NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT PARTY

PLATFORM:
1. To close all foreign military bases in Australia.
2. To prohibit the stationing in Australia or the passage through Australian waters or airspace of any nuclear weapons.
3. To terminate immediately all mining and export of uranium, and to repudiate all commitments by previous governments to the mining, processing and export of uranium.

WHY VOTE FOR A SINGLE-ISSUE PARTY?

Our greatest problem today is the spiralling arms race and the ever-increasing risk of nuclear war. If a war started and only 1000 of the 50,000 existing warheads were used, the atmospheric contamination would probably destroy all life on Earth.

Although Australia is in the forefront of the nuclear problem, our politicians either do not seem to understand the severity of the threat, or are unwilling to do anything about it. Under the present government the largest new uranium mine in the world has been given the go-ahead.

Ordinary people need to make their opposition to the nuclear weaponry madness heard. Without a vote against the pro-uranium policies of the major parties, the new government will do nothing about this issue.

THIS ISSUE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN TRADITIONAL PARTY POLITICS.

NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT IS THE ONLY ISSUE THAT REALLY MATTERS.

ROD LANDER is standing for parliament because he believes it is necessary for ordinary people to take a stand. He is a school teacher and has never before joined a political party. Thousands of other ordinary people have marched in peace rallies, attended meetings and protests; but the main political parties have done nothing about the nuclear problem. Now we must try to work through the ballot box.

If you can lend support, please telephone Rod Lander, c/o-

Sue Joiner (Goulburn 212334)

Or write to the Nuclear Disarmament Party
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VOTE 1
ROD LANDER
for Gilmore

and for the NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT PARTY SENATE TEAM
Want to do more than vote NDP?

☐ I would like to join the NDP. NDP membership is open to all people who are serious about ending the nuclear madness in which Australia plays a significant role. (Membership is $10 for employed persons, $5 for others. Newsletter subscription included).

As a member of the NDP, I would like to help with:

☐ election campaigns
☐ demonstrations and rallies
☐ leaflets and other publicity
☐ office work, typing, etc.
☐ policy development
☐ fundraising

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☐ I would like a list of goods (T-shirts, tea towels, badges, books, etc) available for purchase from the NDP.

☐ I would just like more information on the NDP at this stage.

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In 1945 one atomic bomb killed 130,000 civilians in Hiroshima, injuring thousands more, and has left 400,000 survivors and descendants suffering radiation-induced illness and genetic damage.

Today there are over 50,000 nuclear bombs, each more powerful than the Hiroshima bomb, and capable of annihilating the world 24 times over.

Trillions (billions of billions) of dollars are spent on armaments each year. Australia plays a key part in this obscenity. There is one thing stronger than this immense nuclear power - the actions of the millions of Australians who are opposed to our country's nuclear war links.

YOU CAN HELP TO WIN A NUCLEAR-FREE AUSTRALIA AND A SAFER WORLD

NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT PARTY

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF AUSTRALIA

Working towards

- The closure of all foreign military bases in Australia.
- No nuclear-armed ships or planes in Australia.
- An immediate end to uranium mining and export.
Why the NDP?

By the early 1980's the international nuclear arms race had accelerated with the introduction of new generation war fighting nuclear weapons. Australia was locked into this build-up by:

- hosting nuclear war bases at Pine Gap, North West Cape, and elsewhere
- allowing the passage of nuclear armed ships and planes into our territory
- mining and exporting uranium

The ALP government, elected in 1983, had failed to take real steps to end Australia's role in the nuclear threat, despite strong popular support for nuclear disarmament.

This led many Australians to support an independent party with a clear nuclear disarmament platform that would stand in elections as a protest and a means of changing the pro-nuclear policies of all major parties.

The NDP was this historic party formed by people of all ages, occupations, political and religious beliefs.

