

To Rid Europe of U.S NATO Nukes We need joint European action!

This year is the 60th Anniversary of the end of the Nuremberg War Crimes Tribunal when the following principals was established:

"Individuals have international duties which transcend the national obligations of obedience...Therefore (individual citizens) have the duty to violate domestic laws to prevent crimes against peace and humanity from occurring"

**That's why on October 1st 2006 people
from all over Europe will be side by
side saying,
NATO NUCLEAR WEAPONS OUT OF
EUROPE NOW!**

USAF Lakenheath, Suffolk: CND and Lakenheath Action Group are joining forces for the biggest demonstration the base has ever seen. **Gate one, 12 noon till 3pm.....Come and join us for political cabaret, speakers to include Bruce Kent and Kate Hudson and to add your voice to the NATO nuclear bombs out of Europe campaign!**
Contact us for UK coach details.

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US Nukes: Out of Europe Now! Day of Action: October 1st



The United States currently has an estimated 480 nuclear weapons in Europe which are committed to NATO but are controlled by US Command.

United States and NATO policies include plans for 'first use' with nuclear weapons in a conflict, whether the target country has nuclear weapons or not.

The US nuclear weapons in Europe violate principles of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) and discourage other states from disarming or respecting the NPT themselves.

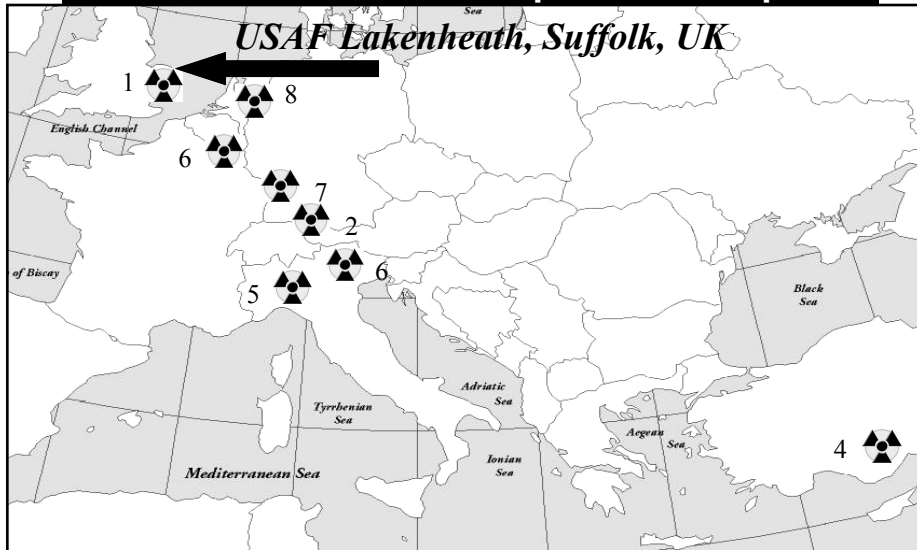
These nuclear bombs are a danger to the communities around them and have nearly led to terrible disasters several times.



USAF Lakenheath

The US/NATO nukes are a variety of explosive yields; from bombs ten times as big as the Hiroshima bomb to the smaller bombs that the US Pentagon calls 'usable' nukes. These weapons are for use by both US and European aircraft that can carry conventional and nuclear weapons.

US/NATO Nuclear Weapons in Europe



US Nuclear Weapons For US Air Forces

- 110 at Lakenheath, U.K (1)
- 90 at Ramstein, Germany (2)
- 50 at Aviano, Italy (3)
- 50 at Incirlik, Turkey (4)

US Nuclear Weapons For European Air Forces

- 40 at Ghedi Torre, Italy. (5)
- 40 at Incirlik, Turkey. (4))
- 20 at Kleine Brogel, Belgium. (6)
- 20 at Buechel, Germany. (7)
- 20 at Ramstein in Germany. (2)
- 20 at Volkel, Netherlands. (8)

Growing Opposition to US Nukes in Europe

- Thousands of people across Europe hold regular demonstrations against NATO and US nuclear forces.
- 69.2% of Europeans want a nuclear weapons free Europe. (Stratcom survey, 2006).
- Denmark Norway & Spain refuse to allow US nukes in their countries.
- Greece, Canada, Denmark (Greenland), and Iceland have had US nuclear weapons removed from their countries.
- The Hans Blix Weapons of Mass Destruction Commission reports that: 'Every state that possesses nuclear weapons should make a commitment not to deploy any nuclear weapon, of any type, on foreign soil'.
- NATO expansion to the east, and growing worldwide commitments, increases the risk of controversy with Russia and is an additional reason to remove the nuclear weapons from Europe, according to the same Commission.

Nuclear Accidents

Nuclear accidents are not as rare as one would hope, we just do not get told about them. Nuclear accidents at USAF Lakenheath have been kept secret for about 30 years...

July 27, 1956, USAF Lakenheath.

A B-47 bomber crashed into a storage bunker containing three nuclear weapons. Luckily the crash and the ensuing fire did not ignite the high explosives and no detonation occurred. A retired Air Force general said that if the weapons' high explosives had detonated, releasing radioactive material, "it is possible that a part of Eastern England would have become a desert."

More recently in January 2004

A US bomber, from Lakenheath, accidentally dropped a dummy bomb on farm land in East Yorkshire. What would have happened if it was one of the B-61's that are regularly flown around Europe and to the U.S to be maintained? It does not bear thinking about. But we must.....

The nuclear exercises that are carried out from time to time show that an accident of this kind is possible.

A joint US/UK nuclear weapons exercise involving around 1000 people took place near Thetford, in Norfolk, UK, this area is part of the local authorities Nuclear Free Zone. Exercise 'Dimming Sun' cost in the region of £10 million.



Undermining Nuclear Disarmament

The United States is the only country that shares nuclear forces with other countries. This is a violation of the NPT which is meant to stop the spreading of nuclear weapons to non-nuclear states and reduce their role in strategic plans.

Instead of reducing the importance of nuclear weapons, the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the United States are now also claiming the right to use nukes pre-emptively against groups that they believe are assembling weapons of mass destruction.

The removal of nuclear weapons from Europe would massively lower nuclear tensions around the world and reduce the chance of a catastrophic nuclear event.