Sample letter to world leaders to support the UN resolution on the 2018 High-Level Conference

Dear

The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists earlier this year moved the hands of the 'Doomsday Clock' to $2\frac{1}{2}$ minutes to midnight – indicating how close humanity is to a nuclear catastrophe.

In the week of Oct 26 – November 2, the UN General Assembly will take action (vote) on disarmament issues, including on a draft resolution (<u>L45</u>) which sets the dates, locations and mandate of a unique event to address such nuclear dangers and advance nuclear disarmament – the <u>2018 UN High Level Conference on Nuclear Disarmament</u>.

I/we urge you to use this occasion to support nuclear risk-reduction and disarmament measures. In particular, I/we call on you to:

- 1. Support the UN resolution on the 2018 UN High Level Conference on Nuclear Disarmament;
- 2. Announce that you will personally participate in the High-Level Conference, and do what-ever is in your power at the Conference to prevent nuclear weapons being used, and to achieve a nuclear-weapon-free world;
- 3. Announce also that you will sign the new Treaty on the Prohibition on Nuclear Weapons at the UN High-Level Conference. [Note: This point is for governments that have not already signed the treaty];

At the United Nations this year, please support the 2018 UN High Level Conference on Nuclear Disarmament, and other actions to prohibit and eliminate nuclear weapons.

Thank you [your name]