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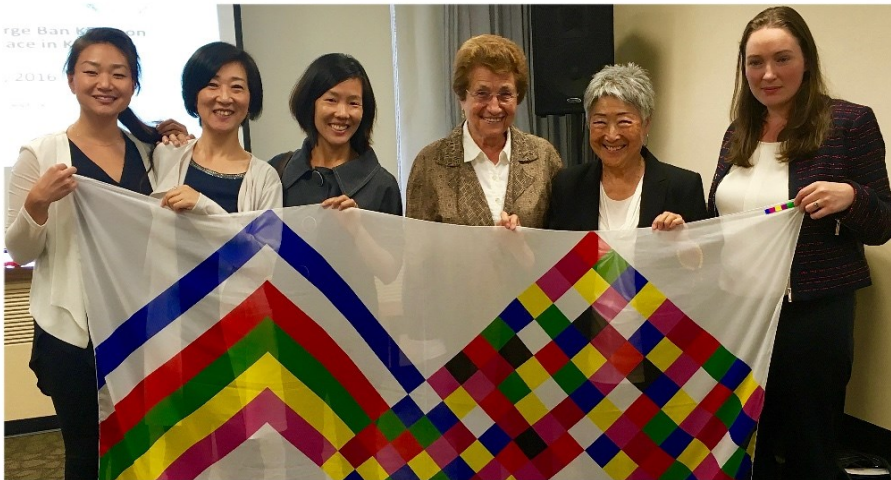

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WOMEN APPEAL TO UN CHIEF TO INITIATE PEACE TREATY FOR KOREA

Dear Friend:

On September 26, 2016, Women Cross DMZ presented an [open letter](#) to United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon urging him to initiate a formal process for a peace treaty in Korea. Women leaders from 38 countries signed the letter, including South Korean women's organizations representing thousands of Korean women. Among the signatories are parliamentarians, academics, and renowned writers, artists and activists. Here's coverage of our letter in [The New York Times](#), [TIME](#), [Associated Press](#), [Hankyoreh](#), [South China Morning Post](#), [Bangkok Post](#), [Deutsche Welle](#), and [Japan Times](#).

With the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), we hosted a [press conference](#) on September 27 in New York City at the UN Church Center. Moderated by WILPF's Maria Butler, speakers included Cora Weiss, President of Hague Appeal for Peace, Kozue Akibayashi, President of WILPF, and Suzy Kim, Professor of Korean History at Rutgers University. They explained why Mr. Ban's leadership was urgently needed now to de-escalate dangerous tensions rising on the Korean Peninsula and in the Northeast Asia region. In addition to press in the room, 50 individuals joined the [press conference via Periscope](#).

The letter to Mr. Ban is just one initiative led by Women Cross DMZ to advance peace in Korea. We amplify global women's voices for peace, as with our [Letter to the Editor](#) in The New York Times. We also expand and deepen relationships with women leaders and organizations in South Korea, North Korea, and around the world, like our [Bali Meeting](#).

We're making waves and will continue to do so until we see through a peace treaty to end the 63 year-old Korean War. We're able to do this because of so many women and men who give their time, expertise and labor of love, and because of supporters like you who believe in

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women who work to end war.

As Cora Weiss noted at our press conference, "We're in a time of peace agreements," referring to the Iran deal and the recent peace accords in Colombia and the Philippines. "In 1963 Women Strike for Peace and others persuaded President John F. Kennedy to sign the Limited Test Ban Treaty that stopped nuclear weapons testing from the atmosphere. It was an enormous success story for women and peace."

We want to continue walking in their giant footsteps. Please support us with a [donation](#) today so that we can continue to work for peace on the Korean Peninsula.

With gratitude and in peace,



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