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URANIUM-MINING: IMPACT ON HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT



Tuesday October 1 to Sunday October 6 2013

Location:
Dar Es Salaam and
Bahi /Dodoma
United Republic Tanzania

The demand for uranium, the fuel for nuclear power plants and nuclear bombs, creates an apparent need for more mining operations. For this reason and because of insufficient local regulation, uranium-mining companies are increasingly focusing on African countries.

However, besides short-term socio-economic benefits, the local populations are not usually informed about the possible long-term consequences of uranium mining on their health and environment, most of which are only poorly investigated. On the other hand, some nations are starting to phase out the nuclear option and there is increasing pressure by the people of the world for a complete abolition of nuclear weapons. This has already led to a lower world market price for uranium,

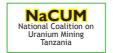
As socially committed medical doctors, we feel an obligation to provide concerned citizens, NGOs and political decision makers with comprehensive information about uranium and its health, environmental, and socio-economic impacts.

thus strengthening the case against new mining operations.

A conference of IPPNW - International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War - in cooperation with LHRC (Legal and Human Rights Center) Tanzania and NaCUM (National Coalition on Uranium Mining) Tanzania and uranium-network.org, Germany









Program:

Tuesday, October 1, 2013

Field trip to Bahi - visit of planned exploration site

Wednesday, October 2, 2013

Bahi Community meeting

Resistance to Uranium - Mining in Central Tanzania

Health Impact: Uranium as Heavy Metal and Source of Radiation:

Introduction Anthony Lyamunda, CESOPE, Tanzania

Scientific basis Prof Doug Brugge, USA Human health Dr Dale Dewar, Canada

Environmental Impact

The Experience with Uranium Mining in Germany from 1950 - 1990

Prof. Sebastian Pflugbeil, Germany

Water Requirements for/ Water Pollution in U Mining

Prof. Dr. Frank Winde, South Africa (will be invited)

Social, Economic and Political Impact

Experiences in Australia

Dr. David Sweeney, Australia

The Experience with Uranium Exploration in Falea, Mali

Prof. Many Camara, Mali (will be invited)

Political Impact in Tanzania

Representative Tundu Lissu, Tanzania (will be invited)

View of Young Tanzanians

Racheal Changonja, Tanzania (will be invited)

Thursday, October 3. 2013

Transfer Participants from Dodoma to Dar es Salaam

Afternoon: Press Conference

Friday / Saturday, October 4 - 5, 2013

Conference "Uranium - Mining: Impact on Health and Environment"

Venue: to be announced

Welcome notes

Prof. Andreas Nidecker, MD, radiologist, board of IPPNW Switzerland Helen Kijo-Bisimba, Exec.Director of Legal and Human Rights Center (will be invited) Hussein Ali Mwingi, PhD, Minister of Health of Tanzania (invited)

Introduction

Uranium Mining in Tanzania - Benefits and Risks

Hassan Mshinda, PhD, Tanzania (invited)

Health (Friday morning)

Impact of U - Mining on Living Organisms

Urs Ruegg, PhD, Switzerland

Health Aspects and U - Mining Regulation in the USA

Doug Brugge, MD, USA

Consequences of U - Mining in Namibia

Hilma Shindondola-Mote, Namibia

Uranium and its Influence on the Renal System

Andreas Uhl, MD, Switzerland

Health Effects of U and Factors Affecting the Dietary Uptake of U by Humans

Heike Windmann, MD, Germany (invited)

Silicosis in Mine Workers

NN, expert speaker from Tanzania

Tuberculosis in Miners

Robert Mtonga, MD, Zambia

Environment (Friday afternoon)

U - Mining: Aspects of Water Contamination

Prof. Frank Winde, South Africa (will be invited)

U - Mining: Geological Aspects

Roland Oberhänsli, PhD, Germany (invited)

U - Mining: Economic Aspects from Exploration to "Rehabilitation"

Günter Wippel, Germany

Friday Evening: dinner with speakers and participants

Economy (Saturday morning)

30 years U - Mining in Germany. The Story of Wismut

Prof Sebastian Pflugbeil, Germany

Market Situation of U as Source of Energy

Prof Andreas Nidecker, MD, Switzerland

U - Mining in 5 Continents: the History

Claus Biegert, Journalist, Germany (invited)

Documentary films and discussion

Joachim Tschirner and Marcel Kolvenbach, Moviemakers, Germany

Human Rights and Social Impact (Saturday afternoon)

Human Rights Aspects in Concerned Populations

Flaviana Charles, Tanzania

Experiences from South Africa

David Fig, PhD, South Africa

Experience from Bahi

Anthony Lyamunda, CESOPE, Tanzania

What is going on in Mali?

Prof. Many Camara, Mali (will be invited)

Discussion

Sunday October 6, 2013

Meeting of the African Uranium Alliance (AUA)

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