If there were no nuclear weapons, they could not proliferate.

THANKS TO PRESIDENT OBAMA: The Obama administration has stopped talking about the unthinkable: using nuclear weapons in war. The next essential step is to stop trying to fund new nuclear weapons and work to eliminate them.

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OMNI SPONSORING PROPOSITION ONE IN 2010 COMING TO FAYETTEVILLE FRIDAY JUNE 26, POTLUCK AT 5:00 PM AND FILM AT 7:00.

Please help. We need coordinators for all and for the potluck and for the film.

Greetings. This letter is to connect with you, to let you know about the Proposition One in 2010! Campaign (our nationwide effort to mobilize grassroots support for Nuclear Disarmament), and to ask if you’d like to help us help you, and help President Obama, get rid of nukes ASAP. We will be coming through Fayetteville in late June and hope to organize a fun, energetic informational event at a good local venue. Can you help us?

Of course, we are thrilled to have a President calling for elimination of nuclear weapons. But if there is anything we know, it is that President Obama cannot succeed without the help of a mighty grassroots movement of support for Nuclear Disarmament. Like you, we know what enormous obstacles to disarmament he faces from the military, the nuclear weapons complex, the nuclear energy complex that feeds it, and the members of Congress who are ideologically and economically vested in the status quo.

Proposition One Committee knows the importance of grassroots action. Our continuous anti-nuclear vigil outside the White House since June 3, 1981, founded and still inspired by William “Doubting” Thomas, has planted seeds of hope with the millions of tourists who visit the White House each year (see http://prop1.org).

In 1993, our petition drive put nuclear disarmament on the ballot as a citizen initiative in Washington,
DC, and we won! As a result, DC’s Congressional Delegate, Eleanor Holmes Norton, has introduced Nuclear Disarmament to Congress nine times, and promises to do so as long as she's in office. **This year’s bill in the 111th Congress is called the Nuclear Disarmament and Economic Conversion Act of 2009 (HR 1653).** (Read the Bill at [http://prop1.org/prop1/HR1653.ndeca.090319.htm](http://prop1.org/prop1/HR1653.ndeca.090319.htm))

Please make sure your Representative and Senators know about this bill, and ask them to actively support this legislation that would make the US a true leader towards global nuclear disarmament and economic conversion of the war machines to provide for human needs. (Solar panels and windmills, not missiles and bombs!) The phone number of the Congressional switchboard is **202-225-3121.** If you achieve results, wonderful! If not, we can do more.

The single greatest obstacle to nuclear disarmament is the mistaken belief that it can’t be done. We know that we can and must do more to encourage hope and action. We want to share our story and inspire others with the conviction that global nuclear disarmament CAN be achieved. We recognize that little can happen without a major escalation in public education, advocacy and action. And we are doing it now, at this moment when President Obama most needs the support of a robust citizen movement.

Therefore, we are pleased to announce the Proposition One in 2010! Campaign. Our goals are simple: to inform local activists about the bill in Congress, and wherever possible to help put nuclear disarmament on the ballot in every state, city, and county jurisdiction that allows the citizen initiative. This summer, we will tour the country to visit every state in the continental U.S. that has the initiative process (and some that don’t), telling the story of DC Initiative 37 (Proposition One), and how it can be replicated across the country. Politicians pay attention to voter initiatives!

**When we come through Fayetteville (on Friday, June 26),** we’d like to link up with you to share some of our history and our vision, and to learn about yours. Since Arkansas provides for voter initiatives statewide, we’d love to talk with other interested people in your state about what it would take to put Nuclear Disarmament on the ballot there by 2010! (Also, there may be some cities or counties which allow initiatives, and there may be other means to compel nuclear disarmament onto the ballot - or legislative calendar - through citizen action.)

This is where you can help. We’re looking for:
* Opportunities to present our story, program and proposition to your group, others like it, and to the public at large in your area
* Local venues where we could assemble, perform and organize (including already-scheduled events, like festivals or concerts in which we could play a part)
* Local performers, musical artists, educators and activists (ideally with popular appeal) willing to join the fun
* Contacts with friendly individuals who could provide short-term shelter for our team while we are in your area
* Endorsements of Proposition One itself (and our Prop 1 in 2010! Campaign) by you and organizations you’re involved with
* Volunteers to help with publicity design, promotion and production of the event
* And of course, donations are always helpful. As a 501(c)4 non-profit organization, our work depends on contributions from generous groups and individuals.

