

# Peace Round-up – 28 Feb 2019

*A selection of items from a range of sources. Inclusion here does not imply full endorsement, but is based on current concerns of NFPB and its members.*

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## **Green MEPs held after anti-nuclear protest at Belgian military base**

UK's Molly Scott Cato among those held after action over stockpiling of US nuclear bombs  
20<sup>th</sup> February 2019

<https://www.theguardian.com/politics/2019/feb/20/green-meps-occupy-belgian-f-16-runway-in-anti-nuclear-protest>

## **"Unaffordable" and "unachievable": the continuing problems of Trident renewal**

Dr Philip Webber and Dr Stuart Parkinson, SGR, examine the growing financial and technical problems of renewing the UK's nuclear weapons system.

Article from Responsible Science journal, no.1; online publication: 21 February 2019

<http://www.sgr.org.uk/resources/unaffordable-and-unachievable-continuing-problems-trident-renewal>

## **New report calls for regulation of military marketing that targets young people**

A report published ... (27 February 2019) critiques the armed forces' marketing practice in selling their careers to vulnerable adolescents. This comes in the wake of the Army's controversial new 'Snowflake' recruiting campaign.

<https://www.forceswatch.net/news/new-report-calls-regulation-military-marketing-targets-young-people>

## **BAE Systems shares fall over Germany's ban on arms exports to Saudis**

Defence company BAE Systems' share price fell sharply on Thursday after it warned that a German ban on arms exports to Saudi Arabia

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2019/feb/21/bae-systems-shares-fall-over-germanys-ban-on-arms-exports-to-saudis>

## **Peace Education Film Screening: We Are Many**

SCND Education will be holding a film screening of the film We Are Many on Thursday 7th March 2019 at the CCA Glasgow from 7:00pm.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/420652725408326/>

## **A New Lucas Plan: An idea whose time has come?**

SAT, 13 APR @ 11:00 - Taking place in Manchester in April, this event will be looking at moving away from arms production to socially useful industry and technology instead.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2086762801372187/>

## **South Africa: from nuclear armed state to disarmament hero**

February 25, 2019

Today, the only country that went from developing its own nuclear arsenal to dismantling it and being an outspoken advocate against these weapons of mass destruction, took another critical step towards a nuclear-weapons-free-world: in the halls of the UN HQ of New York, South Africa just ratified the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW).

<http://www.icanw.org/campaign-news/south-africa-from-nuclear-armed-state-to-disarmament-hero/>

## **QUNO is accepting applications for three 2019-20 Programme Assistant positions**

Applications are now open for three programme assistant positions at QUNO (Quaker UN Office) Geneva from September 2019 to August 2020 in Human Rights & Refugees; Peace & Disarmament; and Human Impacts of Climate Change.

<https://quno.org/timeline/2019/3/quno-accepting-applications-three-2019-20-programme-assistant-positions>