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Salisbury CND Talk by John Gittings



John Gittings,
Chief foreign leader writer and assistant foreign editor of The Guardian,
1983-2003, with Alex Raws of Salisbury CND

The Trident Debate: will there ever be nuclear disarmament?

On Friday 19th June, John Gittings addressed a large audience on the history of peace and stressed that human progress and development have always depended on a peaceful environment. Tracing the progress of those promoting peace from ancient times to the present day, he explained the stalled states of the treaties that we all rely upon to limit the spread of nuclear weapons and lead to their eventual elimination. He emphasised the risks of nuclear accidents as long as such weapons remain. He explained how CND and the peace movement in general had achieved more influence in the past than has been widely acknowledged. The talk was a timely reminder of the importance of mass protest in influencing the political discussions about Trident replacement. For further details of Salisbury CND activities visit www.cndsalisbury.org.uk