

# 25th United Nations Conference on Disarmament Issues Hiroshima, Japan

26 - 28 August, 2015

**Theme:** Towards the Realization of a World Free of Nuclear Weapons following the 2015 NPT Review Conference

#### Tuesday, 25 August 2015

15:00 - 16:00 Advance Press Conference

Participants:

Mr. **Thomas MARKRAM**, Director of UNODA's Geneva Branch, Deputy Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament

Mr. Hidehiko YUZAKI, Governor of Hiroshima Prefecture

Mr. Kazumi MATSUI, Mayor of Hiroshima City

Ambassador **Kazutoshi AIKAWA**, Director General for Disarmament, Non-Proliferation and Science Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

Master of ceremonies (MC):

Dr. **Yuriy KRYVONOS**, Interim Director, United Nations Regional Center for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific

#### Wednesday, 26 August 2015

- 9:00 -13:00 **Opening High-Level Session (Theme: Renewed Determination and Concrete Action towards the Realization of a World Free of Nuclear Weapons)** 
  - Video message from Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary General of the United Nations -

Welcoming Remarks:

Mr. Kazumi MATSUI, Mayor of Hiroshima City

Opening Remarks:

Mr. Minoru KIUCHI, State Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan

Dr. Lassina ZERBO, Executive Secretary of the CTBTO Preparatory Commission

Mr. **Thomas MARKRAM**, Director of UNODA's Geneva Branch, Deputy Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament

## 9:40 – 11:20 Part 1: Towards the Realization of a World Free of Nuclear Weapons – Messages from the Sites of the Atomic Bombing

- Video message from Mr. Michel DOUGLAS, UN Messenger of Peace -

Moderator: Dr. Nobumasa AKIYAMA, Professor, Hitotsubashi University

Panelists:

Mr. **William PERRY**, Director of the Preventive Defense Project; Professor at Stanford University; Former Secretary of Defense

Lord **Des BROWNE**, Vice-Chairman of the Nuclear Threat Initiative; Former UK Secretary of State for Defence

Mr. Hidehiko YUZAKI, Governor of Hiroshima Prefecture

Mr. Kazumi MATSUI, Mayor of Hiroshima City

Ambassador **Kazutoshi AIKAWA**, Director General for Disarmament, Non-Proliferation and Science Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

Mr. Sunao TSUBOI, Chairman, Confederation of A-Bomb Suffers Organizations

#### 11:50 - 13:00 Part 2: The Role of the CTBT in Nuclear Disarmament

Moderator: Mr. Daryl G. KIMBALL, Executive Director, Arms Control

Association

Panelists:

Dr. Lassina ZERBO, Executive Secretary of the CTBTO Preparatory Commission

Dr. **Jayantha DHANAPALA**, President of Pugwash Conferences on Science & World Affairs, former UN USG for Disarmament Affairs

Mr. **Sérgio de Queiroz DUARTE,** Former UN High Representative for Disarmament Affairs, President of 2005 NPT Review Conference

Dr. **Wolfgang HOFFMANN**, Former Executive Secretary of CTBTO Preparatory Commission

Mr. **Thomas MARKRAM**, Director of UNODA's Geneva Branch, Deputy Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch

#### 15:15 - 17:15 Program to Convey the Reality of the Atomic Bombing

Visit to the Cenotaph for the A-bomb Victims and Dedication of Flowers (Venue: Peace Memorial Park)

Visit to the Peace Memorial Museum (Venue: Peace Memorial Park)

Listening to an A-bomb Survivor Testimony (Venue: Dahlia Room, B2F, International Conference Center Hiroshima)

18:30 - 20:00 Reception Hosted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan and 25th UNCDI in Hiroshima Executive Committee

#### Thursday, 27 August 2015

# 9:00 - 11:00 Session 1: Stocktaking of the Outcome of the 2015 NPT Review Conference and the Next Steps

Moderator: Mr. **Nobuyasu ABE**, Vice Chairperson of the Japan Atomic Energy Commission, Former United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs

#### Panelists:

Ambassador **Taous FEROUKHI**, President of the 2015 NPT Review Conference, and Councilor to the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Algeria

Ambassador C.S. Eliot KANG, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Nuclear Affairs, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, U.S. Department of State

Mr. **Johann KELLERMAN**, Director for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, Department of International Relations and Cooperation, the Republic of South Africa

Ambassador **Jane HARDY**, Assistant Secretary, Arms Control and Counter-Proliferation Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia

Ambassador **Hisham BADR**, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Egypt

Mr. Daryl G. KIMBALL, Executive Director, Arms Control Association

#### 11:00 - 11:30 Coffee break

#### 11:30 - 13:15 Session 2: Humanitarian Consequences of Nuclear Weapons

Moderator: Ambassador **Kazutoshi AIKAWA**, Director General for Disarmament of Non-Proliferation and Science Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

#### Panelists:

Ambassador **Benno LAGGNER**, Head Task Force on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation and Head Security Policy Division, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland

Mr. **Johann KELLERMAN**, Director for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation, Department of International Relations and Cooperation, the Republic of South Africa

Ambassador **Eric DANON**, CEO of the French High Council for Strategic Education and Research; Former French Ambassador to the Conference on Disarmament

Ambassador **Jane HARDY**, Assistant Secretary, Arms Control and Counter-Proliferation Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia

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Mr. **Tadateru KONOE**, President of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)

13:15 - 14:30 Lunch

### 14:30 - 16:00 Session 3: Significance of Nuclear-Weapon-Free-Zones and Nuclear Disarmament/ Nuclear Non-Proliferation in Asia

Moderator: Mr. **Daryl G. KIMBALL**, Executive Director, Arms Control Association

Panelists:

Mr. **Yerzhan ASHIKBAYEV**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Kazakhstan

Ambassador **Virachai PLASAI**, Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Thailand to the United Nations

Ms. **Hoang Thi HA**, Head of Political Cooperation Division, Political-Security Community Department, Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)

Mr. **Tomihisa TAUE**, President, National Council of Japan Nuclear Free Local Authorities (Mayor of Nagasaki City)

Mr. **Yasushi NOGUCHI**, Director of Disarmament and Arms Control Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

16:30 - 18:00 Session 4: Collaboration with Civil Society: The Role of Civil Society in Creating a World Free of Nuclear Weapons; Education on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation

Moderator: Dr. Nobumasa AKIYAMA, Professor, Hitotsubashi University

Participants:

Mr. Yasuyoshi KOMIZO, Chairperson of Hiroshima Peace Culture Foundation

Dr. **Rebecca JOHNSON**, Executive Director of the Acronym Institute

Mr. Akira KAWASAKI, Executive Committee member of Peace Boat

Dr. Atsuko MORIKAWA, Associate Professor, Hijiyama University

#### Friday, 28 August 2015

9:30 - 11:00 Special Session: International Student Meeting on Peace: What can the youth do to realize a peaceful world free of nuclear weapons?

Moderator: Dr. **Noriko SADO**, Professor, Faculty of Law, Hiroshima Shudo University

#### Commentators:

Ambassador **Benno LAGGNER**, Head Task Force on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation and Head Security Policy Division, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland

Dr. Rebecca JOHNSON, Executive Director of the Acronym Institute

Mr. Kazumi MATSUI, Mayor of Hiroshima City

Mr. **Yasushi NOGUCHI**, Director of Disarmament and Arms Control Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

#### 11:30 - 12:00 **Closing Session**

Mr. Hidehiko YUZAKI, Governor of Hiroshima Prefecture

Ambassador **Kazutoshi AIKAWA**, Director General for Disarmament, Non-Proliferation and Science Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

Dr. **Yuriy KRYVONOS**, Interim Director, United Nations Regional Center for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific

#### 12:15 - 12:45 Post Press Conference

Participants:

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Afternoon: Excursion hosted by the 25th UN Conference on Disarmament Issues in Hiroshima Executive Committee (visit to Miyajima Island)