NUCLEAR BAN.US THE TREATY COMPLIANCE CAMPAIGN

You can put pressure on the US and other nuclear nations to sign, ratify and implement the Nobel Peace Prize-winning Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.

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Not "some," not "theirs," but every single one

HOW YOU CAN HELP GET RID OF ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS

NUCLEAR

Nuclear weapons are the most destructive, inhumane and indiscriminate weapons ever created. There has not been a nuclear war – yet. None of the world's 15,000 nuclear weapons have been detonated by accident – yet. But even a single detonation on purpose or by accident would be a humanitarian catastrophe of unparalleled proportions. A "limited" exchange of nuclear weapons, for example between India and Pakistan, could put enough soot into the atmosphere to cause climate disruption and global famine.

A full scale nuclear war between the US and Russia would be the end of human civilization as we know it, if not the end of all life on earth.

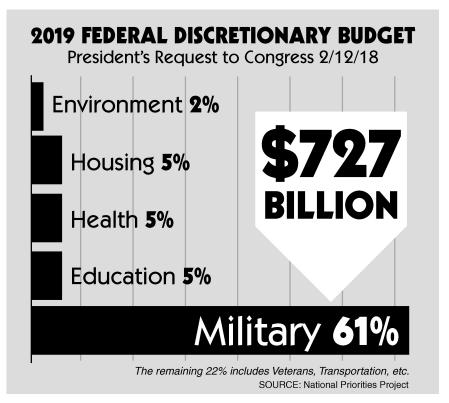
NUCLEAR WEAPONS QUICK FACTS

- The modernization of the US nuclear arsenal is expected to cost taxpayers \$1.7 trillion in inflation-adjusted dollars over the next 30 years, in addition to the \$30-40 billion per year already being spent
- Most nuclear warheads today are many times larger than the bomb dropped on Hiroshima
- There are **15,000** nuclear warheads in the world today

WEAPONS

Many of these weapons are kept on hair-trigger alert. Sooner or later, they will be used. There have been many close calls already. We are at more risk now than we have ever been. The money and effort that goes into nuclear weapons is a waste of precious human and financial resources needed to solve our most pressing problems. It's important to limit access to the nuclear "button," end hair-trigger alert, renounce the first use of nuclear weapons, and take other legislative steps towards reducing the risk of nuclear war by accident or by design. But the only way to reduce this risk to zero is to eliminate the weapons - all of them.

Fortunately, we now have a tool to make that happen.



THE TREATY

There is now an international Treaty making nuclear weapons *illegal*. It's known as the **Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons** (or 'Nuclear Ban Treaty'). Article 1, Section 1 makes it illegal to "develop, test, produce, manufacture...use or threaten to use nuclear weapons." The Treaty was negotiated at the United Nations and has the support of over 120 countries, the international Red Cross and Red Crescent movement, the Pope, the Dalai Lama, and millions of ordinary people across the globe.

The International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) won the 2017 **Nobel Peace Prize** for their part in making this Treaty possible. This campaign was inspired by the successful international campaigns which led to the prohibition, under international law, of biological, chemical and other inhumane and indiscriminate weapons.



THE PROBLEM

The US government is currently unwilling to sign the Treaty, and in fact, boycotted the negotiations. They are trying to prevent NATO, other allies, and other countries from signing it – even those countries whose people strongly favor it. And the other 8 nuclear nations won't sign it either: Russia, UK, France, China, Israel, India, Pakistan, N. Korea.

THE SOLUTION

The US and the other nuclear nations will sign this Treaty once there is sufficient pressure on them to do so. As citizens, we can call on our legislators to take immediate steps to pull us **back from the brink** of nuclear war. We can also take other action.

Ultimately, we are up against **the 26 companies** that profit from making nuclear weapons. These companies have significant control over the re-election budgets of many legislators. That's why the federal government has utterly failed to put an end to these weapons.

But these companies exist to make money, not just to make nuclear weapons. Citizen boycotts, divestment campaigns, and bad publicity can persuade them to focus on other products. For example, a national consumer boycott of General Electric convinced them to move out of the nuclear weapons business.

Citizen action can help these companies to start making the inevitable shift toward legal, globally acceptable activities that address climate change and other social needs.

Once these 26 companies get the message, they will be the ones to pressure the US government. They will demand a shift in federal funding away from nuclear weapons. In the meantime, this campaign will encourage other countries to take the Treaty more seriously, and that will build momentum toward global abolition.

AECOM Aerojet Rocketdyne Airbus BAE Systems Bechtel Boeing BWX Technology Charles Stark Draper Lab Engility Holdings

Fluor General Dynamics Honeywell International Huntington Ingalls Industries Jacobs Engineering Larsen & Toubro Leonardo Finmeccanica Lockheed Martin Moog Northrop Grumman Orbital ATK Raytheon Safran Serco Textron Thales Walchandnagar Industries

HOW YOU CAN BE PART OF THE SOLUTION

Remember when the federal government announced their intention to withdraw from the **Paris Climate Accords**? Cities, states, businesses, colleges, faith communities and individuals defiantly committed themselves to complying with the Accords anyway. That inspired us. We can get cities, states, organizations and individuals to comply – as far as they are able to – with the **Nuclear Ban Treaty**, too. We are calling this "Treaty Alignment."

You can work towards Treaty Alignment as an individual, or get to work on your faith community, school or other connections you may have. Your personal and/or organizational commitment to boycott and divest from the 26 nuclear weapons companies can encourage local and state governments to do the same.

For most people, Treaty Alignment is pretty simple. It's a commitment to make sure you aren't complicit with any of the 26 companies that make nuclear weapons, through your **work**, your **money** or your **things**. That means:

- You aren't employed by any of the 26 companies. If you are, we can help you think through your options.
- You don't have investments in any of these companies. If you do, we'll help you divest so your money is not used to make nuclear weapons.
- You won't buy any of their products in the future... ...until they stop making nuclear weapons.



1. DECIDE

The first step is to decide that you want to be part of this campaign. If you sign up at www.nuclearban.us, we'll send you information about the Treaty, nuclear weapons, and the campaign – everything you need to help you decide. We'll take you through the rest of the process, one step at a time.

2. DISCONNECT

If you are connected to nuclear weapons in any way through your work, trying to comply with the Treaty may not be for you, but you can still help rid the world of these weapons by taking other steps.

If you have investments in any of these companies, you may want to get advice and consider your options carefully. There is no reason why socially-responsible investment funds that exclude nuclear weapons companies should perform any less well than investments which include those companies.

If you own a Honeywell thermostat or other products made by nuclear weapons companies, we are not asking you to rip your thermostat off your wall. To disconnect, you need only commit to not buying your *next* thermostat from Honeywell.

3. DECLARE

It's essential to tell the companies WHY you're disconnecting from them. We have sample letters available, with contact info and details. It's also essential to make your actions and letters PUBLIC. Talk to your family and friends, use social media, write letters to the editor...

TAKING IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Countries that sign the Treaty are required to encourage other countries to sign it too. Likewise, we'll guide you as you take the Treaty Compliance Campaign up a notch or two.

You can help others work towards complying with the Nuclear Ban Treaty in your...

- Neighborhood
- Club
- Faith community
- Organization
- School

- Workplace
- Bank
- Insurance company
- Investment company
- Pension fund

This will build momentum toward the big prizes, your...

• Town/City

State

You can be part of the unstoppable movement to eliminate all nuclear weapons before they eliminate us.

