

Madame Chair, Distinguished participants. Iran, home to a civilization extending across millennia, has always embodied a concept far broader than a conventional nation-state. This ancient land may accurately be described as civilizational state whose identity has throughout history been shaped and sustained by peaceful coexistence interaction and a profound tapestry of cultural, ethnic, linguistic and religious pluralism. This rich diversity has been the cornerstone of Iran's endurance through countless historical transformations, embedded deep within this long and intricate history are enduring principles, such as tolerance and mutual respect, peace, and acceptance of the other. These values are inseparable from the fabric of Iranian culture. A distinguished testament to this legacy is the Cyrus Cylinder widely regarded as the earliest known charter of human rights drafted in an era when the world was largely unfamiliar with such progressive humanitarian concepts. This charter has become not only a source of pride for the Iranian people, but also a shared heritage for all human kind. it clearly demonstrates that respect for human dignity as well as cultural and religious freedoms has long served as foundational pillar of Iranian society. In continuation of this long-standing humanistic tradition the constitution of the Islamic republic of Iran, specifically the article 13, formally recognizes the rights of certain religious minority communities, granting them the freedom to perform their religious ceremonies, to teach their sacred text, and to be represented in the parliament. Madame Chair, in an era where coercion and conflict are too often wielded to diminish the other, Iran Youth Diplomacy Center contend that the world must embrace a universal vision of peace, one grounded not in power but in the virtues of tolerance, and (cut off by chair due to time)