

## The growing call to

# BAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS

### UN SECRETARY-GENERAL

"I urge all nations to ... agree to negotiate a nuclear weapons convention at the earliest possible date."

Ban Ki-moon, August 2010

### MEXICO

"I reiterate the strong support of my government for achieving a global treaty to ban and eliminate nuclear weapons."

Enrique Peña Nieto, President, July 2013

### COSTA RICA

"The very existence of nuclear weapons should be deemed illegal."

March 2013

### ECUADOR

"The only option is to eradicate this threat through the complete prohibition and elimination of nuclear weapons."

April 2013

### COMMUNITY OF LATIN AMERICAN & CARIBBEAN STATES

"We reaffirm the importance of initiating negotiations for an international legally binding instrument banning nuclear weapons."

September 2013

Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, Venezuela

### CUBA

"Cuba gives special priority to nuclear disarmament and highlights the need to adopt a legally binding international instrument that completely prohibits nuclear weapons."

April 2013

### JAMAICA

"Nuclear weapons should be banned once and for all."

March 2013

### COLOMBIA

"We insist on the urgency of an international legally binding instrument that prohibits the development, production, stockpiling and use of nuclear weapons."

May 2010

### PERU

"It is only through a prohibition on the use and possession of nuclear weapons that we will achieve elimination."

March 2013

### CHILE

"Chile reaffirms its support ... for laying the foundations for a preliminary discussion on a convention banning nuclear weapons."

October 2010

### ARGENTINA

"Argentina supports the efforts of the international community to move towards the negotiation of a universal legally binding instrument banning nuclear weapons."

Hector Timerman, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Worship, September 2013

### INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS

"[The Red Cross] calls on all states to ensure that nuclear weapons are never again used, and to pursue negotiations to prohibit and completely eliminate such weapons through a legally binding international agreement."

September 2013

### NORWAY

"We are working along several different tracks to achieve the goal of a world without nuclear weapons. We are aiming at a genuine total ban."

September 2011

### SWITZERLAND

"The Swiss government is engaged in pushing for the delegitimization of nuclear weapons as a preparatory step for a ban on nuclear weapons."

Eveline Widmer Schlumpf, President, October 2012

### LIBYA

"We are calling for ... international instruments related to the full eradication and prohibition of nuclear weapons."

January 2012

### JORDAN

"The responsibility lies on all of us to develop mechanisms to mitigate the impacts of nuclear weapons, starting with prohibiting ... them."

March 2013

### SIERRA LEONE

"We must ban all research, testing, possession, stockpiling and use of nuclear weapons."

March 2013

### NIGERIA

"Our efforts to outlaw, eliminate and consign nuclear weapons to the dustbin of history must start now."

Viola Onwuliri, Minister of Foreign Affairs, September 2013

### CAMEROON

"Cameroon ... calls for multilateral negotiations to be launched without delay on a convention prohibiting the development, testing, production, stockpiling, transfer, use or threat of use of nuclear weapons and providing for their elimination."

October 2009

### AUSTRIA

"Nuclear weapons should be stigmatized, banned and eliminated before they abolish us."

Heinz Fischer, Federal President, September 2013

### UKRAINE

"Ukraine supports the early start of negotiations on ... a convention on the prohibition of nuclear weapons."

September 2013

### LEBANON

"We hope that there will be a universal treaty ... to outlaw and eliminate all nuclear weapons."

February 2011

### KAZAKHSTAN

"Nuclear weapons cannot be an exception, when all other weapons of mass destruction have their own binding legal instruments."

Erlan Idrissov, Minister of Foreign Affairs, September 2013

### AFGHANISTAN

"We join all peace-loving people in their call for a global treaty to outlaw and eliminate these instruments of human destruction."

Hamid Karzai, President, November 2012

### MALAYSIA

"All states should ... commence multilateral negotiations leading to the conclusion of a nuclear weapons convention at the earliest possible date."

May 2010

### SRI LANKA

"We continue to stress that states should move forward towards total elimination and the absolute ban of the nuclear arsenal."

April 2013

### INDONESIA

"We must work intensively together to produce a universal nuclear weapons convention ..."

May 2010

### KUWAIT

"A ban treaty on nuclear weapons would complement existing international law."

March 2013

### QATAR

"We hope that we will not wait long before we celebrate a universal treaty for disarmament and the prohibition of nuclear weapons."

May 2010

### UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

"The strong consensus of the international community on the troubling humanitarian consequences of nuclear weapons should further be highlighted to facilitate a process of disarmament based on banning the use and ownership of nuclear weapons."

May 2013

### SOUTH AFRICA

"A world free from nuclear weapons would require the underpinning of a universal and multilaterally negotiated legally binding instrument that would ban the development, production, stockpiling and use of nuclear weapons."

February 2011

### ZAMBIA

"It is for our good and the good of the future generations to ban this indiscriminate weapon. Clearly, there is no benefit to humanity of having or developing nuclear weapons ... We reiterate our call to completely and totally ban nuclear weapons."

March 2013

### MONGOLIA

"One of the most urgent issues that needs to be addressed is the banning of nuclear weapons ... it is high time to start negotiations."

Elbegdorj Tsakhia, President, September 2013

### LAOS

"We aspire to make the entire planet a nuclear-weapon-free zone, and a key step would be to make real the ... call for a convention against nuclear weapons."

October 2011

### PHILIPPINES

"The catastrophic humanitarian impact of any use of nuclear weapons underlines the urgent need for a ban on nuclear weapons."

October 2013

### MARSHALL ISLANDS

"I stand with you ... to reinforce the views that have been expressed by representatives of over 140 countries in support of concluding a nuclear weapons convention."

Christopher J. Loeak, President, November 2012

### SAMOA

"[There is an] urgent need to have a treaty banning nuclear weapons given the catastrophic humanitarian consequences of any use of nuclear weapons."

September 2013

### VANUATU

"I wish to show my full support ... for a common effort to outlaw and eliminate nuclear weapons to ensure the safety of humankind around the world."

Iolu Johnson Abil, President, October 2012

### FIJI

"Nuclear weapons should be totally banned."

March 2013



November 2013