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Humanity for Peace Demonstration a Big Breakthrough

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Aug. 12—The demonstration with Humanity for Peace in Stockholm, Sweden Aug. 6 gathered speakers and demonstrators from all points on the political compass, making it a breakthrough event. There is special world-class significance to the rally because it showed broad public opposition to Sweden's pending accession into NATO, at a time of Global NATO expansion, and its provocations threatening nuclear war.

There were twelve speakers, in addition to the moderator-initiator Ulf Sandmark from the Schiller Institute. The audience of some 200 came out in spite of rain, and stayed for over an hour in high spirits, saying they preferred the rain to nuclear war. Sharing the positive outlook for a common goal, everyone contributed in all kinds of ways, pulling the event to a successful conclusion, with a perspective for ongoing action.

Especially significant was the live streaming of the event online on several channels. One of them had 9,000 views with 120 comments, mostly enthusiastic, from all across Sweden. Another blogger and speaker, Håkan Bergmark, had 3,200 viewers on his separate recording. The entire meeting can be seen here. (500 views).

Presentations

Ulf Sandmark opened, reporting on the whole range of the Humanity for Peace demonstrations internationally, and the demands being put forward.

Josef Al-Geilani, Forum for Peace, businessman and war survivor from Iraq, opened the speeches by stating that war is not an action film ending after 60 minutes. "War is a constant hell for men, women, and children."

Samuel Andreasson, Forum for Peace, an entrepre-



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neur with Congo-Kinshasa, spoke of using his Forum for Peace organization for discussions on how to get more people to join the action for peace, to avoid the danger of nuclear war. He pointed to how now one of the poorest nations in the world, Niger, has risen up to resist the current world order. "This is the Global South ending colonialism," he said. He wanted everybody to join together, and make an exodus from today's state of affairs, likening it to how in the Bible, the Hebrews left Egypt, and moved for a new system based on love.

Agneta Norberg, Global Network against Weapons



Ulf Sandmark, Chairman, Schiller Institute in Sweden, brought 200 individuals together from across the political spectrum in a unified demonstration against NATO and Sweden's membership in it, and for peace in Ukraine.



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Agneta Norberg, well known peace activist with Global Network against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space, displays a long list of wars in which the U.S. threatened to use nuclear weapons.

and Nuclear Power in Space, described vividly how she has been actively fighting nuclear weapons since 1970 in Women for Peace marches and meetings around the world. She especially pointed to the current situation where all wars are now space wars, where both Norway with its Svalbard base and Sweden with the Esrange Space Center outside the northern city of Kiruna, download the information for directing the targeting for the wars perpetrated by the United States.

Hans Öhrn, Chairman, Swedish Peace Council, spoke about the horrors of Hiroshima and denounced the Swedish government for now joining "the NATO war and nuclear weapons alliance," putting no restrictions on the basing of nuclear weapons on Swedish territory. "The Swedish people were left outside this decision-making process," he said, "at the same time as Sweden

for the first time has been subjected to censorship, as some foreign media now are blocked and now are only available abroad."

Håkan Bergmark, Swedish Navy diver (ret.) and blogger about the Nord Stream pipelines sabotage, explained how a small hand grenade of only 100 grams of TNT would be enough to maim all in the audience standing there. He compared that to a similarly small nuclear bomb being able to wipe out the entire city. He seriously questioned the competence of Sweden's Prime Minister and military experts on TV playing around with this danger.

Ulf Bejerstrand, party leader of The Peoples Voice, and musician, told how he had talked to the politicians in the Parliament House across the water and found to his horror all supporting NATO. He stated his belief in the collective wisdom of the people voting to overturn the Swedish application to join NATO.

Elias Dottemar spoke for the Schiller Institute. He denounced the policy of regime-change wars, coming out of the Wolfowitz doctrine. Dottemar said that Sweden, in joining NATO, has sided with the wrong side of history. "By joining NATO, Sweden stupidly has joined officially with the colonial system, and is starting to get the blame for it, just as the colonial system is about to disappear!"



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Demonstrators braved wind and rain to hear 13 speakers express broad public opposition to Sweden's pending accession to NATO, at a time of NATO provocations threatening nuclear war. The demonstration was live-streamed from Stockholm's famous Kungsträdgården, Aug. 6, 2023.

Lennart Matikainen, author and influencer, compared the war industry now booming on the stock markets, with the *Squid Game* multi-episode movie series where rich people watch and bet on poor people struggling for their lives. Instead of war, he called upon the politicians to themselves "go up in a contest with each other, but with boxing gloves, to fight it out in front of the people."

Daniel Jylke, initiator of We Exist, a social movement for justice, contrasted the billions of money paid for weapons by the Swedish government, to the situation of poor people in Sweden who do exist. He is working with a group of 8,000 people who have been thrown out of the health insurance system. Jylke also pointed to the importance of supporting the Swedish farmers producing our food.

Glenn Dormer pointed to the situation the globalists have put us all in front of. Both Russia and the United States will take to nuclear arms if they lose the war in Ukraine. It means that no matter who wins the war, we all here in Stockholm will be extinguished. He ended strongly, "It is enough with wars NOW!" Glenn Dormer and his wife Anita are the initiators in Sweden of the protest, "I Can't Afford Winter." He is a physician who

visited Hiroshima in 1983.

Johan Nordquist pointed to the background of the Ukraine war, by giving the quote from George Soros in 1993, who said that if the U.S. could not stomach bringing home all the body bags to take on Russia, it had to find an Eastern European country who could: Ukraine. Nordquist is a long-time peace activist and businessman.

Ulf Sparrbåge, the last speaker, explained how the process of bringing Sweden into NATO was prepared years ago, by its participation in NATO's Partnership for Peace program, where Sweden after 9/11 decided to close down its territorial defense forces, and instead set up expeditionary forces for the NATO wars that followed in Afghanistan and Libya. In this way, the Swedish military has, for many years, streamlined its forces with NATO. Sparrbåge is a Member of the Board of the No to NATO association. He called on everyone to join the campaign against NATO.

Ulf Sandmark read out the four demands of the Humanity for Peace demonstrations which were strongly supported. He then led a singing of *Dona Nobis Pacem*, and thanked the heroic audience who had braved the wind and rain to attend.