# Merseyside CND News Update Jan/Feb 2018



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## 2018 marks the 60th anniversary of the founding of CND

How we'd have preferred to have shut up shop years ago, consigned nuclear weapons to the dustbin of history and moved on. But not to be - Except you can make a difference. Come along and help in so many ways tiny or big. We need your brains and your bodies to make 2018 memorable. As Anne Frank said: "How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world". Quoted in a recent Justice and Peace newsletter

#### ALERT-TRUMP TO VISIT UK VERY SOON!

Theresa May has confirmed that President Trump will visit us "in the new year".

\*The most likely date for Trump's visit is February, for the formal opening of the new US Embassy in London. It is important that those of us who abhor President Trump's nuclear posturing (apparently his nuclear button is bigger and more powerful than Kim Jong-un's!) make sure our voice is heard loud and clear.

We can do this by joining CND comrades in London for what should be the biggest demonstration since the 2 million protested against Blair's Iraq war over ten years ago. Those who cannot make the trip to London, and it will necessarily be at short notice, can make their views known in other ways. You can write to your local paper, and contact your MP to ask him/her to denounce Trump's nuclear belligerence in Parliament

Above all, we need to show that those of us in the UK who fight for peace and nuclear disarmament do not welcome him to this country and hold both him and his nuclear arms imperialism in contempt.

STOP PRESS— The situation is even worse than we thought! Trump has just 'relaxed' the rules governing America's use of nuclear weapons and is proposing the development of new 'more flexible' strategic nuclear missiles. We must fight this madness before it is too late.

Peter Wilson Co-chair Merseyside CND

[\* Latest news—he's cancelled February date but no doubt he will come but not to open Obama's new US Embassy. Ed ]

Liverpool Pax Christie will be holding a stall Sunday Jan 14th 'Peace Sunday'

In the Crypt of the RC Cathedral at 10am Morning-Mass and 7pm Evening Mass Theme:

"The non violent Jesus"
Ash Wednesday
February 14th
Witness of Repentance
Liverpool City Centre

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Focus on Trident Nuclear Weapons
Bring placards, banners, messages
Full details to be confirmed at
planning meeting 1pm Jan 17th St.
Michael's Chuch Horne St. L6 5EH
Next group meeting Feb.6th 7pm
Irish Centre, West Derby Rd
Contact: Jan Harper: 0151 263 5623
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Merseyside Peace Network
Next meeting: Tuesday Feb.6th
11am Friends Meeting House
School Lane, Liverpool
mpn2017@googlegroups.com.





## Global nuclear ban?

The British government won't sign, so let's take matters into our own hands.

Sign the Citizens' Treaty



Merseyside CND AGM Wednesday Feb.7th 5pm Conference Room 1, L.C.V.S.,

151 Dale St. L2 2AH

All Merseyside CND members
welcome to come and join us for
Campaign and Officer Reports
Election of officers and help us
make plans for 2018
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# Labour CND in the North West

Labour CND will be meeting on the 27th January 2018 2pm-3.30pm at Bridge 5 Mill in Ancoats, Manchester M4 7HR Labour CND is for members of the Labour Party who are committed to CND's goals of peace and disarmament. We seek to work within the party to develop a more ethical foreign policy, as well as celebrate the positive aspects of existing policy.

Labour CND (UK) will be holding its next Annual Conference and AGM on 24th February in Leeds. It'd be great to send a strong delegation from the North West.

More details about the AGM to follow nearer the date
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Wallasey CND Free Film Show:
'The Man Who Saved the World'
Celebrating Nobel Peace Prize winners
International Campaign to Abolish
Nuclear Weapons (ICAN)
2.30pm Saturday 17th February 2018
Wallasey Central Library
Earlston Rd. CH45 5DX

You may well not have heard of Stanislav Petrov, but you owe him your life. Shortly after midnight on 26th September 1983, a Soviet early warning radar detected what were thought to be incoming American nuclear missiles. Lt. Colonel Stanislav Petrov, on duty in a defence bunker near Moscow, decided not to retaliate immediately thus preventing the beginning of World War III, the deaths of millions of people and, quite possibly, the end of life on Earth. Released in 2014 after 10 years in the making the film movingly reconstructs that day from present day interviews with a somewhat reluctant Petrov. Director: Peter Anthony 1hr.50 mins long certificate 18 and rated 4\*; contains strong language Refreshments served 2pm Film starts 2.30 Further info Wallasey CND: janmike@care4free.net

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