At the UN - for the children of the future

Culmination of our 5 year effort
The NPT needs you!

It’s not just us, all the NGOs involved with the NPT are saying that this Review Conference, this May 2005, is going to be Breakthrough or Bust. Yes, it’s the culmination of five years work for CCND; but for the world it’s either going to be that there is some movement towards the nuclear disarmament promised in Article V1 or the NPT will be swept aside as irrelevant, or, worst and most probable case, the NPT, will be converted from a world wide nuclear non proliferation and disarmament treaty into a treaty both legitimating the nuclear weapons status quo and being used by the existing nuclear weapons states, particularly the United States, as an excuse for pre-emptive wars against Non Nuclear Weapon States to enforce ‘compliance’; exactly as in Iraq.

So either the realistic start of the ‘elimination of all nuclear arsenals…leading to nuclear disarmament’ or the groundwork for more Iraqs. This May, now.

So, now’s the time. Do something now for the various campaigns centred on the NPT today, soon, before the Review Conference on 2nd May.

Judith Dawes died in Oxford on the 26th February 2005. Her health had been worsening for some time. Judith was a tireless campaigner all her life, latterly for justice for Palestinians, but she was very active before in Christian CND. It’s just possible this Ploughshare might be in time for her funeral, ring Jean Kaye on 01865 771046.
Ten things you can still do for the NPT!

1. Collect signatures on our petition form; if you have already done so, more are still welcome.

2. Ask for copies of the Prayer Campaign leaflet to distribute. There are plenty of the new ones available.

3. Have a coffee morning to collect sponsorship money. This will help someone with their air fare, or to print material to use at the UN.

4. Attend the Lobby or lobby your MP at home, or write to ask for support for the NPT. You could also write a letter to the Chairman of the Review Conference, Ambassador Duarte from Brazil. Contact Jenny Maxwell of West Midlands CND for a sample letter: 54-57 Allison Street, Digbeth, Birmingham, B5 5TH. 0121-643-4617; e-mail: wmcndall@gn.apc.org; website:www.wmcnd.org.uk

5. Write a letter to your local or Church paper saying why this treaty is so important.

6. Hold a vigil at your place of worship, or in your town.

7. Ask your minister if there can be a service in your church for the success of the NPT.

8. Write an Intercession, or Bidding Prayer for use on a Sunday just before, or during, the Review Conference.

9. Make links with other current campaigns; eg “Make Poverty History”. (See the photo at the bottom of this page).

10. If you have been thinking about going to New York, read page 5!!

Making links - Mandela Rally for ‘Make Poverty History’ in Trafalgar Square
There is seldom much good news about nuclear disarmament. 2005 looks like being as bad or worse than usual.

The big event will be the Review Conference of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. Almost all states except India, Pakistan and Israel are parties to this treaty, which is the corner-stone of humanity's efforts to close the 'pandora's box' first opened at Hiroshima in 1945. The treaty is subject to five-yearly reviews, with annual 'Prepcoms' in between, giving opportunities to discuss options for nuclear arms control, disarmament and confidence-building, as well as preparing for the Review itself. The 2004 Prepcom, held last April/May, was to put it bluntly, a shambles.

Article VI of the Treaty (signed 1968) commits all parties 'to pursue negotiations in good faith on effective measures relating to cessation of the nuclear arms race at an early date and to nuclear disarmament'. In the absence of significant progress in nuclear disarmament since 1968, except that which was brought about immediately by the collapse of the Cold War, the Reviews of 1995 and 2000 committed all parties to renewed efforts. Furthermore, in 1996 the International Court of Justice similarly affirmed that nuclear disarmament was a solemn commitment made by all states that signed the treaty.

In 2000 the UK government agreed ‘an unequivocal undertaking by the nuclear weapon states to accomplish the total elimination of their nuclear arsenals leading to nuclear disarmament’. So any ordinary member of the hard-working electorate, so beloved of the Blair tendency, can see that disarmament under Article VI of the treaty amounted to a solemn promise by Britain. You have to be a very clever lawyer or politician to be able to not recognise this as a promise. But at the 2004 Prepcom ‘the United States and France formed an unholy alliance to downgrade the outcome of the 2000 Review Conference’ as a noted British commentator has pointed out. Furthermore, they were ‘tacitly abetted by the other nuclear weapon states’.

