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It is a ‘dangerous, open-ended commitment’ which entrenches America’s view of the world even more deeply in Australia, when former allies of the US are backing away from a failing great power. AUKUS, several submission assert, gives US nuclear-armed warships and military aircraft unlimited access to Australian posts and airports, making Australia a US war platform, making any US enemy Australia’s enemy, and opening the way to establishing a nuclear weapons industry in Australia. Alternatives Therefore, several contributors agree, the only course left for Australia is diplomatic, rather than military, and all our resources should be directed to avoiding war with China, as our neighbours are doing. Australia is no longer a good international citizen. Instead, our foreign service has been depleted, DFAT’s power in the government hierarchy is diminished, and bipartisanship prevails in foreign and defence policy. Mutually respectful behaviour, and upgraded diplomacy, are also advocated. Yet in the past two decades, the proportion of Commonwealth funding for diplomacy fell by 42 per cent. Contributors recommend a ‘complete change of mindset’ for Australia. They also want:   * Renegotiation or review or reassessment (or abrogation) of the ANZUS treaty * Elimination of the foreign presence from military bases in Australia * Legislation to give the war powers to Parliament * Diplomatic, not military resolution of differences, and improving relations with Australia’s neighbours * Defence of Australia that does not involve nuclear weapons. * The ALP to abandon bipartisanship and lead public consultation towards a national security strategy.” * Complete speech [**HERE**](https://mcusercontent.com/d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d/files/2b1fdfb9-c7bd-e524-87c8-3228569d0de5/Alison_Broinowski_s_presentation_to_webinar.docx) | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person wearing glasses  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |  |  | | --- | | **John Lander (former Australian diplomat)**  Extract from his presentation to the alternative defence policy webinar | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | “Australia’s diplomatic efforts should be directed at using its intimate relationship with the US to persuade it that mutually beneficial cooperation with China is preferable to its present combative approach.  We should at least be making clear that we do not accept such an approach and intend strike a balance between them.  Such a balance can only be achieved by Australia developing strong domestic infrastructure and manufacturing capability for a genuinely independent economy, supported by a multi-faceted and flexible financial system. ……   Australia's independence from all big powers and maintaining friendly and equal relations with all countries would strengthen our self-defence and reduce the threat of war in the region.  The government’s current room for manoeuvre, however, is extremely small.  It would take a lot of diplomatic skill to achieve anything like independent foreign and defense policies, unless there is overwhelming popular pressure from all sectors of society for change.  It worked once before, in the case of Vietnam, and it can work again.  A nationwide peace movement is needed to persuade all interest groups - social, business and professional - to convince the government to challenge US hegemony.  There is a great deal of work for IPAN and the Anti-AUKUS Coalition to do.” Complete Speech [**HERE**](https://mcusercontent.com/d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d/files/9b8d27d3-76d9-60ee-0843-7f8c7e6c0a6d/John_Lander_s_presentation_to_webinar.docx) | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person wearing a suit and tie  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |  |  | | --- | | **Michael G Smith AO (Major General -Retired)**  Extract from his presentation to the alternative defence webinar | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | “As our most important ally, diplomatically Australia should encourage the US to do everything possible to deescalate the current arms race in the Indo-Pacific. At present, the US and its allies including Australia, appear to be promoting an arms race and raising the prospect of war.  