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History teaches us that when peace is taken for granted it becomes endangered.

Europe faces challenge and change. Churches recognise the need for a renewal of democratic vision, attention to political and economic institutions, the recovery of memory, and an expansion of civil society. Given the imminence of the European elections, political change and the celebration on 29 May of UN Peacekeeping, CEC urges all member churches to pay attention to the language of public discourse, invest in listening to our societies, and work for peace and reconciliation among increasingly divided people.

CEC will be taking forward work to explore and encourage a renewed ownership of our common life in Europe, rooted in Christian faith and our common history.

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