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AIMS & OBJECTIVES

The aims of SCI are to promote peace, international understanding and solidarity, social justice, sustainable development, and respect for the environment. SCI believes that all people are capable of living together with mutual respect and without recourse to any form of violence to solve conflicts.

In furtherance of these aims, SCI

- a) acts in a non-violent way as a catalyst for change within individuals and society,
- b) supports victims of violence, social, economic and political injustice, and those who suffer from hunger, disease or the destruction of their environment,
- c) takes appropriate non-violent international action in situations of tension, war and injustice,
- d) supports action which promotes international solidarity, justice, mutual understanding, participation in policy-making at all levels, and respect for individuals as stated in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,
- e) promotes and organises voluntary service activities in co-operation with local communities as well as other local, national and international organisations, as a means of fostering greater confidence between people of different social, cultural, political or religious backgrounds by working, learning and living together,
- f) bases its work on developing people's own initiative to organise themselves to solve their own problems,
- g) does not undertake any work which competes with paid labour or causes strike-breaking,
- h) understands its work as an alternative to military service and contributes to the abolition of military service everywhere by establishing a non-violent international voluntary service.



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