

Peace and Justice, HOW?

The nation-state system is in crisis. In many ways the world already operates as a single society, where everyone's activities affect everyone else. Unchecked militarism, environmental damage, uncontrolled global businesses, terrorism, international crime, dwindling resources, cruel regimes and refugees are all examples of issues that cannot be properly addressed by individual national governments, or even by voluntary multilateral treaties and agreements. Overcoming these crises requires the establishment of sovereignty and democracy at the world level. Only a democratic federal world government, accountable to humanity as a whole, can effectively look after the interests of humanity as a whole in a fair and balanced manner.

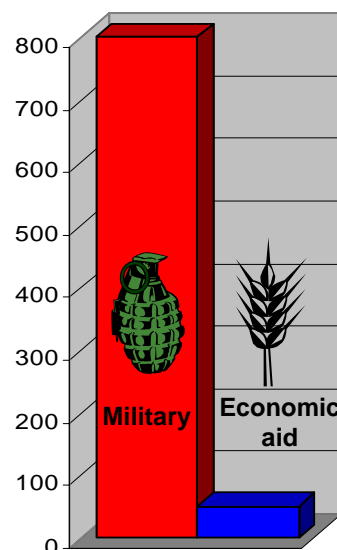


The UN can be viewed as an embryo of a world government. It is, however, often ineffectual because it lacks both legitimacy and authority. We, the people of the earth, need to lobby our politicians hard to reform the U.N. to become more democratic, to give it power to act to protect people from cruel despotic governments, to improve the international legal system, and to ensure justice replaces lethal violence as a method for settling disputes between nations or ethnic groups. The enormous amount of money currently spent on armed forces would then be redirected towards far more constructive causes without the need to raise taxes (see chart).

Our organization, **The World Federalist Movement – Canada** (WFM-C), founded in 1951, is part of a worldwide network of like-minded organizations. Our aim is a world governance system in which national diversity and freedom are protected internationally. We promote awareness of the world federalism approach to international issues, we promote world federalism as an object of Canadian foreign policy, and we initiate or support various actions leading towards our goal. Amongst our recent achievements, we:

- helped mobilize civil society support for the establishment of the **International Criminal Court**;
- supported and coordinated the international effort to establish principles and guidelines for humanistic international interventions in a report titled "**Responsibility to Protect**";
- sponsored international seminars on **UN reform** and promoted support for UN reform in the Canadian government.

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