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February 21, 2018 **Olympia Coalition to Abolish Nuclear Weapons**

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**Nuclear Weapons News, Updates, Discussions, and Light Refreshments**

Wednesday February 28 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm

Olympia Timberland Library meeting room, 313 8th Ave SE, Olympia

The **Olympia Coalition to Abolish Nuclear Weapons** invites the public to catch up on the many news updates about nuclear weapons – both the scary realities and the opportunities to work for peace. Enjoy an informal panel with questions/answers, discussions, printed materials, and light refreshments f**rom 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday February 28** in the meeting room in the SE corner of the **Olympia Timberland Library on 8th Ave SE** between Franklin and Adams Street. (Enter through the front door.)

“While much of the news about nuclear weapons has been frightening the world, other news has been showing new opportunities for peace,” said Glen Anderson, this event’s prime organizer. “Trump is threatening nuclear war with North Korea, and Congress has decided to spend more than $1 TRILLION to replace ALL of the U.S.’s nuclear weapons,” he said, “But – on the positive side – 122 nations recently put the United Nations General Assembly on the path to outlawing nuclear weapons worldwide, the global organization most responsible for that won the Nobel Peace Prize, and new anti-nuclear coalitions are growing in Olympia and statewide.”

At this event, several local persons who are well informed about nuclear weapons will briefly share several kinds of news updates from the past year. The public will be invited to ask questions, discuss these realities, and explore current and upcoming opportunities to work toward abolishing nuclear weapons. Light refreshments will be available throughout the two-hour session.

This event is sponsored by the Olympia Coalition to Abolish Nuclear Weapons. This new local group began in May 2017 and has been organizing a variety of activities to inform the public, urge the government to turn away from its expensive new nuclear weapons projects, and engage the public in working for peace. It is part of the new statewide coalition Washington Against Nuclear Weapons, which was convened by Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility, **www.wpsr.org** (206) 547-2630.

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