

**Declaration of the World Fellowship of Buddhists at the 15th
General Conference held in Kathmandu, Nepal
26th Nov. 1986 through to 2nd December 1986**

- (a) We the Members of the World Fellowship of Buddhists, representing millions of Buddhists throughout the world, do hereby re-assert and re-affirm the declared principles enunciated by our founding forebears to strive with all our might and main to make known the sublime doctrine of the Buddha so that its benign spirit of service and sacrifice may pervade the entire world inspiring and influencing the people of the earth and their Governments to lead Buddhist way of life which is for all ages and times so that there be peace and harmony amongst humankind;
- (b) We unequivocally declare our unstinted support to the clarion call made by His Majesty King Birendra that the serene and historical Kingdom of Nepal be made a Zone of Peace, a desire reflecting the concern of the Government and the people of Nepal for everlasting peace, we strongly commend this declaration to the urgent attention of the United Nations and the world at large to respect this desire for Peace;
- (c) We further declare that the World Fellowship of Buddhists, as a religious organisation, should transcend all political, ideological and racial barriers in its world-wide efforts to promote peace and tranquility throughout the world in accordance with the Teachings of Lord Buddha;
- (d) We are determined, as a World Buddhist Organisation, to interact with the Lumbini Trust to expedite the development of Lumbini as a permanent symbol of World Peace and as a foremost spiritual centre for World Buddhism;
- (e) We appeal to all World Governments in countries where Buddhists happen to be in the minority to accord freedom of worship and equality of treatments to all its nationals.