

Forum: Challenges to New START Treaty Ratification

Monday, September 27th, 2010

7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Tucson Association of Realtors, 2445 N. Tucson Blvd in Tucson, AZ

On September 16, the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee voted 14 to 4 in favor of the New START (Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty) that US President Barack Obama and Russian President Dmitry Medvedev signed in April of this year. If ratified by the US Senate and the Russian Parliament, New START would replace the 1991 START Treaty that lapsed in December, 2009.

This forum will examine the public health risks of nuclear war, the structure of the New START Treaty (including concerns about verification), and the political prospects that New START faces in the US Senate.

**Speakers include: Dr. Barbara Warren, Phineas Anderson, and Brigadier General (Retired) John Adams.
Emcee: Blake Gentry, Education Coordinator, UNA-SA**

Admission is free. The public is invited to attend.

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**Arizona Physicians for Social Responsibility,
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Speakers' Bio Sketches:

Barbara Warren, MD, MPH: Medical educator, administrator and internal medicine practitioner for 35 years in Chicago, Tucson and Denver. Coordinator of Tucson's recent première of *Countdown to Zero* which advocates for a New START Treaty. A founding member of the Arizona Chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility and current national board member of PSR. Principle organizer of the conference Addressing the Health Effects of Climate Change, a first in Arizona, held 2008 at the Arizona Health Sciences Center.. Participant in Peace conferences held in Finland, Sweden, New Zealand, Latvia, Kazakstan, and Russia,

Phineas Anderson, (Retired): Campaign leader for AZ New START Petition Drive, Co-founder, Arizona Center to Reverse the Arms Race. Major fund raiser for the film, *Nuclear Tipping Point* (2010). Director of Fire Policy, Research and Development, FEMA, and recipient of FEMA Certificate of Achievement. CEO, Evolve Education Holding (Dubai). Former President of Rotary Club of Toledo, Ohio. Published twenty one editorials including one on nuclear terrorism. Headmaster, Green Fields Country Day School, Tucson, Arizona, M.Ed, Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Brigadier General John Adams, US Army (Retired): Defense Consultant, Adjunct Instructor at the University of Arizona South, and PhD student at the Department of Government and Public Policy, University of Arizona. General Adams retired from the US Army in 2007 after more than thirty years as a Foreign Area Officer, Military Intelligence Officer, and Army Aviator, with eighteen years of service in Europe, Asia, the Middle East, and Africa. His final military assignment was as Deputy US Military Representative to the NATO Military Committee, Brussels, Belgium. He also served as Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence on the US Army Staff; as Deputy Director for European Policy in the Office of the Secretary of Defense; and as a Military Attaché assigned to US Embassies in Belgium, Rwanda, Croatia, and South Korea. General Adams is a recipient of the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Bronze Star Medal, and the Director of Central Intelligence's Exceptional Human Intelligence Collector Award. As a member of the Consensus for American Security, a non-partisan group of military and national security leaders committed to protecting the United States and its allies by promoting sound and informed discourse about national security, General Adams traveled to Washington, DC, several times since April 2010 to build Senate support for New START ratification, including discussions at the White House with National Security Advisor to the President, General (Ret) James Jones, Assistant Secretary of State (and lead arms control negotiator for New START) Rose Gottemoeller; discussions on Capitol Hill with Senators John Kerry (D-MA), James Risch (R-ID), and George LeMieux (R-FL); and meetings with the staffs of several other senators, including Senator John Kyl (R-AZ).