For our part, Australia should make it very clear to all parties that we have no intention of engaging in war in North Asia, and we should withdraw naval and military assets from this volatile region wherein our presence is not and will not be a determining factor.  Australia’s security, and that of countries in our more immediate Pacific region, will be seriously degraded if Canberra continues to guarantee unfettered military support to the US against China. Simply put, to continue to do so is not in our long-term strategic interest. This does not mean that we should abandon our alliance with the US, but rather that as a sovereign state and close friend we should recalibrate the alliance to accord with our own national interests.” Complete Speech [**HERE**](https://mcusercontent.com/d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d/files/08a89337-9f74-3d9e-9990-69088819ffe7/Mile_Smith_s_presentation_to_webinar.docx) | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing wall, person, indoor  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | **Jo Valentine, (former Green's Senator), Quaker, long time peace activist**  Extract from her presentation to the alternative defence webinar | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | “Armed neutrality would be a huge shift for any Australian government to contemplate, and an even bigger challenge to mainstream mindsets, would be the idea of social defence.  It is possible for Australia to disagree with the U.S. and to remain in good relationship – the same should be true of China, everybody’s biggest trading partner.  What is required is an independent foreign policy so that we can take our modest place on the world stage, without being subservient to any nation……..  As our Pacific neighbours say  “friend to all, enemy to none.”” Complete Speech [**HERE**](https://mcusercontent.com/d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d/files/45823834-20ee-3833-cb38-3b6592295e50/Quaker_Perspective_on_Defence.docx) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing text, clipart  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | PETITIONTo: Legislators of 26 participating countriesCANCEL RIMPAC 2022-THE WORLD'S LARGEST & MOST DANGEROUS NAVAL WAR MANEUVERS The Pacific Peace Network and its allied organizations call for the cancellation of the dangerous, provocative and destructive international Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) naval war practice and for increased citizen pressure for a demilitarized Pan-Pacific Zone of Peace.  RIMPAC naval war practice, the largest naval war maneuvers in the world, will take place off Hawai’i and the West Coast of the U.S. from June 29 to August 4, 2022. At RIMPAC 2022, over 25,000 military personnel, 38 ships, 170 aircraft, 4 submarines from 26 countries will practice war simulations engaging "enemy forces."  RIMPAC, coupled with expanding US military capability in Hawai’i, Australia, Guahan and other Pacific nations, increases the likelihood of armed conflict between the United States and China -- either by design or accident -- with unthinkable consequences for the peoples of Asia, the Pacific and the world.  Please endorse this call to action. Pacific Peace Network will share this petition and call on legislators of each participating country to cancel RIMPAC.  Sign the petition [**HERE**](https://diy.rootsaction.org/petitions/cancel-largest-naval-war-maneuvers-dangerous-rimpac-2022?share=aee80679-5cfc-4a95-a6d5-ce06359be1d9&source=email-share-button&utm_source=email) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Watch the collective poem video  **"In a World Without RIMPAC"**  It's a really moving poem read by artists from all parts of the Pacific with a video of the ocean...and RIMPAC's destructive effects   View video [**HERE**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UGmMOiLXBoI&t=25s) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people sitting together  Description automatically generated with low confidence | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Watch this film below on Jeju Island (South Korea) - the campaign against the US naval base there and the history of Jeju resistance and suppression in the leadup to the Korean war.  