**QPLC FLUTTER Peace in the Pacific QF 06-23
*small actions, big outcomes***

**Pacific Peace Speaking Tour to Australia
 27 July – 4 August 4 2023

Call for Peace in the Pacific Conference
Saturday 29 July, Brisbane**

The Independent and Peaceful Australia Network (IPAN) and the Pacific Peace Network are co-hosting this speaking tour and one-day conference to coincide with the largest ever Talisman Saber Exercise (see previous Quaker Flutter).

The sponsored speakers are Monaeka Flores from Guahan and Shinako Oyakawa from Okinawa. Representatives from other Pacific countries also intend attending through their own funding.

The aim of the tour is to raise awareness within Australia and the Pacific region of the full impacts of allowing the US to base their forces and materiel on the lands by sharing the experiences of Pacific People including:

1.     Complicity in wars of aggression

2.     Becoming a target in the event of war

3.     Loss of sovereignty

4.     First people’s lands disregarded damaged and disrespected

5.     Environmental damage

6.     Economic drain

7.     Sidelining of national legal system

8.     Impacts on women and girls

**Planned itinerary**

* Thursday 27 July- Speakers arrive in Brisbane
* Friday 28 July - meetings with government, faith groups and trade unions
* Saturday 29July- Conference Call for Peace in the Pacific, Brisbane
* Sunday 30 July -Peace action- then fly to Sydney
* Monday 31 July – Sydney events
* Tuesday 1August - fly to Canberra- local events
* Wednesday 2August - Canberra meetings with politicians’ Indigenous representatives and others
* Thursday 3August - fly to Darwin- local events and public meeting
* Friday 4August - meetings with politicians’ Indigenous representatives and others and action
* Saturday 5August - leave Australia

**Friends, especially in the hosting cities, are encouraged** to contact local IPAN representatives (<https://ipan.org.au/contact/>) about helping with the visit and local events. Friends may wish to attend public events and promote the tour – eg letting your federal MP/Senator know about the visit, using social media platforms, or other ways to raise the visibility of the visit.