Thank you for your time, and we hope to hear back from you. We value your help as an ally in the ongoing struggle to make our world a safer, saner, and more peaceful place. We hope you agree that this is a unique historical moment for previously unfathomable progress, and that the limits of what we can accomplish are only confined by the limits of our efforts and imaginations. And we hope you will support us by signing on to Proposition One, individually and organizationally, and in whatever other ways you can.
In Peace and Solidarity for a Nuclear Free Future,

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GETTING TO ZERO
Recently, an informal poll by Gladys indicated that nuclear war was near the top of OMNI members' concerns. These concerns can now share in a new, hopeful global movement for slowing the nuclear arms buildup and for eliminating nuclear weapons everywhere. It's called “Global Zero,” the Global Campaign to create a World Without Nuclear Weapons (www.globalzero.org), and it kicked-off on Dec. 9, 2008 in Paris in a conference bringing together more than 100 leaders around the world committed to the goal of a world without nuclear weapons. Then on April 1, 2009, Presidents Obama and Russia's Medvedev jointly “…committed [their] two countries to achieving a nuclear free world.” Three days later in Prague, Pres. Obama in a speech reinforced his commitment to leading an international effort to eliminate all nuclear weapons. Now global Zero is developing a step-by-step Action Plan for the phased elimination of nuclear weapons, and it will convene a world summit in early 2010. Did you miss the news? Well thank our mainstream media. The ADG gave an outrageously teeny report 12-7 on the Paris conference of Global Zero 12-9-. You would think a group of world leaders committed to eliminating nuclear weapons within the next 25 years, proposing deep cuts in US and Russian arsenals, offering a verification and enforcement system, and phased reduction leading to the elimination of all stockpiles would warrant front-page news. (See articles in The Defense Monitor (Nov.-Dec. 2008, April-May 2009). Each of us can begin to participate by supporting Pres. Obama in his commitment, and we can immediately contribute by writing/phonning our support and by signing the declaration on www.globalzero.org. Also see “The Aspiration of Global Zero” by Robert Gard in In These Times (June 2009), a short but comprehensive summary of the problems facing Global Zero. The Peace Movement has an important role to play in educating the public for nuclear disarmament and in ensuring the support of our congressional delegation. Dick

OBAMA’S HOPE FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT
A rare opportunity to change U.S. policy toward nuclear weapons
President Obama has pledged to work to reduce and eliminate nukes. Urge him to take the concrete steps necessary.
In the next few months, his team will be composing the "Nuclear Posture Review."
Send a message.
President Obama laid out a compelling vision of a safer world free of nuclear weapons in his April 5, 2009, speech in Prague.
Right now, the Obama administration is conducting a Nuclear Posture Review that will set U.S. nuclear weapons policy for the next decade. This is the opportunity for the President's soaring rhetoric to be instituted in real world policy planning.
The President already understands that, in today's world, nuclear weapons
create rather than reduce risks. Nuclear weapons do not help protect us from threats such as terrorist attacks, for example. The world has changed, and we need a new path to make us more secure.

In Prague, the President set off on that new path, stating "clearly and with conviction America's commitment to seek the peace and security of a world without nuclear weapons." He pledged to "reduce the role of nuclear weapons in our national security strategy, and urge others to do the same."

Send a message. Please ask the President to ensure that his Administration's Nuclear Posture Review will "put an end to Cold War thinking," just as he has promised. The near-term plans that will be set forth in the Review should both reflect and further the ultimate goal of eliminating nuclear weapons.

Thank you.

P.S. If you’d like to work with WAND staff regarding these nuclear weapons issues, please contact me: krobinson@WAND.org, (202) 544-5055 ext. 2605 and participate in our Congress Meets Community Campaign.

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FROM THE ESTABLISHMENT SUPPORT FOR ABOLISHING NUCLEAR WEAPONS
The next president won’t have to work alone. He’ll have support from leaders across the political spectrum. Former Secretaries of State Henry Kissinger and George Shultz, former Sen. Sam Nunn (GA), and former Defense Secretary William Perry are urging the U.S. government to recommit itself to eliminating nuclear weapons.

EVEN UNDER BUSH THERE WERE VICTORIES
. The Peace Movement’s campaigns against the nuclear “bunker buster” and the Reliable Replacement Warhead have kept the United States from building “usable” nuclear weapons.
“Nuclear Weapons: Time for a Renewed Vision”

**A Critical Time for Nuclear Disarmament: What Obama and We Must Do**

The opening days of the OBAMAt administration are setting the tone for the years to come.

