

# Reducing the Nation's Spending for Nuclear Weapons

*Saturday, January 25, 2025*

*2:00 - 5:30 pm*

*Virtual conference*

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*Preventing Nuclear War During the Trump Presidency*

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online

- International Flashpoints
- Costs and Dangers of the Nuclear Weapons Buildup
- Economic Campaigns to Limit the Buildup
- Campaigns Focused on Dangers of Weapons Use
- Congressional Initiatives

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Rep. John Garamendi | Sen. Ed Markey

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Dear Friend,

The threat of nuclear war is increasing, rather than abating.

- Biden's recent actions in the Russia/Ukraine conflict has sharply increased the danger.
- The tragic Israel/Gaza conflict continues to expand.
- Cold Warriors in high places are beating the drums of war toward Russia and China.
- Enormous public expenditures are being made on upgrading all three legs of the nuclear weapons triad.

Responding to these costs and dangers, we will meet virtually on Saturday afternoon January 25, 2025 to call for Reducing the Nation's Spending for Nuclear Weapons and discuss how to organize to meet the challenge.

## Register to attend.

### **Program:**

**2:00 Welcome: Bob Redwine** (MIT) - Continuing influence of the Military-Industrial Complex

**2:05 Opening Panel - International Flashpoints** Chair- **Joseph Gerson** (Campaign for Peace, Disarmament and Common Security);

- US and Russia - Hon. **George Beebe** (Quincy Institute);
- US and China - Prof. **Lyle Goldstein** (Watson Institute/ Brown University);
- Nuclear Tensions over Israel, Gaza, and Iran - **Sharon Gaya Dolev** (Israel) and **Emad Kiyaei** (Iran) (Middle East Treaty Organization)

**2:50 pm Panel 2- Costs & Dangers of the US Nuclear Weapons Buildup** - Chair, **Nancy Goldner** (Cut Sentinel Campaign).

- Exorbitant Sentinel costs -**Richard Krushnic** (Mass Peace Action);
- Dangers of the New ICBMs – **David Borris** (Chicago Area Peace Action);
- What do we expect from Trump's Nuclear Stances –**Daryl Kimball** (Arms Control Assn.).

### **3:30 Break**

**3:40 Panel 3 - Economic Campaigns** - Chair, **Susan Mirsky** (Nuclear Disarmament Working Group);

- Moral Budget – **Shailly Gupta Barnes** (Poor People's Campaign (PPC) and Kairos Center (NY));
- Warheads to Windmills – **Anduin Devos** (Nuclear Ban.US);
- Divestment – **Susi Snyder** (ICANW);
- Fund People over Pentagon – Prof. **Jonathan King** (MA Peace Action Education Fund).

**4:20 Panel 4: No New Nukes- Campaigns Focused on Limiting Weapons:** Chair, **Gary Goldstein** (Campaign for Peace, Disarmament and Common Security and Tufts University);

- Back from the Brink- **Harry Katz** (Back from the Brink);
- Restricting Sole Authority and First Use - Prof. **Elaine Scarry** (Campaign for Peace, Disarmament and Common Security);

- Physicists Coalition for Nuclear Threat Reduction – Prof. **Stewart Prager**(Princeton University);
- Promoting the Treaty on Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) - Melissa Parke ( ICANW).

**5:00 Congressional Initiatives:** Chair **Cole Harrison**

- Senate action: Sen. **Ed Markey** (D-MA) (*right, above*)
- Cancelling the Sentinel -Rep. **John Garamendi** (D-CA) (*left, above*)
- Citizen’s Call to Action - Jodie Evans (*CodePINK*).

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**Program Committee:** David Borris (Chicago Area Peace Action); Ann Fritsch (Rotary International); Nancy Goldner (Sentinel Project); Prof. Gary Goldstein (Mass Peace Action Education Fund); Cole Harrison (Mass Peace Action Education Fund); Susan Mirsky (MAPA Nuclear Disarmament Working Group); Jonathan King-Chair (Nuclear Disarmament Coordinating Committee and MIT); Prof. Bob Redwine (Nuclear Weapons Education Project and MIT).

Nuclear costs calculator - <https://www.psr-la.org/nuclear-costs>

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Thank you,

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