Peace Round-up – 13 February 2023

A selection of items from a range of sources. Inclusion here does not imply full endorsement, but is based on current concerns of NFPB and its members.

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A balanced view: the need for critical thinking in schools

Quakers in Britain https://www.quaker.org.uk/blog/responding-to-military-engagement-in-schools

CND calls for dialogue to end Ukraine war as nuclear clock pushed closer to midnight https://cnduk.org/cnd-calls-for-dialogue-to-end-ukraine-war-as-doomsday-clock-pushed-closer-to-midnight

The ban treaty, two years after: a ray of hope for nuclear disarmament https://thebulletin.org/2023/01/the-ban-treaty-two-years-after-a-ray-of-hope-for-nuclear-disarmament

Christian Peace Groups urge the UK to make progress on nuclear disarmament https://www.for.org.uk/2023/01/19/christian-peace-groups-urge-the-uk-to-make-progress-on-nuclear-disarmament

IPB Call to Action – On the First Anniversary of the Russian Invasion of Ukraine: Let's Show That There Are Peaceful Alternatives to War

https://www.ipb.org/on-the-first-anniversary-of-the-russian-invasion-of-ukraine-lets-show-that-there-are-peaceful-alternatives-to-war/

We want our education demilitarised

https://peacenews.info/node/10502/we-want-our-education-demilitarised

Applications open for Quaker United Nations Office Geneva Summer School https://quno.org/quaker-united-nations-summer-school

Call for Weekend of Action Feb 24-26

Stoppt Das Totten (Germany) - https://stoppt-das-toeten.dfg-vk.de/aufruf-englisch-

Storytelling From the Frontlines Launch Event 10 March 2023 - 13:00-14:00 CET

The Quaker Council for European Affairs is pleased to invite you to a virtual launch event to present its new publication 'Storytelling From the Frontlines: Forefronting the voices of communities most affected by militarism and the climate crisis'.https://www.gcea.org/home/events/conferences/

How Russians, Indigenous people and Belarusians are uniting to resist the war in Ukraine https://wagingnonviolence.org/2023/01/russians-indigenous-belarusians-are-unite-to-resist-war-in-ukraine/

Russia's new year is far from happy. But helping refugees gives me purpose https://www.opendemocracy.net/en/odr/russia-new-year-ukrainian-refugees-moral-choice/

'Ukraine is not our enemy': Russians risk arrest to honour victims of war https://www.theguardian.com/world/2023/jan/28/russians-arrest-victims-war-ukraine-kremlin-dissent-memorials

Is all-out Putin defeat a safe way to end war in Ukraine?

https://www.opendemocracy.net/en/russia-ukraine-war-us-nato-weapons-policy-putin-threat

Call for Restraints in US Arms Transfers to Ukraine

IPS News https://www.ipsnews.net/2023/01/call-restraints-us-arms-transfers-ukraine

Book review: Medea Benjamin and Nicolas JS Davies, War in Ukraine: Making sense of a senseless conflict https://peacenews.info/node/10521/medea-benjamin-and-nicolas-js-davies-war-ukraine-making-sense-senseless-conflict

What if Ukrainians hadn't fought back?

Blog from: https://rethinkingsecurity.org.uk/2023/02/13/what-if-ukrainians-hadnt-fought-back

Ukraine Crisis and no first use of nuclear weapons

https://www.ipsnews.net/2023/01/ukraine-crisis-no-first-use-nuclear-weapons

Johnson should stop goading Russia over nukes and get real about disarmament https://cnduk.org/johnson-should-stop-goading-russia-over-nukes-and-get-real-about-disarmament-says-cnd

Preventing Nuclear Use: a tale of two treaties

Rethinking Security

https://rethinkingsecurity.org.uk/2023/01/19/preventing-nuclear-use-a-tale-of-two-treaties

It's time nuclear armed states walk the walk on disarmament

https://wagingnonviolence.org/cnv/2022/01/its-time-nuclear-armed-states-walk-the-walk-on-disarmament

Human & Ecological Security: An Alternative to War and Militarism

Swords to Ploughshares Ireland online discussion https://youtu.be/bpcK1QYLk6M

Come Together? Three possible joint campaigns for the peace and climate movements https://peacenews.info/node/10447/come-together

Conflicts, Climate Change Threaten Sprouting of Africa's Great Green Wall

IPS News https://www.ipsnews.net/2023/01/conflicts-and-climate-change-threaten-the-sprouting-of-africas-great-green-wall

SGR Executive Director gives evidence to parliamentary committee - oral evidence on military carbon emissions to the UK House of Commons Defence Committee. https://www.sgr.org.uk/resources/sgr-executive-director-gives-evidence-parliamentary-inquiry

Warrior Nation podcast – Gentleman Bureaucrat Masculinity: liberal militarism and the civil service Forces Watch

https://www.forceswatch.net/resources/warrior-nation-podcast-gentleman-bureaucrat-masculinity-liberal-militarism-and-the-civil-service

What's like to watch someone die? Ask a drone pilot

https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2023/jan/18/whats-it-like-to-watch-someone-die-ask-a-drone-pilot

Why we oppose today's planned space launch

Drone Wars https://dronewars.net/2023/01/09/why-we-oppose-todays-planned-uk-space-launch

Public Order Bill poses new threats to protest rights

https://www.quaker.org.uk/news-and-events/news/public-order-bill-poses-new-threat-to-protest-rights

For a State of Peace

https://bellacaledonia.org.uk/2023/01/20/for-a-state-of-peace

New research shows over half of UK arms exports are to human rights abusers

https://caat.org.uk/news%2Fnew-research-shows-over-half-of-uk-arms-exports-are-to-human-rights-abusers

Amnesty International signs declaration calling for international controls to combat trade in tools of torture https://www.amnesty.org/en/latest/news/2023/01/declaration-calls-for-curbs-on-trade-in-tools-of-torture

Building Peace Together in Schools

https://rethinkingsecurity.org.uk/2023/02/06/building-peace-together-in-schools/

25 years of the Mine Ban Treaty: a good news story?

https://peacenews.info/node/10505/25-years-mine-ban-treaty-good-news-story