

Selected Articles: Hiroshima: A “Military Base” According to President Harry Truman

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[Hiroshima: A “Military Base” According to President Harry Truman](#)

By [Prof Michel Chossudovsky](#), August 06, 2023

Did you know that tactical nuclear weapons or so-called mini-nukes with an explosive capacity between one-third and six times a Hiroshima bomb are considered, according to scientific opinion, on contract to the Pentagon as “harmless to the surrounding civilian population because the explosion is underground”? It’s a lie.



[Counting the Dead at Hiroshima and Nagasaki](#)

By [Prof. Alex Wellerstein](#), August 06, 2023

How many people died as a result of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki? There is one thing that everyone who has tackled this question has agreed upon: The answer is probably fundamentally unknowable. The indiscriminate damage inflicted upon the cities, coupled with the existing disruptions of the wartime Japanese home front, means that any precise reckoning is never going to be achieved.



[Hiroshima-Nagasaki: Remembering One of Humanity’s Worst Catastrophes, 78 Years On](#)

By [John Steinbach](#), August 06, 2023

President Harry S. Truman’s decision to drop atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki set the groundwork for an era of U.S. global hegemony and enriched corporations like General Electric, DuPont, Union Carbide, Bechtel and Westinghouse which made hundreds of billions of dollars developing generation after generation of “first-strike” nuclear weapons.



[The Moral Legacy of Hiroshima and Nagasaki](#)

By [Prof Rodrigue Tremblay](#), August 06, 2023

When [U.S. President Harry S. Truman](#) decided on his own to use the atom bomb, a barbarous weapon of mass destruction, against the Japanese civilian populations of the cities of Hiroshima and of Nagasaki on August 6 and on August 9, 1945, the United States sided officially on the wrong side of history.



[Nuclear War or Invasion: The False Dichotomy of Hiroshima and Nagasaki](#)

By [Brett Wilkins](#), August 06, 2023

President Harry S. Truman, who only learned about the Manhattan Project after being sworn in following Franklin D. Roosevelt's death on April 12, approved a plan to drop two atomic bombs on Japan. Planners sought undamaged cities where military facilities were located near civilians, and the decision was made to detonate the bombs hundreds of meters in the air for maximum destructive effect.



["In a Nuclear War the Collateral Damage Would be the Life of All Humanity". Fidel Castro](#)

By [Fidel Castro Ruz](#) and [Prof Michel Chossudovsky](#), August 06, 2023

The leader of the Cuban Revolution believes that only a far-reaching "Battle of Ideas" could change the course of World history. The objective is to prevent the unthinkable, a nuclear war which threatens to destroy life on planet earth.



[How So Many Americans Learned to "Stop Worrying" and "Love the Nukes"](#)

By [Edward Curtin](#), August 06, 2023

I recently wrote [an article](#) about the dangers of the fourteen U.S. Trident submarines. These subs constantly cruise under the oceans carrying 3,360 nuclear warheads equivalent to 134,400 Hiroshima bombs. All are on first strike triggers. And of course these are supplemented by all the land and air based nukes. My point was not very complicated: now that the United States government has abrogated all nuclear weapons treaties and continues to escalate its war against Russia in Ukraine, we are closer to nuclear annihilation than ever before.



[Hiroshima Day: The Movie and the Moment: An Oppenheimer Review Through the Lens of an Anti-War Activist](#)

By [Marcy Winograd](#), August 06, 2023

Only those with a global death wish or on the payroll of Northrop Grumman, the military contractor with the nuclear [“modernization”](#) contract, could watch this film and still root for US nuclear rearmament, a horror show now underway with the blessings of DC politicians. Unless people rise up in fury, unless this Hollywood movie sparks a second nuclear-freeze movement, a repeat on steroids of the 80’s nuclear weapons freeze, Congress and the White House will raid the treasury to expand our nuclear arsenal.



[The Real Reason America Used Nuclear Weapons Against Japan. It Was Not to End the War or Save Lives.](#)

By [Washington’s Blog](#), August 06, 2023

Like all Americans, I was taught that the U.S. dropped nuclear bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in order to end WWII and save both American and Japanese lives. But most of the top American military officials at the time said otherwise.



[750 U.S. Military Bases Globally, \\$7.2 Trillion US Nuclear Weapons Expenditure Since Hiroshima, Nagasaki](#)

By [Shane Quinn](#), April 01, 2023

From 1940 to 1996, Washington spent about \$5.5 trillion on its nuclear program. This figure does not include the \$320 billion, pertaining to the annual storage and removal costs of more than 50 years worth of accumulated radioactive waste, and the \$20 billion needed for the dismantling of nuclear weapons systems and removal of surplus nuclear material.

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