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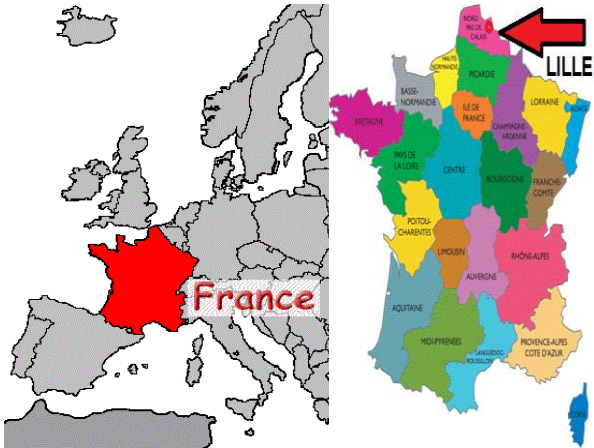
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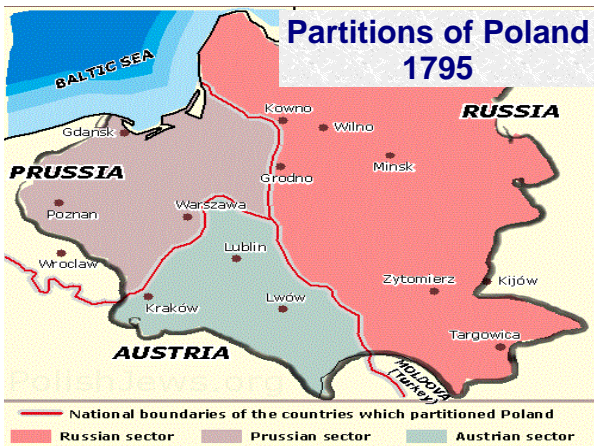


“Peace and friendship with all mankind is our wisest policy, and I wish we may be permitted to pursue it.”

Thomas Jefferson

Presentation Outline

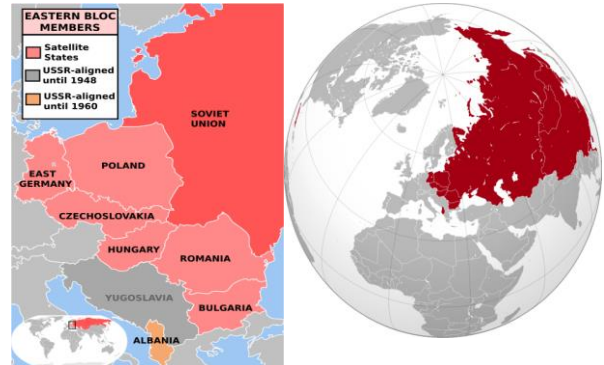
1. Polish context
2. Meaning of peace
3. Johan Galtung's definition of peace
 - Negative peace
 - Positive peace
 - ✓ Micro level
 - ✓ Macro level
4. Rotary peace building
 - Vision of future
 - Global Peace Forums
 - Eradicating Polio
 - Promoting education
5. Club Discussion



Death Tolls

Nation	Deaths (millions)	Deaths (% of population)	Civilian Deaths (millions)	Civilian Deaths (% of population)
Poland	5.6	16%	5.4	16%
Soviet Union	23	13%	12	7%
Germany	7.4	11%	2	3%
USA	0.2	0.3%	0.002	

Poland As a Soviet Satellite State



What does “peace” mean?

Definition Of Peace

1. The **absence of war** or other hostilities.
2. An **agreement** or a treaty to end hostilities.
3. **Freedom from** quarrels and disagreement; harmonious relations: *roommates living in peace with each other.*
4. **Public security** and order: *was arrested for disturbing the peace.*
5. Inner contentment; **serenity**: *peace of mind.*

Rotary Answer 2013

Peace as :

- a state of being
- an **opposite of** something
- an **activity**



Iranian **human rights** lawyer

Nobel Peace Prize 2003

one the first female judges in Iran

known for **promoting peaceful, democratic solutions**



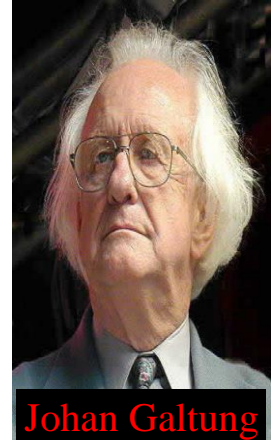
Shirin Ebadi

Johan Galtung's Definition of Peace (1964)

Norwegian sociologist and mathematician

Co-founded
TRANSCEND: A Peace
Development
Environment Network, an
organization for conflict
transformation by
peaceful means (1993)

Concept of **positive and
negative peace**



Negative And Positive Peace

Negative peace

- absence of violence
- pessimistic
- curative
- peace not always by peaceful means

Positive peace

- structural integration
- optimistic
- preventive
- peace by peaceful means

Negative Peace

Negative Peace

“a state requiring a set of social structures that provide security and protection from acts of direct physical violence committed by individuals, groups or nations. “

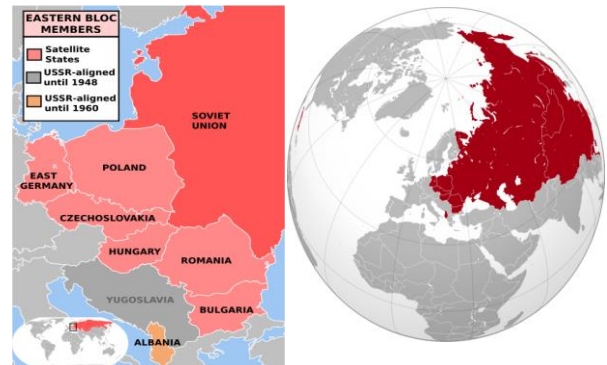
Characteristics of Negative Peace

- Emphasis on control of violence
- Does not deal with the causes of violence
- Can lead to future violence of greater magnitude

Satellite State

“A satellite state is a political term for a country that is formally independent, but under heavy political and economic influence or control by another country.”

