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New Risks and New Arms Control Solutions: North Korea, Disruptive Technologies, and the New Arms Race

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Dear Arms Control Association Members and Friends,

Welcome to our 2019 Annual Meeting.

Through the years, the Arms Control Association has made tremendous progress advancing bipartisan U.S. leadership on nonproliferation and disarmament.

But today, we are facing a retreat from key nuclear risk reduction commitments. Proven nuclear arms control treaties between the United States and Russia such as the INF Treaty and New START are at risk. Talks between Washington and Pyongyang are stalled and the future of the highly effective 2015 Iran Nuclear Deal is uncertain.

The next couple of years will be pivotal.

Our Board and our hardworking, professional staff will be seeking to:

• **Head off U.S.-Russian nuclear competition** by building bipartisan support to extend New START before it expires in 2021.
• **Cut back on the administration’s trillion-dollar plan to replace and upgrade the nuclear triad.**
• **Block Trump administration plans for new, more usable nuclear weapons** and build support for a U.S. policy of “no first use” to reduce the risk of nuclear catastrophe.
• **Underscore the value of continued Iranian compliance with the 2015 Iran nuclear deal** and the United States returning to compliance with the agreement by 2021.
• **Push for smarter U.S.-North Korean diplomacy** on denuclearization and a peace on the Korean peninsula.
• **Encourage key governments to support common-sense initiatives to promote nuclear disarmament** in the leadup to the 2020 Nonproliferation Treaty Review Conference.
• **Reinforce the global taboo against chemical weapons use** and hold violators accountable.
• **Ensure U.S. arms transfers are subject to thorough, common-sense review** to prevent them from contributing to regional tensions or undue harm to civilians.

Yes, these are big challenges.

But as I have seen from the inside as your Board Chairman for the past two years, the Arms Control Association is an exceptional organization with a big impact disproportionate to its size.

With your continued support, we will continue to make a difference.

Thanks in advance,

Tom Countryman,
Chair of the Board, Arms Control Association
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### The Challenges of New Weapons Technologies and Strategic Stability

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- **Bonnie Docherty**, Senior Researcher, Human Rights Watch, Arms Division
- **Erin Dumbacher**, Program Officer for the Scientific and Technical Affairs Program, Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI)
- **Amy Woolf**, Specialist in Nuclear Weapons Policy, Congressional Research Service

*Moderated by Michael Klare, Senior Fellow, Arms Control Association*

### Next Steps Toward Denuclearization and Peace on the Korean Peninsula

2:15 pm

- **Suzanne DiMaggio**, Senior Fellow, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace
- **Frank Aum**, Senior Expert on North Korea, United States Institute of Peace

*Moderated by Kelsey Davenport, Director for Nonproliferation Policy, Arms Control Association*

### Closing

3:10 pm

- **Daryl G. Kimball**, Executive Director, Arms Control Association

### Reception featuring special guest Sen. Chris Van Hollen (D-Maryland)

4:00 pm

Located in the Senate/Capitol Room, Washington Court Hotel
Panelists

Ambassador Richard Burt, Former U.S. Diplomat and Negotiator on the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START), and U.S. Chair, Global Zero

Ambassador Richard Burt is an accomplished American diplomat with special expertise in nuclear arms control negotiations. In 1991, he successfully concluded a nuclear arms treaty as the U.S. Chief Negotiator in the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks with the former Soviet Union. Previously, he was U.S. ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany. He currently serves as the U.S. Chair of Global Zero and managing director at McLarty Associates.


Anatoly I. Antonov is Ambassador of the Russian Federation to the United States of America and permanent observer of the Russian Federation to the Organization of American States in Washington, D.C. Amb. Antonov previously served as deputy foreign minister of the Russian Federation where he was responsible for general issues of military and political security from 2016 through 2017. Prior to 2016, Amb. Antonov served as deputy minister of defense for five years. His various positions within the Russian Foreign Ministry and its missions also include director of the Department of Security and Disarmament, member of the Russian Foreign Ministry Board, and ambassador-at-large of the Russian Foreign Ministry. @RusEmbUSA

Joan Rohlfing, President and Chief Operating Officer, Nuclear Threat Initiative

Joan Rohlfing is president and chief operating officer of NTI. She previously served as senior advisor for national security to the Secretary of Energy and as director of the Office of Nonproliferation and National Security. Rohlfing is also a member of the Threat Reduction Advisory Committee of the Department of Defense and chair of the Directorate Advisory Committee of the National Security Directorate at Pacific Northwest National Laboratory. @JoanRohlfing
Heather Hurlburt, Director of the New Models of Policy Change, New America

