Dear Committee Members,

I would like to nominate the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation, and its President and Founder, Dr. David Krieger, for the joint award of the 2019 Nobel Peace Prize. My reasons for this nomination are as follows:

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation was founded in 1982 by Dr. David Krieger. Since that time, under the dedicated leadership of Dr. Krieger, the Foundation has made extremely important contributions to world peace and to the work for the abolition of nuclear weapons.

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation is a designated consultant to the United Nations Economic and Social Council and was named by the UN as a Peace Messenger Organization. It co-founded and provided early leadership to the Abolition 2000 Global Network, made up of over 2,000 organizations and municipalities seeking a multilateral treaty banning nuclear weaponry. The Foundation co-founded and provided early leadership to the Abolition 2000 Global Network, made up of over 2,000 organizations and municipalities seeking a multilateral treaty banning nuclear weaponry. It also co-founded the Middle Powers Initiative, a coalition of seven international organizations working with "middle power" governments toward a global nuclear disarmament agenda (MPI holds annual consultations and sends delegations to participating nations).

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation participates in the five-year Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Review Conferences and/or Preparatory Committee meetings (which take place between Review Conferences). It prepares policy briefs on the NPT's progress for State delegates, members of Congress and UN Missions, one of which has been translated and published in Russia. Through its annual International Law Symposium, the Foundation has played a leadership role in establishing a coalition of civil society organizations working to establish a United Nations Emergency Peace Service (UNEPS) to prevent genocide and crimes against humanity.

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation has created and maintains several websites, including NuclearFiles.org, a compendium of educational and research information on the Nuclear Age visited by more than 1 million visitors annually and recently made part of a National Science Foundation educational consortium entitled Nuclear Pathways. It has sponsored and organized four regional conferences around the world on regional nuclear dangers, missile proliferation, ballistic missile defenses and policy alternatives in cooperation with the International Network of Scientists and Engineers Against Proliferation. The
Foundation has honored outstanding peace leaders for 28 years, including His Holiness the XIVth Dalai Lama, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Captain Jacques Cousteau, King Hussein of Jordan, Walter Cronkite, and Daniel Ellsberg.

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation has assembled a world class Advisory Council, including many Nobel Peace Laureates; and has created a national and international network of affiliates, associates and representatives at the United Nations, in Latin America, Africa, Asia and in North America.

Dr. Krieger himself holds a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Occidental College (1963), a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Hawaii (1968), and a J.D. from the Santa Barbara College of Law (1987). He has been deeply immersed in issues of nuclear weapons and the obligations under international law for nuclear disarmament, and has represented the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation at a number of Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conferences and Preparatory Committee meetings for Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conferences.

Dr Krieger has written and edited several books on the subject of nuclear weapons and the obligation under international law to achieve nuclear disarmament. These books have been brought out by publishers who exercise care in meeting high academic standards. One such book is entitled, Nuclear Weapons and the World Court (New York, Transnational Publishers, Inc., 1998), co-authored with University of Denver Strum Law School professor Ved Nanda. Another is The Path to Zero, Dialogues on Nuclear Dangers (Boulder: Paradigm Publishers, 2012), co-authored with Richard Falk, Princeton University professor emeritus of international law and practice. He has also edited volumes on nuclear weapons abolition, dealing, inter alia, with nuclear nonproliferation and complete nuclear disarmament. One such edited volume is The Challenge of Abolishing Nuclear Weapons (New Brunswick: Transaction Publishers, 2011). Another such volume, co-edited with Richard Falk, is At the Nuclear Precipice: Catastrophe of Transformation? (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2008). He also written numerous book chapters, booklets and articles on nuclear weapons dangers and the need to abolish nuclear weapons.

Dr. Krieger is one of 50 councilers from around the world elected to the World Future Council and serve as the chair of its Peace and Disarmament Working Group. He is a founder of the Abolition 2000 Global Network to Abolish Nuclear Weapons and serve on its Global Council. He has one of the principal authors of the Abolition 2000 Founding Statement. He has served on the Executive Committee of the Middle Powers Initiative (MPI) since its founding in 1998. He is currently serving as vice chair of MPI and as the chair of the MPI Executive Committee. MPI is a coalition of eight international civil society organizations working with middle power governments to achieve nuclear disarmament. Additionally, he is the chair of the Executive Committee of the International Network of Engineers and Scientists for Global Responsibility, which works inter alia for the abolition of nuclear weapons.
Dr. Krieger serves on the Advisory Councils of many peace and justice organizations, including Free the Children International (Toronto), the Bianca Jagger Human Rights Foundation (London), the Right Livelihood Foundation (Sweden), the Mayors for Peace (Hiroshima), the Peace Resources Cooperative (Yokohama), the Transnational Foundation for Peace and Future Research (Sweden), and the Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy (New York).

Dr. Krieger has received a number of awards for his work, including the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences Award for Saving Life on Earth (2012); the Citizens for Peaceful Resolutions’ Earth Charter Award for Democracy, Nonviolence and Peace (2011); Occidental College Alumnus of the Year (2008); Global Green’s Millennium Award for International Environmental Leadership (2005); the Peace Educator of the Year Award of the Consortium of Peace Research, Education and Development (2001); the Gakudo Peace Award of the Ozaki Yukio Memorial Foundation (2001); Soka Gakkai Hiroshima Peace Award (2000); Soka Gakkai International Peace and Culture Award (1997); Soka University Award of Highest Honor (1997); Peace Award of the War and Peace Foundation (1996); Big Canvas Award of Santa Barbara Magazine (1996); and the Bronze Medal of the Hungarian Engineers for Peace (1995).

In his early career Dr. Krieger was an Assistant Professor at the University of Hawaii and San Francisco State University. He worked at the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions on issues of international law, ocean governance, nuclear terrorism and disarmament; and at the Foundation for Reshaping the International Order (RIO Foundation) in the Netherlands on the effects of dual-purpose technologies on disarmament, development and the environment.

In conclusion, I strongly believe that the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation, and its Founder and President, Dr. David Krieger, deserve to share the 2019 Nobel Peace Prize.

Respectfully,

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