Churches say NO to Nuclear Weapons

**Church of Scotland & Catholic Church in Scotland:**
Renewal of Trident is contrary to the objectives of the Non-Proliferation Treaty

**Pope Francis:**
NUCLEAR DETERRENCE CANNOT BE THE BASIS FOR AN ETHIC OF FRATERNITY AND PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE.

**Church Leaders to The Times:**
"THE GOVERNMENT MUST TAKE A LEAD - CANCELLING TRIDENT WOULD BE A MOMENTOUS STEP - BRITAIN CAN LEAD THE WAY."

**Baptist Union of Great Britain:**
We will never achieve peace with a defence policy built on fear.

**Quakers in Britain:**
CONDEMN UNRESERVEDLY THE POSSESSION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND THE POLICY OF DETERRENCE

**Archbishop of Canterbury, 2006:**
These weapons are intrinsically indiscriminate in their lethal effects and their long-term impact on a whole physical environment would be horrendous...

**All Churches in Wales & the Society of Friends:**
REPLACEMENT OF TRIDENT IS A DENIAL OF OUR TREATY OBLIGATIONS

**Moderator of the Church of Scotland:**
Attempts to sustain peace through the threat of indiscriminate mass destruction could not be further from the peace to which Christ calls us.

**Archbishop of Canterbury, 2010 (Rowan Williams):**
I find myself baffled ... why we need a more expensive way of unaccountable slaughter...

**Baptist, Methodist & U.R.C. leaders:**
Replacing Trident flies in the face of commitments made to the non-proliferation treaty.

**All RC bishops in Scotland:**
USE OF WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION WOULD BE A CRIME AGAINST GOD AND HUMANITY.

**Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales:**
THE UK IS AT A MORAL CROSSROADS - AN OPPORTUNITY FOR DEFENCE WITHOUT THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR DESTRUCTION 2006

**Archbishop of Canterbury, 2010 (Rowan Williams):**
We ask Parliament to reflect that the use of nuclear weapons can never be justified.

**Rachel Lampard, Vice-President of Methodist Conference:**
It is scandalous that the UK Government has consistently opposed opportunities for discussion on multilateral disarmament.

**Quakers in Britain:**
We see that of God in everyone. This means we cannot threaten others with weapons of mass destruction.

**Paul Parker, Recording Clerk of Quakers in Britain:**
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**Church of England**
The proposed upgrading of Trident is contrary to the spirit of the UK’s obligations in international law and the ethical principles underpinning them.

**Synod Resolution GS 1644, 2007**