Syrian Women Peace Makers Conference 20-22 May 2016

We, 130 Syrian women from diverse backgrounds and affiliations, met at the Syrian Women Peace Makers conference held by UN Women in Beirut from 20-22 May 2016 and shared our pain and hopes for an end to the suffering of the Syrian people.

Together we say that Syrian women have a leadership role in making peace and strengthening the status of women.

We call for support for women's organizations inside and outside Syria to assist them to network and work jointly towards building a broader alliance to empower Syrian women, address their needs and build lasting peace.

We also call for support for women's participation in shaping Syria's future and reaching a peaceful society through the political process, including supporting the Syrian Women's Advisory Board to fulfil its role in broadening and amplifying women's voices.

We will form a working group to follow up on the outcomes and priorities of this conference in collaboration with UN Women to prepare for a future conference.