City Council of Granollers

Plenary Council Declaration

July, 28, 2015

I. Next August will mark 70 years since the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki killed more than 240,000 people, injured countless others, and destroyed both cities.

II. The bombings launched a nuclear weapons race accompanied by more than 2,000 tests and trials, often conducted with complete disregard for their damage to people and ecosystems in the affected regions.

III. Notwithstanding the end of the Cold War and various nuclear disarmament agreements that were put into force, today 15,850 nuclear weapons, more powerful than the bombs of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, threaten the world.

IV. Nuclear weapons pose an unacceptable danger to the security of people and communities. It is urgent that the world ban them by treaty, as it has with other weapons of mass destruction, notably biological and chemical weapons.

V. The international network Mayors for Peace, lead by the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, with more than 6,700 member cities in 160 countries and regions worldwide, promote the solidarity of cities toward the total abolition of nuclear weapons.

Taking into account the previous points, the City Council of Granollers, a city member of Mayors for Peace, issues the following

INSTITUTIONAL DECLARATION

FIRST — We express solidarity with all people in the world who have been affected by nuclear weapons.

SECOND — We call all the States to commit to a concrete and precise plan for nuclear disarmament.

THIRD — We support the States that have joined the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) to initiate a diplomatic process to alert the world to the deep humanitarian impact of nuclear weapons and to call for a global treaty to ban them.

FOURTH — We ask the Spanish government to stand with those States that are actively working to bring an end to nuclear weapons and demand its firm commitment to abandon the international arms trade.