

# FUDANREN welcomes enforcement of UN Treaty prohibiting nuclear weapons and presses the Japanese government to sign and ratify it

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The UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons came into force January 22. This is a historic milestone made by the many years of collective efforts by Hibakusha in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and the many governments and civil society from around the world seeking to realize “a world without nuclear weapons”.

As an organization that has consistently called for the abolition of nuclear weapons, FUDANREN, together with the WIDF and member organizations wholeheartedly applauds this moment.

The enforcement of the Treaty will have a great impact politically and ethically on nuclear-armed states and nations that rely on nuclear weapons as a deterrent force, and stigmatize them as “violator of international law”.

In Japan, the Suga administration, turning their back on this international trend, refuses to sign the treaty which a majority of Japanese support, which is a shameful attitude that has resulted in deep disappointment both at home and abroad.

FUDANREN will be pressing the Japanese government to sign and ratify the UN treaty.