

CAST YOUR "VOTE"

FOR A WORLD WITHOUT NUCLEAR WEAPONS!

"Complex 2030" is the latest euphemism for the United States nuclear weapons research and manufacturing complex. The U.S. plans to spend \$150 billion over the next 25 years to replace its entire nuclear arsenal with new "Reliable Replacement Warheads" by the year 2030, and to establish the capability to produce entirely new nuclear weapons designs.

The proposed project is tantamount to a U.S. declaration of "nukes forever," and a repudiation of its obligation under Article VI of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) to end the arms race "at an early date" and to negotiate "in good faith" the *elimination* of its nuclear arsenal. Indefinite maintenance of a huge, sophisticated nuclear arsenal, by the only country that has so far used nuclear weapons, is an *unreasonable*, unacceptable, and unlawful alternative. The only reasonable alternative is nuclear abolition. **The U.S., in compliance with its obligation under the NPT, should commit to the elimination of nuclear weapons no later than 2030, by initiating negotiations leading to conclusion of a verifiable treaty, under strict and effective international control.**

Last year, the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) of the Department of Energy (DOE) announced its intention to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Complex 2030 - the latest in a long string of DOE proposals to provide environmental compliance cover for the endless refurbishment of the nuclear weapons complex. Under the National Environmental Policy Act, the initial phase of this process provides for public input into the "scope" of the environmental review, which must, by law, analyze all "reasonable alternatives." Last fall, scoping meetings on Complex 2030 were held at a dozen locations around the United States. *32,000 people said "no" to nuclear weapons in oral and written comments!*

Once the scope of the EIS is determined, the NNSA will release a draft study, anticipated in September 2007. A public comment period of at least 45 days will follow, with more public hearings and the opportunity to submit written comments - *including the unofficial "ballot"*.

According to the DOE's Notice of Intent, the EIS will "analyze the environmental impacts from the continued transformation of the United States' nuclear weapons complex by implementing NNSA's vision of the complex as it would exist in 2030... as well as alternatives." *Every one of the alternatives would result in an increase over current nuclear weapons production capabilities. In the meantime, with or without Complex 2030, individual nuclear weapons research and production facilities are being modernized or built at nuclear weapons labs and factories across the country, and the nuclear weapons juggernaut is forging ahead.*

Help turn the Complex 2030 EIS process into a national referendum on the future of nuclear weapons! Cast your "vote" for the elimination of nuclear weapons by filling in and mailing copies of the unofficial "ballot" to your two Senators, your Representative, and the DOE.

Instructions to "voters":

1) Make at least 4 copies of the ballot. Complete one for your Representative and one for each of your two Senators. Mail them to:

Representative _____
U.S. House Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C.
20515

Senator _____
U.S. Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C.
20510

2) Complete another ballot for the DOE/NNSA. Wait until October and mail it to:

U.S. Dept. of Energy
Ted Wyka, NA-10.1
Complex 2030 Comment
1000 Independence Ave., SW
Washington, D.C.
20585

3) You can also send completed ballots to all of the Presidential candidates.