

The Urgency of Action on the CTBT

Contributing to International Peace and Security
in an Increasingly Unstable World



CTBT side event at the 2015 NPT Review Conference

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Delegates, NGO representatives, and the media are invited to attend this high-level panel discussion which will address questions such as:

What concrete actions can be taken to facilitate the entry into force of the Treaty nearly twenty years after its opening for signature?

How long will the non-testing norm hold absent entry into force?

Do we need an international crisis – a nuclear detonation -- to act to bring the CTBT into force?

How can the NPT Review Conference, and its outcome advance this long sought goal?

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Why not use the CTBT as a basis for moving forward on the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty?
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Executive Secretary Lassina Zerbo

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