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## CALL TO THE CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AROUND THE WORLD

Armenians are in danger of ethnic cleansing once again.

Since September 27 Azerbaijan has unleashed an aggressive war against the peaceful civilians of Artsakh and Armenia destroying its centuries-old cultural sites that are of great value in the world civilization heritage.

With the direct support of Turkey, they are once again endangering the existence of Artsakh and the survival of Armenians.

It seems history is repeating itself and Turkey wants to continue its genocidal policy towards the Armenians in South Caucasus.

Almost 100 years ago the great humanist, peacemaker and all-Armenian poet Hovhannes Toumanian addressed his call to the progressive countries and its people to take an active part in the campaign preventing the destruction of his nation. "I am sure that the civilized people will not want to be indifferent observers of the bloody tragedy and the destruction of Armenians who proved their contribution to the cultural progress and will not refuse to help them for humanity." Thus, Hovhannes Toumanian Museum, as the inheritor of his humanitarian traditions, addresses its call to you:

Raise your honest, decisive and strongly condemning voice for the inherent right to life, which is now rudely violated by the aggressors against Armenians.

Stand up for the protection of cultural and humanitarian values in your country and for all mankind.

Let us put an end to this horrific war and protect the right to life of children, women, elderly people and adults simply because they are human.

Let us effectively stand up for peace on Earth and put your great effort into building it and condemn the crime of intentional destruction of cultural heritage sites during the war.

For by peaceful coexistence only it is possible to create and peace is the goal of the brave Armenian soldiers who are currently sacrificing their life and proving our unbreakable will.

Best regards

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