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The Norwegian Nobel Committee, Oslo

The Nobel Peace Prize Watch wishes the new Committee, and the new Director, Olav Njølstad, every success in realizing its mandate from Alfred Nobel. Two Swedish agencies have now clarified the role and responsibilities of the Norwegian Nobel Committee, see our letter to the committee (and the Stortinget and the Nobel Foundation) of February 20, 2015.

In the letter we hold it necessary for the committee, in its first meeting in 2015, to consider the content/purpose of the will. Each member must also decide whether they can serve the ideas of the “champions of peace” described in Nobel’s testament, or prefer to resign.

It is vital that the committee shall take these decisions based on a proper understanding of the testament. Therefore, we hereby present a list of 21 nominations for 2015, of candidates pursuing the peace ideas Nobel wished to support. Please find the list at our website: http://www.nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=7

The Nobel Peace Prize Watch has decided to break the strict secrecy rules. In our view the general public is entitled to know the peace ideas of Nobel and be able to appreciate their current relevance and value. The decision to uncover the nominations is ours and must not be held against the nominators or nominees. The list contains the nominations we have at this stage, at least four will be added as soon as we have the nominations.

Sincerely yours,

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