There is nothing unusual in any of this chicanery. But Britain is faced with a special dilemma. To keep our American-supplied nuclear deterrent going, after Trident is worn out (say by 2020), a decision will probably have to be made in the next Parliament about replacing it. And this means renewing the ‘Mutual Defence Agreement’ with the USA, which ran out at the end of 2004. Both sides have now quietly done this, without telling anybody who might object. No time was allowed for MPs to debate the matter, so it has simply been ‘nodded through’.

Meanwhile, long-term preparations have been made to continue work at Aldermaston to ensure that ‘the range of options for maintaining a nuclear deterrent capability is kept open’ as the 2003 Defence White Paper requires. The impudence of these preparations for continuing our promise-breaking is surely breathtaking, even though in other respects Britain has done more than most other nuclear weapons states.

Lawyers at Cherie Blair’s ‘Matrix’ chambers are preparing a legal opinion on Britain’s plans for continuing our promise-breaking in the future. But it is worse than this: for if the UK breaks its promises, this will tend to undermine the whole global effort to rid the world of nuclear weapons. Any ordinary British citizen can see this: you have to be a politician to be able to not see it. This is why it is essential for Britain to say, unequivocally, at the outset of the 2005 Review conference, that it intends to keep all its promises. But of course it won’t.

The problem is that the nuclear weapon states want it both ways. For themselves, they claim nuclear weapons provide deterrence; that is, they buy security by being willing to threaten unacceptable destruction on other people. In the hands of those other people, however, nuclear weapons appear as terrorism - hence the need to stop people like Al Qaeda from getting hold of the technology. (The fact that the ‘father’ of the Pakistani bomb has been found selling nuclear secrets to all and sundry is a terrible lesson to everyone). But we ought to remember that terror and deterrence come from the same root. In the end, both are unacceptable because they equally rest on the belief that a willingness to do anything, up to and including indiscriminate murder, is allowed in the pursuit of national security.

Brian Wicker, Vice President of Pax Christi

See Rebecca Johnson, Disarmament Diplomacy77, p. 24 (published by the Acronym Institute, May/June 2004) The text of a talk given by her on the future of UK Nuclear Weapons is available on: http://website.lineone.net/~ccadd
Beds have been booked, research done on air fares, and there is still time to join the CCND delegation for the Review Conference in May. We can reserve you a hostel bed and you can be registered as CCND delegates. The last date for Accreditation is 15th April. So please let us know soon unless you just want to go as tourists. It is interesting and exciting to be present inside the United Nations while delegates from all over the world say why nuclear weapons should be eliminated (or sadly not, in a few cases).

Have another look at the centre pull-out in the last Ploughshare or contact the office for another copy. You will find practical details of what will be happening and how to get around, etc. This is our own "Rough Guide to New York".

There will be a preliminary meeting for those who are coming with the CCND group a week or two before, in London, when we will be able to give you up-to-date information. Unfortunately, Archbishop Desmond Tutu will not, as he hoped, be able to join us for the interfaith service after all, so this means some reorganisation in our plans for Faith Witness. However there will still be a service - and a daily vigil, the World Cities Peace Fair in Central Park organised by Mayors for Peace, NGO meetings, receptions, workshops, exhibitions and parties.

**Sponsorship - another way to help**

Many thanks for the sponsorship money you have sent. It would be great to help send another person to New York - the air-fare costs around £220 and accommodation for a week another £250 - and there will be the cost of printing leaflets and service sheets, which we hope to have printed in several languages. This made a big impression last time as we were the only NGO who had done this. We are hoping to add a Japanese translation and want to offer some payment to the student who undertakes this task.

Anything you can send will be used for this campaign and will enable us to do a bit more. See the sponsor slip below. Thank you very much.

