

**Third Place: 2018 Greenfield Peace Writing Scholarship**  
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We live in a world, where there's nothing but war  
There are some who hate the president, and some who adore  
There are some who hate the idea of change, and some who want more  
But ideally what everyone wants, is the stoppage of war

They consider the nuclear bomb as one of our best inventions  
Practically because, no one would pay attention  
The U.S has the power to wipe away  
But nobody cares, what ambassadors have to say

There should be peace, rather than threat  
This possibly could've happened, had Trump and Kim met  
As a nation, we look to give other nations the days of their last  
But somehow we forget, what bombs did in the past

Two atomic bombs used against Japan  
In a war which we could've won, using only our hands  
But they say to this day, it was a great victory  
But what about the descendants they left in misery?

With the statement of codes and a push of a button  
We have the power to end a country, as if it was nothin'  
But we can't help out Puerto Rico in times of need  
Because to the U.S, war is all we can see

We act as if for other countries, what's ours is to take  
But in reality, we pull the trigger as soon as they make a mistake  
They say a woman in the white house wouldn't be respected by foreign affairs  
But when a man pokes fun at North Korea, nobody cares

But what would it take? To end all the madness?  
It would take everybody opening their eyes, to see all the sadness  
It would take simply the realization, and ability to learn  
Because if people saw the effects, their stomachs would churn

We live in a world, where there's nothing but war  
In a world full of weapons, and monsters galore  
The only way to stop it, is to give a little more  
Give more attention, and speak on what you know  
Don't let the popular news, be the only ones to show  
Inform yourself, while you do the same for others  
And care about foreign citizens, as if they were your sisters or your brothers.