Join Hibakusha Appeal International Signature Campaign and the Permanent Mission of Austria to the United Nations in New York at

**HIBAKUSHASHA APPEAL**

for the prohibition and elimination of Nuclear Weapons

A Side-event to the United Nations First Committee on Disarmament and International Security

**Thursday, October 10, 2019 | 1:15 – 2:30pm**

**United Nations Headquarters Conference Room 9**

*UN Ground Pass is required for this event*

As we approach the 75th anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the average age of hibakusha – atomic-bomb survivors – is now over 82. It is important to once again highlight the humanitarian impact of nuclear weapons. This event will bring to light a personal testimony from a Hiroshima atomic-bomb survivor. Equally important is to discuss ways to ensure that the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapon (TPNW) enters into force. At this forum, speakers will discuss how governments, international organisations, and civil society can work together to build further momentum to promote signatures and ratification of the TPNW and advance the goal of nuclear disarmament.

**Speakers**

✓ **H.E. Ambassador Jan KICKERT** | Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations in New York

✓ **FUJIMORI Toshiki** | Assistant Secretary General, Nihon Hidankyo (Japan Confederation of Atomic and Hydrogen Bomb Sufferers Organizations)

✓ **SUZUKI Keina** | Campaigner, Hibakusha Appeal International Signature Campaign

✓ **KAWAI Kimiaki** | Director, Peace and Human Rights, Soka Gakkai International (SGI)

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