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Dear comrades,

On behalf of the Canadian Peace Congress, I wish to extend my deepest condolences and solidarity to the family, friends and colleagues of comrade Manuel Terrazas Guerrero, President of the Movement for Peace and Development of Mexico (MOMPADE).

I only knew Manuel for a brief period, but during that time I quickly recognized him as an outstanding leader of the peace movement, both in Mexico and internationally. His deep experience in the people's struggles, over many years and under many different conditions, supplied him with a wealth of knowledge that he did not hesitate to share with all of us. From the first time I met him, I was impressed that he always expressed a genuine interest in the experiences and work of the peace forces in our country, with a view to both extending his own knowledge as well as offering us the benefit of his analysis.

We were honoured to have Manuel come to Toronto to participate in the Second Trilateral Peace Conference, in October 2009. His enthusiasm for the conference were a driving force in making it a reality. Manuel's keen observations about the dynamics of imperialism in North America helped bring clarity and focus to our deliberations at the conference, as well as the resulting plan of action. Young Canadian peace activists who were present at the conference remarked afterwards that one of their highlights was an intimate discussion that they had with Manuel about the anti-imperialist and youth movements in our countries and worldwide.

I was very proud to be present, during the last World Peace Council Executive meeting in Damascus, at the ceremony to mark Manuel's lifetime contribution to the peace and revolutionary movements worldwide.

We have lost a dear comrade, valued leader and great friend. Manuel's modesty, dedication, energy and contribution were inspirational and provide a genuine example for future generations of revolutionaries. We will take what we learned from Manuel and emulate his drive and commitment in our own work in the ongoing struggle against imperialism.

For Peace and Solidarity,

Dave McKee
President, Canadian Peace Congress