

Friends of the Earth Brisbane

Qld Nuclear Free Alliance

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Queensland Parliamentarians and the public are invited to join us tomorrow in remembering Hiroshima and saying "68 years on and we still say Ban the Bomb!"

Brisbane Hiroshima Commemoration

No more Hiroshimas, No more Fukushimas, NO uranium mines in Queensland!

August 6 (Tues)
12pm

Speaker's Corner outside Parliament House – George Street, Brisbane

Speakers include: Sam Watson, Greg Rolles- Talisman Saber Peace Pilgrim, Annette Brownlie -Just Peace, Pauline Rigby - Queensland Nuclear Free Alliance, Coordinator of the testing of Australian Veterans for Uranium Contamination, plus more...

Music by the Combined Unions Choir and Jenny Pineapple.

Light lunch served! All welcome!

Last year, in October 2012, Premier Newman announced that he would allow uranium to be mined in Queensland and set the wheels in motion to open up the uranium industry in this state. We invite the government to look at the facts - and reconsider.

With an export value less than wine or cheese, Australian uranium mining provides little benefit at great risk to workers, our community and our environment. Every uranium mine becomes a de facto radioactive waste dump with toxic mines tailings on sites. On a good day, with all of our safeguards in place, Australian uranium ended up fuelling Fukushima. On a bad day, our uranium will end up fuelling nuclear weapons.

Nuclear weapons are indiscriminate and the UN has called for their complete elimination, yet Queensland happily hosts and participates in preparations for nuclear-capable war by allowing military training and warship visits associated with Talisman Saber and pushing for the opening of a uranium mining industry.

In an era of never-ending war, Australia must stop fuelling the nuclear arms race. Queensland can take the lead in promoting peace in the region by refusing to sell uranium and refusing to support US lead wars.

It is simple! No uranium mining- no weapons – no war games - no war!

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