Yes! I would like to sponsor someone to attend the NPT Review Conference in New York.

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*Christians working and praying for a nuclear weapons-free world*
Dialogue with Decision-makers

Sticking with Integrity

On 24th January I was among a number of people from NGOs present at a meeting in the Foreign & Commonwealth Office. We were there to discuss the nuclear disarmament situation and the NPT. I was representing CCND.

The meeting was chaired by the UK Ambassador to the Conference on Disarmament at the UN, John Freeman. He is one of those we will be liaising with in New York. Present with him were other civil servants and a number of MoD personnel. Ambassador Freeman welcomed us and, indeed, this type of exercise. He spoke first, mentioning that the UK was supportive of Article VI of the Treaty.

Carol Naughton, for the NGOs, then went through a number of points previously agreed by them. These were wide ranging and involved a variety of factors, strategic and technical. I stressed the need to uphold integrity, a concern of Christians but not only of Christians. Integrity where the Treaty is concerned should not be broken. All parties to the Treaty are bound by what they have signed and our country is one of them. We have waited long enough.

Nevertheless, I could see that the conference could be undermined. Any desire to disarm may well be overlaid by other agendas, phobias and excuses. It has been observed that for a country to ensure peace it should expend at least as much effort working for that end as the effort that is forced on it in time of war. Armed forces look to diplomats to work well, for they know that failure has occurred should they be called into action. Proper diplomacy is not simply ensuring others fear your military strength but requires positive approaches and actions which forestall resentment. War can and does stem from greed and aggrandisement, but also from perceived oppression. Do we really do enough to make friends and influence people? (Love your neighbour.)

I reflected afterwards that it is our politicians and we who elect or put up with them who bear responsibility. The civil servants and armed forces are merely the continuation of order, but our leaders so often juggle with short term vote-gaining popularity against longer term benefit for the world. We have to tell them what we most want. We want good relations with other countries. We insist on integrity. And we want an end to nuclear weapons.

Michael Pulham

Meeting with David Broucher

On 5th February the regular bi-monthly meeting of Abolition 2000 UK had a special guest speaker in ex-ambassador to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva and the NPT, David Broucher.

David Broucher gave us his thoughts on the future of the NPT and what he thinks is likely to happen this year in May. It will be a difficult conference. He said he thought that the US administration does support the NPT and will come to the conference in a positive mood but will concentrate on Iran. There have been some positive steps.

Some of the questions asked of David Broucher include: Will the conference be hijacked by the US over the Iran issue? The UK, France, & Germany will be holding dialogue with Iran, note that two of these countries do not exactly follow the US line. It was noted that Iran does have to meet its obligations. He believes that we can get nuclear disarmament by small steps - by ratifying the CTBT for example, though it’s not necessary to wait for the CTBT to make the next step.

Is there room for a special category within the NPT for Pakistan, India & Israel? He thinks this is not a good idea as this could open a ‘trap door’ for others. The best possible option is to get them to take on the obligations of the NPT. Do these countries go to the NPT as observers? They could if they wanted to but doubtful they would want to. They see the NPT as discriminatory. (NWS have nuclear weapons but won’t allow others to have them.) Regarding conflict in the Middle East - is it reasonable to put pressure on Iran without pressure on Israel? He agreed with this statement, we do need to pressure Israel. He also agrees the NPT is discriminatory.

He does not believe that the UK has NW for status or for a seat on the Security Council (then for what purpose??). What is your best and worst expectation? Best - a fully negotiated agreement - but this is not likely as some parts of the NPT won’t be agreed by all. There didn’t seem to be a worst case scenario mentioned!

Is there much support for standardised reporting? The UK is behind having basic reporting but not necessarily ‘comparable reporting’.

It was interesting to have the ex-ambassador at the meeting and to hear some off-the-record comments. However there were no startling revelations, unlike some of the ex-military who come out resolutely opposed to nuclear weapons. We get the feeling he does agree with nuclear disarmament but sometime, rather than now!
The United Nations Association, in collaboration with Action for UN Renewal and a broad coalition of NGOs, academic institutions and student and youth groups, will be hosting LOBBY 2005 on Wednesday, 9 March 2005. This event is the 9th of its kind, and the largest lobby on the UN in the UK.

