



The dangers of nuclear war have risen sharply this year. Unfortunately, very few members of the House and Senate have risen to the occasion by speaking out or publicly urging measures to de-escalate tensions between nuclear powers and seriously revive negotiations for nuclear-weapons treaties and disarmament measures. Below are just some of the policies elected officials could support right now to reduce the risk of nuclear war.

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### Diplomacy with Russia and Ukraine

Total military victory cannot be achieved by either Russia or Ukraine. It is time to support calls for a ceasefire and a negotiated end to this war. The longer the war goes on, the greater the danger of spiraling escalation which can lead to a wider war, environmental devastation and nuclear annihilation. Stop the killing, agree to a ceasefire and begin negotiations!



### Get rid of ICBMs (land-based nuclear missiles)

The U.S. is set to spend \$264 billion dollars to replace the current ICBMs. But a growing consensus among nuclear weapons experts asserts the U.S. doesn't need them and they keep the U.S. needlessly vulnerable to a massive nuclear attack.



### Rejoin nuclear-weapons treaties the U.S. pulled out of

The United States withdrew from the Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) Treaty in 2002, from the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty in 2019 and from Open Skies Treaty with Russia in 2020. All of these pacts significantly reduced the dangers of nuclear war.

Other shifts, like ending the policy of "first use", ending presidential "sole authority", and divesting from militarism and reinvesting in human needs would also reduce the risk of nuclear war.

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