A truly stunning story.  No wonder people there are campaigning so strongly.  View Film [**HERE**](https://dissidentvoice.org/2022/06/the-ghosts-of-jeju/) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowledgement to Pearls and Irritations, 24th June,2022    **The United States-the Pacific bully**                                     By [Brian Toohey](https://johnmenadue.com/author/brian-toohey/) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing text, outdoor, nature, spring  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | The US dominates the Pacific Islands to an extent China can never hope to achieve. With Australia’s support, the US is now engaged in an arms build-up in its Pacific territories and de-facto colonies in a little known boost to its containment of China.  The US has three self-governing territories in the Pacific: Guam, American Samoa and the Northern Mariana Islands. Guam hosts some of the US’s most important bases the world. After a large scale military expansion on one of the main islands in the Northern Marianas, Tinian is expected to rival Guam in importance in coming years. The US also has Compacts of Free Association with three countries covering thousands of islands in the Pacific – the Federated States of Micronesia, Palau and the Marshall Islands. The compacts are a de-facto form of colonialism which gives the US exclusive military access to these countries’ land and maritime surrounds in return for defence guarantees and financial assistance.  [**Read on**](https://mcusercontent.com/d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d/files/9c159056-4fb3-8da7-920c-56cd0a1685e9/Continuation_of_Brian_Toohey_s_article.02.docx) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person with a beard and glasses  Description automatically generated with medium confidence | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **An Australian contribution to the Global Peace Wave** View [**HERE**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1lJy1cTpTN_xahDsxXG1Q9jiRlRgIBrbo/view?usp=sharing) | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person wearing glasses and a suit  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |  |  | | --- | | REPORT by Alexander Brown  SAAC Forum:  **Resisting AUKUS and the war on China** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | On 15 June 2022 I attended a public forum on Resisting AUKUS and the War on China organised by the [Sydney Anti-AUKUS Coalition](https://www.facebook.com/SydAntiAukusCoalition). The forum, held at the Martime Union of Australia's offices in Sussex Street, Sydney, was attended by approximately 90 people, including about 30 online participants. It heard from a range of speakers including Greens Senator-elect David Shoebridge, Patricia Arcilla an organiser with the Sydney branch of Filipino youth organisation Anakbayan, Chinese students Wendy and L and Maritime Union of Australia Sydney Branch Secretary Paul Keating. The event was chaired by David Brophy, Senior Lecturer at the University of Sydney and author of China Panic, a book exploring the rise of anti-China sentiment in Australia.  [**READ ON**](https://mcusercontent.com/d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d/files/f3798a58-6a19-09ed-7abd-b5a4843b879d/Continuation_of_Alexander_Brown_s_Report.docx) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Logo  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Text  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | The first Meeting of States Parties to the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons has just concluded in Vienna! To great applause, the meeting adopted a [political declaration and an action