



ACROSS THE DECADES:
WORKING TOGETHER FOR
PEACE AND DISARMAMENT



Campaign
CND Review 2018

Give the gift of peace

We are immensely proud to have been commemorating CND's 60th anniversary this year. However, this is also something of a bittersweet occasion for us: our mission of achieving nuclear disarmament has not been accomplished yet, and so we must continue our fight for a future free from the threat of nuclear weapons. This is a fight that has taken decades, and continues today with as much determination as ever. And your support is vital in helping us achieve this goal.

Making a gift to CND in your Will is one of the best possible ways to help bring about a world free from the threat of nuclear devastation.

Here's why:

You could help bring strength and resilience to the campaign. A gift in your Will would help CND remain strong, campaigning effectively until all nuclear weapons have been disarmed.

You could help transform and empower the organisation
We could support the creation of more CND groups across the country, employ more staff and operate larger-scale campaigning actions.

You could help raise greater public awareness

We want everyone to know the horrifying dangers and tremendous costs of nuclear weapons, enabling them to make an informed decision on this important issue.

A gift in your Will could help us achieve a world free of nuclear weapons within the lifetime of today's children, giving them – and us – the ultimate gift: the gift of peace.

If you would like to discuss how to make or update your will to include a gift to CND, you can call us on 020 7700 2393 and ask for our fundraising department, or send an email to legacies@cnduk.org.



IT HAS BEEN quite the year! Our 60th anniversary year was marked by a number of events across the country, including the Now More Than Ever symbol tour which visited towns, cities and iconic sites. Other brilliant events reaffirmed our determination to continue the campaign until we get rid of all nuclear weapons.

But less positively, 2018 was also dominated by US President Donald Trump,

with most weeks bringing another horrific announcement. His decisions on a number of issues has given rise to protests and actions around the world. CND was well represented among the 250,000 people who marched and rallied in London and other cities to protest his visit to the UK.

Of particular concern was the heightened tension between the US and North Korea. After public exchanges of threats and accusations by the two leaders of these countries, Trump and Kim actually met in Singapore in an incredible about-turn. But any progress on disarmament has been negligible since then.

Trump also announced he is establishing a ‘space force’ and re-launching programmes to develop space weapons and ensure US ‘dominance in space’. But perhaps the most dangerous of all announcements is his intention to withdraw the US from the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty with Russia. The removal of this cornerstone of nuclear disarmament agreed between Reagan and Gorbachev in the 1980s could reopen the door to the stationing of a new generation of short and intermediate-range nuclear weapons in Europe. This is a disastrous and extremely dangerous escalation that must be resisted.

The danger is that this string of perilous moves will become too overwhelming to respond to but we need to be part of a massive global response. We must continue to work with others nationally and internationally to stop Trump’s disastrous warmongering. Next year promises to be challenging, but with your help we can make the world a safer place!

Dave Webb

Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament

CND campaigns non-violently to achieve British nuclear disarmament – for scrapping the Trident nuclear weapons system and preventing its replacement.

CND works to secure UK support for the nuclear weapons ban treaty which outlaws nuclear weapons globally, as chemical and biological weapons have been banned. We also work to end Britain’s participation in the US Missile Defence system and – with other campaigns internationally – against missile defence and weapons in space.

Other current campaigns include the prevention and cessation of wars in which nuclear weapons may be used, opposition to NATO and its nuclear policies, and to nuclear power.

CND is funded almost entirely by members and supporters, and our policies are decided upon by our annual national delegates’ conference, where our national leadership is also elected. Details of our national offices, and our network of regions can be found at the back of this Review.



Nuclear dangers rise

CND General Secretary **Kate Hudson** analyses the dramatic events of 2018.

WHAT A YEAR it's been! As CND has reached 60, nuclear dangers have proliferated alarmingly and shown just how essential our movement is. It seems like we've pulled back from the nuclear brink one week, only to veer closer to it the next. As if US withdrawal from the Iranian nuclear deal wasn't bad enough, while we were meeting in Bristol in October for CND's annual national conference, we heard the news that President Trump was pulling out of the Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces Treaty (INF). Signed by Reagan and Gorbachev in 1987, the INF treaty banned ground-launched nuclear missiles with ranges from 500km to 5,500km and led to nearly 2,700 short- and medium-range missiles being eliminated. The INF Treaty was in large part a result of massive international protest against nuclear escalation in the 1980s, including CND protests against cruise missiles which mobilised hundreds of thousands of people.



Ending the Treaty is a dangerous and destabilising move with the potential to take us back to the worst days of the Cold War. It unleashes the possibility, not only of a spiralling nuclear arms race, but of greater numbers of US nuclear weapons coming to Europe. The last time these missiles came to Europe in the 1980s, they were designed for the US' nuclear war to be fought on this continent. Nothing I have heard so far in the ongoing debate over US withdrawal leads me to think that the situation will be different now. This is a big challenge for

us in the year ahead and we will do our utmost to prevent the return of these missiles.

During his presidential election campaign, Trump promised to put an end to pointless foreign wars and attacked spending on useless and massively expensive new military equipment. But this year we've really seen the reality of his presidency. He's ushered in a new era of militarism and policy documents published at the start of the year indicate preparation for high-tech massively violent wars against Russia and China. Trump's new defence strategy

states that the US will compete for dominance against its long-term strategic competitors – Russia and China – now designated as ‘revisionist powers’ that wish to reshape the world consistent with their

this framework and makes nuclear war more likely. It takes the lid off the restraints on both new-build and nuclear weapons use. The most significant element of the review is commitment to a whole new

Weapons (TPNW).

Not surprisingly, earlier this year the *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists* moved the hands of the Doomsday clock to two minutes to midnight, the closest since 1953 at the height of the



‘authoritarian model’. ‘Rogue regimes’ are still a focus for concern but the ‘war on terror’ is downgraded – no longer the central military priority.

The new approach has shifted the big picture focus away from the Middle East, and extended Obama’s focus on China to encompass the entire Eurasian landmass. With the emphasis now away from asymmetrical warfare with non-state actors to war with major powers, the risk of nuclear confrontation and war is increased. The new US nuclear posture review has developed

generation of nuclear weapons, with the emphasis on low-yield, often described as ‘usable’, nuclear weapons. It should be pointed out here that the bombs used at Hiroshima and Nagasaki are technically low-yield in today’s parlance, so we are not talking about something small.

This goes hand-in-hand with the recently announced \$1.2 trillion programme for nuclear weapons ‘modernisation’. And of course, it’s completely at odds with the global majority who are steadily building support for the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear

Cold War. They cite nuclear risk, climate change and emerging technologies as the key drivers for catastrophe, factors that we would all recognise. But of those three, they put nuclear centre stage, highlighting ‘reckless language’, spending on new nukes and provocative military exercises.

It’s easy to point the finger at the US in this regard, with Russia following close behind. But again, if you look at the UK record, we’re up there with the worst of them. Looking back to parliamentary sparring in recent years, how eager were some of

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our ministers – and indeed prime minister – to assert that they would press the nuclear button, even if obliterating hundreds of thousands of innocent civilians. Surely this too is ‘reckless language’. In terms of spending on new nukes, the lifetime cost of Trident replacement is £205 billion and rising. And when it comes to provocative military exercises, the UK has significant involvement in NATO exercises which take place on an enormous scale – around 100 in 2017 alone; major exercises have taken place in Scotland and recent B52 exercises over the North Sea were run from UK bases.

