## **PRESS RELEASE**

## The US Federation for Middle East Peace

Expresses Solidarity with Japan in the Aftermath of the Devastating Earthquake and Tsunami

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The US Federation for Middle East Peace expresses its condolences to the people and government of Japan in the aftermath of the recent and unexpected natural disasters.

USFMEP President Sally Kader stated, "This is a terrible tragedy to befall such a great country. We offer our sincere condolences to the families of those lost in this disaster, and our solidarity with those now struggling to rebuild."

The 9.0 earthquake struck on the afternoon of March 11<sup>th</sup>, and was followed by a series of highly destructive tsunamis. Thousands have been confirmed dead, missing, and injured in the subsequent days. The threat of radioactive leakage from nuclear reactors is also of great concern, as Japanese technicians work around the clock to stabilize nuclear plants.

President Kader asserted her solidarity with the country, stating, "Japan is an integral presence in the international community and a vital member of the United Nations. We extend our passionate wishes for a fast and successful recovery."

Based at the United Nations in New York, the US Federation for Middle East Peace's primary mission is to promote understanding and tolerance between the nations of the world. Advocating youth, gender equality, human rights and grassroots action among other things, the USFMEP strives to inform citizens of the world through conferences, seminars, workshops, roundtable discussions and public forums about their rights for Peace and Security with Justice for all.

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