Planning for Peace
Table 1. The 15 countries with the highest military expenditure in 2012

Spending figures are in US$, at current prices and exchange rates. Figures for changes are calculated from spending figures in constant (2011) prices.

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[ ] = SIPRI estimate.
Supporting repression

Three years ago Saudi Arabia sent armoured vehicles – made by UK arms company BAE Systems – into Bahrain to support its brutal crackdown on protest. The UK is still arming Bahrain and Saudi Arabia today. Last month Prince Charles flew to Saudi Arabia and danced for its autocratic rulers to help BAE secure another weapons deal. Take action.

A dance with dictators. Are these the swords used in Saudi executions?
PEACE TRIANGLE

Economic Conversion:
*shifting from military to civilian*

Disarmament:
*Reducing current stockpiles*

Demilitarization:
*building a culture of peace & non-violence*

Love & Laughter
NO WARSHIPS

GREEN JOBS

DEMILITARIZE.CA
DON'T TRUST
IRVING &
LOCKHEED MARTIN
NO WARSHIPS
DEMILITARIZE.CA

ACTION ON
POVERTY AND
CLIMATE CHANGE
$25 BILLION +
$14 BILLION =
BOONDOGGLE
NO WARSHIPS
DEMILITARIZE.CA

Sonar & explosives
bad for marine life.
Protect our oceans
NO WARSHIPS
DEMILITARIZE.CA

Canadian warships
out of the
Middle East
NO WARSHIPS
DEMILITARIZE.CA

Make LOVE
ART MUSIC
A Creative Economy
NO WARSHIPS
DEMILITARIZE.CA

✓ HEALTH CARE
✓ EDUCATION
✓ ENVIRONMENT
NO WARSHIPS
DEMILITARIZE.CA

GREEN JOBS
NO WARSHIPS
DEMILITARIZE.CA

ACTION ON
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NO WARSHIPS
DEMILITARIZE.CA
Seymour Melman
Industrial Engineer and Economist
1917-2004
TIME TO SHIFT PRIORITIES

THE UK’S MILITARY SPENDING IS £39BN EVERY YEAR.

ENOUGH TO STOP THE CUTS TO THE NHS. TWICE.

www.demilitarize.org.uk
The government plans to spend £2.5 BILLION on fighter jets to tackle future "threats".

How about tackling the real threats we know about today?
Demilitarizing the Economy: A Movement is Underway

December 19, 2013 · By Miriam Pemberton

As we end the longest period of war in our history, we should be entering a period of postwar downsizing - but what about the communities dependent on the massive post-9/11 military budget?

End wars. Shrink the Pentagon budget. Reinvest the savings in neglected domestic priorities. It’s a logical progression. Right?
Green For All is coast to coast! Check out our Network Map.
Upcoming Events & Campaigns

Global Day of Action on Military Spending (GDAMS)
April 14 [www.gdams.org](http://www.gdams.org)

Spring Days of Action Against Drones, Surveillance & Global Militarization / World Beyond War

40th Anniversary Department of Peace Studies Conference
May 1 to May 3 at the University of Bradford, UK

Deadline for Rotary World Peace Fellowship Application - July 1

International Peace Conference : Creating a Culture of Peace
100th anniversary of World War I from June 6-9, Sarajevo

Keep Space for Peace - October 4-11