



Women and the World at a Turning Point

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Wednesday, March 2, 2011

Venue: Nigeria House

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10:00 AM **Opening Plenary**

Moderator: Mrs. Genie Kagawa

Deputy Director, Office of UN Relations, Universal Peace Federation

Opening Remarks

H.E. Mrs. U. Joy Ogwu, Event Chairperson

Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations

Congratulatory Remarks

H.E. Dr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nassar

Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Thomas Mayr-Harting

Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations

Video

Speakers:

“Women and Multi-Track Diplomacy”

Mrs. Eileen Borris

Director of Training & Program Development, Institute for Multi-Track Diplomacy

“Women and Reconciliation”

Ms. Marie Claudine Mukamabano

Kuki Ndiho-Rwandan Orphans Support Project

“Women and Social Transformation”

Mrs. Lynn Walsh

Director, Marriage and Family Peace Initiative, Universal Peace Federation

11:30 AM **Session Two: *Women and the Challenge of Popular Culture***

Moderator: Mrs. Tomiko Duggan

Director , UPF Office of Embassy Relations and Public Affairs, Washington D.C

Speakers

H.E. Ms. Alysa Ahmed S. Al-Thani

Deputy Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar to the United Nations

Mrs. Sharon Slater

President, Family Watch International

Songs of Peace

Japanese Soprano

12:00 PM **Lunch and Discussion Groups**

2:00 PM **Session Three: *Women as Interfaith Leaders***

Moderator: Rev. Tsu-Wei Zoe Chang

President, Megaspheres

Panelists:

Mrs. Sharon Hamilton-Getz

Vice President, Institute of International Social Development

Dr. Mahjabeen Hassan

Founder, American Muslim Women's Association

Rev. Deborah Steen-Ross, MSC, ACH

Co-Director, The New Seminary for Interfaith Studies

3:00 PM ***Water of Life Interfaith Ceremony***

Moderator: Mrs. Tomiko Duggan

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

3:30 PM **Closing Session**

4:30 PM **End of Program**



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