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These are provocative war preparations against China and destroy the planetary environment which is already threatened by climate change. 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Where possible, delegations of IPAN volunteers will meet with local MPs and Senators in person.   To make this happen IPAN is engaging with all IPAN members as well as people who provided submissions to the People’s Inquiry and other supporters of IPAN. So far, around 110 people have put their hand up to be part of a delegation to meet a Federal MP (with around 60 MPs having a delegation allocated to them so far).  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=fc51b1cf31&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Opposition to AUKUS and the acquisition of nuclear submarines growing rapidly and more broadly** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person standing at a podium with a microphone  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Peter Garrett addresses Victorian Anti-Aukus Coalition Forum, Melbourne, 23rd June,2023  With Acknowledgement to Michael West Media, 23rd June,2023  **Former Labor cabinet minister condemns $368b AUKUS deal**  Midnight Oil frontman and former Labor cabinet minister Peter Garrett has again condemned Australia’s security deal with the United States and United Kingdom, calling the $368 billion agreement costly and risky.  Mr Garrett said the decision to purchase a fleet of nuclear-powered submarines was a huge gamble and should not be allowed to proceed, while speaking at a public forum in Melbourne.  “It’s the biggest, it’s the most costly and it’s the riskiest decision ever taken by any Australian government short of governments committing us to war and should not be allowed,” he said on Friday. | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Melbourne Victorian Anti-Aukus Coalition forum, 23rd June passed the following resolution:   * We call on the Federal government to cancel the $368 billion public expenditure on nuclear submarines.  This money is urgently needed for healthcare, education, housing, social services and to address climate change. * Invest in building local sustainable manufacturing industries to guarantee secure, long term jobs. * [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=e5661ede17&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Pacific Elders condemn AUKUS and acquisition of nuclear submarines  AUKUS: Climate Security overtaken by Defense**   Extract: "We strongly support the sentiment of the Forum Chair and PM of Cook Islands, Hon Mark Brown that the AUKUS deal is “going against” the Pacific’s principal non-proliferation agreement – the Treaty of Rarotonga – signed in 1985 and in force since 1986. The current States Parties to the Treaty are: Australia, Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, New Zealand, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu.....  Whilst the Australian Government and its allies are emphasising ‘no nuclear weapons’ will be carried on these expensive submarines, this claim will never be verified because of the US Policy to not confirm or deny if nuclear weapons are on board any submarines that enter the Pacific. Furthermore, it does not talk about the disposal of nuclear wastes that will be generated by the operation of the nuclear-powered submarines. We do not condone Australia’s deliberate exploitation a loophole in the Treaty of Rarotonga which permits the transit of nuclear-powered craft such as submarines.   We also condemn DFAT’s recent arguments that the stationing of B-52 bombers in the Northern Territory does not constitute “stationing” in breach of the Treaty of Rarotonga. We also condemn the United States’ failure as the only major nuclear weapons state to ratify the three protocols to the Treaty of Rarotonga."  Read complete statement [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=504a5181e2&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A group of people holding signs  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Protest outside Labor Women's Conference, Perth** "Penny Wong and Katie Gallagher were there to talk to Labour Women and Stop-AUKUS WA, Socialist Alliance, Nuclear Free WA, MAPW, and others, including IPAN were there at 8 am to meet them."  Eileen Whitehead | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A large group of people in a auditorium  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **National Union of Students (NUS) pass resolution condemning AUKUS and urging break with the US alliance**  **Media release**   **27 June 2023 - for immediate release** Monday night the over 150 students in the National Union of Students voted to condemn the AUKUS deal and break the US alliance at its annual Education Conference. The motion was moved by Education Officer Xavier Dupé, of Socialist Alternative, and seconded by President Bailey Riley, of the National Labor Students or Labor Left faction. Those factions as well as the Sydney-based Grassroots faction voted in favor of the motion, with Labor’s right faction Student Unity voting against. After the motion passed, the roughly 60 members of Student Unity stormed out of the room.   “AUKUS is an aggressive pact that escalates the risk of catastrophic war. The National Union of Students stands against the drive to war." said Dupé.   “It's important that NUS has taken this stand. The Labor government and mainstream media want Australians to accept being enmeshed into the US military and future war with China. Students are challenging this war drive."   "The Labor government is spending half a trillion dollars on nuclear-powered submarines while refusing to address the housing crisis. We should invest in welfare, not warfare."  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=c6d6ac0abb&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **NSW Teachers Federation Resolution opposing AUKUS- 4th July,2023**  The AUKUS announcement in September 2021, regrettably, made clear that once again the peace movement, including Federation, would be required to mobilise against the warmongers who seek to line the pockets of the vested interests in the global weapons manufacturing industry, as well as other various rent seekers, at the expense of government spending on education and other social services and investment in mitigations and solutions to the real threat – the climate emergency. Annual Conference joins the growing chorus of concern that the AUKUS security pact signed by Australia with the USA and the UK, made in secret with no public consultation or parliamentary debate nor scrutiny, compromises the pursuit of an independent foreign policy and has the potential to drag Australia into foreign conflict and war once more.  Read the complete resolution on peace [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=fd44540ebe&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Merri bek City Council (inner Melbourne council) opposes AUKUS and nuclear submarines**  **Merri bek Nuclear-free zone motion**  That Council:  1. Declares Merri-bek local government area to be a Nuclear-Free Zone. This involves:  a) Opposing uranium, nuclear waste or other material connected to the nuclear industry (including nuclear submarines) from being stored or transported in or through the municipality. This does not apply to the responsible use of radio-isotopes in hospitals.  b) Opposing any nuclear facility or any nuclear submarines repair facility being located in the Merri-bek community.  c) Considers erecting Nuclear Free Zone signs at the Sydney Road and Bell St entrances of the Merri-bek municipality.  2. Declares its opposition to the Port of Melbourne being used to host nuclear submarines because of the risk of a nuclear accident and the health risks to workers in the port and the surrounding communities.  3. Declares its opposition to a nuclear waste dump being created in Australia as there is no safe means of storing nuclear waste.  4. Declares its opposition to the Australian government buying nuclear submarines because:  a) The $368 billion price tag for the submarines will result in less funding being available for local councils and state governments. The cost of the nuclear submarines will drain funding away from addressing urgent issues such as the housing crisis and crisis of funding for aged and disability care, climate and many other urgent issues.  b) The nuclear submarines could fuel an arms race in the Asian region which increases the threat of war. This would be a threat to everyone living in the Asian region, including people in Australia.  5. To publish a statement opposing the purchase of the nuclear submarines and seek support from other councils which have endorsed the ICAN Cities Appeal which calls for the Australian Government to adopt the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons by the United Nations in 2018" | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **IPAN Geelong and S/W Victoria give it to Marles outside his office**  View video [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=9a1eb6353c&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowledgement to Arena Quarterly, No 14, June 2023  **ILLUSORY IMPERATIVES: AUKUS COMMITS US TO FUTILE WARS; AN INDEPENDENT DEFENCE IS POSSIBLE**  By Clinton Fernandes  Extract: “AUKUS is not an investment in Australian nation-building but in the materials, products and services that enable the war-fighting capabilities of the United States. Its aim is to uphold US global primacy for the next fifty years, which is how long the nuclear-powered submarines are expected to be in operation. Technical identification of Chinese submarines under the pretext of ‘freedom of navigation’ keeps the public in the dark about the nature and extent of our military operations. Long-term interoperability with the US Navy implies long-term political alignment with the United States. But it is increasingly clear that the assumptions that have underpinned Australian strategy for the past thirty years require serious re-examination. The United States may not be able to heal its domestic fractures, let alone prevent the emergence of a democratic and equitable international order. AUKUS signifies a commitment to a world order that planners would like to see, not one that is actually emerging. Faith may collide with reality, and reality will win. It always does.”  Read complete article [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=a33f75a05e&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | Canberra Times, July 1st, 2023  **AUKUS Nuclear-powered submarines are a bad idea for Australia**  By Sue Wareham  It is a fundamental principle that the regulation of industries must be independent of the industries themselves. This is particularly important where products that have the potential to cause significant harm are concerned, such as alcohol, tobacco, firearms - or nuclear reactors. The Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) is tasked with protecting the public from the harmful effects of nuclear radiation. ARPANSA's independence is critical in its capacity to fulfil that role. It is alarming then that in the matter of Australia's proposed naval nuclear reactors, the principle of independent regulation is being abandoned.  [**Read on**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=3b8fa3e223&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Opposition to AUKUS and nuclear submarines growing within the ranks of Labor Party** | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A red and white logo  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | **LABOR AGAINST WAR** | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Founding statement of Labor Against War**  LAW is a grassroots network of ALP members and unionists opposed to Australia being dragged into another US-led war. We oppose involvement in the AUKUS alliance and the acquisition of nuclear submarines. AUKUS is against the interests of the Australian people.  LAW campaigns for Australia to adopt a non-nuclear foreign policy that pursues peaceful resolution of regional tensions, cementing fair trade and political ties with the Asia-Pacific region. Our future lies with our neighbours, not following old powers half a world away.  The Australian Labor Party and Australian unions have long opposed Australia’s involvement with the nuclear industry and in wars of aggression. The ALP opposed the US-led wars against Vietnam and Iraq, both built on tissues of lies.   We will not be dragged into a war against China.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=5486ed8f61&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Brighton ALP Branch Resolution opposes AUKUS (5th June, 2023)**  As Labor Party members, we condemn AUKUS and its acquisition of nuclear-propelled submarines for Australia, and call for Australia's full exit from the pact.   We urge that AUKUS be fully and freely debated within our party and the wider labour movement, including at the ALP's next Victorian State Conference this month and at the 49th ALP National Conference in August.   We support the building of an **extra-parliamentary and mass movement in Australia to oppose AUKUS** and the dangerous drive towards militarism and war, and to work for an independent, non-nuclear and peaceful Australia and world." | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Queensland ALP Conference passes resolution opposing AUKUS and nuclear submarines**  Moved by ETU delegates, the following motion was passed:  1. The Queensland Labor Party categorically opposes the manufacture/construction of nuclear-powered/armed submarines or vessels in Queensland, including but not limited to Brisbane or any other Queensland port current or future port facility. This opposition is based on concerns over safety, environmental impact, and public sentiment. 2. The Queensland Labor Party will actively engage in public awareness campaigns to educate citizens about the potential risks and consequences associated with nuclear-powered/armed submarines or vessels. This initiative aims to foster informed public discourse and encourage community support for the opposition f such vessels in Queensland waters.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=7a60c83912&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Vic ALP State Conference resolution**  The Victoria Labor Conference notes its disappointment over the Federal Government’s AUKUS submarine deal.   Specifically, State Conference acknowledges:   1. , That the AUKUS deal risks infringing Australia’s independent foreign and defence policy and calls for a response to these concerns. 2. Calls for the Government to provide more specifics to support the projection of 20,000 Australian jobs to be created from the AUKUS submarine project, and make clear how many will be in manufacturing, how apprentices will be supported into the industry and a timeframe in which these jobs will be created. 3. Calls on the National Conference and Federal Government to provide Australia as the first option in defence manufacturing where possible which if undertaken locally will maximise the benefit to Australian jobs and manufacturing from any investments in any defence spend. 4. Support for a “nuclear-free policy” and concern over nuclear waste, and public transparency and accountability.   The critical need at this time to reaffirm the labour movement’s longstanding commitment to a peaceful and independent foreign and security policy.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=f17491858b&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Hiroshima Day Activities  WOOLLONGONG** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **SYDNEY** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **PERTH**  **Hiroshima | Nagasaki Never Again** Vigil  Sunday, 6 August @12-1:30pm Perth Cultural Centre, Northbridge. Ban Nuclear Weapons Cancel AUKUS | No Nuclear Subs | No War on China Hosted by IPAN-WA, Stop AUKUS WA, Nuclear Free WA, MAPW-WA (Logos) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **HOBART**  Hobart. MAPW are holding their annual Hiroshima Day vigil at 11 am on Saturday August 6th on Parliament lawns, supported by other peace groups. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **ADELAIDE  No more Hiroshimas—No to AUKUS**  Fund welfare not warfare Sun 6 Aug 2 pm Mukata (Hindmarsh Sq) March to Parliament House, then speakers | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **MELBOURNE**  **Never Again Hiroshima and Nagasaki - Peace Not AUKUS, No Nuclear Submarines.