

Choose Sanity Now for People and the Planet



“The arms race wastes precious resources that could be better used to benefit the integral development of peoples and to protect the natural environment. . . . [It is] an affront crying out to heaven.”

Pope Francis, [Address in Nagasaki](#)
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Lethal choices by our government:

- Rushing more and more weapons to Ukraine—a decision that has prolonged and risked escalating the war.
- Increasing fossil fuel production—a decision with disastrous consequences for a warming planet.
- Approving unconscionable levels of military spending, including billions for nuclear weapons “modernization”—a decision with grim consequences for all humanity.

Urge our President and Congress to adopt saner choices:

- Seriously pursue diplomacy and promote a negotiated end to the war in Ukraine (<https://bit.ly/39vT1w8>).
- Shift to clean energy and slash carbon emissions to mitigate the climate catastrophe (<https://on.nrdc.org/3y2qirD>).
- Redirect military spending to address the causes of conflict, injustice, inequity, and environmental catastrophe, as urged in Pax Christi USA’s **Bread Not Stones** campaign (<https://bit.ly/3shKXWj>).
- Cancel spending on new nuclear weapons and adopt policies to reduce the threat of nuclear war, as urged in the **Back from the Brink** campaign (<https://preventnuclearwar.org>).

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