

STUDENT PUGWASH USA'S PLEDGE TO WORK FOR A BETTER WORLD

THE PLEDGE

"I promise to work for a better world, where science and technology are used in socially responsible ways. I will not use my education for any purpose intended to harm human beings or the environment. Throughout my career, I will consider the ethical implications of my work before I take action. While the demands placed upon me may be great, I sign this declaration because I recognize that individual responsibility is the first step on the path to peace."

Pledge Campaign History

On December 10, 1995, the Norwegian Nobel Committee awarded the Nobel Peace Prize to Professor Joseph Rotblat and the Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs for their efforts to "diminish the part played by nuclear arms in international politics and in the longer run to eliminate such arms." In celebration of this honor, Student Pugwash USA initiated an exciting and historic movement to involve students and young professionals in creating a better world. Inspired by Professor Rotblat's idea of a Hippocratic Oath for young scientists, the pledge campaign celebrates the work of the Pugwash Conferences and encourages students and young professionals to commit to the responsible use of science and technology in the 21st century.

The Future

The pledge has been distributed by students and nonprofit organizations to college campuses and communities around the world. Science, The Scientist, and other publications have featured articles about the pledge campaign. We believe the pledge has the potential to affect people's lives and help make the vision of peace a reality.

As the next generation, we have an obligation to "remember our humanity," as urged the 1955 Russell-Einstein Manifesto, which led to the first Pugwash Conference in Pugwash, Nova Scotia in 1957. The pledge offers an opportunity for people to send their voice into the future and to ensure a peaceful and better world!

Sign here and add your voice!

Signature _____

Please print::

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Country: _____

E-mail: _____

Check here to receive a wallet-sized laminated pledge card with your name printed on it!

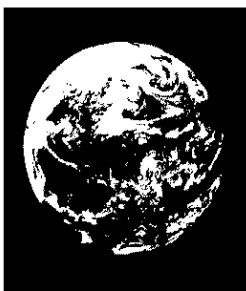
For statistical purposes only:

Sex: __female __male
Educational status: __high school __undergraduate
 __grad student __professional
Area of study: __humanities __science

Make copies for friends to sign with you!

Cut on the dotted line and mail back to: Student Pugwash USA 815 15th Street, NW, Suite 814 Washington, DC 20005 USA
You can also sign the pledge electronically on our Web site: www.spusa.org/pugwash

S T U D E N T



P U G W A S H

U S A

The mission of Student Pugwash USA is to promote the socially responsible application of science and technology in the 21st century. As a student organization, Student Pugwash USA encourages young people to examine the ethical, social, and global implications of science and technology, and to make these concerns a guiding focus of their academic and professional endeavors.

**Student Pugwash USA is the US student affiliate
of the Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs**

**To find out more about Student Pugwash USA, or
other national Student Pugwash groups**

**log on to our Web site:
www.spusa.org/pugwash**

Start a local pledge campaign! Here are the rules:

- 1) The Student Pugwash USA national office is the central clearinghouse for the pledge, including hosting the registry for all pledge signatories.
- 2) The pledge language can only be revised with prior written approval by Student Pugwash USA. We strongly encourage the use of the existing pledge in countries in which English is the first language. Only under very special circumstances will a change be approved for English-speaking countries. For countries in which English is not the primary language, you must submit the translation of the pledge to Student Pugwash USA. If you have changed any language in the translation, you must also submit an English-language version of the revised text for prior approval. The translation must reflect the content of the English-language version.
- 3) All pledges must be sent to Student Pugwash USA in a timely manner, either via the Internet, fax, or postal services, and should include the requested demographic information if possible. Signing the pledge over the Internet is the most efficient way to send the pledge to the national office.
- 4) Student Pugwash USA should be notified in advance of all large scale initiatives (e.g., graduation exercises, regional events, conferences, etc.). In addition, the pledge coordinator should be kept up-to-date on all activities involving the pledge.
- 5) Student Pugwash USA should receive copies of all publications and media surrounding the pledge (e.g., news/magazine articles or summaries of TV/radio scripts).
- 6) The pledge is open for signatures by all people willing to commit to the ethical use of science and technology; however, we focus our outreach on students and young professionals.

**Total Pledges Collected as of June 2000
5,115**

Countries identified by signatories

•Algeria •Argentina •Australia •Austria •Bangladesh •Belgium
•Bosnia-Herzegovina •Brazil •Brunei •Bulgaria •Catalonia
•Canada •Colombia •Costa Rica •Croatia •Czech Republic
•Egypt •England •Finland •France •Germany •Ghana •Greece
•Guatemala •Holland •Hong Kong •Hungary •Iceland •India
•Indonesia •Iran •Ireland •Israel •Italy •Japan •Kenya
•Macedonia •Malaysia •Malta •Mexico •Mozambique
•New Guinea •New Zealand •Nigeria •Norway •Pakistan
•Palastine •Panama •People's Republic of China •Peru
•Philippines •Portugal •Romania •Russia •Scotland
•Sierra Leone •Singapore •Slovakia •South Africa
•South Korea •Spain •Sri Lanka •Sweden •Switzerland
•Taiwan •Thailand •The Netherlands •Togo •Turkey
•United States •Uruguay •West Africa •Yugoslavia •Zimbabwe

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