plan](https://click.actionnetwork.org/ss/c/P8Elou2Rvc0qoMPEUZrMXZURxuKwwU-hFDbkaxX69RBwkTd05yHsdAa70QtIm7JhtazS61_6wayx-ekm-DGPg8MPcPu1Gj3A7j101HjGJuBxS2sr2lz8X5ijBQznDpUK5lmFccoNYfiPNMfp_rvo56gncZD-9k14Wgsrre1IXLD4cfU1Tr254PeP4cHavVTHjOukoFsozojrvl_I2gwmS3EYSyUuJpTqyqgRrVqcpwjj5KwDwRQJBvQ-YvOqy0wR82i0hgpXVHH9YMrHQf9pykn_ouFzsZq7_j_IQFtRvKPhe6lRcsx4s0eWhlFvIqPVi-da9gbcg1tfWQOYgEnrL61gSsIRkzwc2a3neO6VncPgGYdmQGrDLJCk7jVrucRrJoPwE8VA5lw3dRjKVyrxZTI_GqqIrrGdGPZKpUsqf3cdD1LwMSVcx1UBSbk7luV3XPLawj1fUb5MABoiuXAr4wyJolRYLwpzwUsewZvwh5s/3n5/Q9_Ab2R9SniapX_1JgpVSQ/h1/JKq0EgyVVPqxlkd53OBW8FmBTH3onbTbNyF5bBVyUjM) to take the work of the treaty forward. [Read them here](https://click.actionnetwork.org/ss/c/P8Elou2Rvc0qoMPEUZrMXZURxuKwwU-hFDbkaxX69RBwkTd05yHsdAa70QtIm7JhtazS61_6wayx-ekm-DGPg8MPcPu1Gj3A7j101HjGJuBxS2sr2lz8X5ijBQznDpUK5lmFccoNYfiPNMfp_rvo56gncZD-9k14Wgsrre1IXLD4cfU1Tr254PeP4cHavVTHR3ROt5ogbAsg8NIkFJRpQWNSU2EnTQMBGqq8IBgt1ROhnEOFzTxohb49Z9UTiuhHHzxGib52vWkGzRe2m5fnSYYgoMGXoUT6JGqUBrZ26A1UtefJLjgKuL8ye3ZWmhm0WaNPowjjGNIiVR9_DHsU53zLy0IoLOfVhYh2BNsNt5aVmG5XYZeP7Bazrqjsd9CkvU8Cd5Kg7UPSeMrvP3Lor9QAiQmxB-KDixA4aC2FU0Sh4KTJCSsbvjyEagk8vKq5CR5uglOAi9Ax6JHXKISwt-YOJ-mhwTX7-eCfEOfTSf51uQrV2tCotOz8G06f2feV/3n5/Q9_Ab2R9SniapX_1JgpVSQ/h2/qauwV53RI2gnt_V2LOt1_3R5hU5As1X3O09OEdH-r88).    There were 82 states in attendance, including the Australian Government attending as an observer, along with other nuclear-endorsing states Germany, Norway, Belgium and the Netherlands.    The Australian delegation participated constructively in the meeting, engaging with many delegations including the ICAN team in Vienna. Susan Templeman MP, head of the delegation, also made time to join our [Nuclear Ban Hub online](https://click.actionnetwork.org/ss/c/atcYNHk4Eh2YdGnwBh-YDOJPR4Z5lDybbWIPhQSOR8F4MwWApN9OU52-gbk0Np-VJkbbRPc3eCZOnu-dogVYSFboDnN4xvlzKGKxanPEc0W-kXlh26-VojnwC0LsgYfvCIPy389Zv8aBV3HzC1YYA5mwxn__1c8lMDe_j52cYfC0qJ3Q9TjwHlPSCnED0CDaKRXHgXxPqknd1SFI3LN2ePZ_vhe4HdaW3zeYfXXljf43_BwguXN8fj3Zp1k_0jjAotbFPbynjHCMgbGIcZ8ZQRTJdmT_Oa9cFOvpPDqNCW4XEdxVL1hE_ugdtQNv7tpcTAZUwlo5_xB8hXjNWdyLKY3iTxN7jWxetg0ylyxG5_8/3n5/Q9_Ab2R9SniapX_1JgpVSQ/h3/eYIHXsTp_39Fl-mmFbdexGaOdt1faYIX7f-Xugc1pNI) on Wednesday night.  The Vienna Declaration  and Action  Plan [**: READ HERE**](https://mcusercontent.com/d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d/files/2ed67430-339f-f011-5b90-3d762d8625ef/Overview_of_the_Vienna_Declaration_and_Action_Plan___formatted_.pdf) | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Text  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |  |  | | --- | | **Nuclear- Powered submarines and nuclear weapons proliferation**  **Book Launch** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Australia’s former Foreign Minister and NSW Premier, Bob Carr, will launch a new book on Australia’s role in nuclear weapons proliferation, past, present and future. The book will be launched at **Gleebooks in Sydney on Tuesday 12 July at 6:00 pm.**  The book, Fact or Fission: The Truth about Australia’s Nuclear Ambitions, was written by Richard Broinowski, a distinguished former diplomat, who served as Australian ambassador to Vietnam, the Republic of Korea and Mexico.  Mr Broinowski said that “My book examines Australia’s chequered nuclear history – from assisting the United States develop the first atomic bomb in the 1940s, wanting its own nuclear weapons in the 1960s, and then, in sudden reversal, being at the active forefront of international non-proliferation activities in the 1970s and 1980s. It then examines the consequences of the Morrison government’s decision in 2021 to join the Australia, United Kingdom, United States (AUKUS) alliance.”  Listen to ABC interview with Richard Broinowski on his book [**HERE**](https://www.abc.net.au/radio/programs/nightlife/australias-nuclear-past-and-future/13941420)  He will be in conversation with Sue Wareham at **Harry Hartog's bookshop at ANU in Canberra on 21 July.** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | | | |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **ABC News**  **International Atomic Energy Agency head to inspect safeguards for Australia's nuclear submarine program**  By foreign affairs reporter [Stephen Dziedzic](https://www.abc.net.au/news/stephen-dziedzic/166934) and defence correspondent [Andrew Greene](https://www.abc.net.au/news/andrew-greene/4827818) Posted Sat 2 July, 2022 | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing sky, outdoor, water, ship  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | The head of the United Nations nuclear watchdog will visit Australia as the agency prepares to scrutinise the federal government's plan to build nuclear-powered submarines under the AUKUS partnership. **Key points:**   * Mr Grossi's visit is likely to focus heavily on the the nuclear submarine program's safeguards * Australia will have to convince the IAEA that the transfer of nuclear technology and materials to power the submarines does not breach the Non-Proliferation Treaty * Australia is also facing a stiff diplomatic contest over AUKUS with China and Russia..........with China and Russia furiously attacking the nuclear-submarine plans in international organisations and launching multiple interventions to try to convince the IAEA not to approve them. * Earlier this year, the ABC revealed the Department of Foreign Affairs Trade was boosting specialised diplomatic teams in both Canberra and Vienna – where the IAEA is headquartered – in part [to push back against a "disinformation" campaign from both Moscow and Beijing](https://www.abc.net.au/news/2022-02-11/diplomatic-resources-to-fight-chinese-and-russian-disinformation/100821770)   **IPAN's suggestion**: **Phone Penny Wong,**(02 6277 7500), who will meet with the Head of the IAEA, pointing out that the acquisition and deployment of nuclear-powered submarines contravenes Australia's commitment to the Non-Proliferation Treaty and the Australian community's desire for a nuclear-free Australia. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | From Defence Connect, 17 JUNE 2022                                           By: Charbel Kadib  **An announcement on Australia’s nuclear-powered submarine program is due “shortly”, according to the chief White House adviser for the Indo-Pacific.**  Dr Kurt Campbell, the Biden administration’s National Security Council coordinator for the Indo-Pacific, has lauded the progress of technology-sharing negotiations as part of the AUKUS agreement between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States, unveiled in September last year.   Dr Campbell’s remarks came just a day after the Australia-US Submarine Officer Pipeline Act was introduced into the US Congress.  The bipartisan bill aims to establish a “joint training pipeline” between the US Navy and the Royal Australian Navy, enabling commanding officers to undertake US-based nuclear submarine training. Specifically, under the program, a minimum of two Australian submarine officers would be selected each year to:   * receive training in the Navy Nuclear Propulsion School; * enroll in the submarine office basic course; and * be assigned to duty on an operational US submarine at sea. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **US Marines consolidate their presence in NT with establishment of a regional HQ in Darwin** report from IPAN supporter in Darwin  US Marines are stepping up ‘high end’ exercises in the Northern Territory as Anthony Albanese refers a Spanish proposal to build more warships for the navy to a pending review.  The commanding officer of the 2022 Marine Rotational Force in Darwin, Colonel Christopher Steele, revealed a regimental headquarters had been established to support the deployment.  Colonel Steele said the regimental headquarters brought together the Marines’ ground, logistics and aviation combat units under a single commander, offering the deployment greater agility and flexibility to carry out exercises.  “Those things become more than the sum of their parts when you have a command element that can stitch them together,” Colonel Steele told a briefing for Australian journalists.  He said a regimental headquarters expanded co-operation to “high end” exercises.  The deepening engagement of the Marines in the Top End comes as the Albanese government prepares to undertake a review of the ADF’s base locations that will probably recommend building up the military presence in the continent’s north. