

NUCLEAR MYTH

The United States needs nuclear weapons for its national security.

FALSE: U.S. national security would be far improved if the U.S. took a leadership role in seeking to eliminate nuclear weapons throughout the world. Nuclear weapons are the only weapons that could actually destroy the United States, and their existence and proliferation threaten US security.

NUCLEAR FACT

Total number nuclear warheads and bombs built between 1945-1990: more than 70,000. Total number of types of nuclear warheads and bombs built between 1945-1990: more than 65.

Source: <https://www.brookings.edu/50-facts-about-u-s-nuclear-weapons/>

WHY NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT?

We each have a responsibility to our children, grandchildren and future generations to end the threat that nuclear weapons pose to humanity and all life. This is a responsibility unique in human history. If we do not accept responsibility to speak out and act for a world free of nuclear weapons, who will?

REFLECTION

The nuclear arms race is like two sworn enemies standing waist deep in gasoline, one with three matches, the other with five.

-- Carl Sagan

CORPORATE STAND OF THE CLINTON FRANCISCANS

We, the Sisters of St. Francis of Clinton, Iowa, Associates and Sojourners, oppose the continued maintenance, re-search, development, and threatened use of the United States arsenal of nuclear weapons. We call on our government to fulfill our commitments to nuclear disarmament as agreed to in the Non-Proliferation Treaty of 1970 and the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty of 1996.

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