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- Communities on the frontlines of conflict need more than just promises — they need resources. Let's channel sustainable financing to grassroots organizations driving peace and justice where it's needed most.
- We can't afford to ignore the power of local peacebuilders. Let's prioritize funding for grassroots mediators, youth leaders, and civil society, recognizing their role as frontline
- Financing peace isn't just about dollars and cents — it's about transparency and accountability. Let's ensure that every dollar spent on peacebuilding is tracked, monitored, and aligned with the needs of those on the ground, empowering local voices and fostering trust between governments and communities.
- Imagine a world where funds spent on weapons are redirected to provide access to justice and prevent conflict. It's not just a financial shift — it's a step toward lasting peace.
- In these turbulent times, SDG 16+ isn't just a framework; it's a lifeline. Let's commit to financing initiatives that bring hope, stability, and justice to those most affected by conflict and instability
- Inclusive peace processes must be more than words on paper. By ensuring that women, youth, and Indigenous communities are at the decision-making table, we're not just resolving conflicts — we're creating lasting, equitable solutions.
- To truly advance SDG 16+, we need transformative financial reforms — from taxing the ultra-wealthy to tackling illicit financial flows. This isn't just about money; it's about justice, accountability, and making sure resources reach those who need them most."

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