70th anniversary of the Russell-Einstein Manifesto

The President of the Royal Society, Sir Adrian Smith, and the President of the Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs, Dr Hussain Al-Shahristani, would welcome your presence at a commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the Russell-Einstein manifesto.

Speakers from Britain, China, Russia and the US will reflect on the manifesto's appeal to governments "to find peaceful means for the settlement of all matters of dispute between them" and on reducing the threat to "the continued existence of mankind" which the manifesto ascribes to nuclear weapons.

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6pm - 8pm

The Royal Society

6-9 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1Y 5AG

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Draft programme

18:00 Opening remarks by the co-chairs

Sir Adrian Smith, President of the Royal Society

Dr. Hussain Al-Shahristani, President of Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs

18:20 Playing of a video recording of a reading of the Manifesto

18:30 The evolution since 1955 of efforts to reduce the threat to humanity posed by nuclear weapons

Lord Browne of Ladyton

18:50 Roundtable conversation:

"How to revive momentum towards reducing the risk that nuclear weapons will be used" **Dr Steve Fetter,** Center for International Security Studies, University of Maryland **Dr Nadia Arbatova,** Institute for World Economy and International Relations, Moscow **Dr Tong Zhao,** Nuclear Policy Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington D.C.

19:35 The Manifesto's call on scientists to concern themselves with the perils of the nuclear age

Lord Rees of Ludlow and Dame Athene Donald