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FCL works for a society in which individuals value and respect each other. In such a society there is no need for guns.

Until the time when private ownership of guns is banned, we support legislation limiting the sale, transport, ownership, and use of firearms and ammunition. We urge that most private ownership of handguns, and all automatic and semi-automatic weapons, be prohibited. Regulations for the ownership and use of all firearms should be established and enforced. Such regulations should include a licensing process for gun owners which provides for a background screening check, a waiting period, and successful completion of a training course in firearms safety. These regulations should also include the registration of all guns. Guns used for hunting and at clubs should be kept at clubs or other secure places, and they should not be kept in homes.

We are fully aware that firearms control legislation does not take the place of constructive measures to reduce crime and social disorganization. However, just as firearms are means to violent ends, we hope that firearms control will be a means of developing support for non-violent methods of resolving problems and contribute to a more peaceful society.