Withdraw the cabinet decision accepting "exercise of the right of collective self-defense"! Nationwide signature for preventing war 2015

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Purpose

Abe administration made the decision to allow the exercise of the right of collective self-defense, loosening the limitation of troops to a defensive posture, saying "along with the aim of the Constitution". This is to deny the Article 9 of the constitution, "the Japanese people forever renounce war as a sovereign right of the nation and the threat or use of force as means of settling international disputes".

After the World War 2, use of military forces in the world as the "exercise of the right to collective self-defense" were indeed for the purpose of resource acquisition, maintaining and securing the influence of the major powers. They were not possible to make peace, but sacrificed blood in countless citizens. Peace by force is impossible to make.

Abe Cabinet, virtually bans the limitation of exporting arms, signed the military agreement that enables the use of force in foreign countries with the United States and so on. In the ordinary Diet session of 2015, they are trying to propose war related bills. In the 47th general election held on December 14, the ruling parties, the Liberal Democratic Party and the Komeito won seats in excess of 2/3 required to initiative of constitutional reform in the House of Representatives.

At this rate, Japan would become the country to go to war, the Self-Defense Forces would kill and be killed in foreign countries. This could result the war in Japan too. We absolutely can not admit the road to war.

Therefore, we will petition the following matters.

Demands

- 1. Please withdraw the Cabinet decision accepting "exercise of the right of collective self-defense".
- 2. Based on the pacifist constitution, please clarify that Japan does not use military force but promotes diplomacy for conflict resolution.
- 3. Please do not conclude any legislations, treaties and agreements that allow war participation.

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