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30th ANNIVERSARY DOUBLE EDITION!

'NFLA at 30' with key civic reception

The Mayor of Nagasaki was the guest of honour at a special civic reception for the notable 30th anniversary of Manchester's 'nuclear free' declaration.

Hosted by the Lord Mayor of Manchester, Councillor Mark Hackett, the Nov 4th reception celebrated 30 years of

campaigning for a nuclear weapons free world and raising legitimate concerns and alternatives to nuclear power generation.

Amongst the guests were Tony Lloyd MP and Senator Mark Dearey from the Irish Dail. Members of the Mayors for Peace Executive board and NFLA



(l-r) A-bomb survivor Yoshiro Yamawaki, Mayor Taue of Nagasaki, Chairman of Nagasaki Takashi Yoshihara, Tony Lloyd MP & Manchester Councillor Afzal Khan at NFLA 30th anniversary civic reception.

representatives from England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland attended.

The Lord Mayor noted how important the NFLA had been in the debate on nuclear weapons and nuclear power. The Mayor of Nagasaki called for continued co-operation for a nuclear weapon free world.

NFLA / Manchester host A-bomb exhibition launch

Whilst on a civic visit to Manchester, the Mayor of Nagasaki also opened a 'Hiroshima-Nagasaki A-bomb exhibition' at the People's History Museum (PHM).

The exhibition charts the destruction of the bombing and its deadly effects on the cities. It also outlines the rebuilding of the cities

and the work for a nuclear weapons free world by the Mayors for Peace.

Also speaking were the Lord Mayor of Manchester, NFLA Chair George Regan, two moving accounts from Nagasaki A-bomb survivors and the Directors of PHM and the Nagasaki A-bomb Museum.

The launch coincided with the unveiling of plaques remembering the A-bomb victims and to the memory of the late NFLA Chair Bill Risby.

The Manchester Peace Trail was also launched and part of it walked by attendees – it notes the various progressive movements that make up the city's rich history.



A-Bomb Exhibition launch at the People's History Museum, Manchester



Lord Mayor Mark Hackett speaking at NFLA Civic Reception, Manchester Town Hall



Bill Risby plaque dedication at the People's History Museum



NFLA 30th anniversary celebration cake ends the civic reception on a high!



Mayors for Peace 2020 Vision Board Meeting in Manchester

Mayor of Nagasaki speaks at NFLA Steering Committee

The Mayor of Nagasaki was guest of honour at the NFLA Steering Committee's 30th anniversary meeting held in Manchester Town Hall.

Mayor Taue is the Chair of the National Council of Japanese Nuclear Free Local Authorities

and outlined their work to the UK and Ireland Steering Committee. He hoped the close co-operation between both groups and through the Mayors for Peace could be built on.

NFLA Chair George Regan responded to say how delighted he was with Nagasaki's visit to

Manchester and how their common values of a nuclear weapons free world need to be realised.

The Steering Committee discussed a number of important nuclear policy issues – a summary of actions can be found on the NFLA website.

NFLA Wales considers the economics of nuclear power

The NFLA Welsh Forum held its winter seminar in Ceredigion County Council offices to discuss the economics of nuclear power.

Keynote speaker was Dr Paul Dorfman from Warwick University Business School, who outlined the high costs of a new nuclear build

programme and real concerns of cost overruns and the taxpayer having to assist through subsidies or much higher bills.

NFLA Secretary Sean Morris reported on a Bangor University study which noted that local Anglesey residents preferred renewable

energy jobs over nuclear, if the choice was available.

Tim Richards noted some of the legal issues around new build and Stephen Murphy showed how Wales and the wider UK could meet all its needs through renewables by 2030.

NFLA Scotland discuss energy policy and Scottish elections

The NFLA Scotland Forum held its winter meeting hosted by its newest member – Perth and Kinross Council.

At a well attended meeting, members discussed important

developments in Scottish energy policy and with the nuclear weapons debate in the country.

It was agreed to lobby all Scottish parties prior to the 2011 elections.

Members also showed great interest in hosting the Hiroshima-Nagasaki exhibition and a UK & Ireland tour is being devised by the NFLA Secretariat.



Cllr Afzal Khan, Halabja delegation, Lord Mayor, & Tony Lloyd MP at NFLA Civic Reception in the Lord Mayor's Suite

NFLA press releases November 2010

- Redfern inquiry on Sellafield body parts scandal highlights a national disgrace.
- 15th November 2010 - Do Anglesey and Wales really want new nuclear build? Important public survey suggests not.
- 6th November – commemorating Bill Risby, inspiration for Manchester's NFLA declaration.
- 1st November 2010 – Celebrating 30 Years of the NFLA movement. Mayors of Manchester and Nagasaki join together to call for a nuclear weapons free world.