Heather Hurlburt is the director of the New Models of Policy Change project at New America’s Political Reform program. Previously, she ran the National Security Network, a premier source for internationalist foreign policy messaging and advocacy, held senior positions in the White House and State Department under President Bill Clinton, and worked on Capitol Hill and for the International Crisis Group. 
@natsecHeather

Ambassador Bonnie Jenkins, Founder of Women of Color Advancing Peace, Security, and Conflict Transformation, and Member of the Arms Control Association Board of Directors

Ambassador Bonnie Jenkins is the founder of Women of Color Advancing Peace, Security, and Conflict Transformation (WCAPS). She previously served as the Department of State’s coordinator for threat reduction programs in the Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation where she coordinated the State Department’s Cooperative Threat Reduction program. She was also the State Department lead on the Nuclear Security Summit and the U.S. Representative to the Global Partnership Against the Spread of Nuclear Weapons and Materials of Mass Destruction. @Jenkinsbd

Keynote Address

Admiral Mike Mullen, Former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (2007–2011)

Admiral Mike Mullen served as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff for Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, capping more than 43 years of military service. Adm. Mullen was part of the U.S. delegations that successfully negotiated New START. He was an active military diplomat and improved military-to-military relations throughout the world by engaging with Pakistani, Chinese, Japanese, and South Korean chiefs. A 1968 graduate from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Adm. Mullen sought challenging positions including command at every level to develop his leadership skills during his naval career. He rose to be Chief of Naval Operations prior to assuming duties as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
Panelists

Bonnie Docherty, Senior Researcher, Human Rights Watch, Arms Division

Bonnie Docherty is an expert on arms and the protection of civilians during armed conflicts. Her research currently focuses on fully autonomous weapons. Prior to her work on the topic, Docherty was involved in negotiations for the Convention on Cluster Munitions and has investigated the conduct of war and civilian casualties in Israel, Gaza, Iraq, and Libya. Docherty is also a lecturer on law and associate director of armed conflict and civilian protection at the International Human Rights Clinic at Harvard Law School.

Erin Dumbacher, Program Officer for the Scientific and Technical Affairs Program, Nuclear Threat Initiative

Erin Dumbacher is a program officer for NTI’s Scientific and Technical Affairs program where she works to strengthen cybersecurity for nuclear weapons systems and facilities. Before joining NTI, Dumbacher served as a research leader at the advisory firm CEB, worked with the national security team of the Office of Management and Budget, and supported appropriations and national security policy for Representative Robert Cramer (D-Ala.). @erin_dian

Amy Woolf, Specialist in Nuclear Weapons Policy, Congressional Research Service

Amy Woolf is a specialist in nuclear weapons policy in the Foreign Affairs, Defense, and Trade Division of the Congressional Research Service at the Library of Congress. She provides Congress with analysis on U.S. and Russian nuclear forces and arms control, including topics such as nuclear weapons strategy and doctrine, nuclear force structure, strategic arms control, and issues related to nuclear weapons and threat reduction in the former Soviet Union. Before joining CRS, Woolf was a member of the research staff at the Institute for Defense Analyses (IDA) in Alexandria, Virginia. @Woolaf
Suzanne DiMaggio, Senior Fellow, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Suzanne DiMaggio is an expert of diplomatic dialogues with countries that have limited or no official relations with the United States, especially Iran and North Korea. She directs a U.S.-DPRK dialogue, which involved the first official discussions between the Trump administration and North Korean government representatives in Oslo in May 2017. @suzannedimaggio

Frank Aum, Senior Expert on North Korea, United States Institute of Peace

Frank Aum previously was the senior advisor for North Korea in the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Aum led a delegation for working level negotiations in Seoul with the Republic of Korea, and received the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service. @frankaum1

Reception Special Guest

Senator Chris Van Hollen of Maryland

Senator Chris Van Hollen (D-Md.) was elected to the Senate in 2016 after serving as the Representative of Maryland’s 8th Congressional district since 2002. He is currently a member of the Appropriations Committee and the Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, among other committee assignments. In the wake of the INF Treaty withdrawal crisis, he introduced and co-sponsored several pieces of legislation that aims to mitigate risk by restricting funding for INF Treaty-prohibited missile systems and activities. Early in his career in public service, Sen. Van Hollen worked on the ratification of the INF Treaty as a professional staff member on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. @ChrisVanHollen
Daryl G. Kimball has led the Arms Control Association as executive director since 2001 and has more than 25 years of nonprofit leadership experience in the field of arms control, disarmament, and nonproliferation, beginning as a Herbert Scoville Jr. Peace Fellow in 1989. @DarylGKimball

