SUPPORT FOR THE PEACE & PLANET MOBILIZATION FOR A NUCLEAR-FREE, PEACEFUL, JUST, AND SUSTAINABLE WORLD

(Conference on April 24-25; rally, march and festival on Sunday April 26; march starts at Union Square North at 1 PM. http://www.peaceandplanet.org)

Whereas “2015 marks the 70th anniversary of the United States atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki”;

Whereas nuclear weapons proliferation continues to endanger the world and the use of even one nuclear weapon would have catastrophic effects for humanity and the environment;

Whereas there are over 16,000 nuclear weapons in the world and all “nuclear-armed countries spend over $100 billion per year on nuclear weapons and related costs.” Moreover, “all nuclear-armed states are modernizing their nuclear arsenals, manifesting the intention to sustain them for decades to come”;

Whereas, “on at least 30 occasions since the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, every US president has prepared and/or threatened to initiate nuclear war during international crises, confrontations, and wars—primarily in the Third World”;

Whereas the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty 5-year Review Conference is occurring at the United Nations from April 27 to May 22, 2015;

Whereas the Peace and Planet Mobilization is calling on all nuclear powers, and in particular the United States, “to fulfill their Article VI commitments to engage in good faith negotiations for the complete elimination of their nuclear arsenals, for deep reductions of military spending in order to meet human needs, and for measures to reverse the devastation being wrought by climate change”; 

Whereas the Working Families Party, US Labor Against the War, the United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers of America, the NJ Industrial Union Council, and the Albany Chapter of the UUP have endorsed the Peace and Planet Mobilization;

Whereas the PSC Committee on the Militarization of CUNY has organized a forum at City College on Thursday, April 23rd entitled “Building a Peaceful World: Ending US Militarism” as a lead-in to the Peace and Planet Mobilization;

Be it resolved, that the PSC supports and will participate in the Peace and Planet Mobilization in New York City from April 24 to 26, 2015.

Submitted by the Committee on the Militarization of CUNY

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