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INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Title of Resolution: Depleted Uranium

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

IPPNW condemns the use, and potential use, of DU weapons in any conflict, including the war in Ukraine.

Reasons for Above:

The use of anti-tank munitions containing depleted uranium, such as previously used in former Yugoslavia and Iraq, may be detrimental to the health of combatants and civilians, and cause localised long-term environmental contamination of dust, soils and groundwater.

Depleted uranium is a byproduct of uranium enrichment for nuclear fuels and nuclear weapon manufacture.

Describe how this resolution might be implemented and by whom:

IPPNW to produce a short [or revised] document of the current scientific and medical knowledge on the effects of DU as a resource for affiliates to use as a basis for discussion with politicians and members of the public.

Estimate for amount of staff time and resources required to implement this resolution:

Staff person or intern within an office or affiliate to complete the research within a short time frame.

Estimated expenses and sources of funding:

Funding not identified as yet.