In October of this year, just days after President Trump announced US withdrawal from the INF Treaty, NATO launched its biggest military exercises since the Cold War mobilising 150 aircraft, numerous vessels, 10,000 vehicles and 50,000 troops in Norway, Baltic and Arctic Seas. These exercises simulated the collective response of NATO to an imagined attack on an allied partner, as outlined in Article 5 of the NATO treaty. The UK committed more than 250 vehicles and 500 soldiers to this exercise which has certainly helped escalate regional and global tensions. Increased military spending was again one of the main themes of the 2018 NATO summit, and this time Trump threatened that the US



B61 nuclear bombs were removed from Lakenheath in 2008 due to the scale of anti-war and anti-nuclear protests



would pull out if the ‘required’ 2% GDP spending on defence wasn’t paid by each NATO state. He even raised the spectre of 4% GDP spending while verbally abusing other heads of government. So the US continues to press other states to pay for its expansionary policies and wars.

Of course, NATO’s role as a nuclear-armed alliance continues, with B61 nuclear bombs, currently being

upgraded to the B61-12, also to make them more ‘usable’. These are stationed in five countries across Europe – Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands, Italy and Turkey. There is strong opposition to the siting of these weapons in Europe, including from the governments of some of the ‘host’ nations. The UK used to host them at RAF Lakenheath in East Anglia but these were removed in 2008, reportedly due to the scale of protest here against war and nuclear weapons. Many of us will remember those fantastic protests at the Lakenheath base!

But Trump has now gone far beyond territorial manoeuvres and mere earth-bound matters. He’s planning to move into space in a big way. He’s reconvened the National Space Council – on ice for years – and instructed the Department of Defense and the Pentagon to set up a sixth branch of the armed forces: the Space Force.

Of course, he's not the first president to think of weapons in space. In 1983 President Reagan launched his 'Star Wars' initiative, the forerunner of the current 'missile defence' systems, which involved interceptor missiles being fired through space, new space lasers, the expansion of spying and monitoring systems, and the likely 'weaponisation' of space.

In the early part of this century, George W. Bush was also an enthusiast, and now President Trump is making this an America First issue, proclaiming that America will always be first in space and that national pride is at stake. We have continued to be active this year against missile 'defence' systems and weapons in space; this is clearly coming back up the political agenda again.

Alongside these global developments, Trident, and the cancellation of its replacement, continues to be at the centre of our work. The government continues to pour money into building the 'Dreadnought' submarines, in spite of huge popular opposition and establishment concerns about the impact of nuclear spending on the UK's conventional forces. Meanwhile the Ministry of Defence is facing one problem after another with the project.

The Public Accounts Committee has revealed the results of their latest incom-

petence and negligence. It has warned that the infrastructure supporting the Royal Navy's nuclear submarine fleet is no longer 'fit for purpose' and that MoD decisions to delay maintenance at its 13 nuclear sites had created a 'ticking time bomb'. Questioning the ability of the MoD to meet its national security commitments, the Committee highlighted a potential £20 billion shortfall in the MoD's overall equipment programme. It also raised problems with the delivery of the new aircraft carriers. Earlier this year the Committee warned about a £2.9 billion 'affordability gap' for the 'Nuclear Enterprise' which includes the Trident replacement submarines.

Now it has highlighted that when the subs are built there will be nowhere to berth them. Devonport and Rosyth dockyards are already full of old subs, some of which still contain nuclear fuel. It's clear that the MoD is overreaching itself financially: it cannot afford to buy a new nuclear weapons system and maintain its other spending requirements. It cannot afford to clean up after itself and puts many thousands at risk of nuclear contamination. It really is time for government to step away from nuclear weapons. On every conceivable level Trident replacement is just the wrong thing to do. The common-sense solution is to

cancel it and we have been making that case strenuously throughout the year.

Serious questions need to be asked, with an open mind and looking to the future, not the past, about what is actually in Britain's national and security interests. Possessing nuclear weapons is very much a minority sport: nine states out of 195 possess them, and the overwhelming majority are opposed to them. Half the planet is self-organised in nuclear weapons-free zones, a number of countries have had them and given them up, and most states back the TPNW. So most of the international community is taking steps towards a nuclear weapons-free world yet this very small number of states feels it has the right to risk everything – and everyone – for what? Status? Political clout? Profits? Being stuck in a rhetorical rut without the imagination to think things differently? To many of the younger generation, governmental priorities that lead to spending tax payers' money on weapons of mass destruction that, if used, would destroy us all, seem warped, anachronistic and plainly bizarre. So, our path is clear: let's get Trident replacement cancelled and get the UK signed up to the TPNW! Great work has been done to these ends this year – let's carry it forward in 2019!

A world without

In October 1952, Britain tested its first atomic bomb. By the end of the 1950s, over 300 nuclear tests had taken place and a new mass movement had been born.

From its origins in local anti-testing groups, CND burst onto the political scene on 17th February 1958. Attempts to win Labour to an anti-nuclear position had failed in 1957, leading intellectuals and campaigners to take matters into their own hands, calling for a movement to defeat Britain's bomb. The result was a meeting of thousands of people at Central Hall, Westminster, filled to overflowing. The rest, as they say, is history.

2018 marked our 60th anniversary and while our core objective – of UK nuclear disarmament – remains as yet unfulfilled, it is clear in retrospect how CND's campaigning – and that of its international partners – has affected government policy and decision-making, both at home and internationally. Reading government documents and diaries years later, one can see how the pressure of public opinion and mass mobilisation really does have an impact, and each generation of CND has



George Colliety, age 94



played a part in that. The banning of nuclear tests in the atmosphere is one very important example; another is the abandoning of the neutron bomb or Nixon pulling back from using nukes on Vietnam. Above all, we have helped instil a sense, in the popular consciousness – and thereby in that of our political leaders – that use of nuclear weapons would be a catastrophe, an unthinkable tragedy.

CND is here to stay – until

we achieve our aim of a nuclear-free world. And in this turbulent year for world politics, CND nations, regions, groups and sections across the country have stepped up their work. But first, we had anniversary events to organise!

CND organised an anniversary rally at Aldermaston AWE nuclear weapons factory on Easter Sunday – with some of those attending having been on the original march 60 years earlier! Groups that joined us on

nuclear weapons



the day included **Bromley Borough CND**, **Greater Manchester & District CND**, **Derby CND**, **Salisbury CND**, **Christian CND**, **Rochdale and Littleborough Peace Group**, **Oxford CND**, **Abingdon Peace Group**, **Tower Hamlets CND** and **Yorkshire CND**.

Peterborough CND asked their supporters to write messages on doves, which were tied on the fence on the day. **London Region CND** and **Bristol CND**, like other groups,

arranged transport for their supporters to attend.

