In Memoriam

MARK HATFIELD (SENATOR)

Mark Hatfield was the longest serving U.S. Senator in Oregon history, serving five terms as Republican Senator from 1967 to 1997. Hatfield successfully introduced and campaigned for the adoption of the “Nuclear Test Moratorium Act” by the U.S. Senate in 1992. Throughout the 1990s, he consistently and vocally opposed any plans to resume nuclear testing.

(Died on 7 August 2011 aged 89).

EUGENE HERRIN (SEISMOLOGIST/PROFESSOR)

Eugene Herrin played a significant scientific role in the development of infrasound detection of atmospheric tests and the design and implementation of the International Monitoring System’s global seismic network for test ban verification and earthquake detection. Herrin also made contributions to national security through successful and enforceable nuclear non-proliferation negotiations.

(Died on 20 November 2010 aged 81).

ROSEMARY LYNCH (FRANCISCAN NUN)

Rosemary Lynch was a lifelong peace activist. She organized a series of vigils and peaceful gatherings in the desert around the Nevada Nuclear Test Site, USA, in the 1980s and 1990s calling for an end to nuclear testing. Lynch was also the co-founder of Pace e Bene, an international network focusing on education in justice, social change and nonviolence.

(Died on 9 January 2011 at the age of 93).
A TRIBUTE TO AMERICANS WHO CAMPAIGNED FOR AN END TO NUCLEAR TESTING

LOUISE REISS (DOCTOR)

Louise Reiss conducted studies in the 1960s on the presence of strontium-90 from nuclear testing in the baby teeth of young Americans. Her alarming findings raised awareness and spurred a civil movement against nuclear testing. The research played a key role in persuading the world's leading powers to sign and ratify the Partial Test Ban Treaty in 1963, which banned nuclear testing in the atmosphere, underwater and outer space but not underground. (Died on 1 January 2011 aged 90).

JOHN SHALIKASHVILI (GENERAL)

John Shalikashvili was a United States Army General who served as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1993 to 1997. He was the author of the authoritative January 2001 report Findings and Recommendations Concerning the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, described as one of the best explanations of why the Treaty makes sense for U.S. and international security. (Died on 23 July 2011 aged 75).

DAGMAR WILSON (ACTIVIST)

Dagmar Wilson was the founder of the Women Strike for Peace event that mobilized 50,000 women in the early 1960s to demand an end to nuclear testing. Wilson also helped organize marches and other actions such as sending letters to the First Ladies of the USA and the USSR, Jacqueline Kennedy and Nina Khrushcheva, calling for an end to the arms race and to nuclear testing. (Died on 30 January 2011 aged 94).