ICYMI: Nuclear Weapons are Illegal.

INHUMANE AND ILLEGAL

On July 7, 2017, the United Nations adopted the landmark Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. Just like all other weapons of mass destruction, nuclear weapons are illegal. The treaty explicitly prohibits financing their development and manufacture.

A NUCLEAR SPENDING BINGE?!

The United States and other nuclear-armed countries flout their disarmament obligations under the Non-Proliferation Treaty and refuse to sign the nuclear ban treaty. Instead, the U.S. plans to spend more than $1.2 trillion over ten years to significantly upgrade the nuclear arsenal.

Financial pressure works. Citizens can use divestment to leverage the nuclear ban treaty and speed the elimination of nuclear weapons. Don't Bank on the Bomb is a global divestment campaign by PAX that began in Europe and is gaining traction in the United States. In April 2016, Cambridge, Massachusetts divested $1 billion of the city's pension funds from nuclear weapons.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

226 banks and pension funds

$344 Billion

27 Companies

Produce nuclear weapons in the US

HALL OF SHAME


$25 BILLION

Bank of America

$22.2 BILLION

CHASE

$17.5 BILLION

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$11.9 BILLION

WELLS FARGO

$9.8 BILLION

Goldman Sachs

Take Action! 

 DOES YOUR BANK INVEST IN NUCLEAR WEAPONS?

Visit dontbankonthebomb.com and read the campaign's latest report to learn whether and how much your bank invests in nuclear weapons. If they do, tell them why you're moving your money and explain why they should divest from nuclear weapons.

 MEET WITH YOUR FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

Write a letter or set up a meeting with your financial institution. Here are key points to make in your correspondence:

- Nuclear weapons are illegal. Don't invest in weapons that the international community has outlawed.
- Financing nuclear weapons is stigmatized. It's bad for the institution's image to support inhumane weapons.
- The world is going green. We should be investing in sustainability to secure our future.
- Nuclear weapons will either be used or phased out. Let's make safe investments instead.

 USE THE POWER OF SOCIAL MEDIA

Target your financial institution on social media to get their attention and put their image at stake. Look up your bank's Twitter handle and send them a message. Here are samples:

@bankofamerica supports illegal, inhumane nuclear weapons. They should divest! #nuclearban

My family's health is important! @bankofamerica should divest from nuclear weapons! #nuclearban

Learn more! Visit dontbankonthebomb.com for resources.

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