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **What is an RAAF surveillance plane doing in the South China Sea- Clinton Fernandes explains**  Recently the media and Defence Minister condemned the interception and diversion by a Chinese fighter of an RAAF plane flying in the South China Sea. But what was the RAAF plane up to? Clinton Fernandes explains: As Crikey reported earlier this week, when Australian ships and aircraft operate in the South China Sea, they’re not simply exercising freedom of navigation through the waters of China’s exclusive economic zone (EEZ). They are engaging in military espionage. Here’s exactly what they are doing.  Our vessels drop hydrophones (microphones designed to operate underwater) mounted on a flotation device (a buoy). The buoy also carries a radio transmitter that transmits sounds detected by the hydrophone to an aircraft.   What gets detected?   Acoustic noise from a submarine’s turbines, propellers and other machinery Water flow over the hull of a vessel once it goes above 10 knots Propeller cavitation, which occurs when a high propeller speed creates bubbles in the water Noises by the crew inside the submarine.   Each ship or submarine has an acoustic signature akin to a sonic fingerprint, which we use for identification purposes. We do this by comparing the signal collected by our sonobuoys with a previously recorded signature — remembering acoustic signals are affected by changes in water temperature, variations in depth and salinity and the nature of the seabed — and a vessel’s acoustic signature changes when its load changes, not to mention changes due to age, wear and tear, and modifications.   The library of signatures we’ve compiled enable vessel classification, identification, activities and capability. We do surveillance to record and update vessels’ acoustic signatures every six months or so.   Obviously these are all aimed at the People’s Liberation Army Navy. The US has also built a network of undersea and overhead sensors at choke points near China’s coastline, allowing it to monitor Chinese ballistic-missile submarines as they try to gain access to the open ocean.   The goal is to enable US hunter-killer submarines to trail them and sink them at the outbreak of hostilities, eliminating China’s nuclear deterrent (which is relatively small by US standards). One consequence is that China thus has an incentive to launch first if it believes an attack is imminent.   [**READ ON**](https://mcusercontent.com/d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d/files/df211dfd-32f3-7726-96f1-8b16ad067db5/Continuation_of_Clinton_Fernandes_explanation.docx) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Graphical user interface, application  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing text, slot machine  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | We're excited to announce internationally acclaimed activist and author **Harsha Walia** as the keynote speaker for the [**#NoWar2022 Virtual Conference**](https://click.actionnetwork.org/ss/c/P8Elou2Rvc0qoMPEUZrMXZuRoF9hgmtKkx-9yE8eapX185kX6XURiH_5YxN27R33NwkD8-QhCND0mWPSdeYstbEHTnsEj4-xMuWGOY5ekb2aE8_f6I-Onep-c1PFkoh1yc5o0BsteuBBz4fGYoDdR1FIHu7c1fwm5powzoF3D_D_WDslWJuaGOa60NgLOQlk_d4feZ4zo2rIC5WLvJA4443_S31PnxyZ6HYchBCFjziTtcTR5iTu-LCvV0JzcX2zsxLCMXvM2bbk2hQHh9BrcDUStA5zLjU9JFVGP3PWYiHWCNBWn8EDuP0kJLU-3AB0a-g3Kaew_IRMRwKd5eHrGBHBGnEpQiyswNaie2uHqGg0RXsUbSu190knJkJbuLCu/3n7/dYKbIfX0TWaM19SWCbc3fg/h1/l3PH2M4sTZUfTOcFxyY9PBxb3kjDVdIz3cLB0_w3OTc), our annual global conference coming up in 2 weeks, on July 8-10! Harsha’s keynote talk on “Radical Solidarity to Abolish Borders, Imperialism, and War” will examine global migration, borders, and the interconnections of state violence, capitalism, and nationalism. GET YOUR TICKET[**HERE**](https://click.actionnetwork.org/ss/c/P8Elou2Rvc0qoMPEUZrMXcOpy_XqN4R2ZGjoK-5zZnkKAD_CcDnlZeJHnDkoof6WRn27lHHKKS4oZ0VoCOVFSBEUywz8NbCgfJzV_4Lr5zdEG-jn_ziryXXzm3G50JHT3o7WEbIoFaWxlJDgDqewvqPys6vVLipPnDhqbzgW9N6kvVQUd847S9FMbJeWKruRZibSo35-yuln6C4DpKjDBpy0j1QOEsTsLzqT5yG5uz1VAKgOaIEorPerV4MLIputF-QpIW2aXflctPD3TiavLhffEbas_UW_F9W3n3ALhgxYeE6E9dRhm-QfkVmxh8ii4kO5A9C4--Qx2Ll9-OWGgRQgmtpCHrjs0vcgLUiA0vx7dByz1TuGO-YQIq2-RUVsRYmtDFgpRC22PL2Yesz1jlBjAVXFmaVKkWtzz1vjzV57UAtXv7BlCM1aixhy8qVJMO22KiaEmN5hSxKOm_Xn0A/3n7/dYKbIfX0TWaM19SWCbc3fg/h2/nxdux9ARcL32ahxCLRWJAItLA-ZTSb1Ap-UGiemco1Y) | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A