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Positive Peace

Characteristics of Positive Peace

- Cooperation within a society
- The path to peace is as important as peace itself
- Peace as an action

“Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a mean by which we arrive at that goal.”

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Peace at Macro Level

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Possible disturbance:

- Multinational war
- Civil war
- Rebellion

Global Peace Index (GPI)

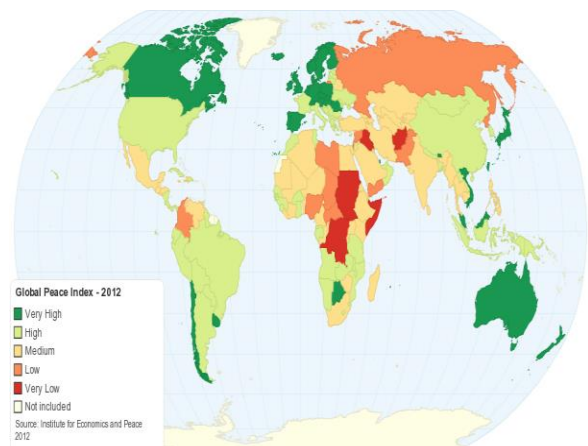


Global Peace Index

- The world's leading measure of national **peacefulness**.
- Developed by **IEP** under the guidance of an international panel of independent experts
- Rank of **158 countries** according to their absence of violence

Indicators of GPI

1. Ongoing domestic and international conflict
 2. Societal safety and security
 3. Militarization
- Other factors



Global Peace Index Rankings

Position in GPI ranking	
1	Iceland
2	Denmark
3	New Zealand
4	Canada
5	Japan
15	Germany
24	Poland
88	USA
156	Sudan
157	Afghanistan
158	Somalia

Polish First Independent Labor Union in the Soviet-Bloc Country



Solidarność



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Politician

President of Poland
1990-1995

Nobel Peace Prize
1983



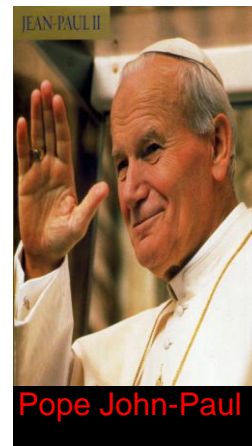
Lech Wałęsa

Karol Wojtyła,
Pope of the Catholic Church
1978 – 2005

Nobel Peace Prize 2004

Presidential Medal of Freedom,
America's highest civilian honour

"son of Poland" whose "principled stand for peace and freedom has inspired millions and helped to topple communism and tyranny."
George W. Bush



Pope John-Paul II

Peace at Micro Level

“What can you do to promote peace? Go home and love your family.”

Mother Teresa

Rotary Programs Promoting Positive Peace

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1. Global Peace Forums
2. Future Vision projects
3. Eradicating polio
4. Promotion of education

“The power of Rotary is friendship. And friendship means peace”

Paul P. Harris

“We must be the change we wish to see.”

M. Gandhi

Rotary “Future Vision”

Global humanitarian grant projects promote peace through 6 focus areas:

- peace and **conflict** prevention/ resolution
- **disease** prevention and treatment
- water and **sanitation**
- maternal and child **health**
- basic **education** and literacy
- economic and community **development**

Global Peace Forums

Berlin, Germany -- Peace Without Borders 30 November - 2 December 2012

- **role of democracy** in building peace
- highlights the **role of intercountry committees** in promoting understanding among nations.

Honolulu, Hawaii, USA -- The Green Path to Peace 25 - 27 January 2013

- importance of **environmental resources**
- special emphasis will be on **New Generations**.

Hiroshima, Japan -- Peace Begins with You 17 -18 May 2013

- **promoting peace in our daily lives** and in our own communities.

Others Activities

- United Kingdom
- Australia
- Uganda
- Canada



International Peace Conference

Derry-Londonderry May 24th – 26th 2013



The Rotary Peace Communities International Conference





Promotion of education

- Global Peace Forum in Honolulu
- Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships
- Rotary Peace Center
- Internet
- Rotary Clubs all over the world

USA
Canada
Israel



Rotary Peace Centers



Increasing Literacy



Rotary Canada

Rotary in Canada:
100 YEARS



“We should teach for peace and not just about peace.”

Leo R.Sandy and Ray Perkins

“Peace is not something that can only be achieved through agreements, by governments, or through heroic struggles. It is something that we can find and that we can achieve, every day and in many simple ways. “

Rotary International President
Sakuji Tanaka

“We are going to have peace even if we have to fight for it”

Dwight David Eisenhower

“Blessed are the peacemakers”

Matthew 5/9