

Are You
Catholic,
Protestant,
Non-Christian

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Are You
In Any
Political
Party
Or None

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Are You
Australian,
European,
Or Asian

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Are You
Man,
Woman
Or Child

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Are You
Rich, Poor,
Or Middle
Income

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Join World-Wide Signature Protest Campaign?

To-day in every country of the world people are passing around, and signing, the Appeal against Atomic War Preparations, issued by the World Council of Peace at Vienna. (Printed below.)

It is only in such a way that the hundreds of millions of people of all colours and creeds, in cities country and in the jungles and deserts, can register a mighty, common protest against the threat.

The world-target is 1000 million signatures. Already some 600-million have been collected.

Already by June 1st 50,000 had signed in New South Wales alone. The Australian target is 500,000. So far, at least four of every five Australians approached sign readily.

Why Was The Appeal Launched?

Because in December, 1954, the countries of the Atlantic Pact decided in London to equip all their forces with atom and hydrogen weapons as standard equipment. Other nations would not have no choice but to follow suit.

This would mean that ANY major war in future could ONLY be an atomic war, with all its wholesale devastation.

The people of the world do not want such suicide. And so the World Peace Council turned to the people, with its Appeal for everyone's signature—YOUR signature.

Will It Do Any Good?

Do you believe in Democracy? . . . The Power of the People? When the people make up their minds and declare themselves, no Government can ignore them.

The results of this signature campaign will be made known to every Government, every M.P. in the world, and to the United Nations. The signatures themselves will stay in the hands of the Peace Movements.

You cannot just do nothing!

You must do something!

Sign the Appeal! Collect more signatures!

Write protests to the papers, join and organise deputations to your politicians!

Get your organisation to take similar actions!

ACT NOW

CUT HERE

SIGN THIS APPEAL

To-day certain Governments are preparing to let loose Atomic War.

They are trying to make the peoples accept it as inevitable.

The use of Atomic Weapons would result in a War of extermination.

We declare that any Government that lets loose Atomic War will forfeit the trust of its people and find itself condemned by every people in the world.

Now, and in the future, we shall oppose those who organise Atomic War.

We demand the destruction of all stocks of Atomic Weapons, wherever they may be, and the immediate stopping of their manufacture.

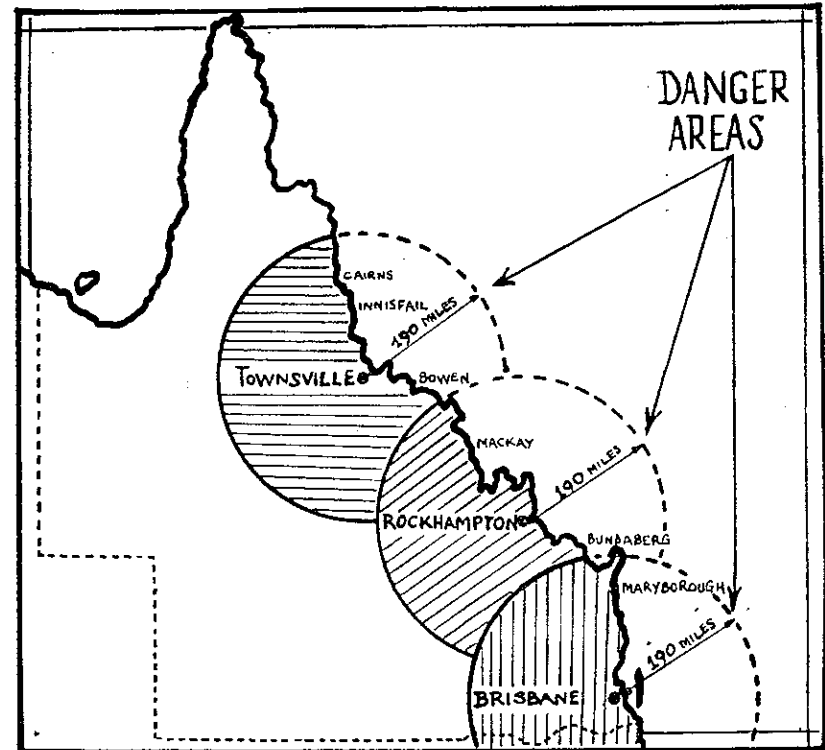
SIGNATURE _____ ADDRESS _____

SEND TO _____
(LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE)

The Organiser or Queensland Peace Council, 38 Duncan Street, Valley, Brisbane. Telephone: L 2995.

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Do You Know what The H-BOMB will do _____



to _____ • YOUR children
• YOUR home ?
• YOUR country

MAP shows the potential death zones resulting from three Hydrogen bombs exploded over indicated cities. They cover the entire Queensland Coast, which would be annihilated.

