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PARLIAMENTARIANS FOR NUCLEAR
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**Program of International Conference
“Building a Nuclear – Weapon – Free World”
(28-30 august 2016)**

28 August, Sunday

According to schedules:

- Arrival of guests and participants of the Conference
Meeting at the International Airport of Astana
- Hotel check-in and conference registration
- City tours (sightseeing of Astana)

19.00 – 20.30

Welcome reception for the Conference participants and guests hosted by the Mayor of Astana

29 August, Monday

08.45 - Departure to the Palace of Independence

09.00 – 09.30 - Late registration, tour of an exhibition

10.00 – 10.05 - Conference Opening

10.05 – 10.25 Speech of the President of Kazakhstan Nursultan Nazarbayev

10.25– 11.00 - **Plenary session**

Chair: Kassym-Zhomart Tokayev, Chairman of the Senate of Kazakhstan

Speakers:

- **Olzhas Omaruli Suleimenov**, Founder of the Nevada-Semipalatinsk anti-nuclear movement
- **Aleksander Kwaśniewski**, Former President of Poland
- **Michael Moller**, Director-General of the United Nations in Geneva
- **Lassina Zerbo**, Secretary-General of the CTBTO
- **Christine Beerli**, Vice-President of the International Committee of the Red Cross
- **Jayantha Dhanapala**, President of Pugwash Conferences. Chair of the 1995 NPT Review and Extension Conference. Former UN Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs.
- **Saber Chowdhury**, PNND Co-President, President of the Inter Parliamentary Union

11.00 – 11.15 - Coffee break

11.15 – 12.30 - **Panel Session 1**

Topic: Security without nuclear weapons or war: “Manifesto of The World for the 21st century.”

Chair: Erlan Idrissov, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan.

Speakers:

- **Senator Ed Markey**, Member of the U.S. Senate Foreign Affairs Committee. PNND Co-President (by video, tbc)
- **General Bernard Norlain**, France. Former Air Force Commander. Member of Global Zero
- **Ella Gandhi**, South Africa. Vice-President of Religions for Peace (grand-daughter of Mahatma Gandhi).
- **Emmanuel Dupuy**, France. Adviser to Herve Morin, Leader of the Centre Party and former Minister for Defence.
- **Rev Kyoichi Sugino**, Japan/USA, Deputy-Secretary-General of Religions for Peace
- **Senator Mushahid Sayed**, Pakistan. Chair of the Senate Committee on Defense
- **Peggy Mason**, Canada. President of the Rideau Institute. Former Disarmament Ambassador
- **Denise Pascal Allende MP**, Chile. President of the Committee on Middle East Questions to the IPU
- **Kevin Miletic**, UK. Deputy-Director, Strategic Concept for the Removal of Arms and Proliferation
- **Dr Michele Di Paolantonio**, Italy. International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War
- **Reiner Braun**, Germany. International Peace Bureau

12.30 – 13.30 - Lunch: Palace of Independence restaurant

13.30 – 14.45 - **Panel Session 2**

Topic: A nuclear test ban and the role of the UN in achieving nuclear disarmament.

Chair: Alyn Ware, PNND Global Coordinator

Speakers:

- **Thani Thongphakdi**, Thailand. Chair of the UN Open Ended Working Group
- **Daniel Poneman**, Distinguished Fellow at the Paulson Institute at the University of Chicago. Former US Deputy Secretary of Energy
- **Sergio Duarte**, Brazil. Member of the Group of NGO Experts from New Agenda Countries. Former UN Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs.
- **Oscar Temaru**, Mayor of Fa’a, French Polynesia
- **Senator Kenneth Kedi**, Marshall Islands. Speaker of the Parliament
- **Jiko Fatafehi MP**, Fiji. Speaker of the Parliament
- **Dr Trevor Findlay**, Australia. Member UNSG’s Advisory Board on Disarmament Matters
- **State Senator Nan Orrock**, USA. President, Women Legislators Lobby.
- **Senator Salwa Damen el Masri**, Jordan. PNND Co-President
- **Graham Hassall**, New Zealand. United Nations Association
- **Jonathan Granoff**, USA. Parliament of the World’s Religions UN Ambassador. UN Representative for the Nobel Peace Summits.

14.45 – 15:45 - **Panel Session 3**

Topic: National prohibition and Nuclear-weapons-free zones. Geography of a sustainable world

Chair: Tarja Cronberg, Chair Middle Powers Initiative. PNND Past-President

Speakers:

- **Roberto Leon Ramirez MP**, Chile. President of the Latin American and Caribbean Group in the IPU
- **Bill Kidd MSP**, Scotland. PNND Co-President
- **David Cunliffe MP**, New Zealand
- **Marianne Malak Kamal MP**, Egypt. Minister of Immigration
- **Noel Stott**, South Africa. Institute for Security Studies
- **Herman Spanjaard**, Netherlands. Dutch Medical Association for Peace Research (NVMP)
- **Natalia Díaz Quintana MP**, Costa Rica. PNND Co-President
- **Enkhsaikhan Jargalsaikhan**, Mongolia. President of Blue Banner

15.45 – 16.00 - Coffee break

16.00 – 17.20 - **Panel Session 4**

Topic: Initiatives and campaigns – legislators, religious leaders and civil society

Chair: Jonathan Granoff, USA. Parliament of the World's Religions UN Ambassador. UN Representative for the Nobel Peace Summits.

Speakers:

- **Karipbek Kuyukov**, Honorary Ambassador of the ATOM Project
- **Imam Malik Mujahid**, USA. Chair of the Parliament of the World's Religions
- **Marie Dennis**, USA. Co-President of Pax Christi International
- **Thore Vestby**, Norway. Vice-President, Mayors for Peace
- **Kazuo Ishiwatari**, Japan. Director of Peace and Global Issues, Soka Gakkai International
- **Barry Ladendorf**, USA. President, Veterans For Peace
- **Mary Anne Plaatjies van Huffel**, South Africa. President of World Council of Churches, Africa
- **Galen Carey**, USA. National Association of Evangelicals
- **Meredith Horowski**, USA. Global Zero Program Director
- **Holger Güssefeld**, Germany. World Future Council
- **Jasminka Bajlo**, Croatia. Vice-President, Mayors for Peace
- **Martin Fleck**, USA. Physicians for Social Responsibility

17.20 – 17.35 **Closing of the conference: Adoption of the Conference Declaration**

18.30- 19.30 **Reception and concert hosted by the Chairman of the Senate of the Republic of Kazakhstan**

Additional events

August 30 – PNND meeting

9:30 – 12:30. International guests are invited to a PNND follow-up meeting at Rexus Hotel to discuss parliamentary actions for nuclear disarmament and cooperation with mayors, religious leaders and other constituencies. Followed by PNND-hosted lunch.

August 31: Optional trip to Semey and the former nuclear test site

Includes a one hour flight from Astana to Semipalatinsk (Semey), a welcome by the Mayor of Semey, and choice of visit to the medical research centre in Semey or the nuclear test site in Kurchatov. There will be a fee of about US\$400 for the travel for this side-trip.