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PRINCIPLES

20. Accordingly, we recommend that the parties to such negotiations affirm their total and absolute commitment:

- a. *To democratic and exclusively peaceful means of resolving political issues;*
- b. *To the total disarmament of all paramilitary organisations;*
- c. *To agree that such disarmament must be verifiable to the satisfaction of an independent commission;*
- d. *To renounce for themselves, and to oppose any effort by others, to use force, or threaten to use force, to influence the course or the outcome of all-party negotiations;*
- e. *To agree to abide by the terms of any agreement reached in all-party negotiations and to resort to democratic and exclusively peaceful methods in trying to alter any aspect of that outcome with which they may disagree; and.*
- f. *To urge that "punishment" killings and beatings stop and to take effective steps to prevent such actions.*