

# *Nobel Peace Prize Watch*

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## NOMINATIONS QUALIFIED TO WIN – NOBEL PEACE PRIZE 2020

Nobel Peace Prize Watch hereby once again presents a screened list of 36 candidates qualified to win the Nobel Peace Prize, see [nobelwill.org](http://nobelwill.org) – under Candidates 2020 – where we also publish the nomination letters and our guidelines for screening. The obligation of secrecy applies to the committee and staff, to require the same of the general public runs counter to modern democratic thinking on transparent processes. Moreover, secrecy is counterproductive, publicity and discussion are vital to promoting the goal of Nobel. The web address for our full list and links is: <http://www.nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=10>

Our list is the result of a worldwide search for candidates; we have also offered advice and encouraged nominations and see this as a service also to members of the Committee. This is exactly such monitoring of the peace work as basis for the awards that the Norwegian Nobel Institute was established to do. It is, however, our impression that the Secretariat does not search actively for suitable candidates. We recognize that the last four awards have been nearer the intention of Nobel, even if the secretariat has not understood the actual purpose of Nobel's will. Statements in the media by a former employee, now member of the committee, leave no doubt about this: Mr. Asle Toje has refused to answer the simple question whether it is possible to practice a "dynamic interpretation" without first ascertaining the original intention of Nobel (see the IALANA nomination 2020).

It goes without saying that to realize the peace ideas of Alfred Nobel's testament requires a thorough study of what his will actually was, then make the conclusions known, and then find candidates conforming to his purpose. Seeing a need to protect Nobel's visionary idea of how to create world peace, we have for over a decade done our best to serve the original intention of his testament. We now think it may prove useful to discuss the optimal use of our knowledge and resources and hereby renew our earlier wishes and offers to meet with representative(s) of the committee proper.

Sincerely yours,

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