The year 2005 is a momentous one - not least because it marks the 60th anniversary of the UN. In 2005, Britain will see its international influence enhanced, as it assumes the presidencies of both the G8 and the EU. Coinciding with its stewardship of these powerful bodies is the UK’s continued stature as a permanent member of the Security Council. The UK must thus use its influence in the UN, the G8 and the EU to ensure that 2005 is a year of action, not just rhetoric.

This convergence of important events, along with the high probability of a general election, provides an unprecedented opportunity for the British voter to have an impact on global issues. The LOBBY 2005 Coalition urges you to use your influence with your MP to place the UN firmly at the centre of the UK’s foreign policy agenda.

The overarching theme of LOBBY 2005 will be the achievement of human security through the UN Millennium Declaration - the milestone document, signed in 2000 and up for review in 2005, which sets out global objectives for the pursuit of global peace, human rights and the eradication of poverty, illiteracy, disease and discrimination.

LOBBY 2005 aims to raise awareness about these critical issues, and will campaign for sustained and increased British commitment towards the following UN-led processes:

1. achieving the Millennium Development Goals
2. advancing nuclear non-proliferation
3. strengthening UN human rights machinery

As you can see, LOBBY 2005 has enormous potential. Your support is vital for the success of our campaign. Register now for a Lobby Pack and a place at the Lobby Forum on 9 March.

Contact us!
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Children in War Zones

Children living in War Zones were remembered and prayed for on 30th December following Holy Innocents Day when about 50 people gathered in St Martin-in-the-Fields, London. As in previous years the service was organised on behalf of the Network of Christian Peace Organisations, and this year it was the turn of FOR and APF to make the arrangements. The focus was on the Middle East, but there was also silent prayer for the Tsunami victims.

In tune with the Jeremiah text - ‘Rachel weeping in Ramah for her children’ lamentations were read from the present. The first was from an Iraqi mother - a Muslim, then from a British mother - a Christian, and thirdly from an Israeli father - a Jew - all of whom had lost children on different sides of the wars in Iraq or in the Israeli/Palestine conflict.

There were hymns and songs led by Sue Gilmurray and Tony Kempster, and there was a symbolic action - the removing by the members of the congregation coming up in turn, of ‘bricks’ (in paper) from a wall (in cardboard) to reveal a life sized picture of a group of smiling Palestinian children.

The first speaker, Rosemary Read (of CAFOD) had been in Nablus Palestine recently and reported on her experiences of that city important to all three religions. She said Nablus is cut off, without tourists, but full of little children. She spoke of the tragic shooting of two young boys - ‘just gone out to buy sweets’ as their mother said, but reported on the internet to have had guns. She spoke of the bitterness and hatred such killings engendered. She also spoke of parents’ greatest wish - not for money or even food, but that their children could just be able to play in safety outside in the street. As it is, they are kept in with the TV turned up loud to cancel the noise of shooting.

The second speaker was Rabbi Jonathan Gorsky, who is the Education Officer for the Council for Christians and Jews. He began by saying how difficult it is to speak of children suffering. It is known what deep shock they can experience. They should be shielded from horror, and given a chance to have faith in goodness. Instead they had had their childhood taken from them. He mentioned children frightened at Palestinian checkpoints, and Israeli children scared on school buses. To counteract this he ended by reading two poems of hope - one 'The Hill Precious' by a Palestinian boy and the other, ‘The White Tablecloth’ by a Jewish girl. The writing of them, one feels, was therapy, and they were a sign of hope for us present.

After the service the worshippers walked along Whitehall past Downing Street where a letter was delivered to the Prime Minister, and then to Westminster Abbey for the Commemoration at the Innocent Victims Memorial outside the West Door. The weather was fine and mild and there was no wind to blow away the sprigs of rosemary (for remembrance) placed on the Memorial during the singing of Kumbaya.

