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New Mexico Needs Nuclear Weapons?

Trinity Nuclear Abolition (TNA) will hold a prayer-action at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) on Friday, July 2nd 2010. The peaceful vigil will be held in front of the main welcome sign at the corner of Diamond and West Jemez in Los Alamos, NM, from 7:00 am until 8:00 am.

This will be the 36th prayer-action since the monthly vigils began in 2007. Some vigils are held on property controlled by LANL, others are held elsewhere near LANL. Nuclear abolitionists come every month to publicly demonstrate against nuclearism, although security personnel have threatened to arrest demonstrators at least five times. LANL followed through with their threat to stop the vigil only once. Marcus Page says, "They usually comply with public sentiment that nonviolent, love-based free speech should continue unhindered. In 2008 during an all-night vigil they had local police interrupt our prayer." See the TNA website for more info (tna.lovarchy.org).

TNA is always nonviolent, peaceful and usually playful. The lovarchists of TNA believe that LANL employees commit local, federal and international crimes on-site in this territory rightfully belonging to Tewa pueblo peoples. TNA believes that loving enemies (rather than developing bombs) brings about the highest quality of security, and thereby calls for nuclear disarmament, cleanup of radioactive sites, and active rebuilding of a peaceful structures in the USA.

TNA denounces nuclearism because TNA is a spiritually grounded group promoting peaceful disciplines and healthy ways of living in harmony with creation. Nuclearism has been defined as a political philosophy advocating nuclear weapons and nuclear power for the purposes of maintaining of international stability between countries using high-tech tools such as nuclear power and weapons.

During TNA demonstrations, the question remains: when will New Mexico rid herself of nuclear weapons? Further questions go unanswered: Why does New Mexico hold so many weapons? When will allegiance to the Earth or to God or to the state of New Mexico trump allegiance to the US Government? How can Christians claim to follow Christ if they place US interests above Christ's interests? Will New Mexicans ever be compassionate and bold enough to protect the region from the continuing colonization and contamination by US nuclear interests?

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Trinity Nuclear Abolition (TNA) is a living organism whose tissues are people, and whose organs are spirits of health. The organism of TNA is motivated by sustainable systems of robust living free from nuclear weapons and human-made nuclear energy.

TNA has five core values: Direct Action, Nonviolence, Solidarity, Egalitarianism, Spiritual power