Also joining us at Aldermaston was the CND symbol installation, which we had built for our anniversary year. The role of our iconic symbol in our history and heritage was marked this year by the Now More Than Ever tour of Britain. The giant three-dimensional symbol visited dramatic locations across Britain, launching outside Caernarfon Castle in North Wales. After quickly learning how to bolt the

installation together, we were thrilled to make such an impression on the town's main square. Locals and journalists joined CND to talk about why our campaign is more relevant than ever.

The tour stop in Bristol was a huge success, thanks to **Bristol CND**, with the symbol stopping off at Bristol Suspension Bridge and then heading to College Green, where supporters had a picnic next to the symbol. The installation even made it on the



6pm television news. The symbol had an excellent reception in Reigate Priory Park with **Reigate and Redhill CND**. The group organised music sessions to accompany the tour stops, involving singing traditional peace songs.

Beautiful blue skies awaited us and the symbol for a great day out at the seaside in Brighton. Parliamentary CND Chair and local MP Caroline Lucas joined us for this stop. The symbol then made its way to Derby as part of Derby Peace Week, with **Derby CND**. The symbol had a busy time in Kent, visiting many locations including the famous White Cliffs of Dover. **Kent Area CND** also set up the symbol in many spots across the region, including outside the former home of the symbol's original designer,

Nae Nukes Rally at Faslane

Scottish CND planned something more than a demonstration or protest at Faslane, the base where Britain's nuclear weapons are based. The event was a celebration of international solidarity around the rejection of nuclear weapons expressed by the global ban treaty. Speakers from Russia, Israel, the US, Germany, the Netherlands, Japan and Canada were welcomed to Scotland by the Scottish Makar (poet) Jackie Kay.



CND groups including **Norwich CND, East Lancashire CND, Wallasey CND, Cumbria and Lancashire Area CND** and **Aberdeen and District CND** greatly enjoyed the day. **Yorkshire CND** was also there and reported their new Global Ban t-shirts sold like hot cakes.

Gerald Holtom. The group produced their own leaflet to explain what it was all about.

The symbol made a guest appearance at the Burnley May Day Festival in Towneley Park, enjoying a prime location by the community marquee, thanks to **East Lancashire CND**.

The symbol enjoyed two stops in Manchester with **Greater Manchester & District CND** and **Rochdale and Littleborough Peace Group**. It was put on display first in front of the Friends' Meeting House in the city, garnering a lot of attention and even a few new CND members on the busy street. It was then featured as part of Manchester Histories Festival, fitting in well

with this year's theme of 'Protest, Democracy and Freedom of Speech'. Alongside the symbol, CND activists recreated speeches from the founding meeting of the organisation.

Salisbury CND hosted a fantastic visit of the tour. In the peace of the early morning, with the skylarks singing, the installation visited Stonehenge. The symbol then stopped at Sarum College, outside Salisbury Cathedral where Salisbury CND arranged a peace vigil and public meeting with CND General Secretary Kate Hudson. The next stop was the brilliant city of Liverpool with **Merseyside CND**, where it spent the day next to the Beatles statue. 60

years of CND was commemorated with the famous John Lennon lyrics, ‘Give Peace a Chance’, and a birthday cake.

The tour stopped twice at Llandudno, first for a busy Saturday morning and then as an important reminder of peace on Armed Forces Day.

The symbol enjoyed an action-packed week in Yorkshire, travelling around the region and starting many conversations in what

Yorkshire CND described as their busiest week ever! It visited various places across Yorkshire, including Ribbleshead viaduct, Calderdale, Menwith Hill, York Minster, Bradford and Leeds as well as joining the ‘Independence from America Day’ demonstration at Menwith Hill. It celebrated the NHS’s 70th birthday in front of York Minster and then went on to Todmorden with Calder Valley Justice and Peace Group. The symbol also made an appearance at the Peace Museum for the launch of a new Kirkgate popup gallery, and then finished the week outside Mills Hill Chapel in Leeds for the ‘Jobs not Bombs’ conference with Fabian Hamilton MP and others. Grassington Peace Group pulled out all the stops for the visit to the Dales, with a huge turn-out.

Norwich CND hosted the next stop, enjoying the

The next generation

In CND’s 60th anniversary year, Youth and Student CND has been active and continued to grow, bringing encouragement to the next generation. CND groups can now be found on university and college campuses across the UK with new societies starting this year as well as older societies continuing to thrive; hosting regular film screenings, events and stalls at Fresher’s Fairs.

Youth and Student CND joined CND at two major demonstrations- marking the 60th anniversary at Aldermaston and protesting Trump’s official visit to the UK. Events like these continue to prove a great way to engage with new people. Youth and Student CND elected a new committee this year after more interest than ever before from across the UK. We’re excited to get planning for future events inspired by new energy!

As part of **London Region CND’s** growing youth and student activities, the group held a drinks reception in Parliament for students, hosted by their vice-presidents Bruce Kent, Catherine West MP and Baroness Jenny Jones. **Yorkshire CND** had a presence at more Fresher’s Fairs across the region than for some years. Students at Leeds Beckett University organised a conference about nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation.

Aberdeen and District CND has also been focussing on trying to get more young people involved by providing training locally and getting young people to attend the Generation Y Peace Campaigning Academy. A new CND group has started operating at the University and held a ‘Beats not Bombs’ gig.

experience of people from several different organisations helping to get the installation erected near the bandstand in Chapelfield Gardens and at St Peter Mancroft church. The



symbol installation had a hugely successful day in Cardiff, thanks to **CND Cymru**, with hundreds of people signing the Stop Trident petition. **Chesterfield CND** hosted a stop in front of

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the town's famous Crooked Spire. Accompanying the symbol was a game, courtesy of **Derby CND**, which challenged visitors to decide how they would choose to spend the money earmarked for Trident. And finally, to Nottingham. The CND symbol tour visited two locations with **Nottingham CND** – at Trinity Square on a busy Saturday afternoon and at The Nottingham Green Festival.

Overall the tour was a huge success in engaging interest from new supporters and many of the hosting groups reported excellent local press coverage. Thank you to everyone who participated in and supported this special event.

Greater Manchester & District CND hosted a party with guest DJ Maxine Peake and arranged a film screening of the original Godzilla film for the anniversary. **London Region CND** also marked the event with a film screening, showing the documentary film 'March to Aldermaston' with Bruce Kent as guest speaker.

Sixty years to the day of the launch of CND, **Yorkshire CND** held a wonderful anniversary party in Bradford, attended by over 150 people. The day was opened with a welcome from the Lord Mayor, followed by tales from current and former activists as they brought items for the 'Bring Your Own Museum'. Yorkshire



Derby CND Tax Choice game



Rochdale & Littleborough Peace Group: Rushbearing Festival

CND's local groups also organised events. A special mention goes to Calder Valley CND, who put on a very successful exhibition of the memories and memorabilia of local women who were at Greenham Common, and held a film showing at the local cinema.

Salisbury CND was also founded in 1958 and the group has this year been tracing its early history, finding out that a Salisbury CND banner was on the first Aldermaston march.

There were many other hugely successful events in



Cumbria & Lancs Area CND



East Lancs CND: Schools' Sustainability Conference

2018, as CND groups across the country continue to build support for our campaign to cancel Trident's replacement and get the government to sign the global nuclear ban, the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW).

