



# International Peace Bureau

## INTRODUCING IPB

The International Peace Bureau is a non-profit association founded in 1891, the oldest international peace organization, dedicated to the vision of a World Without War. Our network includes 300 member organisations in 70 countries. Our current main programme centres on Disarmament for Sustainable Development and we campaign mainly on the reduction of military expenditure.

We depend on your support to continue working on this and a range of other topics, including nuclear and conventional disarmament, arms trade, peace education, culture of peace and peace history.

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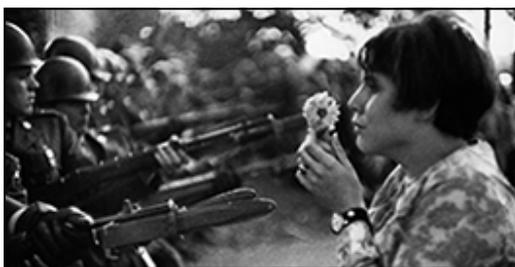
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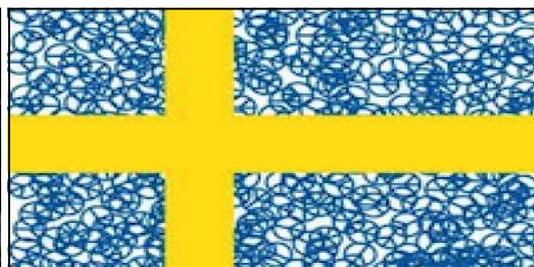
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### OVER 6000 PEOPLE ATTEND 'MAKING PEACE' OPENING IN STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN



June 16, 2013—Dubbed 'a huge success' by IPB representatives and museum staff, IPB's photo-exhibition 'Making Peace' opened at the Nobel Museum in Stockholm on June 14, with **over 6000 participants**. Speeches by IPB President Tomas Magnusson and exhibition curator Ashley Woods were followed by a range of performances: singers, jazzers, acrobats, even knitters for peace! The show is open to the public until 17 November. The Nobel Museum will feature an ambitious lecture and event programme in conjunction with the exhibition.

### IPB TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE TO TAKE PLACE IN STOCKHOLM, SEPTEMBER 13-15



June 20, 2013—Every three years IPB holds a special meeting to bring together its members and supporters and to discuss the challenges facing peace movements in an unstable and over-militarised world. This year's gathering (September 13-15) will focus on 2 themes: **MILITARY INTERVENTION** and **MONEY AND MINDS** (the costs of war).

Speakers include Jody Williams (Nobel laureate 1997) and Terumi Tanaka (Hiroshima survivors' organisation).

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# DISARMAMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT

## MILITARY SPENDING

### UNITED STATES

#### [THE MILITARIZATION OF NORTH AMERICAN LIFE](#)

A talk by Bruce K. Gagnon, Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space

June 1, 2013—Mr. Gagnon gives a scathing speech about the excesses of American military spending, with a particular focus on how it affects the liberty of American citizens. He ends by discussing the good that could be created in communities all across the United States if military funding were redirected. Given at the Moana Nui 2013 Teach-In, in Berkeley, California

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#### [DoD FINALLY ACKNOWLEDGES SEQUESTER IS HERE TO STAY: PDA RESET DEFENCE MONTHLY BULLETIN](#)

By Ethan Rosenkranz at the Project for Defense Alternatives

June 6, 2013—The Project on Defense Alternatives reviews the consequences of the U.S. government's sequestration and the appointment of American ambassador to the UN Susan Rice as the new National Security Advisor. The PDA argues her appointment may portend greater military intervention in the Middle East, with a resultant increase in military expenditures..

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#### [OPINION: SQUANDERING THE AMERICAN DREAM WITH WASTEFUL SPENDING](#)

By Blake Fleetwood, The Democratic Daily

June 19, 2013— « In September 2004, the military even built the Edelweiss Lodge and Ski Resort in the Bavarian Alps at a cost of \$80 million. Our two million enlisted soldiers probably aren't experienced skiers or golfers, but our 1,000 generals probably are. Each general's staff and support cost nearly one million dollars per year. The consequence of this irresponsible spending is a \$12 trillion debt and a \$642 billion annual deficit, most of it caused by military and healthcare spending. The deficit—with its attendant demands for austerity and benefit cuts, has created a

## ARMS TRADE

#### [THE ARMS TRADE TREATY: A STEP FORWARD IN ARMS CONTROL?](#)

By The Small Arms Survey

June 3, 2013— This research note produced by the Small Arms Survey gives a brief overview of the impacts of the recent adoption of the Arms Trade Treaty by the UN

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#### [SWITZERLAND SIGNS THE ARMS TRADE TREATY](#)

By the International Service of the Swiss Broadcasting Corporation

June 4, 2013— « Seger emphasised how important it is that the ATT enters into force and be implemented as soon as possible in order to combat effectively the negative consequences of the international trade in conventional weapons. He also suggested Geneva as a location for the treaty's secretariat. »

# NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

## [ABOLITION 2000 GLOBAL NETWORK NEWSLETTER](#)

Abolition 2000

June 12 2013—This newsletter highlights the progress made in the quest for nuclear disarmament in the past month, particularly in regards to the UN Open-ended Working Group on nuclear disarmament , efforts to eliminate Trident, and various international debates and conferences covering these issues.

