

Some remarkable people who have offered their heartfelt encouragement in support of the Peace Run



Pope Francis blesses the Peace Torch



Pope Jean Paul II and the Founder of the Run Sri Chinmoy



**Desmond Tutu** 

**Mikhail Gorbachev** 



**Mother Teresa** 



Nelson Mandela and Mama Graça Machel with Sri Chinmoy



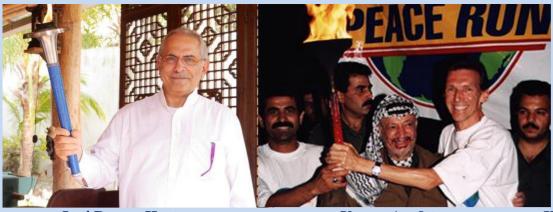
Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II



Former UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim with Sri Chinmoy



Jean Claude Junker



José Ramos Horta



His Holiness the Dalai Lama



Herman Van Rompuy



Rigoberta Menchu



Pir Vilayat Inayat Khan



Vladimir Petrovski, former UN Under-Secretary-General



Anwarul K. Chowdhury, former UN Under-Secretary-General



Davidson Hepburn
President of the General
Conference of UNESCO



Murade Murargy Executive Secretary of CPLP



Jorge Carlos Fonseca President of Cabo Verde



Coleiro Preca President of Malta



Mari Alkatiri, Vicente Guterres, Taur Matan Ruak, Francisco Guterres and Xanana Gusmão, Leaders of Timor-Leste



Michal Kovac, first and former President of Slovakia



Mário Soares e Vigdís Finnbogadóttir Former President of Portugal and former President of Iceland



Lech Walesa former President of Poland



Danilo Turk former President of Slovenia



Pál Schmitt former President of Hungary



Paul McCartney Musician and Peace Activist



Andrea Bocelli Opera Singer



**Avril Lavigne Musician** 



**Muhammad Ali Boxing Legend** 



Nikolai Sergeyevich Valuev WBA World Champion



Nuno Delgado Judoka Olympic Champion



Haile Gebrselassie Marathon Former World Record Holder



Paul Tergat Former Marathon World Record Holder and Sri Chinmoy



Joaquim Cruz Sprinter Olympic Champion



**Carl Lewis Olympic Legend** 



Paula Radcliffe Marathon World Record Holder with Sri Chinmoy



Cathy Freeman Sprinter Olympic Champion



Tegla Loroupe Marathon World Champion and global spokeswoman for peace, women's rights and education



Tatyana Romanovna Lebedeva Long Jump and Triple Jump Olympic Champion



Rosa Mota Marathon Olympic Champion



Francis Obikwelu and Jorge Pina, Olympic and Paralympic Champions



"All Black" the New Zealand National Rugby Team



Vanessa Fernandes Triathlon World Champion