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BAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS! PREVENT CLIMATE CATASTROPHE AND NUCLEAR FAMINE

All wars and militarism undermine our security and harm our climate. Nuclear weapons and war cause particularly appalling suffering and environmental harm. To prevent this, the [International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons \(ICAN\)](#) persuaded the majority of UN States to negotiate on nuclear disarmament. The result of the governmental negotiations at the UN General Assembly was the [2017 Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons \(TPNW\)](#), **which bans the use, production and deployment of nuclear weapons and requires their total elimination, with provisions to implement the prohibitions and verifiably eliminate the weapons safely and securely.**

Despite widespread support in Britain and around the world, the UK government boycotted the multilateral UN negotiations and is refusing even to take preparatory steps to comply. Instead it is pouring billions more into upgrading UK nuclear weapons and submarines.

90% of Physicians and Nurses died in Hiroshima

It is 75 years after the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki were flattened by the first two nuclear weapons in 1945. We need to remember what happened.

Those "small" atomic bombs killed more than 230,000 people. Over 100,000 were killed instantly in the intense fireball. Then over weeks and months, many more died from burns, blast injuries and in terrible pain from radiation sickness.



This photo shows NHS workers in a 2016 "die in" in Parliament Square, as Medact, ICAN and CND called for UK nuclear weapons to be scrapped, not prolonged.

**Banning and eliminating nuclear weapons is more necessary –
and more possible – than before. Make it happen!**

TELL YOUR GOVERNMENT TO PREVENT NUCLEAR WAR AND SIGN THE U.N. NUCLEAR BAN TREATY

Just a fraction of today's nuclear weapons would contaminate the Earth and cause "[nuclear winter](#)". The mushroom clouds from incinerated cities would disrupt the world's climate systems and destroy agriculture, natural ecosystems and food resources. Global famine and disease would follow, killing an estimated two billion people.

The "Trident" missiles on this nuclear armed submarine are all it would take to cause climate devastation and nuclear winter.

Since 1945, the world has been brought close to nuclear war several times, due to leadership mistakes and computer errors. We can't risk more mistakes with nuclear weapons.

That's why the UN's Nuclear Ban Treaty directly prohibits developing, testing, manufacturing, stockpiling, acquiring and possessing nuclear armaments. It bans stationing, installing and deploying nuclear weapons, and also outlaws actions that "assist, encourage or induce" *anyone* to commit any actions that are prohibited by the Treaty. That applies to [banks](#), [investors](#), manufacturers, [city officials](#), [parliamentarians](#), decision-makers – and all of us!

**Do you want nuclear weapons to be
abolished before they abolish us?**

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