

PETITION TO ESTABLISH A DEPARTMENT OF PEACE

TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

We the undersigned residents of Canada draw the attention of the House to the following:

THAT over 200,000 civilians were killed in the first atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August of 1945, with tens of thousands of additional human beings severely injured;

THAT 27,000 nuclear weapons still exist and that the number of countries possessing nuclear weapons and the threat of nuclear weapons proliferation is steadily increasing;

THAT 3,000 of the 26,000 nuclear weapons held by the United States and Russia are on a 15-minute "launch on warning" status and threaten to destroy our world due to potential technical systems failure and/or an accidental or unauthorized launch;

THAT 50 of today's modern nuclear weapons could kill 200 million people; that there is no medical response to the effects of a nuclear war; and that prevention is the only answer.

THEREFORE, your petitioners call upon Parliament to establish a Department of Peace that will reinvigorate Canada's role as a global peace builder and that will have the abolition of nuclear weapons as a top priority.

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