



Senato  
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Hon Dr Nick Smith  
Chair PNND - New Zealand  
Parliament  
Wellington

Dear Dr Smith,

We are facing important challenges in the path towards a nuclear-free future.

Existing instruments and frameworks risk being unable to harness and redirect the political will of nuclear states, actual and to-be, to find a common understanding and commitment to get rid of nuclear arms.

It is now that a new framework needs to be promoted, on the basis of mutual agreement and respect, dialogue and inclusion, to make nuclear disarmament a common challenge of Humankind.

In this sense a Convention on Nuclear Weapons marks an important step forward and deserves all the political support it needs to become reality.

Respectfully yours,

Senator Francesco Martone