



Federation of Zoroastrian Associations of North America
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Representing 26 Zoroastrian Associations in the United States
and Canada

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“In small places close to home – so close and so small that they cannot be seen on any maps of the world, yet they are the world of the individual person; the neighborhood he lives in; the school or college he attends, the factory, farm or office where he works. Such are the places where every man, woman and child seeks justice, equal opportunity, equal dignity without discrimination. Unless these rights have meaning there, they have little meaning anywhere. Without concerned citizen action to uphold them close to home, we shall look in vain for progress in the larger world”. ---- Eleanor Roosevelt.

**61st Annual DPI/NGO Conference
Reaffirming Human Rights for All: The Universal Declaration at 60
UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France
September 3-5, 2008**

Washington D.C. 7.31.2008 – More than 2000 international Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) representatives and other civil society partners will gather during the 61st annual DPI/NGO meeting from September 3rd to 5th 2008 at UNESCO headquarters in Paris, France. The event will celebrate the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights www.unhchr.ch/udhr/

The Zoroastrian (FEZANA) delegation will include Diana Katgara (Toronto, Canada), Armene Modi (Pune, India), Homi D. Gandhi (Glen Rock, NJ, USA), Parmis Khatibi (Laguna Niguel, CA, USA) and Naheed Vatcha (Chicago, Ill, USA).

About FEZANA

Founded in 1987, FEZANA maintains consultative status with the Economic and Social Council [ECOSOC] of the United Nations. FEZANA promotes the study, understanding and practice of the Zoroastrian faith. Zoroastrianism, founded circa 1500 BCE, is credited to be the oldest prophetic monotheistic religion and has its belief systems reflected in major religions of the world of both the orient and the occident. The core values of its members are to uphold the truth, to respect “the other” and to care for the needy and for creation. The North American Zoroastrian community includes those who arrived from the Indian subcontinent, known as Parsis, and those who came directly from Iran seeking religious freedom.

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