WHICH DO YOU WANT?

This . . .

Is the Hard Work, the Planning and Sacrificing You have Done for Your Children to End Like This?

When the Americans dropped the first atom bomb on Hiroshima thousands of helpless men, women and children were left with the melted faces and bodies that official photos have shown.

All that was left of some was a shadow of a human body, burned into the footpath.

Of a population of 400,000 people, 247,000 were killed when this first single American bomb was dropped. Since then thousands more have died from radio-active poisoning, have become cripples for life, have given birth to physically and mentally deformed children and so on.

Is this the future that is to confront your child?

Is the House You Have Spent so Much Time, Money and Labour on Suddenly to Become Ashes?

Scientists tell us that one hydrogen bomb dropped on Brisbane or any other big city would totally destroy all property within a circle of at least 10 miles radius. That would include your home and all that personal property you have struggled so hard to accumulate.

So that even if by a miracle you escaped mutilation or death you would be left penniless.

With each move to make Australia a major war base, the danger increases of our cities becoming hydrogen bomb targets.

You cannot accept the loss of everything you possess by atom warfare.

Is This the Australia You Would Leave to Your Children?

Cities, towns, property, farms and food supplies destroyed and poisoned . . . all water supply, power and transport completely wiped out. Plant and animal life committed to illness and slow death in the chain of life with radio-activity.

Millions of citizens killed, mutilated or maimed. Most others suffering from slow radio-active sickness without at first knowing it.

Writing in the "Times," Captain Liddell Hart (Military Commentator and Editor of Encyclopaedia Britannica) says: "The supreme fact of the Hydrogen Bomb era is that war has become palpably suicidal.

Is this what is to become of the country you love?

What the Scientists Say:

The late Professor Albert Einstein said (13/2/50): "Radio-active poisoning of the atmosphere, and hence annihilation of any life on earth has been brought within the range of technical possibility.

British physicist, Professor F. Soddy, Nobel Prize winner, said: "Pollution of the atmosphere with radio-active particles can change climates and endanger the whole economy of nations as well as cause cancer, human mutations, ageing and premature death. . . . As co-discoverer of atomic energy, I beg scientists to demand a moratorium forbidding its mass liberation." ("S.M.H.", 15/4/55.)

This . . .

Do You Want Your Children to Grow up Happy and Healthy—to Marry and Have Normal Children, not Hideous and Crippled Idiots?

Science, if applied peacefully, can ensure your children a future of health and prosperity unequalled in history.

You owe it to your children to do your part to stop them from being robbed of this bounteous future by those who manufacture, distribute and use atom and hydrogen bombs.

It can and is being done. Throughout the world one of the mightiest people's movements of history is rapidly developing a vast signature campaign of protest against the threatened atom murder of children, born and unborn.

JOIN THIS CAMPAIGN TO PROTECT YOUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE.

Do You Want to Preserve the Home, the Car, and Other Property You Have Accumulated?

While the work of nuclear or "atom" scientists, if used for war purposes, will destroy your property, on the other hand, their work, if used for peaceful purposes, will make available to you and all mankind a much greater quantity and variety of personal property, cheaper than previously could have been dreamed.

Atomic sources of heat can be used instead of furnaces to produce steam for generators in large power stations, which would drive the wheels of industry.

Rich in uranium ore, Australia has sufficient supplies to lift our standard of living to untold heights.

Join in the struggle to have atomic power used peacefully to produce more property—not to destroy, in war, what you already have.

Will You Build a Great Australian Heritage?

A sun-drenched continent with soil and climate capable of growing anything.

Wool, cotton, flax and other cloth-making fibres that can be grown in profusion. Timber, minerals, clays and other home building materials . . . in all of these things our Australia abounds.

Atomic power used for peaceful purposes would so cheapen production that none of our people need be deprived of anything to give them a secure and happy life.

Join in the world campaign to stop the atom bombers and bequeath to your children the heritage of a rich, secure and happy Australia.

What the Churches Say:

In his Easter warning on the horrors of the hydrogen bomb, the Pope issued a solemn warning on the dangers of provoking sterility in mankind by reckless use of radio-active sources; and spoke of the "horrors of monstrous offsprings" which might result from radio-active explosions.

Rev. Alan Walker, leader of the Mission to the Nation, said at Launceston recently: "In spite of the awful dilemma the world faces, I believe Christians must repudiate hydrogen bomb manufacture and warfare."

Dean Hardie (Newcastle), Dean Babbage (Melbourne), Rev. A. F. Oliver (Associate Editor of "The Methodist"), and more than 130 other ministers of religion in Australia have actively protested against the manufacture and use of atomic warfare.

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