This was good end of year activity - not to be missed!

Jenny Nicholson

At the Innocent Victims’ Memorial
Photo: Fellowship of Reconciliation, England
Mordechai Vanunu latest

In the week of 18 April, The Mordechai Vanunu Campaigns in the UK, Ireland, USA, Norway etc. are organising a delegation to Israel to be with Mordechai on the anniversary of his release and the review of the restrictions on his life imposed by the Israeli government, especially not being allowed to leave the country. Delegation events are planned to bring to the attention of the Israeli people the violation of Mordechai’s human rights and to protest the Government’s stockpile of nuclear weapons. To join the delegation and for more information contact Tel/Fax: 020 7378 9324. Email: campaign@vanunu.freeserve.co.uk Address: 185 New Kent Road, London, SE1 4AG www.vanunu.freeserve.co.uk

Ash Wednesday 2005

We gathered together with members of Pax Christi and Catholic Peace Action in the Embankment Gardens opposite the MoD for the 21st annual Act of Resistance to and Repentance for the preparations for nuclear war being carried out there. Ashes were blessed and distributed by members of the three organisations. It was good to have Jenny Hunt, a former member of our Exec with us and to ask her to carry out the ‘Ashing’ on our behalf! We then proceeded in the usual way round the building, praying at each ‘Station’. Dan Martin continued to mark the MoD building in blessed charcoal with the word REPENT. He was not arrested! He and Angela Broome had marked the building earlier in the day also and were still free!

Dan read a meditation as part of the service. Here it is: “From the Vatican II document: ‘The arms race is a crime against God and humanity and injures the poor to an intolerable degree’.

Since this was written in 1965, we, as a Church, have done little, or at least not enough, to show how intolerable this demon race is. We have tolerated numerous wars, an ever-quickening arms race and first-strike nuclear weaponry. The moral shadow this casts on our lives has been with us for so long, for most people it is hardly noticeable. Shadow becomes day and war is only twilight. Like nocturnal creatures we have got used to the moral darkness; we open our eyes wide and because of that we think we can see.

We tolerate the race to oblivion by the building of weapons which are immoral in ethical terms and unusable in military terms. We tolerate the unthinkable by our actual willingness to use these weapons. We tolerate the theft from the poor both in this country and throughout the world, which the production of these weapons represents.”

Can this demon be cast out? ‘Lord I believe, help me in my unbelief’ (Mk 9:24)

Barbara Sunderland

Hiroshima and Nagasaki Anniversary Fast

Various people have been thinking about organising activities for the 60th Anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Amongst them, Zina Zelter who says:

“I would like to organise a public fast from 8.00am 6th August to 12 noon 9th August.

A minimum of 6 people would take part in a visible part of a big city or town. They would have banners or placards with them, leaflets and a petition.

The fast could start and end with a remembrance ceremony at the same time - maybe 8-8.30am on Hiroshima day and 11-11.30 on Nagasaki day. It could be daytime only, but some people might like to stay overnight with candlelit vigils that others could join in.

Every group could do local press work, and tie it in to the national press work which I and others would work on. There would be an agreed basic message about why we are doing this along the lines of:

- Using nuclear weapons on Hiroshima and Nagasaki was appalling, unacceptable, must be remembered and must never happen again.
- The UK’s plans to work with the US to build a new generation of “small” nuclear weapons in order to be able to use them are unacceptable, a breach of the NPT, and must be stopped.

I would be happy to put together resources if no one else was interested in doing it but would welcome help and support.”

If you are interested please contact: Zina Zelter, 21 Newmarket Street, Leicester, LE2 3WQ. 0116 270 6436. zinazelter@yahoo.co.uk

WMD in England’s green and pleasant land

A few weeks ago a US research agency announced the US has 110 nuclear bombs in Lakenheath; very many more than we had thought! Also, another 370 at further US bases across Europe. Why are so many of these baleful things still around? Ask!
Responses are still coming in telling us about what is being done by individuals and groups for the Prayer Campaign. Here are some of the activities our supporters are already involved in:

There will be a Vigil for Peace at the Chapter House, St Peter's church, De Parys Avenue, Bedford. Fridays- Feb 25th, March 18th, April 22nd 1-2pm. A call for prayer from all people of faith.

