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6113. Saying No to Violence in Middle East Conflict

WHEREAS, The United Methodist Church has affirmed its commitment to relationship and dialogue with people of other religious traditions (“Called to Be Neighbors and Witnesses—Guidelines for Interreligious Relationships,” 2004 *Book of Resolutions*, page 252ff); and

WHEREAS, The United Methodist Church has affirmed its commitment to relationship and dialogue with Jewish people (“Building New Bridges in Hope,” 2004 *Book of Resolutions*, page 243ff); and

WHEREAS, The United Methodist Church has affirmed its commitment to relationship and dialogue with Muslims (“Our Muslim Neighbors,” 2004 *Book of Resolutions*, page 797ff); and

WHEREAS, The United Methodist Church has affirmed its support for the boundaries of the State of Israel internationally recognized prior to the 1967 war in the Middle East (“United Nations Resolutions on the Israel-Palestine Conflict,” 2004 *Book of Resolutions*, page 811ff); and

WHEREAS, The United Methodist Church has strongly stated its opposition to Israeli settlements in occupied territories (“Opposition to Israeli Settlements in Palestinian Land,” 2004 *Book of Resolutions*, page 787ff);

Therefore, be it resolved, that The United Methodist Church continues to advocate for a peaceful settlement of the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians through negotiation and diplomacy rather than through methods of violence and coercion.

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See Social Principles, ¶ 165A, B, D.