

Contact Sheet for Presenters at the UNCA Briefing on the Nuclear Ban Treaty

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Natural Resources Defense Council Senior Scientist and Director of NRDC's nuclear program. He's a co-author with Hans Kristensen of a study unearthing new, alarming findings about remarkable changes in targeting capability of US nuclear weapons that have made them significantly more destructive. At the UNCA briefing he is presenting those findings and their implications for contemporary nuclear threats and existing nuclear agreements, and outlining a path forward to reduce mounting nuclear dangers.

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President of the Institute for Energy and Environmental Research, and the author of many studies and articles on nuclear fuel cycle related issues, including weapons production, testing, and nuclear waste. At the UNCA briefing he will discuss his analysis of how revelations about US nuclear arsenal targeting capabilities affect the Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) Treaty and other historical agreements.

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Southeast Director of the Nuclear Information and Resource Service. The world's leading organizations of health professionals have cited a large body of evidence about the nuclear weapons complex as a public health threat and have [urged](#) the UN to negotiate a nuclear ban treaty on health grounds. At the UNCA briefing Olson is presenting surprising, underreported research on disproportionate health effects of ionizing radiation releases on women and girls.

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Co-President of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, founding chair of the governing bodies of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) in Australia and internationally. At the UNCA briefing he is addressing the responsibility of health professionals to prevent the use of nuclear weapons, since their effects cannot be cured.

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