IPPNW Leader to Attend Nobel Ceremony

85 Nobel Peace Prize Winners Offer Insight on Obama Nobel and Nuclear Disarmament

Dr. Ira Helfand of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW) and its US affiliate, Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR), will be attending the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize Ceremony in Oslo on December 10th, and will be available to offer a unique and informed perspective on President Obama’s nuclear weapons policies and the role they played in his winning the Nobel Peace Prize. IPPNW received the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize for its work to educate the leaders of the United States and the former Soviet Union about the dangers of nuclear war.

Dr. Ira Helfand, with 30 years of experience in nuclear weapons policy, will be available for comment prior to his traveling to Oslo and to afterward to offer eye-witness insights from the ceremony. Dr. Helfand has authored in-depth reports and testified to Congress on the public health impact of potential nuclear weapons use.

Dr. Helfand will be accompanied by Mari Jetlund, the National Student Representative of Norwegian Physicians Against Nuclear Weapons, IPPNW’s Norwegian affiliate.

WHO:
Dr. Ira Helfand, representing 1985 Nobel Peace Prize winning organization.

WHAT:
Available for media interviews and expert commentary about the relevance of President Obama’s award for international security and nuclear disarmament.

WHEN:
Monday through Tuesday 11 a.m. Dr. Helfand
Wed 5 pm EST through Fri, Dr. Helfand

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