



Global NFU Campaign Meeting

May 26-27, 2021

A civil society meeting to build cooperation and campaign actions for no-first-use policies

Organized by

Abolition 2000 working group on nuclear risk reduction (UK/International), Basel Peace Office (Switzerland/International), Beyond the Bomb (USA), Peace Depot (Japan), People for Nuclear Disarmament (Australia), PragueVision Institute for Sustainable Security (Czech Republic), World Future Council (Germany/International) and Zona Libre (Mexico).

INTRODUCTION:

'No-first-use' (NFU) is a policy that can be adopted by a nuclear armed (or allied) state to never initiate a nuclear exchange by being the first to use nuclear weapons. China and India have declared such policies. The Soviet Union/Russia had such a policy from 1982 to 1993. There are political developments promoting the adoption of no-first-use policies by others – particularly the United States and its allies under extended nuclear deterrence, i.e. NATO/Japan/South Korea and Australia.

This event will bring together campaigners, policy makers, academics and others to discuss strategies, share initiatives and build cooperation for a Global NFU campaign to:

- advocate for the adoption and implementation of NFU policies by nuclear-armed States;
- assist the USA NFU campaign by building necessary support from US allies in Asia/Pacific and NATO/Europe;
- advance NFU as part of the broader objectives of nuclear risk-reduction, non-proliferation and disarmament, and as complementary to other related measures and initiatives.

PROGRAM:

Session 1: Timed for participants from Americas/Europe/Africa/Middle East

Wednesday May 26: CET: 17:00-19:30, San Francisco (PDT): 8:00-10:30, Mexico City (CDT): 10:00-12:30, New York (EDT): 11:00-13:30, London 16:00-18:30, Geneva/Cairo: 17:00-19:30, Moscow/Tel Aviv/Amman: 18:00-20:30.

- Introduction to the campaign
- Participants share their actions and initiatives on no-first-use
- Discussion on strategies to advance no-first-use
- Proposals for the campaign

Session 2: Timed for participants from Asia/Pacific

Thursday May 27: CET: 7:00-9:30, Islamabad: 10:00-12:30, Delhi: 10:30-13:00, Nursultan: 11:00-13:30, Beijing: 13:00-15:30, Tokyo/Seoul: 14:00-16:30, Sydney: 15:00-17:30, Wellington: 17:00-19:30, Honolulu: 19:00-21:30.

Session 1 program is repeated:

- Introduction to the NFU campaign
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- Proposals for the campaign

Session 3: Concluding session

Thursday May 27: CET: 14:00-15:30, San Francisco (PDT): 05:00-06:30, Mexico City (CDT): 07:00-08:30, New York (EDT): 08:00-9:30, London 13:00-14:30, Geneva/Cairo: 14:00-15:30, Helsinki/Moscow: 15:00-16:30, Delhi: 17:30-19:00, Tokyo: 21:00-22:30, Sydney: 22:00-23:30.

- Elements of the campaign
- Campaign resources
- How organizations and individuals can be involved
- Addressing the proposals and future events

The event is for individuals and organizations supporting the adoption of NFU policies. [Click here](#) to apply to participate. Event [webpage](#). Event [facebook page](#). For more information contact: info@baselpeaceoffice.org