



WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM

EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

PUBLIC IS INVITED

DATE & TIME: Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 7 PM

PLACE: Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto
(in the Midtown Room)

PANELISTS: [Ellen Thomas](#), national co-chair of WILPF DISARM/End War, on the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons
[Nuri Ronaghy](#) on the Iran nuclear agreement
[Marylia Kelley](#), executive director, Tri-Valley CAREs, on nuclear weapons activities in the Bay Area's backyard

MORE INFO: Are we moving towards a nuclear-free future? The 2017 UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, signed by 122 nations, is pending ratification by 50 of those nations, and as of July 2019, 23 have ratified it. Once ratified, it becomes international law. On April 30, D.C. Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton introduced the Nuclear Weapons Abolition and Economic and Energy Conversion Act of 2019 (H-R 2419), which calls on the United States to sign and ratify the treaty.

Congressional resolutions to divert military spending to the Green New Deal are being debated. Now is the time to ask our political candidates where they stand on getting rid of nuclear weapons. And now is the time for a grassroots effort to support this movement towards a nuclear-free future!

You are invited to join members of local Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) branches, meet other anti-nuclear activists, and explore these issues. Three WILPF members on tour for a Nuclear-Free Future will describe the efforts of non-governmental organizations (like WILPF) to eliminate nuclear weapons. One of the visiting speakers is national WILPF DISARM/End War co-chair Ellen Thomas (see the website prop1.org), who participated for 18 years in one of the longest-running peace vigils outside the White House. We will also hear from Nuri Ronaghy about the Iran nuclear agreement issues, and from a representative from Tri-Valley CAREs (Communities Against a Radioactive Environment) in Livermore, CA, home of Livermore National Lab, about their work against nuclear weapons (www.trivalleycares.org).

Explore with us what you can do to bring about a nuclear-free future. For more information, email wilpf.peninsula.paloalto@gmail.com. The public event is July 17th at the Mitchell Park Library, Midtown Room, 3700 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto, CA 94303