SP from Chichester took part in Hiroshima Day vigils & persuaded priest to lead the Peace Prayer in the Cathedral

JG and MR are distributing Pray for Peace leaflets

JB from Richmond and TW from Co Cork, Ireland are sponsoring people to go the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference in May

Revd SW in Norwich is involved in prayer & awareness building, and has offered to host a local event

HN in Essex is joining local activists in street vigils

Revd MW in Devon is praying the Universal Prayer of Peace daily at noon, praying for peace in our world, for rule by law and treaty obligations, and that the Nuclear Weapons States will fulfil their obligations to nuclear disarmament

JM in London will be remembering Hiroshima & Nagasaki at a weekly prayer group

SS In Manchester is involved in local campaigns, letters to local papers and MP and is practising steps on way of active non-violence

JB in London is praying at 8.15am and praying the Universal Prayer of Peace at noon

SM of Dorset has sent sponsorship money, and is praying for peace, “starting with myself, to spread”

FB of Birmingham will be including the Universal Prayer of Peace once weekly in morning prayers

JP in York will be involved with many things including: monthly prayer vigils at York Minster, Meeting for Worship at Fylingdales & Menwith Hill, daily and weekly prayers, letters, meetings and more

The Sisters of St Joseph of Peace will be praying every day for peace and freedom, their whole congregation have signed a pledge never to endorse nuclear weapons or warfare

JH from Stockport is holding a weekly prayer group which includes the peace prayer

And a community of nuns from an enclosed order who wish to remain anonymous are praying for the success of the Treaty.

Some international support:

TM in India will: “Pray for the powerful of the world, the NWS inc India. Prayer and Witness at the NPT”

“The Sisters (103 of us) and Associates (60+) of the Divine Compassion support your efforts by prayers, and some, perhaps, by actions in May. As chair of the Social Ministry Board for the community, I will send notices about these events to all. Also, as to other prayers, we have been part of a network of groups who have been praying (and will continue) for nuclear disarmament on the 18th of each month.”

“We are a group of 10 to 20 French decided for a fast of interpellation in front of the French nuclear headquarter in Paris at the moment of the session of revision of NPT ; We are used to fasting during Hiroshima Nagasaki days since 18 years for Abolition in this century .”

“I have sent this to all members of the Anglican Peace and Justice network in 164 countries. We will post this notice on our website as well.”

Synod

The Synod of the Church of England was held in Church House, Westminster, from 14th - 17th February. Although most of the discussion was concerned with the consecration as bishops of women and homosexuals, CCND were there with a stall, prayer leaflets, and also held a lunchtime fringe meeting, ‘Breakthrough or Bust’, on Wednesday. We were very fortunate to have Carol Naughton as the speaker on the NPT. It is always difficult to gauge the effect these events have, but due to a useful suggestion from a participant, we made contact with the Communications Officer who was able to tell us how to obtain a statement from Dr Rowan Williams to take to New York.

Right: Carol Naughton at the fringe meeting
Throughout each month let us try to support peace actions with prayer. Let all our actions be prayerful actions.

**March:** Easter is early this year. Pray that the Crucifixion of Iraq may end and her people experience the Joy and New Life of the Resurrection.

9th Pray for the UNA Lobby of Parliament

19th That the London Rally call to bring the troops home may soon be realised.

**April:** Final preparations will be made for the Review Conference. Pray that the instructions given by governments to their delegates will demonstrate a real longing for peace.

26th The anniversary of the disaster at Chernobyl. Pray for all those who were affected, particularly the children. Help all to see that the production, testing and storage of nuclear weapons also create illness and pollution.

**May:** We have reached the end of our ‘Countdown Campaign’. Pray that the work of the last five years will have a productive and positive outcome.

