MESSAGE

Greetings of peace and felicitations to the organizers and participants of the International Youth Summit for Nuclear Abolition!

Our Center for Peace Education is one with all of you in this important youth event on this the 70th anniversary of the nuclear attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. We believe, like many more people of goodwill and peace organizations all over the world, that this year is the “appropriate milestone” to start negotiations for a treaty that will ban nuclear weapons because of its humanitarian consequences.

Many spiritual leaders, including Pope Francis, have recently pushed the moral argument against nuclear weapons to a new level stating that they are not only against their use but also against their possession. Truly, it can be asserted that the weapons are not only inhumane but also immoral because they are indiscriminate and cause horrific death and suffering. Furthermore, huge spending on nuclear weapons when resources could be far better invested on human development and the fight against extreme poverty is unfathomable.

We support the International Youth Summit for Nuclear Abolition and congratulate heartily the organizers of this wonderful initiative! It is certainly a significant step towards strengthening a generation of youth peace leaders!

HIROSHIMA AND NAGASAKI, NEVER AGAIN!

BAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS NOW!

Warmest regards, on behalf of the Center for Peace Education,

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