

City Council of Barcelona

Plenary Council Resolution

March 23, 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 more than 16.000 nuclear weapons 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.

In accordance with the stipulations of Articles 60.6, 65, 73.5 and 101.1 in the Municipal Bylaws, the City Council of Barcelona issues the following declaration:

DECLARATION

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

SECOND — We call for the next Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Review Conference scheduled to start on April 28, 2015 in New York 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.