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WFP TO RECEIVE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE DECEMBER 10

Rome – The United Nations World Food Programme is honored to accept the 2020 Nobel Peace Prize on December 10, in a ceremony that recognizes our role in fighting hunger and fostering peace in conflict-affected areas, and our efforts to prevent the use of hunger as a weapon of war.

WFP Executive Director David Beasley will receive the award on behalf of the agency and its 20,000 staff, in a virtual event due to COVID-19 constraints which can be watched worldwide [here](#). WFP will also be hosting a Facebook Live event, which can be followed bit.ly/WFPPeoplesPrize

WFP shares the Nobel Peace Prize with many others, including our UN, NGO and government partners—as we strive together to improve the lives of millions living on the edge, especially in conflict zones, and achieve a world with Zero Hunger.

“Every one of the 690 million hungry people in the world today has the right to live peacefully and without hunger. Today, the Norwegian Nobel Committee has turned the global spotlight on them and on the devastating consequences of conflict,” Beasley said, following the Nobel’s announcement.

The Nobel comes as famine again threatens millions of people, especially in four conflict-affected countries—Yemen, South Sudan, Nigeria (northeast) and Burkina Faso. As the Nobel Committee notes, an alarming convergence of conflict, hunger and the COVID-19 pandemic has driven hunger up and funding to combat it down.

“In Indonesia, WFP’s work focuses on supporting the Government in enhancing food security and nutrition thus feeding peace and dignity” said Christa Räder, Country Representative WFP Indonesia. “We are proud to be a partner for the country’s journey to SDG 2, zero hunger, especially at this point when COVID-19 causes many health and economic challenges”.

Despite this year’s multiple challenges, WFP aims to reach a record 138 million people globally with food and nutritional assistance — the biggest scale-up in our history.

For photos, see [here](#)

For footage of WFP operations, see [here](#)

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