

**Letter dated 31 May 1994 from the Minister of Health of the  
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H.E. Robert Jennings  
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Dear Mr. Jennings,

We are well aware of the threat and danger of nuclear weapon to human health and therefore are the co-authors of the WHO Resolution WHA 46.40 "Health and Environmental Effects of Nuclear war".

The Republic of Lithuania has directly experienced the impact of nuclear energy for human life. After the Chernobyl disaster more than 6000 men participated in liquidating its effects. At the moment we are aware what a damaging and tragic influence has this catastrophe to their health. We are deeply sure that nuclear weapons either used in a war or any other case of armed conflict is a crime for the humanity which violates the international laws and WHO Constitution.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Jurgis Brėdikis  
Minister