

# INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST NUCLEAR TESTS 29 AUGUST

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## Events 2012



### PROGRAMME

#### Informal Meeting of the General Assembly to mark the Observance of the International Day against Nuclear Tests

**Date:** Thursday, 6 September 2012

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Venue:** Conference Room 3, North Lawn Building,  
UN Headquarters, New York

The Meeting is convened by the President of the 66th session of the General Assembly, His Excellency Mr. Nassir Abdelaziz Al-Nasser and organized in cooperation with the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

#### Programme

##### Opening statements by:

- H.E. Nassir Abdelaziz Al-Nasser, President of the 66th session of the General Assembly
- H.E. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations
- Mr. Timur Zhantikin, Chairman of the Atomic Energy Committee of the Ministry of Industry and New Technologies of the Republic of Kazakhstan

The official opening ceremony will be followed by a High-Level Panel on the Role of the United Nations in Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation.

#### High-Level Panel on the Role of the United Nations in Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation

The panelists are expected to cover some key issues, including necessary steps for further progress on nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation, the establishment of further nuclear-weapon-free zones, confidence building and other relevant concerns.

#### Moderator:

- Dr. Randy Rydell, Senior Political Affairs Officer, Office of the United Nations High Representative for Disarmament Affairs

#### General observations:

- H.E. Tibor Tóth, Executive Secretary, Preparatory Commission of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization

#### The invited panel speakers include:

- H.E. Ambassador Susan F. Burk, Special Representative of the President of the United States for Nuclear Nonproliferation, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation
- H.E. Ambassador Jim McLay, Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations
- H.E. Ambassador Gary Quinlan, Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations
- Mr. Geoffrey Shaw, Representative of the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency
- Mr. John Burroughs, Executive Director, Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy

*The panel will be followed by statements and questions and answers from Member States.*

**Entry:** Delegates, NGOs and members of the media are welcome to attend.

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