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## [THE OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP'S \*\*MANUAL FOR CAMPAIGNERS\*\* AND \*\*MANUAL FOR GOVERNMENTS\*\*](#)

By Alyn Ware, Christian Ciobanu, Jana Jedlickova and Esteban Ramirez Gonzalez

June 18, 2013— Abolition 2000: Task Force on the Open Ended Working Group and the Basel Peace Office have produced two manuals about the work of the OEWG, results so far, and what the reader can do to support the nuclear disarmament process. There is one manual for campaigners, and one for governments and parliamentarians.

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## [ICAN JUNE NEWSLETTER](#)

By the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons

June 20, 2013—ICAN summarizes the various actions taken around the NPT Preparatory Committee, as well as highlighting Nuclear Action Week, which will take place July 6-13th around the world. The newsletter also links to excellent articles about American President Obama's trip to Berlin, and the revelation that the Netherlands have housed nuclear weapons since the 1960s.

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## [SIPRI SUMMARY OF WORLD NUCLEAR FORCES](#)

By the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute

June 18, 2013—At the start of 2013, 8 states had control of the approximately 17 270 nuclear weapons in existence today. Despite commitments by Russia and the United States, the two countries with the largest collection of nuclear weaponry, to reduce nuclear arms, all nuclear weapons' states are actively modernizing their nuclear arsenals.

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## [BRUNO BARRILLOT FIRED BY THE PRESIDENT OF FRENCH POLYNESIA](#)

By Jean-Paul Mari, Association Moruroa e tatou (Article in French)

June 6, 2013 - Gaston Flosse, President of French Polynesia and strong supporter of nuclear testing, fired Bruno Barillot on June 3rd. Widely known for his commitment to serving the victims of nuclear testing, Bruno Barillot has led the *Investigative Committee of the Assembly of French Polynesia on nuclear testing* since 2005. He denounced the consequences of nuclear tests on health and



the environment and obliged France to begin the rehabilitation of old sites used for nuclear testing and to pass a law to compensate victims of nuclear tests. Barillot also initiated a program on the "Memory of the period of nuclear tests" as it is left aside in school programs. Since his election on May 17th and with the support of France, Gaston Flosse has started to remove those who for years fought nuclear testing and are committed to help the victims.

# WHISTLEBLOWING & ACCOUNTABILITY

## [BIG MONEY AND THE NSA SCANDAL: HOW DANGEROUS IS THE SECURITY/DIGITAL COMPLEX?](#)

By Richard Eskow, Nation of Change

June 11 2013—This article discusses the revelations of Edward Snowden, the NSA whistleblower and gives a unique insight into the company running the surveillance, Booz Hamilton Allen. It warns against the growing `Security/Digital Complex` and the relentless privatization of state functions, particularly state security.

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## [THE NSA BLACK HOLE: 5 BASIC THINGS WE STILL DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE AGENCY'S SNOOPING](#)

By Justin Elliot and Theodoric Meyer, Nation of Change

June 11 2013—This helpful article attempts to clear up a few of the misconceptions currently floating around the NSA wiretapping scandal. It answers questions about the scope and time length of the data collection, the legality of the practice, what exactly the notorious PRISM is.

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## [HOW DYSTOPIAN SECRECY CONTRIBUTES TO CLUELESS WARS](#)

By Chase Madar, Nation of Change

June 11 2013—Discussing the legal treatment of Bradley Manning and the true cost of the `War on Terror`, Madar argues about the need for transparency in society to avoid costly foreign policy mistakes.

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## [HISTORIC CHALLENGE TO SUPPORT THE MORAL ACTIONS OF EDWARD SNOWDEN](#)

By Normon Soloman, Nation of Change

June 11 2013—With Edward Snowden`s game-changing information about the U.S. government revealed, it is important that the public shows its support for the man and declare that this type of behaviour from governments is unacceptable.

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## [BRADLEY MANNING SUPPORT NETWORK NEWSLETTER](#)

By The Bradley Manning Support Network

June 20, 2013—A video was just released showing celebrities declare, «I am Bradley Manning», in support of the whistleblower currently on trial. BMSN also overviews their project priorities and advertises for their Support Bradley Manning event on July 27th, 2013 before his trial is decided sometime in August.

