

## 74TH COMMEMORATION OF ATOMIC BOMBINGS ON HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI, JAPAN 2019

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"Humanity faces two existential threats, nuclear weapons and climate change.

The US abandoned the Iran Nuclear Deal and announced its withdrawal from the Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces Treaty. The US also abandoned the ABT, Antiballistic Missile Treaty.

The urgent North Korea nuclear dilemma remains unresolved.

The world's nuclear nations proceeded with nuclear modernization."

What we must do...

**Silent Vigil for Hiroshima** Tuesday, August 6, 8:00 a.m. **World War Memorial Flagpole, New Haven** 

Silent Vigil for Nagasaki Friday, August 9, 10:45 a.m. **Amistad Statue, City Hall, New Haven** 

Please join us to share poems and community readings and recite the Peace Declarations from the Mayors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki Japan.

United Church on the Green will ring the bells for the vigils.

## **DEMAND:**

End US sanctions against Iran and recognize its compliance. End Bolton's war campaign against Iran and Venezuela. **US** join the world to meet climate threats and sign Paris Climate **Change Agreement.** 

US join United Nations Ban on Nuclear Weapons and negotiate with nuclear weapons states to dismantle nuclear weapons.

A Peace Treaty with North and South Korea.



Sadako statue with peace cranes in Japan.



REMEMBER HIROSHIMA REMEMBER NAGASAKI



City of New Haven Peace Commission



Both the U.S. and Russia have over 10,000 nuclear weapons apiece, 1,800 of which are on high alert, meaning they can be launched within minutes. **One mistake is all it takes**.

U.S./NATO provocations on Russia AND Iran's borders and sanctions against both increase the likelihood for a catastrophic nuclear war.

The U.S. is upgrading its nuclear arsenal at a cost of one (1) trillion dollars over the next 30 years, yet there is no money for Universal Health Care!

As hundreds of millions of people across the globe go hungry, the nuclear-armed nations spend close to U.S. \$300 million a day on their nuclear arsenals. The production, maintenance, and modernization of nuclear forces diverts vast public resources away from health care, education, climate change mitigation, disaster relief, development assistance and other vital services (ican.org.)

If all nations stopped buying weapons for only "8 days" a year, the UN says world hunger would cease to plague mankind.

On July 7, 2017, the United Nations adopted a global Treaty to Ban Nuclear Weapons.

Over 122 countries took part in negotiations and supported the treaty. This is a monumental step forward in raising the global level of understanding that nuclear weapons are illegal and cannot be used as a national security of policy of defense or deterrence. Unsurprisingly, the U.S. opposed that treaty.



## Trumps Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Discretionary Budget Request Tops 1.3 TRILLION!

The military budget is increasing from \$727 billion (61%) to over \$750 billion! Make no mistake about it, this is a budget for the military industrial complex, corporate CEO's, Wall Street, and for the billionaire class of robber barons.

Where will the money come from? Fasten your seat belts. Here it is, read it and weep or read it and be a force for change.

Over the next 10 years, Trump's budget would cut:

- \$1.5 trillion from Medicaid
- \$845 billion from Medicare
- \$25 billion from Social Security
- \$207 billion from college education
- \$220 billion from food stamps

Without their consent, Connecticut taxpayers are helping to pay for endless wars and placing ALL life on this planet in jeopardy.

Connecticut taxpayers spend over \$12 Billion each year to fund the war economy, nuclear weapons and the bloated Pentagon budget since 2001. Instead, during the next five years CT could create:

35,000 Jobs with support in high poverty communities, and

35,000 Infrastructure jobs, and

35,000 Clean energy jobs, and

30,000 Elementary school teachings jobs.

**LET'S CREATE THESE GOOD PAYING JOBS** .to help take care of our children, our seniors, provide healthcare, pensions, education, and money left over for a **Green New Deal** for Connecticut and America.

## **BREAKING NEWS:**

ON AUGUST 2, 2019, THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALLY EXITED THE INTERMEDIATE-RANGE NUCLEAR FORCES (INF) TREATY WITH RUSSIA!

And don't forget, the U.S. cancelled the Iran Nuclear Deal on May 8, 2018, and the Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) Treaty under George W. Bush. Just these three critical moves may usher in a nuclear holocaust that no one will walk away from. Don't just think about that, <u>DO SOMETHING</u> for cry'n out loud!