



# New Zealand Centre for Global Studies

Te Pokapū Akoranga Aorere o Aotearoa

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## **Submission: Examination of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons 2017**

Members of the Board and of the International Advisory Panel identified below, have examined the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, and have consulted as a group. We offer our conclusions below for use by the Select Committee in its examination of the Treaty.

The Centre's statutory purpose is to encourage and facilitate informed inter-disciplinary research into contemporary global affairs and the challenges for New Zealand in playing an insightful and constructive role proportionate to size.<sup>1</sup> Our comments below are conveyed as conclusions of our deliberations, rather than as political advocacy.

We note, however, the following with respect to the Inter-Parliamentary Union:

- Its resolution *Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: The contribution of parliaments* (130<sup>th</sup> Assembly; March 2014) in which all member parliaments agreed to work with their governments on eliminating the role of nuclear weapons in security doctrines and to urge their governments to start negotiations on a nuclear weapons convention or package of agreements to achieve a nuclear-weapon-free world.<sup>2</sup>
- On completion of the 2017 Treaty, the circulation of a *Parliamentary Action Plan for a Nuclear-Weapon-Free World 2017-20*.

The conclusions we have reached are congruent with the stated views of the IPU.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.register.charities.govt.nz>. See also the Centre's website: [www.nzcgs.org.nz](http://www.nzcgs.org.nz)

<sup>2</sup> Reservations entered by Cuba, India, Iran and Pakistan.



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