



SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS

In anticipation of the release of the Biden Administration's Nuclear Posture Review, Veterans For Peace is offering their own suggested Nuclear Posture Review that leads away from "full spectrum dominance" over the planet toward "full spectrum cooperation" with the planet.

It looks at the current US posture vis-à-vis all the other nuclear-capable countries plus Iran and then offers proposals for correcting that posture. The proposals fall into three groups.

Unilateral, immediate posture changes to reduce the danger of an unintended nuclear exchange:

1. Announce and implement a No First Use and No Launch on Warning ("Hair Trigger Alert") policy by separating warheads from delivery vehicles.
2. Decommission ICBM weapons and silos. Since they are well-known, vulnerable targets they can only be used as a first strike weapon.
3. Replace the President's sole authority to launch a nuclear attack with a safer, more collective process less likely to lead to a rash decision.
4. Eliminate THAAD and other anti-ballistic missile systems.

Negotiations for Nuclear Disarmament

5. Sign and ratify the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.
6. Actively initiate and pursue negotiations to reduce international tensions, promote strategic stability, and prepare the ground for major reduction in nuclear arms.
7. Call all the nuclear states to the table to negotiate a path to nuclear disarmament as required by the 1970 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.
8. Join with Russia and China in negotiating for space ban and cyber-ban treaties.
9. Ratify the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty.
10. Re-implement the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty and eliminate all missile "defense" systems.
11. Re-implement the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty.

Implementation of Treaty Obligations

12. Work with our allies to remove US nuclear weapons stationed in the NATO countries—Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium and Turkey.
13. Bring home the submarines carrying nuclear weapons, ground the nuclear bombers, and dismantle the missile sites.
14. Terminate the "nuclear modernization program", including all new nuclear weapons research, design, refurbishment, expansion, laboratory testing and sub-critical testing. Pass the Nuclear Weapons Abolition and Economic and Energy Conversion Act, HR2850.
15. Create adequate funding to clean up uranium mines and mills, nuclear production and testing facilities, and nuclear waste sites in the US and the Pacific nuclear test areas. Develop technologies and facilities for handling radioactive materials.
16. Develop economic conversion plans to help nuclear industry workers make a transition to constructive employment.