Bromley Borough CND arranged stalls at the David Oddity Festival, in Bromley Market Square on August Bank Holiday and at the Bromley Peace Council Peace One Day event, in addition to its regular sessions collecting petition signatures. **Mid-Somerset CND and Peace Group** raises awareness in their area through campaign and community events such as carol singing. The highlights of the year included an event at the local sixth form college and the Priddy Folk Festival. The group



Christian CND at the NPT prep-com in Geneva

represented CND at the Tolpuddle Martyrs Festival.

2018 was another action-packed year for **Greater Manchester & District CND**, with a new group setting up in Oldham. GMDCND co-organised a TPNW training day which taught people how to lobby their MP on this subject. As well as creating and launching the Manchester Young People's Peace Trail, the group appeared on local news, participated in radio programmes and spoke at meetings.

Derby CND had a presence at Compassionate Derby, a high-profile, busy ethical festival. Their stall was stunning with its wonderful banner from 1983 and a Tax Choice Box game. Derby CND was one of the organisers of Derby Peace Week, arranged the

Unforgettable Fire exhibitions in two venues in the city and arranged a public meeting with former Green Party leader Natalie Bennett.

Norwich CND collected hundreds of signatures for the Stop Trident petition this year, through its stalls which are held regularly in the city centre. The group had a very popular stall at the Burston Strike School March and Rally.

Kent Area CND ran a series of street stalls throughout the year. The group produced its own postcards to send to the Prime Minister urging support for the TPNW, with supporters encouraged by an eye-catching red post-box on the stall.

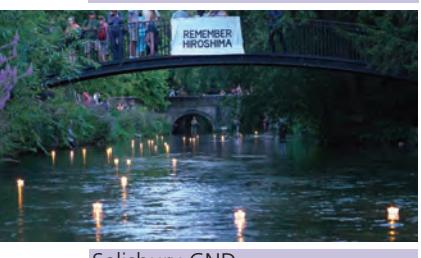
The highlight of **Christian CND's** year was the Church of England Synod overwhelmingly passing a motion on the

TPNW. Work has already started to highlight the new position, including a meeting in Nottingham. Christian CND held their Embassies Walk, visiting diplomatic missions around London, and participated in various events ranging from panel discussions, church talks and even a theatrical performance. Other events participated in included the Ash Wednesday witness outside the Ministry of Defence and a debut at Big Church Day Out, a gathering of more than 20,000 Christians.

Aberdeen and District CND know how to have fun, starting the year with their annual New Year party and following that with a successful fundraising Ceilidh. The group also arranged a meeting with guest speakers from the Faslane



Cumbria & Lancs Area CND



Salisbury CND



Tavistock Peace Action Group



Bedford CND



Croydon CND

Hiroshima and Nagasaki

As ever, CND groups across the country marked Hiroshima and Nagasaki days with respect for the lives lost and a determination to campaign so a nuclear attack does not happen again.

Earlier in the year, **Cumbria and Lancashire Area CND** took two wreaths to the Memorial Cenotaph in Hiroshima itself. Back in Cumbria, the group was joined by others to mark the anniversary at the gates of Devonshire Dock in Barrow; followed by campaigning in the town centre, a vigil at the gates of Sellafield and a service of remembrance.

Mid-Somerset CND and Peace Group, Woking Action for Peace and Salisbury CND marked the occasion with candle floats. **Christian CND** remembered the attacks with services at Coventry Cathedral and Romford.

Aberdeen and District CND's annual memorial was a great success, as the group was joined by Yu Aoki from Hiroshima and the 'Ban the Bombettes' band. Also joined by a Hiroshima resident at their ceremony was **Abingdon Peace Group**.

Over 60 members of the public and the local Mayor joined **Southampton CND** by the river Test. Paper boats containing candles were launched as the sun set. Many also joined **Tavistock Peace Action Group**.

London Region CND held their annual Hiroshima commemoration in Tavistock Square, with moving speeches from the Deputy Mayor of Camden and others, as well as performances including the Raised Voices Choir. **Bedford CND** strung out No More Hiroshimas banner strung along a bridge in the town. **Kingston Peace Council/CND** gathered at Kingston with special guest the Deputy Mayor of Kingston, who was born in Hiroshima. Members of the local Japanese community brought lanterns to float on the water.

The annual Hiroshima event in **Sheffield** was particularly well-attended this year, including by their celebrated mayor, Magik Magid.

Oxford CND, South Cheshire and North Staffordshire CND and **West Midlands CND** also arranged events.



Merseyside CND



Oxford CND: direct action



Woking Action for Peace

Peace Camp and joined a demonstration outside the Glasgow Arms Fair, resulting in Glasgow Council voting not to have arms fairs in the city again.

Rochdale and Littleborough Peace Group ran a local fundraiser, the highly enjoyable and successful Rushbearing Festival stall where they sell not only nuclear disarmament but also delicious cakes, jams, buns, plants and homegrown organic vegetables. The group welcomed the touring cyclists for peace from Norway and tried to keep CND's issues in the public eye with a letter-writing campaign.

St Albans CND met with local MP Bim Afolami this year to discuss the TPNW. The group also worked to raise awareness of the treaty by arranging leafletting sessions. A

public meeting was held to discuss Green Party policy on nuclear disarmament. Another highlight was a visit by a local bishop to sign a treaty poster, a photo of which appeared in the local press.

This was **East Lancashire CND**'s fifth year at the Schools' Sustainability Conference at Blackburn Rovers, a valuable opportunity to get CND's message to young people. **Peterborough CND** supported the town's Women's Festival on International Women's Day.

Oxford CND nukewatchers monitored nuclear convoys and bases throughout the year as well as organising regular meetings, stalls and events, a highlight being the group's involvement with a direct action which saw them chained to Parliament railings. **Yorkshire CND** also joined this action, as part of a Trident Ploughshares collective. Trident Ploughshares arranged another action later in the year with CND groups,

blockading all entrances at one of Britain's nuclear weapons factories, AWE Burghfield. The direct action halted traffic to and from the site.

While a high point of **Sydenham and Forest Hill CND**'s year is a social with quizzes and a raffle, the group also found plenty of time to campaign this year. Their Spring Fair was attended by the newly elected Mayor of Lewisham.

Abingdon Peace Group has also been busy, distributing newsletters to hundreds of households and arranging meetings on subjects such as 'Rethinking Security' and 'How Britain Can Use Soft Power'.

Haringey CND continues to meet regularly, holding three public meetings a year, running a stall, arranging leafletting sessions and producing a newsletter.

Southampton CND held events, including a successful meeting to discuss developments in the UK's submarine fleet while **Woking Action for Peace** arranged several thoughtful and positive debates, including a local election hustings. Speakers included the local MP.

Wallasey CND had a busy year, with the group not only focussing on campaigning but has started work on peace education. The group has spoken at many schools, and even brought Japanese Peace

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Boat visitors on one visit. A well-attended public meeting was arranged in conjunction with Wallasey Constituency Labour Party, even if the CLP failed to find someone to argue the case in favour of Trident!

South Cheshire and North Staffordshire CND

was active in their local community, for example arranging a stall at the Stoke-on-Trent Vegan Festival.

