

## **RESPONSE TO INTERNATIONAL CONFLICTS AND OTHER CONTENTIOUS ISSUES POLICY**

## **Policy Context and Statement**

Together For Humanity's (TFH) mission is to foster interfaith and intercultural understanding and in so doing, bring communities together in Australia. We are an inclusive Australian multi-faith-based education organisation. Our primary aim is to develop appreciation for and cooperation between all people and groups in a tolerant and respectful nation where no individual is prejudged based on their race, religion, culture, or creed.

TFH has no basis or standing to make any comment beyond our educational work.

## **Principles Underpinning This Policy**

The following principles guide TFH response to international conflicts and other contentious issues.

- 1. Human life is sacred. We do not condone indifference to the killing of any human being for any reason, or in the name of any cause.
- 2. Human dignity and freedom of conscience are precious and must be protected.
- 3. These moral principles, along with other principles of justice, must apply to everyone regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, nationality, creed, gender, or other differences.
- 4. We recognise that sincere people of good faith may have different views about conflicts and the reasons behind them. We encourage respectful dialogue which does not demonize those who express another viewpoint.
- 5. We do not condone the vilification of any ethnic group, nation, or religion even while we may be pained or outraged by words or deeds carried out in its name during times of conflict.

Building a relationship with "someone on the other side" is not the same as agreeing with all their views.