Statement from Shot@Life Directors Martha Rebour and Cara Ciullo:

The UN Foundation’s Shot@Life team stands in solidarity with those fighting for racial and social justice around the world, including those here in the United States. We stand with those determined to end the legacy of continuous violence against Black people and those whose lives have been marked by police brutality. We condemn racism and discrimination in all forms and offer our deepest condolences to the families of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, Michael Brown, Eric Garner, and countless others whose lives were tragically and unjustly cut short.

We believe access to healthcare is a human right, so Shot@Life advocates and staff members work to address structural inequities that create barriers to healthcare for people living in the poorest and most marginalized communities around the world. Our goal is to ensure all children have access to lifesaving vaccines and the opportunity to thrive.

Though our campaign advocates for greater health equity overseas, we stand against injustices that plague our own communities here in the United States—communities where our team members, advocates, and supporters go about their lives. The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated structural inequities in our country, and we stand shoulder-to-shoulder with all those who demand change, accountability, and justice.

As part of the UN Foundation, the Shot@Life campaign mission is rooted in the United Nations’ founding purpose to create a more secure and better world for all. We commit ourselves to advancing the values expressed in the UN’s Universal Declaration of Human Rights. We believe in the power of grassroots advocacy and challenge others to join us in the fight for a more just and equitable world.

To take action, please reference the Racial Justice Resource Guide created by our sister campaign, the UN Association of the USA.