Invitation to join
Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament

Dear Parliamentary Colleagues

The maintenance of large stockpiles of nuclear weapons, the continuation of regional and international conflicts, and the increasing development and availability of nuclear technology are increasing the risks of the possible use of nuclear weapons and their proliferation. This indicates to us the necessity for legislators to work collaboratively to prevent a nuclear disaster.

We have an historic opportunity to make progress, resulting from a new high-level commitment to the vision of a nuclear-weapon-free world and a growing cross-party consensus that the abolition of nuclear weapons is both imperative and now feasible.

However, political momentum is required to break the Cold War policies of nuclear deterrence and the vested interests in nuclear weapons, in order to forge the multilateral regime required to achieve a secure nuclear-weapons-free world.

We are thus writing to invite you to join Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament (PNND), an international nonpartisan forum for legislators to share perspectives and develop collaborative initiatives to prevent proliferation and achieve nuclear disarmament.

PNND is an initiative of the Global Security Institute - founded by U.S. Senator Alan Cranston - and the Middle Powers Initiative, which works alongside key countries advancing nuclear nonproliferation and disarmament initiatives.

PNND provides up-to-date and relevant information to legislators on nuclear weapons issues, events such as major intergovernmental meetings, and parliamentary actions including resolutions, debates, joint appeals and legislation.

PNND also provides a variety of forums in which legislators can learn from each other and collaborate on national, regional and international measures. These include conferences, newsletters, seminars, briefings and contacts with parliamentary colleagues. We invite you to visit www.pnnd.org for more information on PNND’s work and activities.
PNND has no membership fee, nor any requirement to subscribe to any specific perspective or policy. We are truly non-partisan. We look forward to your participation and take this opportunity to extend our highest regards.

Yours sincerely
PNND Co-Presidents

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