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Community Peacemakers Team Muriel Schmid Box 6508 Chicago, IL 60680

Dear Muriel,

I am writing you on behalf of Mennonite Church USA. I want to first wish CPT well in their official new direction of the organization. We recognize that organizations are not stagnant and grow according to their experiences, cultural and societal influences.

Unfortunately, the move away from a Christ-centered organization does not align with our vision and mission. CPT grew out of our faith conviction as Anabaptists with other historic peace churches. We know that congregations and individual MC USA members will continue to work with CPT. We are thankful for their witness, but as a Christian denomination, formal ties lie with organizations like MCC and MDS that are clearly Christ-centered and closely align with our vision of following Jesus as our center.

We will continue to pray for your work, and our ties with CPT will be informal but no longer a formal sponsoring denomination. We will not be sending an official MC USA board-appointed representative to represent MC USA on your board. God bless you as your bear witness and join God in reconciling all of creation.

In the name of Christ,

H. G.W.

Glen Guyton Mennonite Church USA Executive Director

cc: Amy Yoder McGloughlin