1984 Election Success

The 1984 elections brought nuclear disarmament to the forefront of public discussion. The Australian public responded with enthusiasm and the NDP polled over 7% of the national vote. Jo Vallentine was elected as an NDP candidate to the Senate.

The NDP's campaign forced all parties to address the issue of nuclear disarmament.

The ALP and Nuclear Disarmament: Rhetoric and Reality.

To the anger of many people, the ALP government has moved further away from nuclear disarmament since the 1984 elections. Pine Gap has been upgraded (in 1985 an eighth dome was added and the ground station was linked in with a new more powerful satellite) and the ALP intends to renew the lease. Nuclear death ships have been invited into Sydney for the RAN's 75th anniversary. The ban on uranium exports to France has been lifted.

The ALP claims it is committed to the cause of peace. There has been much disarmament rhetoric from Hawke, Hayden and others in the ALP. There have been token gestures such as the appointment of a 'nuclear disarmament ambassador' to the UN. The ALP has sponsored a largely toothless South Pacific Nuclear-Free Zone treaty which does not ban the most important nuclear activities in the region such as exporting uranium, the presence of nuclear war bases or the transit of nuclear weapons on ships and planes.

With Australia's growing involvement in nuclear armament, any talk by the ALP of actively promoting world-wide nuclear disarmament counts for nothing except hypothetical electioneering for the peace vote.

The opposition parties offer no better alternative on nuclear disarmament. They use the same arguments with regard to the US bases, nuclear armed ship visits and uranium as the Hawke Liberal Party.

The NDP and the Peace Movement.

Our elected representatives from the major parties, though not understanding the urgency of the simple choice between nuclear obliteration and the survival of humanity, do understand the power of vote.

The NDP sees electoral activity by a principled party as a vital part of the broad peace movement. The NDP gives people the chance to use elections to increase the pressure for concrete disarmament measures.

The NDP also works with other organisations campaigning for peace and nuclear disarmament by, for example, participating in and building the Palm Sunday and Hiroshima Day rallies.

The NDP believes that masses of people actively supporting nuclear disarmament can force governments to carry out our will. The new Zealand Labour government has been compelled to ban nuclear warships from their country. We are capable of having a similar effect on the Australian government.

Towards the Next Federal Election

You can help ensure that the NDP's 1984 election success is repeated for the 1987-8 Federal election and that a strong message is delivered to all Parliamentary parties in and out of government.

To ensure that nuclear disarmament is given the priority it deserves, vote [ ] NDP in the Senate, and in the House of Representatives, vote [ ] NDP and then the major party of your choice. Under the preferential voting system which applies in all Australian Federal and State elections, if the candidate of your first choice (the NDP) does not get elected, your vote passes automatically to the candidate you choose next. This will ensure that your vote is used both for nuclear disarmament and for the other issues which are of concern.
VOTE FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT PARTY
NSW SENATE TEAM

1. PETER GARRETT

Law graduate. Long-term activist in bringing nuclear issues to public attention through rock band "Midnight Oil". Age 31.

2. GILLIAN FISHER

Mother, physiotherapist, active in community affairs, author of book "Australians For Peace". Age 46.

3. DR. MARIE-ANNE HOCKINGS


4. PROF RUSSEL WARD

Professor of History and Deputy Chancellor, University of New England. Leading Australian historian and author. Age 70.
NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT PARTY
NEW SOUTH WALES

As a result of the growing concern about the nuclear threat to Australia, the Nuclear Disarmament Party is fielding candidates in the forthcoming Federal elections.

Australia is able to set an example to the rest of the world by becoming a nuclear-free continent. By standing up against the dangers of the arms race, Australians can make a commitment to the future, to the survival of our children and our planet.

The Nuclear Disarmament Party's objective is to exert pressure on the Federal government to:

1. Close all foreign military bases in Australia.
2. Prohibit the stationing of nuclear weapons in Australia, or passage of nuclear weapons through Australian waters or airspace.
3. Terminate all mining and export of Australian uranium, and to repudiate all commitments by previous Australian governments to mining, processing and export of uranium.

