

HAVE YOUR SAY

Should Australia do more to strengthen the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty?

- Yes No

Do you support Australia becoming a signature to the proposed Southern Hemisphere Nuclear Free Zone?

- Yes No

Do you support a ban on cluster bombs?

- Yes No

Do you support Australia's involvement in the US Missile Defence Program?

- Yes No

Could some of the money allocated to defence spending be better spent?

- Yes No

Do you believe more funding should be allocated to renewable technology over clean coal and nuclear technologies?

- Yes No

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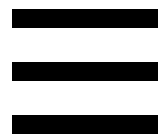
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CAPTION: Senator Lyn Allison, Leader of the Australian Democrats, joins others in leading the 2007 Palm Sunday Rally in Melbourne

The Australian Democrats are proud members of the Palm Sunday Alliance and committed to a peaceful and nuclear-free future.

We want an Australia free of uranium mines, nuclear waste dumps and nuclear power.

We want long-term solutions to climate change based on renewable technologies.

Democrats peace work

For 30 years we have worked to curb nuclear and weapons proliferation and promote peace.



See our campaign

Say No to Expanding Nuclear Industry in Australia

www.democrats.org.au/campaigns/nuclear_industry

And our latest private bills:

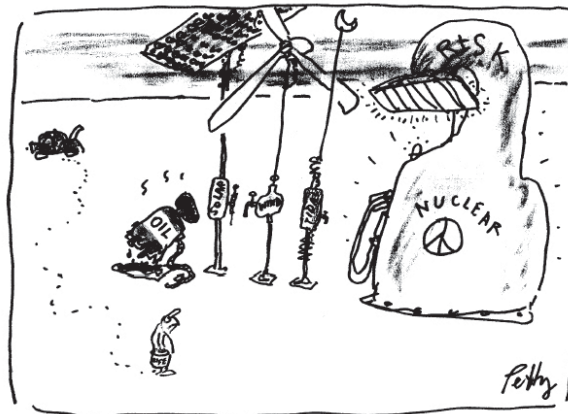
- > Cluster Munitions (Prohibition) Bill - Senate inquiry underway
- > Peace Commission and Non-Violence Bill - out for public comment

Nuclear Foolishness, Howard Style would see:

- > 25 nuclear power reactors
- > quadrupling uranium mining and exports
- > yellowcake sold to China and possibly India, contrary to international rules
- > uranium enrichment
- > nuclear waste, possibly global, dumped in outback Australia

Nuke power makes no sense! Here's why:

- > high-grade uranium ores will run out in 50-80 years.
- > mining and milling uranium and reactor construction create big greenhouse emissions
- > reactors take 10-20 years and \$billions each to build
- > nuclear power costs up to \$65/MWh yet wind power costs only \$52/MWh
- > reactors consume over 1 million litres of water every day for steam and cooling
- > nuclear plants are not safe - remember Chernobyl and likely targeting by terrorists
- > long term, safe radioactive waste storage is still a pipe dream



"Nuclear power and the uranium industry are neither financially or environmentally sustainable... The positive greenhouse impacts could be equally, and arguably better, obtained from investment in, or support of, the renewable energy sector."

AMP Capital Investors
Nuclear Fuel Cycle Position Paper

Peace or proliferation?

Australia once led the world in nuclear non-proliferation. Now it has joined the war mongers in Iraq and elsewhere. Did you know the Howard Government:

- > is no longer seriously pressing the weapons states to disarm
- > refuses to sign the Southern Hemisphere Nuclear Free Zone
- > joined the US missile defence system (star wars) and welcomed another US base here
- > has increased military spending since 1996/7 by 37% in real terms and last year alone added \$2b
- > plans for a further \$30b, taken directly from the surplus, for jet fighters and destroyers
- > is acquiring sub-munitions weapons - a kind of cluster bomb

Has all this spending made us any safer?

Could it be better spent? We believe so. Here's how:

- > double aid to meet our UN target of 0.7% of national income
- > establish a Peace Commission to foster non-violent conflict resolution
- > swap our soldier-training troops in Iraq for diplomacy between warring factions and fix Iraq's appalling services, particularly health