

Election 2020: What would good disarmament policy look like?

Uphold existing standards

- uphold the legislation prohibiting biological, chemical, nuclear and indiscriminate weapons, landmines and cluster munitions
- uphold the controls on the export of weapons and military technology
- continue the Disarmament and Arms Control Ministerial portfolio
- ensure any military activity is fully consistent with disarmament, human rights and humanitarian law

Develop new standards

- enact legislation to ban the development, production, deployment and use of fully autonomous weapon systems (killer robots)

Increase disarmament diplomacy

- increase the level of resourcing for disarmament diplomacy
- promote global implementation of existing disarmament treaties
- promote the development of new disarmament law, eg, to ensure human control over the use of force and to prohibit killer robots
- promote the development of new disarmament standards, eg, around the use of explosive weapons in populated areas

Promote welfare, not warfare

- reduce the level of annual military spending
- cancel the planned \$20 billion spend on military equipment
- transition from armed forces to civilian agencies for fisheries & resource protection, search & rescue, and humanitarian assistance
- focus foreign policy on promoting sustainable peace



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