** Sunday 6 August,  1.00 pm.   State Library of Victoria. | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **BRISBANE** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A white and black text  Description automatically generated | | | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Articles, events and statements** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A poster for a war event  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowledgement to Pearls and Irritations, 22nd June,2023  **AUKUS and the division of Labor**  By [Alison Broinowski](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=2bac087bdc&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  Delegates at Labor’s National Conference in August will have to pay more attention than usual to foreign and defence policy. Dissent on AUKUS is spreading, while Palestine is a promise to keep.  What the ALP national conference in Brisbane on 17-19 August should agree to recommend to Marles and Wong is to prepare for peace, not for war; to remind them of our treaty commitments not to threaten or use force against other nations; to urge them to forewarn the US that Australia will not join a coalition for war over Taiwan; and to listen to the electorate, including many who want to change the secretive way we go to war. The delegates’ most significant achievement will be to pass a resolution against AUKUS, before it’s too late.  Read complete article [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=c10485e571&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Melbourne** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A poster for a nuclear submarine  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Sydney** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A submarine in the water  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A qr code on a screen  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | |  | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **US Congress Bill to sell two Virginia Class Nuclear Submarines to Australia (June, 2023)**  Details [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=1ff396b6e2&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With Acknowledgement o Pearls and Irritations, 30th June,2023  **To tackle climate change, we need peace – and also an accountable Defence department**  By [Sue Wareham](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=cbfa2fd515&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  Preventing wars, demilitarisation and promoting peace are vital strategies for tackling climate change, writes Dr Sue Wareham OAM, President of the Medical Association for Prevention of War. She also urges the Defence Department to lift its game on climate action, and to commit to improved measurement, reporting and scrutiny of military emissions.  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=344cc9f885&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | With acknowledgement to Pearls and Irritations, 28th June,2023  **A new politics is coming, ready or not**  By [Allan Patience](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=3c6314a744&e=8ef5b7f4e3)  Prime Minister Albanese’s commitment to the bogus AUKUS deal stands in stark contrast to the ethical leadership of the late Simon Crean. At the time, Mr Crean’s opposition to John Howard’s craven commitment to the Iraq war was a rare and beautiful exception to the tradition of old politics in Australia. Can the country find leaders who will free us from the old politics forever?  [**READ ON**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=88c04177d3&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **A piece of peace history we should not forget**  An IPAN supporter sent in this information concerning US airforce operations from Richmond and Williamstown in NSW "**United States air force to conduct training out of RAAF Base Richmond** **Updated**August 8 2022"  The Australian Anti-Bases Campaign Coalition have pointed out that USAF operations out of Richmond are not a recent development but go back to 1986 when the AABCC organised protests against these operations and with a protesters being arrested for climbing over the fence. The USAF operations were between Richmond and Alice Springs carrying personnel and supplies to the US personnel in Pine Gap and bringing back tapes of collected information from the Pine Gap survelliance satellite operations. The Alice Springs Peace Group protested at their end and by riding bicycles up and down the runway stopping the first attempt of the US transport plane landing  See video [**HERE**](https://ipan.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d3766f6de66f92775b3ee224d&id=b6fc77cb24&e=8ef5b7f4e3) | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | A person climbing a fence  Description automatically generated |  |  | | --- | | A group of people standing in a crowd  Description automatically generated | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **Left:** AABCC protester climbing the fence at Richmond  **Right**: Alice Springs protesters at landing of first USAF transport plane | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  | | --- | --- | | |  | | --- | | **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 | | | | | | | | | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Voice is produced and edited by the Media Group of the IPAN co-ordinating committee. 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