

Key Foundational Events to Secure a Global Sustainable-Peace-Treaty

These events go back hundreds of years, each embracing the efforts of multitudes leading to social paradigm shifts. Without them a global women's social change movement of any kind would be impossible. Because of them, we now possess a narrow, but real, window of opportunity to accomplish a feat all who came before us could not - ending war.

The Enlightenment - Two massive shifts in thinking about individual worth culminate centuries later in the ability for individuals in some places to become a conscientious objector with respect to war, without fear of imprisonment or execution.

Changes in governing, from autocracies to democracy, begins empowerment of citizens as decision-makers. Women securing the vote begins serious empowerment of women as decision-makers in the public sphere.

1300's-1500's

Renaissance

Ordinary people become recognized as more than just a tool or possession of king or state, e.g., artists paint people and everyday life events, not just religious, mythical, or battle themes.



1517

Reformation

German professor and monk, Martin Luther, posts a thesis arguing that the Catholic church needs reformation, teachings must come from the Bible not church authorities, and people of faith do not need a Priest to interpret the Bible. In short, that people could speak to God without an intermediary. Common folk are set on a path to engage in freedom of thought and action with respect to religion.



A way to search out truth based on observation and hypothesis testing, not speculation or imagination.

1500's

Scientific Method

Work of biologists, anthropologists, sociologists, and psychologists leads to understanding why war is a learned behavior, not a genetic inevitability, that men and women react differently to conflict, and how to set up social systems that maintain peace.



1700's

Democracy Reborn

Reintroduction of democratic governing, that people should governing themselves, will lead to Liberal Democracy with its view that citizens have a variety of Human Rights. In a democracy free people can elect, or reject, leaders inclined to war.



Women Get the Vote

Women secure real power in decision-making in the public, not in just the domestic, sphere. Notably, in liberal democracies women's votes equal men's, profoundly empowering women in public affairs.



1900

Our time in history is uniquely different. To establish enduring peace using the power of human biology, we need gender parity in governing. Women empowered by reliable family planning are further enabled to participate in public policy-making, bringing us closer to a 50/50 female-male balance.

The Pill

Reliable Family Planning facilitates a reduction in population growth and women's ability to participate in public affairs, including government and military decision-making.



1960's



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Three efforts after WW1 demonstrate a collective human desire, a yearning, to end war.

1945 United Nations

With many successes it can help negotiators end war while providing security forces to maintain a negotiated peace. It too fails to prevent both international and civil war because it lacks an enforcement mechanism.



1928 Kellogg-Briand Pact

Agreement not to wage war against each other. Ultimately had 62 signatories. Fails because it relies solely on voluntary compliance. Has never been rescinded.



1920 League of Nations

First worldwide inter-governmental organization designed to maintain world peace. After small successes, ceased to exist in 1946. Lack of a means of enforcement led to its failure.



The ability to unite the entire planet via instant communication, inconceivable to previous generations, enables planning by a global mass movement, and global monitoring of nations for possible peace treaty violations.

1993

The Internet

Global connectivity and instant global communication provide efficient means to reinvigorate a global movement to secure a sustainable peace treaty. Digital means of monitoring all nations' activities provides the means to monitor threats and immediately alert the global community to mobilize against carrying out any attack intentions.



The rise of women in public affairs as powerful and influential agents who, if united, could wield sufficient social influence and power to secure an enforceable peace treaty.

1995 Clinton in Beijing

U.S. First Lady, Hillary Clinton, addresses the UN World Conference on Women making the case that "women's rights are human rights." Presages a movement of women into national and international affairs.



2000 UNR1325 The adoption of UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women Peace and Security affirms the importance of women's equal participation and full involvement in the maintenance and promotion of peace and security.



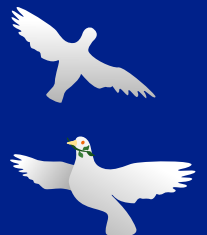
Women in Government In 1916 the US Congress had only 1 woman out of 435 Representatives. In 2024, the US Congress is 29% women. In the last decade, the percentage of women in national governments has increased to 26% in 2022.

2010 UN Women The United Nations General Assembly founds UN Women, recognizing that empowering women is critical to achieving many UN goals. This international body is ideally situated to support a women's global peace treaty.

2023 Forbes 30/50 In 2023, Forbes convened over 500 women from 50 countries in Abu Dhabi. influencers—ages under 30 and over 50—networked, intending to enact change. A critical mass of empowered women now exists with the ability to secure a treaty that can end international war.

Our Open Window of Opportunity is NOW!

There now exists a critical mass of empowered women to tackle the goal of ending international wars, beginning with a peace treaty that can serve as the foundation of global stability from which to tackle the causes of civil wars. This is the historical paradigm shift needed to move from using violence to nonviolence for resolving human conflicts.



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