose to consider « *the one who was separated with an enmity from them as a warmly friend* ». They took initiatives of great importance on the path of peace and paved it with light and hope.

A Hadith of Prophet Mohammed (SAWS 13) tells in substance that « *the believer do not let himself bite twice by a poisonous animal from the same shelter* ». Do not let extremists from both sides bite and instil poison to the great majority of the communities who aim at peace by all means.

Past generations wrote a large part of History with their tears and their blood; it is our duty to read it well and to train future generations to a culture of peace. The task is huge and ticklish. We should push the evil away – hatred, resentment and desire of revenge- and replace it by what is the best. We should engage a deep sudden awareness or question our way of thinking and leave conflicting schemas. We should invest in Childhood and introduce what is the best in educational programmes and schoolbooks, as citizens of the 21st century only have a small margin of error. Previous generations taught us from their blood and life, passing on in heritage their experience and wisdom that it is compulsory to benefit.

*« In their history verily there is a lesson for men of understanding ».* Quran: Joseph; 111.

Regenerate ourselves in our respective holy texts to follow the example of the « history of the past generations » and as men of understanding, learn its lessons in order to build a future of coexistence and mutual acknowledgement where Human Beings could benefit great progresses in different matters.

Imams and Rabbis, with people of good willing, have **the duty** to act as bearers of this immeasurable gift and to show believers the path of wisdom and peace. **Eminent spirituality is the active spirituality for peace fulfilment.**

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