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## [`THE WATCHERS` HAVE HAD THEIR EYES ON US FOR YEARS: RADIO INTERVIEW AND BOOK](#)

By Shane Harris, National Public Radio

June 19, 2013—"What he was proposing at the time — and this is before we realized what had been going on in secret at the NSA, sounded Orwellian. It sounded almost absurd. The idea that you would want to go out and give the government access to every single person's record and let them root through it, really seemed just a step too far, even in the one or two years after 9/11 when the country was still very much on edge and we were fighting a war in Afghanistan; it just seemed like it was just excessive. The name creeped people out. It was called 'Total Information Awareness.' It had this logo of the pyramid from the great seal of the United States with this floating eye on it casing a beam over the globe; it looked very menacing." -Shane Harris

# RESOURCES/MISCELLANEOUS

## RESOURCES

### [BULLETIN OF THE WORLD REPORT ON THE CULTURE OF PEACE](#)

(Global Movement for a Culture of Peace and Non-violence)

June 1, 2013—The Global Movement for a Culture of Peace and Non-violence bulletin provides updates on the ambitious Culture of Peace News Network and how its message is growing. It also discusses the need for more Peace Reporters to contribute news reports about aspects of peace that are important to them. Also available in French and Spanish.

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### [DON'T EVER WHISPER: DARLENE KEJU, PACIFIC HEALTH PIONEER, CHAMPION FOR NUCLEAR SURVIVORS](#)

By Giff Johnson

June 18, 2013— “This story is about taking risks and a passion for change. It is about the desire of one young woman from a small Pacific island to gain an American education despite disadvantages of language and resources, and to use that education first to expose to the world a US government cover up of the damage caused by nuclear testing in her islands, and later to motivate and inspire young Marshall Islanders to make changes in their personal behavior that transformed the health of their communities. It is about her pride in her heritage, her understanding that to be successful, the solutions to the problems faced by Marshall Islanders had to be home grown but with a keen awareness of the world outside. It is about her recognition that many of those solutions were within the people’s grasp but they had been abandoned or were being ignored as a consequence of rapidly encroaching westernization.”

- Giff Johnson, author

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### [GLOBAL ARTICLE 9 CAMPAIGN QUARTERLY ENEWSLETTER](#)

By Global Article 9 Campaign

June 18, 2013—Global Article 9 Campaign reviews the progress and challenges experienced by the Abolish War campaign since April. The newsletter argues against the amendments to the Japanese constitution proposed by Prime Minister Abe. It also summarizes the events of the NPT-Prepcom, exposes misogynistic statements of the Mayor of Osaka, and expands on the important role women play in peace processes.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### [REPORT ON THE UNITED NATIONS NEW PARADIGM CONFERENCE](#)

By Allison Chandler

June 3rd, 2013—IPB staff participated in a high-level conference at the United Nations discussing how best to realize the goals of prosperity, security, sustainability and social justice in a transformative and interdisciplinary manner. This report summarizes the highlights of the conference, in particular the seminar on



# MISCELLANEOUS

## [IPB BOARD MEMBER'S TRIP TO AFGHANISTAN](#)

By Reiner Braun

June 8th, 2013— "Fear of attacks is everywhere: attacks by the Taliban, military actions (and aggression) by NATO troops, and warlike behaviour or violence by Afghan soldiers and police against their own population, especially against women." Reiner Braun writes of his week-long « fact-finding for peace » mission in Kabul, from 16 May to 23 May.



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## [IPB GENERAL-SECRETARY GIVES LEEDS PEACE LECTURE](#)

By Colin Archer

May 7 2013— Every year the Leeds City Council organises, together with the Leeds Metropolitan University and Peace Links Group, the [Olof Palme Peace Lecture](#). This year it was given by IPB's Secretary-General, Colin Archer. Lecture was first established in 1987 in memory of Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme, a peace campaigner and outspoken opponent of apartheid in South Africa who briefly studied in Leeds in the 1950s. Colin Archer delivered an illustrated lecture entitled *'Development and Military Spending in a Time of Austerity'*.



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## [IS MILITARY INVOLVEMENT WITH SCIENCE UNDERMINING OUR SECURITY?](#)

By Dr. Stuart Parkinson, Scientists for Global Responsibility

June 4 2013—The UK defense machine is built on the idea of technological supremacy, and so arms producers, scientists and engineers are becoming increasingly interdependent. The heightened pressure on civil society to produce technological innovations with military applications is exemplified by the worrying increase in funding military-related university programs, government and corporate schemes. This is a slippery slope, as forging such a close bond between science and the military can result in an increase in the destructive power of weapons, an increase in the number of civilian casualties, the failure of 'precision' weapons, greater proliferation of arms throughout the world, an overestimation of one's wartime

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