Alexandra Bell is the senior policy director at the Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation. Previously, Bell served as a senior advisor in the Office of the Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security. @atomicbell

Thomas Countryman became the chair of the Arms Control Association board of directors in 2017 following a 35 year-long career in the Foreign Service. Countryman achieved the rank of Minister-Counselor, serving as acting undersecretary for arms control and international security and assistant secretary for international security and nonproliferation where he advised the Secretary of State on arms control and political-military affairs. @TMCountryman

Michael Klare is the secretary for the Arms Control Association board of directors and a senior visiting fellow examining emerging technologies and how arms control strategies can mitigate their adverse impacts. He is a regular contributor for The Nation magazine and served as the Five Colleges Professor of Peace and World Security Studies at Hampshire College until his recent retirement. @mklare1

Kelsey Davenport is the director for nonproliferation policy at the Arms Control Association. She provides research and analysis on the nuclear and missile programs in Iran, North Korea, India, and Pakistan and on nuclear security issues. Davenport initially joined the staff in August 2011 as a Herbert Scoville Jr. Peace Fellow. @KelseyDav
Dear Friends,

Tremendous challenges for arms control, disarmament and nonproliferation lie ahead as we navigate a fraught political landscape, defend keystone treaties and institutions, and chart a path forward to major victories in the years to come.

The work of our Arms Control Association team depends on individual donations to keep pushing forward. Your financial support truly makes a difference in allowing us to quickly respond to crises and contribute fact-based reporting and analysis that helps shape the debate on urgent arms control policy priorities.

Thank you,

Daryl G. Kimball,  
Executive Director, Arms Control Association
Since 1971, we’ve provided authoritative information, news, and analysis on arms control solutions to eliminate the threats posed by the world’s most dangerous weapons.

**Forthcoming Reports**

**U.S. Nuclear Excess: Understanding the Costs, Risks and Alternatives**

The projected cost of the proposed U.S. nuclear spending spree is staggering. The United States currently plans to spend nearly $500 billion dollars to maintain and replace its nuclear arsenal over the next decade. This report describes the ways in which this level of spending is unnecessary, unsustainable, and unsafe. It describes three realistic options to reduce spending on nuclear weapons and recommends steps Congress can take to adjust the programs to deal with the long-term budget challenges.

**Assessing Progress on Nuclear Nonproliferation and Disarmament, Updated Report Card 2016–2019**

Since 2010, the Arms Control Association has tracked state adherence to 10 internationally recognized standards for nuclear nonproliferation, disarmament, and nuclear security. Each of these standards play an important role in addressing the complex nature of the threat posed by nuclear weapons.

The 2019 report grades the performance of the recognized nuclear-weapon states, China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States, the states outside of the nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty that have developed nuclear weapons, India, Israel, and Pakistan, as well as states of concern, North Korea for its expanding nuclear arsenal, and Iran, and Syria for conducting covert nuclear weapons activities in the past.
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Bipartisan Congressional Nuclear Policy Dialogue Project
The Arms Control Association and The Lugar Center have partnered together since 2013 to establish the Bipartisan Nuclear Policy Dialogue Project which aims to foster bipartisan discussion on security issues through a series of private dinners and congressional briefings. The program provides a forum for staff and Members of Congress to engage high profile speakers.

Project for the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty
Sponsored by the Arms Control Association, the Project for the CTBT aims to support and connect the work of NGOs and policy, scientific and security experts on advancing the goals of the treaty. @CTBTNow and ProjectfortheCTBT.org

Deep Cuts Commission
The 21-member German-Russian-U.S. Deep Cuts Commission was established in 2013 to devise concepts on how to overcome current challenges to deep nuclear reductions. The Arms Control Association is the U.S. lead partner for the Commission.

Chemical Weapons Convention Coalition (CWCC)
The CWCC is an independent, international civil society network, based at the Arms Control Association and led by board member Paul Walker. It is designed to support the CWC and OPCW in their mission to timely eliminate chemical weapons and prevent the misuse of chemicals for hostile purposes. @CWCCCoalition and cwccoalition.org

The Forum on the Arms Trade
The Forum is a network of civil society experts focused on the humanitarian, economic and other implications of conventional arms transfers and security assistance. It is coordinated by Arms Control Association Senior Fellow Jeff Abramson. @ForumArmsTrade and forumarmstrade.org
A group of 4,000 anonymous Google employees opposing the company’s work on a Pentagon project using artificial intelligence (AI), which could be used to improve drone targeting, received the highest number of votes in an online contest to determine the “2018 Arms Control Person(s) of the Year.”

