June 25, 2015

Hon Mogens Lykketoft
President-elect
70th Session of the United Nations General Assembly
New York, NY 10017, United States

Dear Mr Lykketoft,

We congratulate you on your election as the President of the 70th Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

This is a very important role in a very significant year - the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations from the ashes of World War II and at the birth of the nuclear age from the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Parliamentarians for Nuclear Nonproliferation and Disarmament (PNND) is actively engaged with various UN organs and agencies, especially initiatives of the United Nations General Assembly. These include nuclear disarmament resolutions, processes such as the UN Open Ended Working Group on Taking Forward Multilateral Nuclear Disarmament Negotiations, and the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons on September 26.

Last year we co-founded UNFOLD ZERO, a platform to highlight UN forums, initiatives and mechanisms to achieve a nuclear-weapon-free world.

And we have given considerable support to the UN Secretary-General’s Five Point Proposal for Nuclear Disarmament which draws heavily from UNGA proposals, including those for a nuclear weapons convention.

We are honoured that you - a fellow member of PNND – was elected to this position by acclamation, and we look forward to supporting you in your role.

Yours sincerely

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