



# Nuclear Weapons and the Human Right to Life

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# ICCPR

International Covenant on Civil and  
Political Rights

“Every human  
being has the  
inherent right to  
life.”

# ICCPR General Comment 36

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The threat or use of nuclear weapons violates the right to life

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States must take measures to stop the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction

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States must provide reparations to victims of the testing or use of nuclear weapons

# **Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons**

## Article 6

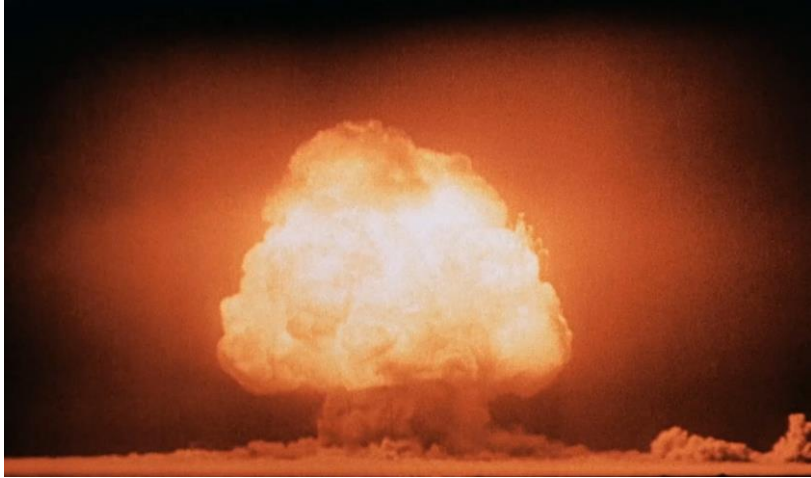
**Victim Assistance**

**Environmental  
Remediation**



# International Court of Justice

Advisory opinion on nuclear  
weapons and human rights

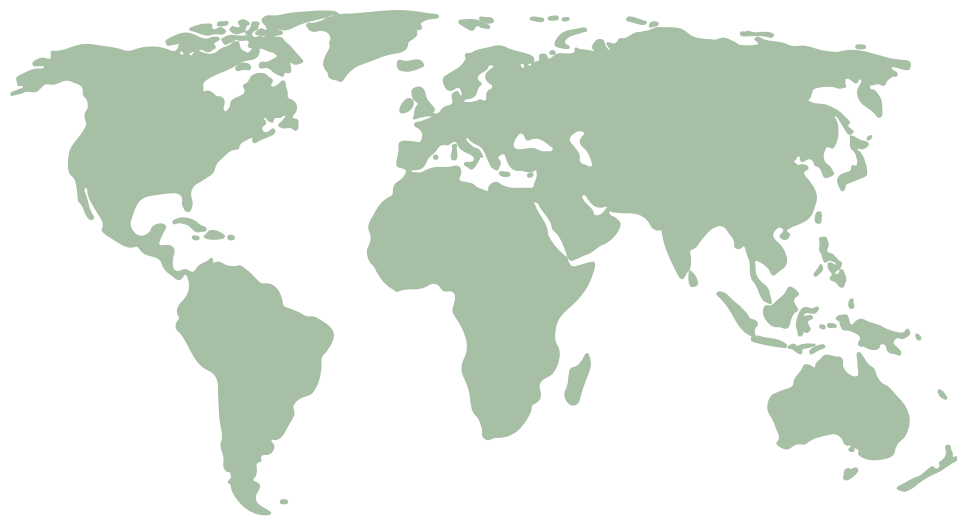


“the legacy of nuclear testing is one of the cruelest examples of environmental injustice”

—U.N Special Rapporteur on  
Toxics



**Nuclear abolition must exist side-by-side with  
other human rights movements**





# Thanks!

Do you have any questions?

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