Bristol CND also attended their local vegan festival, VegFest, as well as other events including Labour Garden Party, Picnic in the Park and Celebrating Sanctuary. **Cumbria and Lancashire Area CND** used another tactic and has sent out many letters, petitions and messages to the media and politicians.

London Region CND had a busy 2018, holding a number of thought-provoking public meetings. In one meeting they asked ‘Are we heading for nuclear war?’, while another had the theme ‘Social justice: where does nuclear disarmament fit in?’.

Penzance CND has helped with various demonstrations. The Peace Stall still continues every Saturday. The weather proved too much for the annual picnic in the park, but plan B (indoors) was a huge success. **Bedford CND** continued to engage with the public this year through many initiatives, including a ‘Have Your Say!’

questionnaire on how to spend £205 billion of public money.

Kingston Peace Council/CND

met with local Liberal Democrat MP Sir Edward Davey. The group also had a meeting with their local school, with the aim of persuading the school to adopt a more balanced approach in their Cadet programme.

Another group visiting schools this year was **Birkenhead CND**; on one visit taking a delegation of Hibakusha to a local secondary school. The group also arranged monthly meetings and a number of stalls at fairs and festivals.

Tower Hamlets CND

continues its positive relationship with their Mayor, who provided a supportive statement ahead of Hiroshima Day. A highlight of their year was member Jill Truman’s play on the Greenham Common Wome’s Peace Camp. Tower Hamlets CND delivered a session on CND and nuclear weapons as part of the Wanstead News from Nowhere Club. The group is also working with Eastside Community Heritage to document the history and stories of Tower Hamlets CND.

Yorkshire CND held many successful public meetings, including one with GCHQ whistle-blower Katharine Gun. A Day of Dance fundraiser with over 50 different dance



Wallasey CND public meeting



Bedford CND

workshops was also arranged.

Hereford Peace Council

arranged one of the year’s most memorable campaigns, travelling to Parliament on a ‘peace train’, bringing with them thousands of petitions from people supporting the global ban treaty. They were supported at various stages of the trip by groups including **Wallasey CND**. And they weren’t the only ones engaging with parliamentarians.

South Cheshire and North Staffordshire CND met the



Many groups joined the CND bloc at the TUC demonstration



Greater Manchester & District CND at Barrow

local prospective Labour candidate, who indicated that he was convinced of the case against Trident. **Birkenhead CND** met with the local MP and following campaigning by **Bedford CND**, Mohammad Yasin MP signed the Parliamentary Pledge in favour of the global ban treaty. Members of **Yorkshire CND** ensured that

John Grogan MP signed the pledge, one of five Yorkshire MPs to do so.

Manchester became the first European city to officially support the treaty, as the City Council unanimously passed a resolution on the issue. We expect many more cities and towns to follow suit in 2019.

Labour CND continues to campaign within the Labour Party; this year signing up hundreds of new supporters.

Wales/Cymru Labour CND and North West Region

Labour CND were launched. Labour CND arranged public activities including a defence diversification fringe meeting at the Unite union biennial policy conference, and a fringe meeting on Trump and the nuclear threat at the Arise Festival of Labour Ideas.

There was also a strong Labour CND presence at Labour's annual conference. CND had a successful few days at the event, arranging two well-attended fringe meetings and having a presence at Momentum's World Transformed event (supported by Merseyside CND groups) as well as the main conference hall itself.

CND welcomed Shadow Foreign Secretary Emily Thornberry's commitment to making a nuclear-free world a concrete goal in her conference speech.

One of the main issues

discussed with delegates at the conference was defence diversification. CND has met with trade unions to discuss how to set up a Shadow Defence Diversification Agency, a policy adopted by the Trades Union Congress (TUC).

Greater Manchester & District CND undertook a great deal of work on defence diversification in 2018, including organising defence diversification workshops at Manchester Trades Council Conference and Manchester May Day festival.

Promoting defence diversification is just one way in which CND continues to engage with trade unions. We arranged a 'People not Trident' CND bloc on the TUC demonstration for 'A New Deal for Working People', where we were joined by groups such as **Tower Hamlets CND**.

Greater Manchester & District CND represented CND at the annual TUC conference and **Mid-Somerset CND and Peace Group**

represented CND at the Tolpuddle Martyrs Festival.

CND was thrilled this year to launch our new website.

Christian CND's website has also undergone a transformation this year, as having a presence online becomes more and more vital to our work as an organisation.

60 anniversary symbol tour



Nottingham



Norwich



Bristol



Burnley



Ribblehead Viaduct



Derby



Manchester



Llandudno



Cardiff



Canterbury



Glasgow



White Cliffs of Dover



Chesterfield



York



Caernarfon



Sizewell



Stonehenge



Reigate



Brighton



Liverpool

Special relationship

THE WORLD was shocked when Donald Trump was elected President of the United States in 2016. His presidency has ushered in a new era of militarism where the risk of nuclear confrontation and war is increased. As we pull back from the nuclear brink one week, we veer closer to it the next.

Trump's behaviour since his inauguration has angered and galvanised campaigners on a wide range of subjects. It is no surprise therefore that 250,000 people protested his visit to the UK in 2018. CND joined a coalition of campaigns to support the Together Against Trump demonstration in central London. The CND bloc waved placards carrying the slogans 'No Nuclear War' and 'Stop Trump's Nuclear Arms Race'. We were joined by groups including **Greater Manchester & District CND** and **Tower Hamlets CND**.

Further protests were arranged in towns and cities across the country. **Oxford CND** helped organise the protest at Blenheim Palace, where Trump was attending a dinner in his honour. **South Cheshire and North Staffordshire CND** was one of



"How the world's shaping up under President Trump" conference organised by London Region CND

the many groups to organise a local rally, most of which were covered by local media.

At the time of the protest we were angry that Trump had torn

up the Iran nuclear deal, threatened to kill millions with nuclear weapons in North Korea, and unveiled new 'usable' nuclear weapons, increasing the



possibility of nuclear war.

But the worse was perhaps yet to come. In October, Trump announced his intention to withdraw the US from the 1987 Intermediate-range Nuclear Force (INF) Treaty with Russia. This is a vital nuclear treaty which has ensured the destruction of nearly 2,700 short- and medium-range missiles and has played a crucial role in ensuring that US missiles are not situated in Europe.

This treaty is crucial for preventing a global arms race. That's why CND is calling on the UK's Foreign Secretary to do what he can to save the INF. Over the past few months, we've worked with parliamentarians to ensure the issue is discussed in Parliament and we handed in letters from CND supporters to the Foreign Office.

It's also important that the government makes a clear statement that US nuclear weapons would not be welcome



Oxford CND at Blenheim Palace



Together against Trump



Hand-in at the FCO of hundreds of supporters' INF letters

in the UK. Peterborough

CND is already making plans to tidy up the Peace Corner at RAF Molesworth, in anticipation of protests.

London Region CND

organised a conference on the theme of 'Living in interesting

times: How the world's shaping up under President Trump', with speakers including Costa Rican Ambassador Jose Enrique Castillo Barrantes, Green MEP Molly Scott-Cato, and Sami Ramadani from the Iraqi Democrats.

