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DoD and Global Military Emissions Reporting to the United Nations

WHEREAS:

- Scientists for Global Responsibility have estimated that around 6% of annual world-wide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions could be attributed to global militaries, yet NATO fails to reveal how it will determine its own emissions;
- The US Department of Defense (DoD), is the world's largest institutional producer of (GHG) emissions;
- The United States ensured that military emissions reporting to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) was excluded in the Kyoto Protocol allowing the DoD and other militaries to avoid full public scrutiny;
- The DoD GHG emissions reporting to the UNFCCC in 2021 is difficult to navigate and did not separate military emissions from other non-military emissions;
- Failure to fully include military emissions and projected reduction targets in Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) and UNFCCC reporting exemplifies what Antonio Guterres warns is the "Criminal Abdication of Leadership";
- UNFCCC reporting protocols are woefully inadequate allowing military GHG emissions to be under-reported and unclear;

THEREFORE: BE IT RESOLVED, that Veterans For Peace take immediate action to:

- To prepare and circulate an uncompromising, public statement calling for the United States to include all DoD emissions and reduction targets in our annual NDC and for all militarized governments to annually report military emissions to the UNFCCC and set reduction targets consistent with the 1.5°C target specified by the 2015 Paris Agreement. This means a commitment to shifting to reporting mechanisms that are robust, comparable and transparent based on the GHG protocol, independently verified and include the wider supply chain and war-related emissions. Reduction targets must reduce reliance on fossil fuels without turning to nuclear options and include reduction targets for military technology.
- Endeavor to collaborate with organizations world-wide to:

- Exert unrelenting pressure on militarized government to demand immediate and meaningful steps to properly track and report military emissions at all levels and
- Pressure the UNFCCC to mandate, update, broaden, and clarify military emissions reporting protocols of all militarized governments as indicated.