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His Excellency Mr. António Guterres
United Nations Secretary-General
760 United Nations Plaza
New York, NY 10017

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Your Excellency,

As a collective of Roman Catholic Religious (Sisters, Brothers, and priests) and their mission partners with decades-long presence at the United Nations, we are writing to you to express our deep concern for the weakening of the international order and, particularly, for recent violations of the United Nations Charter. We are troubled by actions that violate national sovereignty in favour of resource extraction and economic greed. Our constituencies comprise some of the poorest and most vulnerable people on the planet, many of whom live in conflict zones and who are experiencing increasing hardship due to global political instability.

We would like to express our support to you and urge you to continue to speak out in defense of the Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and to champion international cooperation that serves to move humanity toward greater justice, dignity, and peace. The Charter and Declaration are foundational documents that provide an essential framework for maintaining peace and security, international cooperation, respect for human rights, and sustainable development. We are firm in our commitments to uphold the sanctity of life and the inherent dignity and rights of every person.

We echo Pope Leo XVI's concern for the current weakness of multilateralism as well as his conviction that the UN remains a key player in international humanitarian support, the fostering of dialogue, and the unity of the human family. The challenges to multilateralism, disregard for international law, and retreats from collective responsibility that we see today make renewed commitment even more critical.

We urge your continued leadership in defending these principles, strengthening and reforming the UN system, and reminding all nations of their obligations under the Charter. We remain committed to working with you, as civil-society representatives within the UN system, and to fostering a renewal of international cooperation.

With respect and solidarity,

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