

Religious leaders celebrate 2016 International Day of Peace in Marshall Islands

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Majuro, Marshall Islands -- A former president, a UN representative, and religious leaders were among those celebrating the 2016 International Day of Peace.

The chapter of UPF located in the Republic of the Marshall Islands held the event on September 24 in the Jakaro Room of the Marshall Islands Resort. The 15 participants were mostly Ambassadors for Peace.

Acting as the master of ceremonies, Rev. Kensei Ito, the president and secretary general of UPF of the Marshall Islands, gave a brief explanation about the UN International Day of Peace. He then read the UPF International official statement on the special day.

An interfaith prayer for world peace was offered by representatives from Catholicism (Mr. Terry Keju), Protestantism (businessman Mr. Jim Philipo) and Islam (Imam Joyia).

Then Rev. Ito gave a presentation on the UPF Peace Principles and the Peace Road project.

The UN Sustainable Development Goals were the topic of a presentation by Mr. Terry Keju and a discussion that followed.



List of Participants

1. Hon. Kessai H. Note, member of Parliament, former president, Ambassador for Peace
2. Mr. Terry Keju, UN representative in the Marshall Islands
3. Rev. Kensei Ito, president and secretary general, UPF of the Marshall Islands
4. Iman Joyia, iman of the Ahmadiyya Islam group in the Marshall Islands
5. Dr. Ijaz Larf, medical doctor of the Ahmadiyya Islam group
6. Mr. Jim Philippo, deputy CEO of National Coconuts Co. (Tobolar), Ambassador for Peace
7. Mr. Joe Talley, IT engineer, Ambassador for Peace
8. Mrs. Keju, schoolteacher
9. Mr. Dean Lajedrick, Majuro local government officer, Ambassador for Peace
10. Mrs. Cothe Rinebal Philippo, supermarket staff, Ambassador for Peace
11. Mrs. Linda Abraham, restaurant staff, Ambassador for Peace
12. Mrs. Elizabeth Toureau, Ambassador for Peace
13. Hon. Eldon Note, member of Parliament, Ambassador for Peace
14. Hon. Ladie Jack, mayor of Majuro City, Ambassador for Peace
15. Hon. Alfred Capelle, Ambassador for Peace

