STATEMENT of ICO Pres. Rikio Kaneko

Welcoming Pres. V. Zelensky's talk with Chinese Top Xi Jinping

CONSIDERING RUSSO-UKRAINIAN WAR IS EXERTING VERY BAD INFLUENCE UPON ALL, CHARGED WITH POTENTIAL NUCLEAR WAR, from the bottom of my heart, as President of my ICO (International Conciliation Organization) I welcome Ukrainian President V. Zelensky's talk with Chinese Top leader Xi Jinping to be held soon. What attracted Ukrainian President V. Zelensky is Chinese proposal of 12 points which in February 24, 2023 the Chinese Foreign Ministry published for the settlement of Russo-Ukrainian War, namely:

1. Respecting the sovereignty of all countries; 2. Abandoning the Cold War mentality; 3. Ceasing hostilities; 4. Resuming peace talks; 5. Resolving the humanitarian crisis; 6. Protecting civilians and prisoners of war (POWs); 7. Keeping nuclear power plants safe; 8. Reducing strategic risks; 9. Facilitating grain exports; 10. Stopping unilateral sanctions; 11. Keeping industrial and supply chains stable; 12. Promoting post-conflict reconstruction. (On official explanation click here)

Before Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced the above 12 points plan, our ICO had already formulated far more detailed 14 points of "Matters to be talked" with belligerent Russia and Ukraine (Click here, see pp.11~16). There are many common points between Chinese 12 points and ICO's 14 points.

The most conspicuous difference of Chinese and ICO's proposals is that China did not mention peaceful means of delicate territorial problems while our ICO presented far elaborative and reasonable measures: 1st step is negotiation; 2nd is conclusion of peace treaty in any case with a possible Article on continuation of negotiation with time limit of 10 years. If Russia and Ukraine fail to settle the problem, 3rd step is international conciliation. If one of them does not agree to conciliatory conclusion, then 4th step is judicial settlement by ICJ.

It is clear that without such kind of prospect of resolving territorial problems fairly it will be difficult to achieve restoration of peace because territorial problems are central nucleus for peace treaty negotiation. Our ICO has already sent our more elaborated proposal to Russia and Ukraine. Today I sent ICO's proposal of 14 points also to Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs. I expect Pres. V. Zelensky and Chinese General Secretary Xi Jinping to talk seriously about such fair and reasonable breakthrough of the problems.

Now a possibility of NUCLEAR WAR is the most serious problem because all humankind may suffer from its lethal terrible effects. We know severe facts that Presidents of the USA once determined to use nuclear weapon as in World War II in order to accelerate defeat of Japan, or as in Cuban Missile Crisis in order to prevent Soviet Union from constructing a nuclear base in Cuba. In the light of these historical facts, it is natural that numerous world people are afraid of possibility or probability of nuclear war in near future. (As for 3 scenarios click here)

Nobody can foresee actual course leading to nuclear war, we can say, however, that its probability will be higher as the situation passes worse and worse. Up to present time, it is said that about 200,000 Russian soldiers died for one year, and Russian weaponry is lacking now. And it is possible that at the end of this year Russian soldiers' deaths may be nearly 500,000 in all, and munitions diminish less and less with comparatively high rate of Russians' support of Pres. V. Putin.

As situation become worse and worse, will increase Russians who assert or agree to use of nuclear weapons to accelerate end of war, to defeat Ukraine, or to defend Russian defeat (As for her possible defeat and use of nuclear weapon click here). It is unknown what percentage of Russians will agree to the use of nuclear weapon. Supposing it turns out that its ratio is more than 50%, or nearly 60~70%, what would follow after that?

To avoid tragic catastrophe we all humankind must make great efforts. Pleased to know Ukrainian Pres. V. Zelensky's visit to China, our ICO welcomes warmly this Top leaders' meeting, expecting Success and Hopes!!