

## Treaty on Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

Reaffirming that proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and their means of delivery, threatens international peace and security, the United Nations [Security Council](#)

in 2016 adopted a resolution urging all States who haven't done so to sign the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. This Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) is an international treaty whose objective is to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and weapons technology, to promote cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, and to further the goal of achieving nuclear disarmament, general and complete disarmament.



One article of the NPT allows and even encourages signatories to develop nuclear technology for "peaceful purposes," such as for the production of electricity, calling such use the "inalienable right" of all parties to the treaty. A total of 191 States have joined the Treaty, including the five nuclear-weapon States. More countries have ratified the NPT than any other arms limitation and disarmament agreement, a testament to the Treaty's significance.



During the 2021 discussions, [Iran](#) demanded the [United States](#) to remove economic [sanctions](#) before it would commit to any talks about reviving the nuclear deal abandoned by the previous [Washington](#) administration. President

Joe Biden's administration announced its first substantial offer to Iran since it took office a month ago - an offer to join European-hosted talks with Iran about the future of the [nuclear deal](#), called the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA). Secretary of State Antony Blinken told his counterparts from Europe— France, Germany and the U.K. —that the U.S. is prepared to engage in discussions with Iran in an attempt to reach an agreement on returning to full compliance of the 2015 nuclear deal, according to a joint readout of the call.

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