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**MESSAGE FOR MEETING  
ON “BUILDING A FUTURE ON PEACE AND JUSTICE”  
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I am delighted to send greetings to the distinguished participants in this conference on “Building a Future on Peace and Justice.”

One of the most fundamental challenges of peacemaking and peacebuilding is confronting the past while building a just foundation for the future. Fighting impunity and pursuing peace are not incompatible objectives -- they *can* work in tandem, even in an ongoing conflict situation. This requires us to address very real dilemmas, and the international community must seize every opportunity to do so. This conference represents an important occasion for exchanging ideas and experience in this complex and vital area, and I wish you a most stimulating session.

Ban Ki-moon