

The Nobel Peace Prize Watch

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The Norwegian Nobel Committee, Oslo

AMERICANS, ANTINUCLEARS, DOMINATE PEACE PRIZE NOMINATIONS

Nobel Peace Prize Watch has been able to get hold of 28 properly filed nominations that comply with the Alfred Nobel will. Believing transparency, here as everywhere else, is indispensable to securing quality, we have posted a screened list of 19 persons (of these 12 US Americans), and 12 organizations (of these 8 antinuclear) that are qualified to be considered 2017 - here: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8>, see guidelines for the evaluation of eligibility: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8#guidelines>.

The NPPW list contains two imperfect nominations, Combatants of Peace, Chelsea Manning, and we believe the committee may have received 5-8 more that must be treated as qualified, such as: Tony de Brum, Dennis Muskwege, the International Peace Bureau, Peaceful tomorrows, Pope Francis, Bill Pace, Federico Mayor/UNESCO. Committee members should, if necessary, “rescue” these using their own extended time limit.

Six candidates stand out as particularly qualified, i.e. as directly pursuing the core idea of Nobel, helping liberate all nations from all weapons, all warriors and war:

David Swanson, USA: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8#swanson2>

Johan Galtung, Norway/World: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8#galtung2>

Richard Falk, USA: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8#falk2>

Medea Benjamin, USA: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8#benjamin>

Daniel Ellsberg, USA: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8#ellsberg2>

Jan Oberg, Sweden: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8#oberg2>

The other valid candidates are either pursuing the all-important topic of nuclear disarmament, decisive to planetary survival; or they have revealed aspects and consequences of militarism and the urgency of demilitarizing international affairs:

Edward Snowden, USA in exile: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8#snowden2>

Kathryn Bolkovac, USA: <http://nobelwill.org/index.html?tab=8#bolkovac2>

The list contains many good reasons to respect Nobel’s idea in the 2017 selection.

Sincerely yours,

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