

## Trump and increased nuclear dangers

1. Conference notes
  - a. President Trump's recently announced \$1.2 trillion programme for nuclear weapons 'modernisation' and commitment to a new generation of nuclear weapons, with the emphasis on 'usable' nuclear weapons;
  - b. US withdrawal from the Iran Nuclear Deal in May 2018, and from the Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty in February 2019;
  - c. The recent report of the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists which stated in January 2019 that 'humanity now faces two simultaneous existential threats, either of which would be cause for extreme concern and immediate attention. These major threats—nuclear weapons and climate change—were exacerbated this past year'.
2. Conference further notes that in contrast to these dangerous developments, the 2017 UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons has been ratified by a growing number of countries as diverse as New Zealand, Costa Rica and Vietnam.
3. In an increasingly dangerous world, conference reaffirms Labour's commitment, to 'lead multilateral efforts with international partners and the UN to create a nuclear-free world', and believes that following successful agreements outlawing cluster bombs, landmines, chemical and biological weapons, the time has come for an international agreement to outlaw nuclear weapons.
4. Conference:
  - d. rejects Trump's withdrawal from international agreements and co-operation;
  - e. oppose nuclear proliferation, and continue to commit Labour to a leading role towards a nuclear free world; and
  - f. welcomes the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.

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