The employees’ internal petition for company management pressured Google to end its work on Project Maven when the contract expired. Google announced it would focus on “socially beneficial” AI and avoid work that causes “overall harm.”

“Technological developments that remove or reduce direct human control over lethal weapon systems could change the nature of warfare and undermine global security. Not only do governments need to work harder to develop new rules to mitigate the risks, but researchers at private institutions and tech companies have a responsibility to step in, when necessary, to ensure their projects are used responsibly,” said Daryl Kimball, executive director of the Arms Control Association.

“The initiative of this group of concerned Google employees helped to change company culture and policy for the better and is an example for others to follow,” Kimball said.

“The Google tech workers’ actions underscore the urgent need to negotiate legally-binding instruments to mitigate the risks posed by autonomous weapons systems,” he said.
# Previous Winners

Every year since 2007, the Arms Control Association staff and board have nominated several individuals and institutions that have advanced effective arms control, nonproliferation, and disarmament solutions and/or raised awareness of the threats posed by mass casualty weapons. The nominee that receives the highest number of votes in an online poll becomes the “Arms Control Person(s) of the Year.”

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<td>2016</td>
<td>The Republic of the Marshall Islands and its former Foreign Minister <strong>Tony de Brum</strong> for pursuing a case in the International Court of Justice against the world’s nuclear-armed states for their failure to initiate nuclear disarmament negotiations in violation of the NPT and customary international law.</td>
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<td>2015</td>
<td><strong>Setsuko Thurlow</strong> and the <strong>Hibakusha</strong> (atomic bomb survivors) of Hiroshima and Nagasaki for their unyielding dedication to sharing first-hand accounts of the catastrophic and inhumane effects of nuclear weapons.</td>
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<td>2014</td>
<td>Austria’s Director for Arms Control, Nonproliferation, and Disarmament Ambassador <strong>Alexander Kmentt</strong> for organizing the third International Conference on the Humanitarian Impact of Nuclear Weapons.</td>
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<td>2013</td>
<td>Executive-Secretary of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty Organization <strong>Lassina Zerbo</strong> for providing real-time data regarding North Korea’s third nuclear test explosion.</td>
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<td>2012</td>
<td><strong>General James Cartwright</strong> for calling on the United States to reduce its nuclear forces, scale back triad modernization plans, and reduce the alert status of deployed weapons.</td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>Reporter and activist <strong>Kathi Lynn Austin</strong> for her work to document and track arms smugglers and for highlighting the need for a robust global Arms Trade Treaty.</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>Kazakhstan Deputy Foreign Minister <strong>Kairat Umarov</strong> and U.S. National Nuclear Security Administration Administrator <strong>Thomas D’Agostino</strong> for securing material containing highly enriched uranium and weapons-grade plutonium.</td>
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<td>2009</td>
<td><strong>Senator Richard Lugar</strong> (R-Ind.) for his long-running support for U.S. financial contributions to assist with the construction of Russia’s chemical weapons demilitarization complex.</td>
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<td>2008</td>
<td>Norway’s Foreign Minister <strong>Jonas Gahr Store</strong> and his ministry’s Director-General for Security Policy <strong>Steffen Kongstad</strong>. Store convened the Oslo process which led to the negotiation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions, and Kongstad led Norway’s cross departmental effort.</td>
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<td>2007</td>
<td>Representatives <strong>Peter Visclosky</strong> (D-Ind.) and <strong>David Hobson</strong> (R-Ohio) for helping lead the effort for Congress to reject the Bush administration’s proposal to fund research on a new, replacement warhead.</td>
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Lawrence Weiler  
(1920–2019)

A decorated World War II veteran, he served on the staff of Harold Stassen, the special assistant for disarmament to President Eisenhower, helped establish the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, helped to negotiate the 1963 Hotline Agreement, the 1968 nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty and the Strategic Arms Limitation agreement, led the U.S. delegation to the 1978 UN Special Session on Disarmament, and was an early member of the Arms Control Association Board of Directors. After his government service, he taught at Stanford and George Washington Universities and wrote on arms control. We dedicate this year’s meeting to Larry for his many contributions to building a safer world.

“Though we have achieved progress, our work is not over. The global nonproliferation and disarmament regime that many in and outside the government have helped to build is at risk—but I am still optimistic.

Why? Because even during the dark days of the Cold War, when it didn’t seem like things were possible, we persisted. American and Soviet negotiators engaged with one another in an effort to reduce nuclear risks.

If we could do it then, we can also find practical ways to tackle today’s tough nuclear challenges.”

—Larry Weiler’s message to Arms Control Association Members, 2018