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On October 11th, 2007, Christie Brinkley will join two senior women parliamentarians and a leading civil society expert in a special panel event at the United Nations entitled “Amplifying the Moral and Practical Missions of the United Nations: Parliamentarians, Diplomats and Engaged Citizens Working to Abolish Nuclear Weapons.”

The event is organized and sponsored by the Global Security Institute and the Parliamentary Network for Nuclear Disarmament. It will be held in Conference Room 6 of the United Nations, from 1:15- 2:45. Panelists include: Hon. Marian Hobbs, MP, New Zealand; Hon. Alexa McDonough, MP, Canada; Cora Weiss, President, Hague Appeal for Peace and Ms. Christie Brinkley.

Since the very first resolution adopted by the General Assembly, the governments and peoples of the United Nations have been striving towards “*the elimination from national armaments of atomic weapons and of all other major weapons adaptable to mass destruction.*”

In October of 2000, the Security Council urged all Member States “*to ensure increased representation of women at all decision-making levels in national, regional and international institutions and mechanisms for the prevention, management, and resolution of conflict.*”

On the occasion of the 62nd sessions of the General Assembly First and Third Committees and the upcoming anniversary of the Security Council’s recognition of the role of women in achieving peace and security (SC Resolution 1325), the Global Security Institute and the Parliamentary Network for Nuclear Disarmament is convening parliamentarians, diplomats and committed, concerned citizens in a special panel event on October 11th, to amplify their shared message of ridding the world of nuclear weapons.

The esteemed women on this panel are each leaders in their own different constituencies-- be they legislative, diplomatic or from the citizenry/grassroots field. They will discuss how to enhance the prospects for nuclear abolition by embracing a wider network of related constituencies and issues, including sustainable development, human rights, the environment and the promotion of a culture of peace. Through their leadership, they are living embodiments of the principles enshrined in SCR 1325: women working at all levels to prevent the worst conflict of all-- one in which nuclear weapons are used.

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