screenshot of a computer  Description automatically generated with low confidence | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **A People's Forum on the Ukraine War** **6.30-8.30PM Sunday 24 July 2022** Russia's invasion of Ukraine shows no sign of ending after 4 months. What led to the war, what does it tell us about the prospect of more conflicts in the world - and what can we as Australians do about it?   “**Triggers for war**” Why and how did this war occur Emeritus Professor Graeme Gill, Dept. of Govt. & International Relations, University of Sydney.   “**Australian media coverage**” What do they say, what do they enable a public to know? Dr. Jake Lynch, Department of Peace & Conflict Studies, University of Sydney.   “**Beyond Catastrophes**” Channels to prevent or end wars Dr. Sue Wareham, Medical Association for Prevention of War.   **“Consequences of war, visions for peace” In Ukraine, Russia & worldwide, carnage, consequences, visions for peace** Professor Emeritus Joe Camilleri, Conversation at the Crossroads.   Interval performance of John Lennon’s ‘Imagine’ by Gemimah & Miriam Omari   Chaired by Professor Emeritus Stuart Rees, University of Sydney   **Registrations are essential**. Please register[here](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fraisingpeace.us5.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Df5cd1d127fc37e29a52505524%26id%3D9129aad05a%26e%3D5dc08104f9&data=05%7C01%7C%7C0e063d16308247f2e2d608da5cb25a4c%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637924218350699804%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=RjCMbyBNyo1GM4NnyFo0bC2sqz%2BPjLH7F7kErw1m%2FA8%3D&reserved=0) to reserve your spot. | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A picture containing text  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Map  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | More details: 0490 481 828 | | | |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Coming Events**  **Sydney: Book Launch at Gleebooks,** Tuesday 12th July, 6pm-Fact or Fission: The Truth about Australia's Nuclear Ambitions by Richard Broinowski  **Goonellebah, NSW: Going to War- Let the people decide- Public Forum** organised by RAH**:** Thursday 14th July, 5.30pm; Phone Sabina: 02 6688 6214  **Canberra**: **Book Launch**: at Harry Hartog's bookshop at ANU on 21st July- Fact or Fission- the truth about Australia's nuclear ambitions by Richard Broinowski.  **Sydney**:Sunday 24th July:**A People's Forum on the Ukraine** **War**: 6.30 - 8.30 pm; Register[HERE](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fraisingpeace.us5.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Df5cd1d127fc37e29a52505524%26id%3D9129aad05a%26e%3D5dc08104f9&data=05%7C01%7C%7C0e063d16308247f2e2d608da5cb25a4c%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637924218350699804%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=RjCMbyBNyo1GM4NnyFo0bC2sqz%2BPjLH7F7kErw1m%2FA8%3D&reserved=0) **Hobart:**MAPW in Hobart joining with other local peace groups for **Hiroshima Day vigil** on Saturday August 6th on Parliament House lawns. | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **RAPID PUBLIC RESPONSE**  In the event of an imminent major military conflict, military invasion or war actually breaking out, IPAN organisations in the following states, urge everyone to rally :   **In Melbourne**, outside the State Library in Swanston St, Melbourne, from 5pm that evening- bring banners and placards - family and friends   **In Adelaide**, on Parliament Steps at 4.30 pm that evening – bring banners and placards – family and friends.   I**n Newcastle**, at the Clocktower, Hamilton, 4.30pm that evening- bring banners and placards and tell family and friends    **In Canberra**, on the median strip at the corner of London Circuit and Northbourne Ave.   **In Brisbane**, at King George Square, 5 pm | | | | | | | | | | |
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