1st Peace Rally in New York’s Central Park. Pray for ‘Mayors for Peace’ and their continuing work to rid the world of nuclear weapons.

2nd The start of the Review Conference. Pray for a successful outcome, for the CCND delegation and the Faith events they have planned, and for all the supporting events at home.

**Mid May** The Embassies Walk, organised this year by WILPF. Pray that building on the foundations we have laid, it will go from strength to strength.

15th Pentecost Sunday. May the Holy Spirit give us the wisdom to see the way ahead.

19th - 22nd Trident Ploughshares Camp and Demonstration in Plymouth. Pray for all taking part that their work will lead to an end of the Trident programme.

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**How to join CCND**

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□ To help with local campaigning, I agree that my contact details can be passed on to other CCND members.

CCND will never pass members’ details to anyone who is not a CCND member.
**Diary**

**Wednesday 9 March:** Lenten Vigil outside MoD, Horseguards Avenue. 12 - 1pm. Organised by CCND.

**Wednesday 9 March:** Annual Lobby of Parliament. Organised by UNA-UK and Action for UN Renewal. E-mail: interns@una-uk.org Phone: 020 7766 3451.

**Saturday 12 March:** Europe - a Force for Peace? World Disarmament Campaign AGM & Spring Conference. Friends House, Euston Road, London. To register: WDC, c/o Frank Jackson, 11 Kingsmoor Road, Harlow Essex CM19 4HP.


**Monday 21 March:** Day of Direct Action against the arms trade. For further info contact: DISARM DSEi BM Box 3679, London WC1N 3XX email: action-day@dsei.org

**25th - 28th March:** Block the Builders at Aldermaston. btb@aldermaston.net tel 07969 739 812.

**Sunday 3 April:** Walk in Peace. A slow, silent, meditative walk in peace. Meet by Ice-creams/Honest Sausage snack bar, just south of Speaker’s Corner, Hyde Park (Marble Arch tube), at 10.55am to start walking at 11.00am, returning to starting point at 12 noon. Also every first Sunday of the month. Contact: Clare 020 8755 0353 or beatricemillar@freeuk.com.

**Tuesday 5 April:** ‘The Contemplative in The Midst of Conflict’ – a talk by Fr Lawrence Freeman - The talk will be followed by a period of meditation. 6 – 8. St Ethelburga’s 78 Bishopsgate London EC2N 4AG 020 7496 1610.

**Saturday 16 April:** Bombspotting XL. Just before the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference in May 2005 Trident Ploughshares are planning a massive international Bombspotting action at the NATO headquarters in Brussels, at SHAPE (NATO military HQ) in Mons and the military base at Kleine Brogel. Contact for more details and to book accommodation: Gillian Sloan, 8 Netherbog Road, Dumbarton, G82 2HT, email: gmsloan@yahoo.com Telephone: 01389 743258 Mobile: 07810 816 539.

**1 May:** Cities of the World Peace Fair, Central Park, New York.

**2 – 28 May:** Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference. During the first week there will be NGO-led meetings, briefings, vigils, prayers and services, a chance to lobby the UK delegations - and you can sit in at the first week’s sessions of the NPT Review Conference. You must register in advance - contact the office if you want to go as a CCND delegate. We will be organising a delegates briefing meeting before we depart for the US. Or you can go as a tourist and just attend the vigils outside the UN. If you cannot come to New York, why not join WILPF on their Embassies Walk?

**Mid May:** Embassies Walk. Join WILPF as they take on the walk round the London embassies of the Nuclear Weapons States and the New Agenda Coalition. Contact Sheila Triggs on 01689 837848 for more information.

**Friday 20 May:** MANA Concert for Peace. St Cyprian’s Church, Glentworth Street NW1. 7.30pm. Info from MANA Administration, 71 Greenfield Gardens, London NW2 1HU. 020 8455 1030.

**19 – 22 May:** Devonport Disarmament Camp. Trident Ploughshares, 42-46 Bethel St, Norwich NR2 1NR 0845 4588366 info@tridentploughshares.org

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