No to War

ONE hundred years ago, in November 1918, the world's first global, industrialised war was drawing to a close. It was described at the time, as 'the war to end all wars'; that humanity having fallen into the abyss, would learn and would prevent any more such tragedies. But those lessons were not learnt, countless millions more have died in war since then, and our own world today – already suffering many 'conventional' wars and the crimes, brutality and displacement that they bring – faces the increasing danger of nuclear war.

CND asked our supporters to show their support for the global abolition of nuclear weapons on Remembrance Day by contacting their MP. Hundreds of you did so, asking politicians to use the commemoration as an opportunity to reflect on the horrors of conflict and on the possibility that a future war could turn nuclear. These letters resulted in numerous MPs signing a parliamentary pledge for a world without nuclear weapons.

As we recall the horrors of previous wars, it must be acknowledged that we are now living in increasingly fraught, dangerous times. The emergence



Oxford CND Kites not Drones



Kingston Peace Council/CND



Sydenham & Forest Hill CND



Merseyside CND Bike for Peace



Abingdon Peace Group exhibition



Mid Somerset Peace Day

of new technology is rapidly transforming warfare. Billions of dollars are being spent on a new hi-tech arms race and there has been a public awakening to the serious consequences.

CND examined these issues in 2018 with a host of expert speakers at our very successful public conference 'Future Wars: The Impact of New Technologies'. This was a timely and important conference which placed CND at the forefront of latest developments in this field. The shape of things to come was discussed, along with

military-university collaborations, chemical weapons, migration and refugees, the militarisation of space, armed robots and drones on the battlefield and surveillance.

On Remembrance Sunday itself, CND joined our friends in the peace movement for a national event. Many CND groups arranged ceremonies or laid wreaths of white poppies, including **Bromley Borough CND**, **Oxford CND**, **Mid-Somerset CND** and **Peace Group** and **Norwich CND**. **Abingdon Peace Group** was

a peaceful presence at the launch of the town's red poppy campaign, selling white poppies and engaging red poppy sellers in conversations about alternative ways of solving conflicts.

Sydenham and Forest Hill CND and Kingston Peace Council/CND were two of the groups out on the streets selling white poppies, raising hundreds of pounds for peace issues. **Tavistock Peace Action Group** arranged a talk on the First World War, published a 'No More War' advertisement in the *Tavistock Times* and visited local schools. The group's First World War exhibition continued its journey around the country.

Yorkshire CND's annual

Songs for Peace with local choirs and the Bishop of Bradford was a success despite the rain.

In addition to First World War centenary events, groups arranged many other events in relation to our anti-war campaigning. **Aberdeen and District CND** held public meetings on Yemen and Palestine. The group also organised three vigils in relation to the airstrikes on Syria outside the office of local MP Ross Thomson, followed by a small demonstration.

Oxford CND organised a 'Fly Kites not Drones' event, and monitored the arrival of a 'Protector' drone at USAF Fairford Air Tattoo. **Tavistock**

Peace Action Group arranged a talk by a psychotherapist on the growing mental health emergency in Palestine.

Haringey CND's public meetings discussed anti-war topics such as the crisis on the Korean peninsula and local conscientious objectors. **Kent Area CND** took part in the now annual event in Canterbury Cathedral – a United Nations service for world peace – where the group carried its banner in a procession of peacemakers.

Bromley Borough CND participated in Conscientious Objectors Day while **Mid-Somerset CND and Peace Group** participated in International Peace Day.

No to Nato

AS the world becomes more dangerous by the day, the need for action for peace has never been more vital. This is the starting point for the activities of the 'No to War – No to NATO' international network of which CND is part. For over a decade we have been working together to highlight the dangerous role of NATO as it pursues expansionary and warlike policies on an ever-increasing global front. Its role as a

nuclear-armed alliance is at the centre of CND's active opposition to it.

A NATO summit took place in Brussels in July, and a delegation from CND was present to take part in the protest activities, under the banner 'Make Peace Great Again!'

As Trump arrived to demand the alliance's members spend more on defence, we took to the streets to call for an end to NATO and participated

in a counter-summit to discuss ideas for an alternative international system.

Later in the year, CND expressed alarm at NATO launching its biggest military exercises since the Cold War. Taking place in Norway, these exercises simulated the collective response of NATO to an imagined attack on an allied partner. The UK committed more than 250 vehicles and 500 soldiers to this exercise.

Keep space for peace

THE SEEMS that almost every week this year there was another horrific announcement by President Trump. Over the summer we heard that the US military is to establish a sixth branch of its armed forces - a 'space force'. Trump said at the time, 'It is not enough to merely have an American presence in space. We must have American dominance in space.'

A new 'Space Operations Force' is due to be in place by 2020, at an as yet unknown cost which is expected to run into the tens of billions of dollars. This would be the first military branch in the world focused on space, although CND and our international allies have previously warned that the arms race is moving in this direction.

The US already has a space command as part of its air force, which can monitor missile launches and intercept communications from anywhere in the world. And the UK plays a crucial part in this system, with the Menwith Hill base in Yorkshire and RAF Croughton in Northamptonshire both used as sites to monitor electronic traffic.

This new development was the focus of the annual Keep



Oxford CND at USAF Croughton



Yorkshire CND at Menwith Hill

Space for Peace Week, initiated by the Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space, of which CND is a member. CND joined the demonstration at RAF Croughton in October, along with groups including **Oxford CND**, which kick-started the week of protest. **Abingdon Peace Group** ran the tea-tent, an essential on such a wet day!

Members of **Southampton CND** also braved the conditions to attend.

Yorkshire CND arranged a 'walk and talk' around the Fylingdales base on the North York Moors, outlining the Space Force plans. The group also helped the Menwith Hill Accountability Campaign to arrange a demonstration.

This year, the Global Conference to Resist the Nuclearization and Weaponization of Space was held in Oxford. **Oxford CND** and **Abingdon Peace Group** contributed to its success.

Nuclear power

THERE WAS another good year for anti-nuclear campaigners, as the case was clearly made to scrap nuclear power. We welcomed Toshiba's decision to walk away from plans to build a nuclear power station at Moor-side in Cumbria, a project that has been shown to be unviable.

We also welcomed a new report by the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which found that using nuclear power can increase the risk of nuclear proliferation, damage the environment and is likely to harm human health. This special report on the impacts of global warming showed that despite our pressing need to tackle climate change, nuclear energy is not the way to do so.

Our newly-launched petition against nuclear power attracted huge support and CND groups across the country arranged their own activities in support of the campaign.

As nuclear waste trains pass through Bromley, **Bromley Borough CND** campaigns at Bromley South station twice a year handing out leaflets to raise awareness of the dangers and collecting signatures for their local petition. The group



Cumbria & Lancashire Area CND at Sellafield



is working on raising the issue in relation to risk assessment at a local council meeting.

Bromley Borough CND also marked Chernobyl Day and supported vigils to commemorate the anniversary of the Fukushima nuclear accident.

Greater Manchester & District CND met former MP Alan Simpson to discuss how best to approach MPs and trade unions on the question of nuclear power. **Bedford CND**



Bromley Borough CND mark Chernobyl Day

hosted an informative talk by Professor Andrew Blowers on the legacy of nuclear power with useful pointers for successful protest. And **Yorkshire CND** worked with Sheffield Creative Action for Peace and Leeds CND to organise well-attended public meetings on nuclear power.