The next president could send a strong signal to the international community that the United States is committed to a world free of nuclear weapons — by renegotiating the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty with Russia, asking Congress to ratify the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty, and participating energetically in negotiations leading up to the next global review conference for the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

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**ISRAEL THREATENS IRAN**

“NYT Making Nuclear Extermination Respectable”

By Prof. James Petras 8-8-8

On July 18, 2008 The New York Times published an article by Israeli-Jewish historian, Professor Benny Morris, advocating an Israeli nuclear-genocidal attack on Iran with the likelihood of killing 70 million Iranians 12 times the number of Jewish victims in the Nazi holocaust:

"Iran 's leaders would do well to rethink their gamble and suspend their nuclear program. Barring this, the best they could hope for is that Israel 's conventional air assault will destroy their nuclear facilities. To be sure, this would mean thousands of Iranian casualties and international humiliation. But the alternative is an Iran turned into a nuclear wasteland."

Morris is a frequent lecturer and consultant to the Israeli political and military establishment and has unique access to Israeli strategic military planners. Morris' advocacy and public support of the massive, brutal expulsion of all Palestinians is on public record. Yet his genocidal views have not precluded his receiving numerous academic awards. His writings and views are published in Israel 's leading newspapers and journals. Morris' views are not the idle ranting of a marginal psychopath, as witnessed by the recent publication of his latest op-ed article in the New York Times. …

What is at stake today are the related questions of the advocacy of a nuclear war in which 70 million Iranians face extermination and the complicity of the US mass media in providing a platform, nay a certain political respectability for mass murder and global contamination. Unlike the Nazi past, we cannot claim, as the good Germans did, that 'we did not know' or 'we weren't notified', because it was written by an eminent Israeli academic and was published in the New York Times.

James Petras is a Bartle Professor (Emeritus) of Sociology at Binghamton University, New York. His latest book is "Zionism, Militarism And the Decline of U.S Power" (Clarity Press Atlanta ), August 2008
DOCUMENTARY FILMS ABOUT NUCLEAR WEAPONS

"Conviction," a 48 min. dvd doc. about three Dominican nuns sentenced to Federal Prison for their nonviolent protest at a Minuteman III missile site in Colorado. Raises the role of International Law in US courts.

"Walking for Peace," a 29-min. film on the journey of a group of people who walked 300 miles from the Hanford Nuclear Reservation to Bangor Submarine Base to call for the abolition of nuclear weapons.

“Dr. Atomic” opera about creation of the atomic bomb and documentary about the film (google)

MCCAIN, OBAMA, CLINTON ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation has been tracking what the candidates are saying on nuclear weapons policy. You can find their quotes on our website.

You can also click here to read the New York Times' summary of McCain's speech yesterday. The positions of Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama are summarized in their responses to a survey by the Council for a Livable World.

Please join the Dalai Lama, Archbishop Desmond Tutu and thousands of others around the world in demanding that the next President provide US leadership for a nuclear weapons-free world.

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International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW)

A non-partisan, global federation of medical organizations in 58 countries dedicated to research, education, and advocacy of the prevention of nuclear war.

International Student Movement of IPPNW

Within the project international medical students should get the possibility ... help to the refugees and to work towards non-violent conflict prevention. ...

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Nuclear Age Peace Foundation: www.wagingpeace.org ; www.nuclearfiles.org

Published on Saturday, July 19, 2008 by CommonDreams.org

A Short Message to the UC Regents: Get Out of the Nuclear Weapons Business by David Krieger

Designing and developing weapons of mass annihilation should not be business as usual, especially for a great university. And yet, for the UC, it is business as usual. Since the beginning of the Nuclear Age, the UC has been in the business of providing management and oversight to the nation’s principal nuclear weapons laboratories, Los Alamos National Laboratory and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. The UC is now in that business with corporate partners such as Bechtel......

I suggest to you that a day will come when the UC will deeply regret having sold its good name to provide respectability to the creation and maintenance of nuclear weapons. In the interests of the UC and the country, I would urge you to take the following three actions:

First, support the Student Department of Energy Lab Oversight Committee, which has already demonstrated serious intent and done important research on the weapons laboratories and how their work negatively impacts national and global security.

Second, follow the example of the Norwegian government pension fund and divest the UC investment portfolio of corporations involved in creating nuclear weapons and their component parts.

