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Peace & Weapons

Outline of the resolutions ‘Peace for Public Health Initiative’, ‘Nuclear Weapons and Public Health’, ‘Health In Cuba and The U.S. Embargo’, ‘Landmines’, ‘Abolition of Nuclear Weapons’ and ‘Public Health, Peace & Human Rights’, ‘Reinforcing The Public Health Commitments On Peace And Human Rights’ and ‘Armed Conflict And War’

The nine resolutions, passed by the WFPHA General Assembly, were published in the period between 1993 and 2011 under the heading ‘**Peace & Weapons**’. The outline of the resolutions as follows:

Recognition and recalling the contributions that public health has made to prevent and stop the consequences of war and organized violence (*Peace for Public Health Initiative, 1993*).

Noting the threat of nuclear weapons to global health, and calling for the legal status of the use of nuclear weapons to gradually create a nuclear-free world (*Nuclear Weapons and Public Health, 1993*).

Discussing the impact of the US embargo against Cuba still has on public health in Cuba (*Health In Cuba and The U.S. Embargo, 1994*).

Describing the devastating consequences of landmines on the civilian population, and call for a ban of production of landmines supported by national and international organizations (*Landmines, 1994*).

Stating the public health hazards created by nuclear weapons testing, whether conducted in the atmosphere or underground, and reaffirming disarmament as the world's only option (*Abolition of Nuclear Weapons, 1997*).

Modification of the Declaration of Skopje on Public Health, Peace & Human Rights of the Public Health Collaboration Network in South Eastern Europe, of December, 2001, by the WFPHA (*Public Health, Peace & Human Rights, 2003*).

Recognizing the Rio Declaration (August 2006) and recalling the thirty two resolutions and two position paper adopted by WFPHA on its previous Assemblies, from 1978 to 2005 (*Reinforcing The Public Health Commitments On Peace And Human Rights, 2008*).



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Advocating for the development of suitable collaborative initiatives which would increase public health awareness of the health needs of prisoners through engagement of Public Health Organizations and training of Public Health professionals (*Prison Health, 2011*).

Addressing the role of public health practitioners, academics, and advocates in response to war and armed conflict. The problem is analyzed under the aspects of women and children, health care, human rights and effects of war, and recommendations of the WFPHA are given (*Armed Conflict And War, 2011*).