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Switzerland is located in the middle of Europe, bordering with France, Germany, Italy, Austria and Lichtenstein. The sources of livelihood are trade, finance, tourism and industry. Switzerland has universal healthcare. Every person pays the insurance for the basic healthcare if a premium is too high compared to the person’s income, the government gives a cash subsidy. This insurance covers the costs of medical treatment and hospitalization. The education system in Switzerland is one of the top systems in the world. Switzerland has a really long military neutrality policy.

As Switzerland we were a part in many agreements and treaties about non-proliferation and we will continue taking part in more. As you all know Switzerland has the oldest policy of military neutrality in the world which was established at 1815 in The Treaty of Paris. Nuclear disarmament is just the new version of this military neutrality policy for the last two centuries for us. The first resolution adapted by the UN General assembly in 1946 established a commission to deal with problems related to the discovery of atomic energy among other weapons. In 1996 some treaties were signed including treaty on The Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT), The Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (CTBT). But unfortunately, these treaties aren’t currently come into force.

Switzerland government considers the TPNW to be of little impact since it is not recognized by nuclear powers; neither do almost all western and European countries participate. A world without nuclear weapons can only be achieved with and not against states with nuclear weapons.