All placed on the NFLA Website.



Nagasaki A-bomb survivor Yoshiro Yamawaki gives an account of his experiences to Manchester students.

NFLA responds to NDA Draft Strategy Consultation

The NFLA has developed a hard-hitting response to the NDA's (Nuclear Decommissioning Authority) draft strategy consultation.

The NFLA submission questions the contradiction with the urgent need to improve

national radioactive waste management policy and speed up the process to close and clean-up redundant nuclear reactors; with the desire to maximize profits through land-sales and reactor life extensions.

It also raises real

concerns that increased reprocessing will see discharges to the Irish Sea rise, threatening OSPAR Treaty commitments.

The detailed response was sent to all NFLA members and can be found on the NFLA website.

NFLA briefing highlights concerns over aquatic discharges

The NFLA has initiated a briefing highlighting concern over the amount of radioactive aquatic discharges which will be permitted under a new UK nuclear reactor programme.

NFLA 'New Nuclear Monitor 22' provides further detail to the

presentation given by marine pollution expert Tim Deere-Jones to the NFLA All-Ireland Forum.

It also follows on from a wide range of concerns put to the Environment Agency by the NFLA on its initial approval of the two new nuclear reactor designs. This response

is on the NFLA website.

The policy briefing notes large amounts of potentially dangerous radioactive isotopes could be released and seeks further clarification from the EA on this matter. The Briefing is being sent to members and will be on the website soon.

Mayors for Peace plan major 2011 disarmament conference

Coinciding with the NFLA's 30th anniversary, Manchester hosted a board meeting of the Mayors for Peace 2020 Vision.

Cities attending included Manchester, Nagasaki,

Glasgow, Ypres, Halabja, Granollers, Hanover, Frogn and Malakoff.

Mayors for Peace now has over 4300 members globally, and is seeking to develop its financial base. It also agreed to

develop a major international nuclear weapons disarmament conference to maintain momentum on the issue in 2011 – a fallow year in the NPT regime.



Senator Mark Dearey and Nagasaki delegation, Manchester Town Hall

Letters to the press in November 2010:

All being placed on the NFLA website.

- Lets hope the Supreme Court helps the nuclear test veterans
- Nuclear power is not the answer to 'keeping the lights on' in Scotland
- Anglesey survey shows little appetite for nuclear new build in Wales
- Channel 4 nuclear documentary needs a right of reply



NFLA Secretary Sean Morris with Mayor Taue, Yoshiro Yamawaki, and Takashi Yoshihara



Lord Mayor Hackett, Mayor Taue and NFLA Chair George Regan ceremonially cut the 'NFLA at 30' cake.

Redfern inquiry uncovers Sellafield body parts scandal

The NFLA has noted its sadness and disgust at the recent publication of the Redfern Inquiry.

The inquiry found that, for over 30 years, body parts of deceased Sellafield and other nuclear reactor workers were routinely harvested for research purposes, without the

approval of any of their families.

The inquiry also found a similar pattern with research into the effects of strontium in the bones of over 6000 people - most children under the age of 6 - when comparing the effects of nuclear weapons research.

The NFLA media release highlighted the violation of the families' rights and notes the clear, but hidden, concern of the nuclear industry on the medical effects of radiation over 5 decades.

The NFLA welcomes the inquiry and has passed its sympathy on to all the affected families.

Other NFLA news in brief

Nuclear test vets take case to the Supreme Court – The BNTVA lost a substantial part of its case for further research on Veterans at the Appeal Court. It plans to take its case now to the Supreme Court.
NFLA AGM in Dundee 27th and 28th Jan–

The NFLA AGM will be held in Dundee City Hall in late January. A seminar on low level radiation is also being devised for members.
NFLA Annual Report 2010 – A short newsletter style annual report is being developed by the NFLA Secretariat for use by all its members and will be

published in December.
NFLA Admin Assistant moves on – Gemma Harris completes her temporary contract on the 1st December. She has been building up her own online kids T-shirts business and the NFLA wishes her well in this venture. Gemma has provided an excellent service to the NFLA.

Forthcoming NFLA meetings

NFLA /NGO meeting on nuclear new build issues, Greenpeace UK HQ, London (invitation only) – 15th December 2010

NFLA Finance & Admin Committee, City Hall, Dundee, 27th January 2011

NFLA Steering Committee & AGM, City Hall, Dundee, 28th January 2011

NFLA civic reception, the Lord Provost's Parlour, City Hall, Dundee, 27th January 2011

NFLA UK & Ireland seminar on low level radiation, City Hall, Dundee, 28th January 2011