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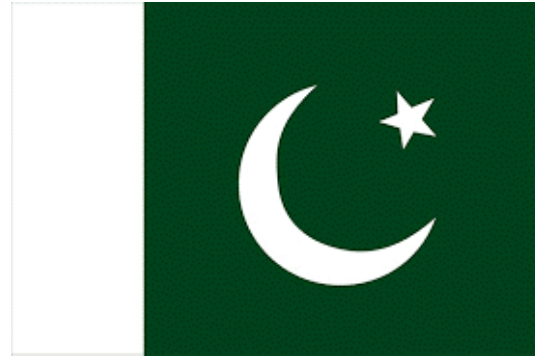
Malawi University starts bridging program to curb

under performance

Malawi University of Science and Technology has started a bridging program to help first-year students. The initiative is set to become a regular feature of the institution in 2024. To read more, click [here](#).

PAKISTAN

Pakistan Studies is No Longer a Compulsory Subject at Undergraduate Level



The Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan has made a significant alteration to its undergraduate policy by eliminating Pakistan Studies as a compulsory subject. To read more, click [here](#).



PALESTINE- ISRAEL

Israeli Gaza airstrike kills

renowned scientist and family

Esteemed scientist Sufyan Tayeh who was president of the Islamic University of Gaza and his family were killed in an Israeli airstrike on Gaza, the Palestinian higher education ministry reported on Saturday 2 December. To read more, click [here](#).



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Palestinian universities seek support for ceasefire

Fifteen Palestinian universities, including two in the Gaza Strip, issued a joint statement urging international academic institutions to call for an immediate humanitarian ceasefire, guaranteed by the United Nations. To read more, click [here](#).



SUDAN

The war in Sudan has displaced thousands of university students

Sudanese higher education students – who have been forced to flee their homes due to violence – now live in poor conditions as displaced people, without any certainty about their education and

their future. To read more, click [here](#).



THE WORLD

Global tensions challenge HE's intercultural mission

Tensions spawned by the conflict in Israel and Gaza are making the task of engaging students in intercultural dialogue and international collaborations nigh impossible in some countries. To read more, click [here](#).



Geopolitical narcissism has no place in HE partnerships

In a recent article for University World News, Simon Marginson writes: “What we lack as yet in international higher education is a shared moral order and a consensus about the global common good, based on equality of respect and cultural and epistemic diversity, that can unite us across the deep colonial divide between the West and the rest.” To read more, click [here](#).

UNITED KINGDOM



A-levels: Changes to help Northern Ireland school leavers

It is set to become easier for students from Northern Ireland to apply for places at Irish universities, under changes announced by the Irish government. To read more, click [here](#).



USA

US Success Coalition sets out DHS

recommendations

The U.S. for Success Coalition, of which NAFSA: Association of International Educators is a steering member, provided the @U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) with a set of solutions that would make the United States a more welcoming destination for international students. The recommendations urge DHS to champion the importance of international students. To read more, click [here](#).

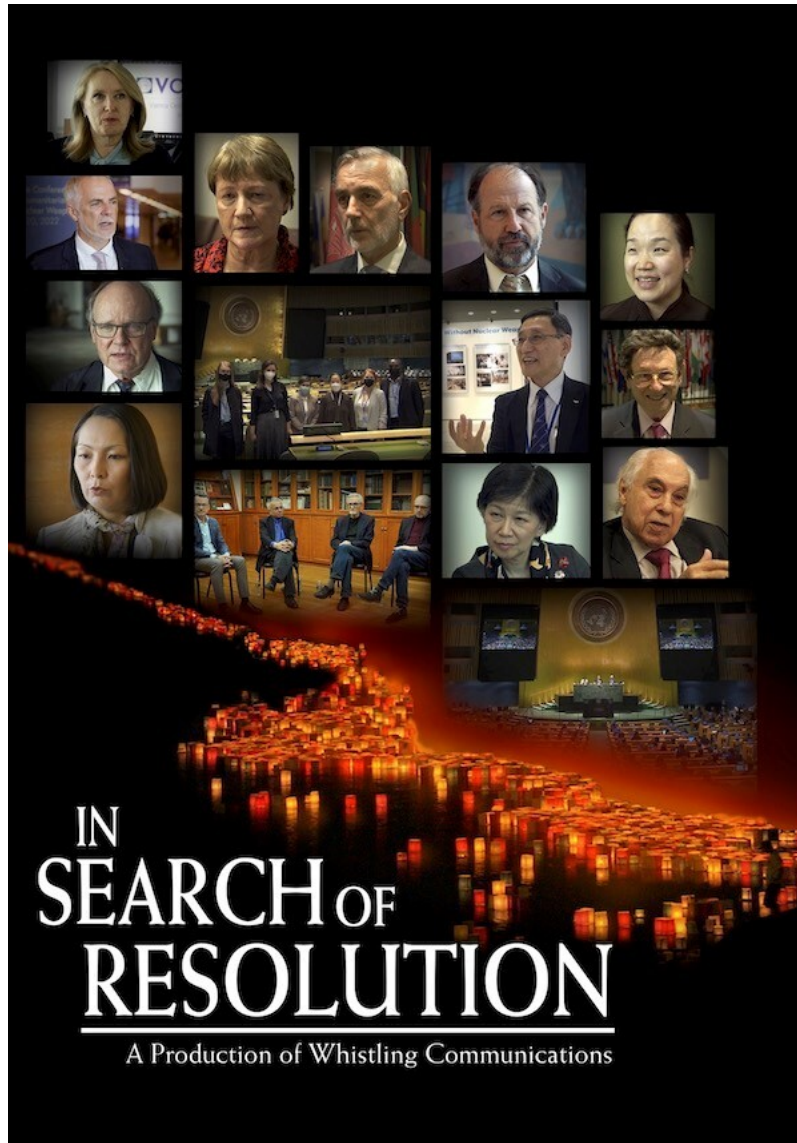
DOCUMENTARIES

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The United States is experiencing a surge in hate crimes as a tide of white supremacy gathers momentum nationwide with Muslim and Jewish communities particularly at risk. *Stranger/Sister* is the story

of two ordinary women, one Muslim and one Jewish, who dare to believe they can join hands to stop the wave of hate. To learn more, click [here](#).



In Search of Resolution also details the workings of the Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference held at the UN in 2022, and the intense debate between nations against the backdrop of the conflict in Ukraine, offering a rare and unique insight into the diplomatic underpinnings of de-nuclearization. The thoughts and ideas presented in this documentary are meant to stir anyone watching so as to understand the immense challenges humanity faces in the 21st century. To learn more, click [here](#).

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