Cumbria and Lancashire Area CND has been active in campaigning against nuclear power this year, supporting Radiation Free Lakeland. The group has sent out many letters, petitions and messages to the media, the government, politicians and more.

CND Cymru

A NOTHER busy year of campaigning for CND Cymru! The Now More Than Ever symbol tour was launched in Caernarfon and Llandudno in February, with a second Welsh visit to Cardiff in September. At all three locations there was a lot of public interest in the installation, and plenty of opportunities for conversations about nuclear weapons and the TPNW.

The global ban treaty has been the main focus of our campaigning all year. We lobbied all Welsh MPs to ask them to sign the ICAN Parliamentary Pledge in support of the treaty and at the National Eisteddfod we collected messages to MPs that were delivered to Parliament by Hereford Peace Council's peace train.

A major issue for CND Cymru throughout the year was EDF's plans to dredge up radioactive sediment from Bridgwater Bay and dump it off Cardiff Bay, as part of the construction of the Hinkley C nuclear power station. We succeeded in getting the Welsh Assembly to ask EDF to conduct more tests on the mud; however, the company refused to do so. Our campaigning on this issue generated press, radio and television coverage, with a



Music star Cian Ciaran protesting against the dumping of radioactive mud

rally attracting about 500 protestors. Despite this, and a crowdfunded court case which established that EDF hadn't conducted an Environmental Impact Assessment, in September EDF dredged and dumped about 190,000 tonnes of sediment off the bay.

In north Wales, we continued campaigning against

the proposed new nuclear power reactor at Wylfa, and the proposed Small Modular Reactor at Trawsfynydd. Activities included an anti-nuclear power conference in Machynlleth and further co-operation with Friends of the Earth Japan – who are campaigning against Japanese involvement in the project. Two delegations from FoE Japan were warmly received by local campaigners, and generated significant press interest.

CND Cymru members were also prominently involved in the protest against the Cardiff Arms Fair, the 'chain-in' at Parliament in June and the successful Trident Ploughshares Burghfield blockade in October. We held a conference to launch Labour CND Cymru, hoping to advance the debate on defence diversification within the Labour movement.

Scottish CND

SCOTTISH CND has continued to build and demonstrate Scottish opposition to Trident replacement and support for the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW).

One of this year's highlights was the successful 'Nae Nukes Anywhere' march and rally at Faslane in September, where international speakers gave messages supporting Scotland's commitment to nuclear disarmament.

Through our separate education charity – Peace Education Scotland – we delivered the Peace Campaigning Academy, a weekend residential training for young people. Peace Education Scotland has also been busier than ever, educating hundreds of young people on the importance of pressure groups and the dangers of nuclear weapons.

Scottish CND co-ordinated the 'Sink the Glasgow Arms Fair Coalition'. After demonstrations in Glasgow city centre and outside the venue, Sink the Glasgow Arms Fair Coalition wrote an open letter of protest to the city council, who agreed to the demand for no more arms fairs in Glasgow. The council also invited



Scottish CND to participate in writing the policy.

Our 'Scotland: A Peace of History' exhibition launched in December with funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund. This exhibition celebrates 60 years of Scottish CND in the form of a mobile exhibition with testimonies from a range of activists, and an additional online resource with further information. As part of the exhibition, we organised a training workshop with BAFTA winning film-maker David Newbigging, offering valuable interviewing and video making skills.

Scottish CND contacted the Scottish government in support

of Nukewatch and their 'Unready Scotland' report, about how local authorities would be unprepared in the event of a nuclear convoy-related incident on our roads. Our support helped to secure a debate in the Scottish Parliament, which led to the Minister for Community Safety making a commitment to reviewing the readiness and resilience of all first responders.

As always, Scottish CND has been holding street stalls and public meetings up and down the country to raise awareness of the TPNW and the dangers of the nuclear weapons on our coast. Scottish CND, along with Scottish local groups, continues to support the Faslane Peace Camp. And we provide the secretariat for the Scottish Parliament Nuclear Disarmament Cross Party Group where we regularly talk with our elected members.

Photo: Iyon Bartholomew

Parliament and parties

WITHIN the challenging political context of 2018, CND has continued to work in Parliament to gain support for our campaigns.

Throughout the year we have been working with all political parties to ensure that their policies on nuclear weapons are up to date and as strong as they can be. We hosted a fringe event at the Liberal Democrats' annual conference on why the party should support the global ban treaty.

We also attended the Labour Party's annual conference. As well as our usual stall in the main hall, this year we also had a stall at The World Transformed fringe festival, organised by Momentum, both of which had many visitors. We also held two fringe events over the weekend. Our first was on 'Nuclear disarmament in the age of Trump' with speakers including Shadow Minister for Peace and Disarmament Fabian Hamilton MP, David Lammy MP, Lloyd Russell Moyle MP and Emma Dent Coad MP. A wide-ranging discussion followed that covered topics from austerity, multilateralism, imperialism, education and defence



Kate Osamor MP at Labour Party Conference

diversification. Our second event at The World Transformed was asking 'Do jobs justify nuclear weapons?' The event was attended by 120 people and was followed by an engaging discussion on defence diversification.

Parliamentary CND is trialling out a different way of engaging with politicians, with biweekly email updates when parliament is in session being sent to MPs and staff. These contain up to date briefings, headlines, resources, suggestions for parliamentary questions and event invitations. We want to make it easier for busy politicians in these difficult times to engage

with our issues.

Our engagement has proved successful in 2018, for example we were able to quickly mobilise the response to US President Trump's announcement that he would be withdrawing from the INF treaty. An Early Day Motion was tabled and questions were asked in Parliament which led to the government being forced to respond to the issue.

Parliamentary CND has also been working to secure a backbench debate on nuclear weapons in the House of Commons, as well as increasing engagement with members of the House of Lords.

Peace Education

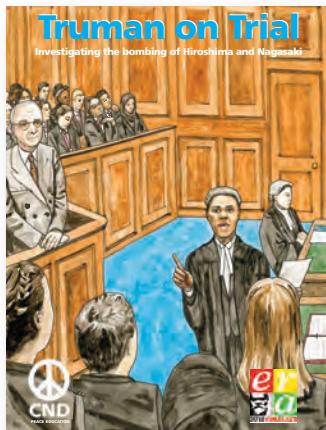


Year 7 and 8 students from The Dean Academy in Lydney, Gloucestershire, share the origami cranes that they made in our Sadako's Cranes for Peace workshop

CND's Peace Education programme engaged with an impressive number of school students, teachers, and trainee teachers in the past year. In the 2017-18 academic year, we delivered sessions to almost 6000 students, receiving great feedback!

Our teaching packs and lessons were downloaded almost 10,000 times, and we also distributed around 700 hard copies of the packs. We also facilitated 22 teacher training sessions, working with over 475 teachers. The vast majority of students (81%), teachers (90%) and trainee teachers (99%) found our sessions 'extremely good' or 'good' with 100% of teachers saying they would recommend us to colleagues.

