

SOWING THE SEEDS FOR MAKING THE WORLD NUCLEAR-FREE

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IMPRESSION OF NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE

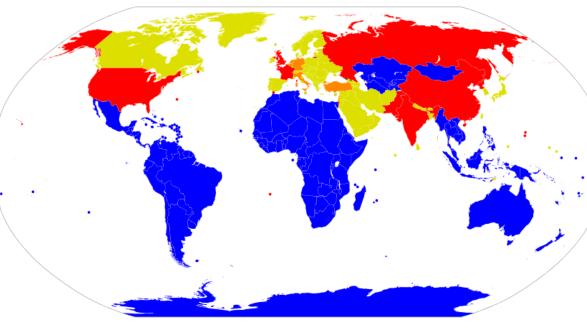
- No agreement on final document at NPT Conference
- New developments:
- 1. Establishment of group that "negotiates in good faith" for nuclear disarmament
- 2. Confirmation of consequences more serious than previously understood
- 3. Acknolwedgement of need to strengthen education for disarmament
- Recommendation for all nations have exchanges with A-bomb survivors
 - Share reality of atomic bombing
 - Want world leaders to convey "knowing the reality"

INHUMANITY OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Important questions: (basis of Hiroshima and Nagasaki peoples' actions)

- 1. How inhuman are nuclear weapons?
- 2. What will they bring to humans?
- World opinion and actions against nuclear powers are growing stronger
 - Highest conference attendence ever
 - Countries in support of written disarmament oath grew from 70 to 107
- Previously cancelled atomic bomb exhibition on exhibit in Washington DC

AN APPROACH CALLED "NUCLEAR WEAPON-FREE ZONES"



NUCLEAR WEAPON FREE ZONES	NUCLEAR SHARING
NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES	NPT

• NWFZ Definition:

 Region that restricts the use, threat, and introduction of nuclear weapons

O Nuclear Umbrella:

- Protected by Nuclear Weapon State
- Ex. Japan
- Hiroshima & Nagasaki's Five Actions
 - Make reality of atomic bombing known
 - Try to correct gaps (protests against NW testing)
 - Show next step (NE Asia NWFZ)
- 4. Expand networks (Youth Outreach)
- 5. Present a goal
- NW & Umbrella States say "step-by-step"
- At standstill; new NWs emerging
- Take time to create NWFZ in NE Asia
 - Latin America took 30 years

"SMALL DIPLOMACY" WITH A BIG MEANING

BIG DIPLOMACY

- Exclusive state-controlled diplomacy
- Relative to current political climate

SMALL DIPLOMACY

- Cross-border exchanges between cities/citizens (Ex. sister cities)
- Grows/restores relationships and shapes international opinion
- Exchanges can continue even when international relations are low

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YOUNG GENERATIONS AS A SOURCE OF HOPE

I would ask you to teach us the facts to start with, instead of teaching us only the conclusion that nuclear weapons are no good. We want to think about nuclear weapons on our own with the facts as the starting point.

- Young generation is continuing and improving upon their predecessors
 - Fresh-thinking mindset
 - Coming to their own conclusions
 - Writing in their own words
 - Lack of preconceived ideas (honest talks)
- International Youth Peace Forum
- Bring back guidebook to country
- Handing Down Family Experiences of the Atomic Bombing from Generation to Generation
- Narratives have the strong power of communication