

LE MOUVEMENT DE LA PAIX CONGRESS, INTERNATIONAL DECLARATION

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FOR THE ELIMINATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND FOR PEACE WE HAVE THE DUTY TO ACT AND THE POWER TO WIN

e, peace activists representing organizations and acting on all continents of the planet, present or invited to the National Congress of *Le Mouvement de la Paix* in Gennevilliers (near Paris), we welcome the adoption of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons at the United Nations, on July 7, 2017 by 122 Nations.

We are pleased that the fight against nuclear weapons and for a Treaty on Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons has been recognized and encouraged through the awarding of the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize to the International Campaign for the Abolition of Nuclear Weapons: ICAN.

We share the deep concern expressed in the preamble of this Treaty about the catastrophic humanitarian consequences that would result from any use of nuclear weapons.

We therefore reaffirm the resulting need to eliminate those dangerous, inhuman, abominable, illegal and costly weapons that threaten the very existence of humanity. We reaffirm that their elimination is a common need of all humanity and an essential step to promote the security, the well-being of all the people and to develop a culture of peace needed to satisfy the essential ambition of people to live in peace and to build a civilization of peace.

As a result, we are more than ever united in the fight for the abolition of nuclear weapons until this goal is achieved.

Moreover, in front of an economic globalization characterized by the search for the immediate and maximum profit that crushes people, puts them in competition but does not make it possible to face the challenges of the current world (hunger, environmental security and climate change, education for all, promotion of renewable energies, objectives of sustainable development, practical realization of human rights), in front of a globalization of militarization which puts the burden of excessive military expenditure on the people, we have decided to join our efforts to:

- bottain the maximum number of Nations in the world, beginning with our respective ones, to ratify the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons,
- ▶ act so that everywhere in the world the maximum of local elected officials, parliamentarians, political leaders, trade unions, associations, and citizens regardless of their sensitivities or philosophical, religious, trade union affiliations etc. engage in this struggle,
- publicize and support actions to ban weapons from space, especially nuclear weapons, and make space an area of peace,
- > contribute to the development of popular education for peace in all sectors of social life and towardsthe public at large, and especially towards young people,
- work together to build, in peace action, the widest unity of all movements working for peace in the world, as this is the condition for being effective in building peace and to face the industrial militarist lobby that tries to impose its views.

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United for peace, justice and fraternity

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