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Journal Name:	Asian Research Journal of Arts & Social Sciences
Manuscript Number:	Ms_ARJASS_131277
Title of the Manuscript:	“Decolonizing Peace: Why African Traditions Hold a Key to Lasting Harmony”
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PART 1: Comments

	Reviewer's comment Artificial Intelligence (AI) generated or assisted review comments are strictly prohibited during peer review.	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The article addresses an important social problem; if resolved, it would improve the quality of life in various parts of Africa. It also contributes scientifically for the understanding of African societies and their traditional background. Although the author said the research has been done in Zambia “in four selected communities”, there is no further indication what these communities are, which ethnic/cultural backgrounds they represent, etc. As we know, Zambia is a country characterized by a rich diversity. This is why I think international readers would benefit from a more detailed picture of the studied communities.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	<u>yes</u>	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	<u>The structure of the abstract is atypical; possibly, it may not fit the journal's requirements. Also, it seems too long.</u>	
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<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Introduction may benefit from rewriting for concision. The same ideas seem repeated as various bibliographical references are introduced. I believe the international reader would benefit from a detailed introduction of the studied reality (its geographical location, cultural characteristics, ethnic/tribal/linguistic cohesion or division, urban setting vs. traditional ways of life – as I understand, the research was conducted in the city of Lusaka but there is only a short mention of this fact, no further details). Those aspects may seem obvious for the author but they are far from obvious for international readers. As it is, the whole argument sounds very abstract, lacking connection to a concrete cultural reality/ies. Such general expressions as “African societies” prevail, making the reader ask: what societies? Furthermore, such general expressions as “African spirituality” entice the reader's curiosity, making him/her expect exemplification or further details. The author speaks f. ex. about community mediation by elders. Why not to bring about an illustrative example of such an event, showing how it actually works inside an African community? Overall, the paper describes a high degree of generalization, lacking connection to a precisely defined background.	

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PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
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