

# Global Parliamentary Appeal for a Nuclear Weapons Ban

## ABOUT THIS APPEAL

Parliamentarians have a vital role to play in advancing the peace and security of a world without nuclear weapons. This appeal – coordinated by the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) with the support of Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament – aims to build global support for a treaty banning nuclear weapons. The call for such a treaty has been endorsed by more than 150 governments, the United Nations Secretary-General, and the Red Cross and Red Crescent movement. Opinion polls around the world show overwhelming public support for a ban, including in nuclear-armed nations. This parliamentary appeal will be presented at various intergovernmental meetings in 2013 and 2014 aimed at promoting nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament.

## WHO CAN SIGN

Any current member of a national, state/provincial or regional parliament or congress may sign the appeal. It is open to parliamentarians from all countries.

## HOW TO SIGN

To add your name, please scan and email this form to [info@icanw.org](mailto:info@icanw.org) or post it to:

International Campaign to  
Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN)  
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## TAKE FURTHER ACTION

For updates and further action ideas, please join Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament (PNND). PNND is a cross-party global network of parliamentarians working to prevent nuclear proliferation and achieve a nuclear-weapon-free world. PNND provides background information for parliamentarians, examples of parliamentary initiatives and contacts with other parliamentarians active on this issue. Contact [info@pnnd.org](mailto:info@pnnd.org). Visit [www.facebook.com/pnndglobal](http://www.facebook.com/pnndglobal) and [www.pnnd.org](http://www.pnnd.org).

**W**e, the undersigned parliamentarians, conscious of our duty to protect and promote the safety and well-being of the people we represent, express our deep concern at the continuing threat posed by many thousands of nuclear weapons across the globe. Any use of these ultimate weapons of mass destruction – whether by accident, miscalculation or design – would have catastrophic consequences for humanity and the planet as a whole.

The only way to guarantee that they will never be used again is to outlaw and eliminate them without further delay. We call upon all national governments to negotiate a treaty banning nuclear weapons and leading to their complete eradication. A global ban on nuclear weapons is a humanitarian imperative of the highest order. It is necessary, feasible and increasingly urgent.



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