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#TheWorldIsWatching Gains Global Support

International Policy Professionals Stand in Solidarity with Black Lives Matter

Global: [#TheWorldIsWatching](#) is an organization formed in early June 2020 by a small group of policy professionals, leaders, and grassroots activists. Inspired by the critical role international pressure played in advancing the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s, [#TheWorldIsWatching](#) seeks to strategically mobilize the global community behind Black Lives Matter and has, in *less than a month*, accomplished the following:

- Hosted events on racial solidarity with the [Queen of the Democratic Republic of the Congo](#) and the [Democratic National Committee](#).
- Gathered [over 2,600 signatures](#) and institutional endorsements for an [International Declaration](#) demanding policy action to end police brutality and systemic racism, which will be sent to policy-makers at all levels of government in the United States.
- Organized virtual benefit concerts with [Da Asian Hip Hop](#) and other groups to raise money for Black-owned businesses and BLM-allied initiatives.

[#TheWorldIsWatching](#) was founded by Alexandria J. Maloney and Vannary Kong, two policy professionals based in DC. Ms. Maloney is the Director of Communications for Black Professionals in International Affairs and previously worked for the White House Initiative for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). Ms. Kong is a Harvard graduate student studying cybersecurity and public policy who served as the US Delegate to the 2019 G20 Youth Summit.

Ms. Maloney remarked on the organization's success: "I'm in awe at the mobilization of the international community behind the Black Lives Matter movement. It's an honor to know that we're contributing to the largest civil rights movement in recorded history. Let's use this opportunity to bring justice and equity to Black communities around the globe."

About [#TheWorldIsWatching](#): [#TheWorldIsWatching](#) is a global coalition demanding concrete actions to end police brutality and systemic racism in the US.

We are leaders, foreign and domestic professionals, organizations, grassroots activists, and allies. We are creating a unified international front calling for policy, system, and environmental changes to ensure justice.

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