

### **Reducing the risks of nuclear confrontation**

Conference acknowledges that the faltering Korean Peninsula denuclearisation talks and the USA's withdrawal from the Iran nuclear agreement increase the risk of future confrontations which include the potential use of nuclear weapons.

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agrees with Hiroshima Mayor Kazumi Matsui's statement of 6 August 2018 that the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons is 'a milestone along the path to a nuclear-weapon-free world'; and  
congratulates the 60 states that have signed the Treaty by 6 August, 14 of which have already ratified it.

Conference recalls that Labour's 2017 manifesto:

recognised 'We live in a period of growing international tensions';  
sought to reduce 'human suffering caused by war';  
committed to 'lead multilateral efforts with international partners and the UN to create a nuclear-free world'; and  
promised 'a strong, viable and sustainable defence and security policy' that is 'strategic and evidence led'.

Conference calls on the next Labour government to:

sign and ratify the UN Treaty, which will inevitably involve a commitment to scrap the Trident nuclear weapons system; and  
devote resources to meeting Britain's real security needs, such as combating cyber warfare and terrorism.

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