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International Peace Movement Conference



April 2, 2019 - 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

St. Stephen & the Incarnational Episcopal Church

1525 Newton St., N.W., Washington, DC

NATO TURNS 70 2019

NATO turns 70 in 2019 and will celebrate its anniversary in Washington, D.C. on April 4, Martin Luther King Jr. Day and the anniversary of MLK's seminal "Beyond Vietnam" speech in which he called on us to overcome the triple evils of militarism, racism and extreme materialism.

With the end of the Cold War, NATO should have been retired, not repurposed. NATO claims to strive for collective defense and to preserve peace and security. It has never been such a system. It is the world's largest military alliance with the largest military spending and nuclear stockpiles. It is the main driver of the new arms race and the main obstacle to a nuclear weapons-free world. Having expanded across eastern Europe into former Soviet republics with military troops now at Russia's borders, its new nuclear weapons and a first-strike related "missile defense shield," NATO is the key driver of the new Cold War. It has also been transformed into a global military alliance structured to wage "out of area" wars in the Middle East, North Africa and the Middle East."

SPEAKERS INCLUDE

Reiner Braun - Co-President, International Peace Bureau (Berlin)



Anna Ochkina - Institute of Globalization and Social Movements in Moscow



Medea Benjamin - Code Pink



Peter Kuznick - Professor of History, American University



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