In addition to our sessions,



other highlights from the year included featuring in a podcast discussion on nuclear weapons peace education. We exhibited at the National Education Union teacher conference, attracting lots of interest from the delegates.

Our fantastic school speakers remain integral to the programme. In May, we held our annual refresher training day,

this time in Liverpool, and focused on facilitation skills. We invited other local peace educators to take part, and it was a very successful and useful day.

We were delighted to publish the new edition of our Sadako's *Cranes for Peace* teaching pack, which went on to receive a glowing review in *Teach Secondary* magazine's 'Resources Guide 2019'. We also received a great review of our *Truman On Trial* pack in the main magazine.

Throughout the year, we promoted our work, securing blogs in education resources. A submission on our work between 2016-18 was published as part of the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs' report on disarmament and non-proliferation education.

And finally, in August we found out that our bid for a one-year Quaker Peacemaker had been successful. The fantastic Joe Jukes started working with us in September – his main project is to create a new teaching pack, in addition to facilitating lots of school and teacher training sessions. With Joe's help, we look forward to another busy 2019!

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Fundraising

A GIANT thank you to all our members and supporters in CND's 60th anniversary year! Without you, we would not be able to keep campaigning for a world free from the madness and horror of nuclear weapons. It is your support that makes this vital work possible, and so thank you for helping us continue the fight.

What you've helped achieve this year

CND members and supporters funded the fantastic CND installation tour, which saw our symbol – and message – reach thousands of people nationwide.

In the spring, members and supporters helped to fund CND's attendance at the 2018 Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference in Geneva. Our attendance there was crucial in holding the UK government to account for its flagrant disregard for the treaty.

In August, thanks to your help, we were able to tell the stories of the Hibakusha – the survivors of the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The Hibakusha have helped drive the anti-nuclear movement for over 70 years, and their powerful testimonies



must continue to be heard in order to prevent another Hiroshima or Nagasaki.

In September, members and supporters enabled us to run a full-page advert in *The Guardian* newspaper, timed to coincide with the Labour party conference.

And in December, in light of the UK government's support for Trump's intention to withdraw from the INF treaty, with your help we were able to organise a hand-in of supporter's messages at the Foreign Office. Together, we called on the Foreign Secretary to condemn

Trump's reckless decision.

Continuing your support in 2019

As you can see, 2018 was a busy year for CND; and none of this work would have been possible without the help of our supporters and members, so thank you! But 2019 is set to be busier still, as we work to hold the government to account for its continued commitment to replacing Trident. If you can help, please consider making a donation at www.cnduk.org/donate/ or by phoning us at 020 7700 2392.

To help support our work in the long term, please consider switching your membership payments to direct debit, which saves us time and money and lets us dedicate more of these to campaigning.

Alternatively, consider writing a gift to CND in your Will; see www.cnduk.org/donate/gift-in-your-will/ for more information. Or phone us – 020 7700 2393.

Once again, a huge thank you to everybody who supported CND throughout 2018. We hope you will continue to stand with us through every future challenge and success.

CND in the media

January

- CND condemned the Royal Navy museum's 'pro-nuclear' exhibition. Kate Hudson told *The Guardian* "it will 'highlight the need for a continuous at-sea deterrent'. This is a highly contested political view and certainly does not fit within the published charitable objectives of the NMRN."

February

- To mark our 60th anniversary, the *Daily Mirror* reported on Bruce Kent's crusade against nukes. Asked if CND would achieve its aim, he said "It took 40 years to get votes for women, the ending of slavery took something like 50 years so the fact that things take a long time doesn't deter me."
- We also helped produce a piece for *BBC Daily Politics* featuring Kate Hudson exploring 60 years of the CND symbol.

March

- Owen Jones penned a stirring piece in *The Guardian*, using CND research to talk about the "nuclear apocalypse that looms over humanity". He argued it was a mistake for the Labour Party to stop talking about disarmament.

April

- CND was not only back at Aldermaston, we were back in *The Guardian* as we joined protests against air strikes in Syria.

July

- After Trump's attempts to unpick the Iran nuclear deal, we wrote in *The Guardian* that the UK should lead on disarmament by supporting the global nuclear ban. We can "end the impasse between nuclear weapons states".

September

- ITV carried reports of the international rally at Faslane in support of the ban. Scottish CND's Flavia Tudoreanu said "we want to put the message out that Scotland does oppose nuclear weapons".

October

- CND told NBC News that we condemn Trump's decision to withdraw from the INF. "Tearing up the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty will mark the end of the restraints on nuclear arsenals achieved in the 1980s. The danger is that we will see spiralling arsenals on a Cold War scale."

November

- We responded to a letter from the Defence Minister that revealed 505 nuclear accidents at Faslane. We told ITV News "when the MoD censored annual nuclear safety reports which had previously been made public, we feared safety at Faslane was worsening. Our fears have been confirmed."

December

- PoliticsHome* reported on our hand-in to the Foreign Office. We delivered thousands of your letters calling on the government to defend the pivotal INF treaty.
- We also hit back after Shadow Defence Secretary Nia Griffith described Trident as a 'settled policy' for Labour. In an interview for *PoliticsHome*, CND press officer Ian Chamberlain said "If you had a vote of Labour members today you would get a change in policy."

Now more than ever

THE world is facing great dangers, not least from a US President who seems intent on tearing up nuclear agreements that are making the world a safer place. And of course, our own government wants to spend £205 billion replacing Trident. It is not surprising that the Doomsday clock has been moved to two minutes to midnight, the joint closest it's been to midnight since being set up.

But at the same time, there are greater opportunities for disarmament than ever before. The Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) shows the commitment of the global majority to peace. 2019 could be the year that we see this treaty enter into force, and it is already having an effect on further stigmatising the possession of nuclear weapons. Towards the end of the year, it looked like the first NATO country – Spain – could be close to signing the TPNW, a notable step forward.

CND is already campaigning on many fronts for a world without nuclear weapons. But we must do more. In the next year CND wants to make the case for a safer world, a world without nuclear weapons, louder than ever before. We recommit



to that global alliance for peace and to working with all our civil society allies here in Britain.

We need to continue to speak and persuade people of our campaign. The great strength of CND is that we're a grassroots movement, at the heart of communities across the country. Let's speak to as many people as we can. Our priorities are clear – we want to cancel Trident replacement and win government and other parties' support for the TPNW.

To this end, we have plenty

of campaigns and events planned for 2019, including a national speaking tour which will highlight the global dangers we face. We will continue to highlight how the government is losing control of the Trident replacement project, looking at the ever-increasing cost and the safety concerns. And we will also work with CND groups and supporters across the country to persuade your local representatives to support the TPNW.

And of course, we'll be recruiting more members and setting up new groups. London Region CND has already begun launching a series of CND peace networks across London and similar activity is planned across the country.

It's a dangerous and unstable time but that means that CND is needed now more than ever.

CND Conference – save the date

Join us in London for CND Conference on 19th and 20th October 2019. The weekend will include the AGM and policy conference for members and observers, as well as a day of public discussion, debate and activity with the International Peace Bureau.

8th July: Deadline for nominations for directly-elected members of national council and national officers.

2nd August: Deadline for ordinary resolutions

9th September: Deadline for amendments and special (constitutional) resolutions.

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