Third, withdraw from the management and oversight of the weapons labs on the grounds of legality, morality and human security. By doing so, you would be setting an invaluable example for UC students and for institutions of higher education in our country and throughout the world.

Such acts of conscience by the UC Regents would help spark a national discussion on the need for US leadership for a world free of nuclear weapons.

David Krieger is president of the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation (www.wagingpeace.org). On July 17, 2008,
members of the public were allotted one minute each to express their views in the public comment portion of the UC Regent’s meeting.

The UN Seizes the Chance to Create a Nuclear-Weapons-Free World

By Eriks Berzins

The worldwide economic downturn can be a positive opportunity for governments to take a hard look at the high costs they incur in paying for defense expenses when compared with the lower but equally important costs in taking counter-proliferation measures.

That message was brought home by John Mroz, chief executive of the EastWest Institute, at a conference arranged by the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs and EastWest, a New York think tank, on Oct. 24. The conference, “Seizing the Moment: Breakthrough Measures to Build a New East-West Consensus on Weapons of Mass Destruction and Disarmament” consisted of two panel discussions and six topical breakout sessions at UN headquarters in New York. The event was aimed at revitalizing efforts to address nuclear proliferation and to control the global flow of conventional arms and weapons of mass destruction.

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon highlighted the risks posed by nuclear weapons on the environment, global health and counterterrorism, announcing the following five-pronged approach to achieving a nuclear-weapons-free world:

First, Ban called all parties of the Non Proliferation Treaty (NPT), including the nuclear weapons states, to fulfill their obligations toward disarmament. He noted the importance of the United States and Russia resuming bilateral talks on the issue.

Second, Ban said the five permanent members of the Security Council should lead the discussions on the future of the NPT and convene a summit to call on non-NPT states to halt their nuclear abilities and make disarmament commitments of their own.

Third, he suggested that the permanent members of the SC lead efforts to bring the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty into force, thereby banning any and all nuclear explosions, and begin discussions on a treaty that would ban production of fissile materials for nuclear weapons and other nuclear explosives.

Fourth, Ban noted the importance of accountability and transparency, as well as the lack of public information on nuclear security. He urged all nuclear weapons states to send information on the size of their arsenals to the UN, including information regarding “significant” achievements on their disarmament.

Fifth, the secretary-general called on member states to reduce the production and trade in conventional arms as well as prohibit the weaponization of space.

Mohamed ElBaradei, the director general of the International Atomic Energy Agency, started the first panel discussion with a sobering assessment of the agency’s current status. “We do not have a pretty picture,” he said. Because the agency, he said, lacks the necessary legal authority and material resources for effective enforcement, there is little possibility that it can determine just how many cases of illegal arms sales and transfers are really being made.

Speaking to the panel in the Economic and Social Council’s Chamber at the UN, ElBaradei said: “We do not need more initiatives, resolutions or forums. We need a
wake-up call. We need more resources, like satellite images, or we will miss cases.” He urged the Security Council to work in a more “systematic way” in dealing with these issues and to take concrete actions.

Former US Secretary of State Henry Kissinger was the lead speaker of the panel. He said that efforts to reduce nuclear stockpiles are indeed the responsibility of all nuclear weapons countries. Elaborating on Ban’s call to Russia and the US to fulfill their nuclear disarmament commitments, Kissinger said that while there were issues that were principally US-Russian bilateral matters, any reduction efforts should be accompanied by measures from all nuclear weapons states that could serve as the framework for an international agreement.

Sergei Kislyak, the Russian ambassador to the U.S. said: “We need a successor treaty between the US and Russia. The Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty will expire in 2012.” He pointed to the need for Russian security assurances in any international agreement, giving the example of how the antimissile systems on its borders have given Russia anything but such reassurance. He ended positively, however, saying there is plenty of room for cooperation on preventing an arms race in space and highlighting “no lack of ideas and commitments.”

The final plenary panel, “Asymmetrical Arms Control?: Reconciling Unequal Power,” was led by Ambassador Marco Antonio Suazo of Honduras, and included Jayantha Dhanapala of Sri Lanka, retired Gen. Ehsan ul-Haq of Pakistan, Ambassador Sumio Tarui of Japan, William C. Potter of the US and Waheguru Pal Singh Sidhu of India. In the afternoon breakout groups, participants attended sessions on topics that included global arms regimes, regional balances of power, revitalizing the NPT and achieving a nuclear weapons convention.

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