By supporting the Nuclear Disarmament Party, you can ensure that these vital issues are brought to the forefront of the national consciousness, and are solved in favour of our survival.

Funds are urgently needed for this cause, please send donations to Nuclear Disarmament Party, P.O. Box 11111, Lane Cove 2066. If you wish to be a part of the Nuclear Disarmament Party activities, please call us on (02) 267 8377.

VOTE 1 NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT PARTY
VOTE 1 NDP

While two-thirds of the world's people are suffering hunger, poverty and homelessness, a million dollars a minute is being spent on nuclear weapons. This gross misuse of the world's resources results in a massive distortion of the global economy. Both the US and the USSR are struggling under the burden created by the spiralling cost of military spending on nuclear weapons. The US deficit, which now exceeds 250 billion dollars, adversely affects the living standards of all Western nations, including Australia. The consequences are even more dire for the people of the Developing world.

In Australia neither of the major parties are addressing the social and economic implications of Australia's involvement in the nuclear arms race.

The ALP:

• has upgraded Pine Gap and, if re-elected, will renew the 10 year lease in October of this year
• continues to allow the presence of nuclear warships in Australian ports and harbours, thereby making all of us nuclear targets
• supports the proposal of Jervis Bay as the preferred site to replace the huge nuclear base at Subic Bay in the Philippines when its lease expires in 1991
• has reneged on its Party platform and allowed the establishment of the world’s largest uranium mine at Roxby Downs despite grave danger of radioactive contamination of the Great Artesian Basin and without regard to Aborginal rights
• has lifted its own ban on uranium exports to France despite considerable opposition to this country's nuclear testing in the Pacific
• has sponsored the limited South Pacific Nuclear-Free Zone Treaty, which seeks only to preserve the status quo and legitimise the control of our region by the United States
The Liberal/National Party

• would further escalate the nuclear arms race by blindly supporting US nuclear weapons policy in our region without regard to Australian sovereignty
• has confirmed its intention to involve Australia in Star Wars research
• would actively seek to draw Australia into the MX missile program

Clearly, neither the ALP nor the Liberal/National party is taking nuclear disarmament seriously.

Our elected representatives from the major parties, though not understanding the urgency of the simple choice between nuclear obliteration and the survival of humanity, do understand the power of votes.

The NDP believes that masses of people actively supporting nuclear disarmament can force governments to carry out their will. The New Zealand Labour government has been compelled to ban nuclear warships from their country. We are capable of having a similar effect on the Australian government.

The NDP supports:

• the closure of all foreign military bases in Australia
• a ban on nuclear armed ships and planes in Australia
• an immediate end to the mining and export of uranium

Nuclear Disarmament would remove the threat of nuclear war and the fear that goes with it. Nuclear Disarmament would liberate the world's resources to provide sufficient food, clothing and shelter for all the world's people. Nuclear Disarmament would open the door to a true peace. Nuclear Disarmament is the most crucial issue confronting all of us today.

ACT NOW FOR THE FUTURE

VOTE [1] NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT PARTY

for the Senate.
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What is the greatest problem facing Australians today?
NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT PARTY
New South Wales

Senate Candidates:
(1) Peter Garrett  (3) Dr. Marie-Anne Hockings
(2) Gillian Fisher  (4) Prof. Russel Ward

The Aims of the Nuclear Disarmament Party
To exert pressure on the federal government to
(1) Close all foreign military bases in Australia
(2) Prohibit the stationing of nuclear weapons in
   Australia and the passage of nuclear
   weapons through Australian waters and airspace.
(3) Stop the mining and export of uranium.

With your support we can achieve these objectives.
Australia can be nuclear-free.

At this stage of the campaign we need volunteers.
If you’d like to help, pop into your Campaign Headquarters:
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Or phone us on (02) 267 8577