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TRUE-FALSE QUIZ ABOUT FREEZENIKS' CLAIMS

Let's take a true-false quiz about the claims made by the advocates of a nuclear freeze.

"A nuclear freeze will prevent war." False; 6,000 years of recorded history prove that peace/freeze movements promote war, NOT prevent war. The peace/disarmament race of the 1930s encouraged Hitler and the Imperial Japanese to attack because they thought the West was unprepared and would not defend its vital interests.

"The arms race causes war." False; a disarmament race caused World War II, including the London and Washington naval disarmament treaties, the Kellogg Treaty outlawing war signed by 63 nations, and the Munich accord. They encouraged the aggressors to attack.

"Nuclear weapons are the greatest threat to the peace of the world." False; the threat to world peace comes from nuclear weapons in the hands of the Soviets. The button-pushers in the Kremlin are the threat to world peace, not the weapons themselves.

"The nuclear bomb is evil." False; it is neutral like a gun. In the hands of a murderer, a gun is evil; in the hands of the police it is good. The bomb in the hands of the Soviets is a weapon of war; in the hands of Americans it is an instrument of peace.

"Our goal should be peace at any price." False; if the enemy believes that is our goal, he will be able to blackmail us into any concession including surrender. Our goal should be peace with freedom and independence. The Vietnam boat people were not fleeing war; they were fleeing an unjust peace.

"Both the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. are guilty of threatening world peace with nuclear weapons." False; the U.S.S.R. is a threat to world peace, but the U.S. is not. We conclusively proved, in the years when we had a total nuclear monopoly, and could have threatened any other country without the slightest risk to ourselves, that we will not use the bomb to endanger any other country.

"Pacifism is good." False; while pacifism is tolerable as an individual option, it is never a good national policy. The government has the moral duty to defend its people

against aggression, and pacifism encourages aggression, does not deter it. It takes two to make peace, only one to make war.

"It's better to be talking than fighting." False; talking is neutral; it can be good or bad. The bombs were dropping on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 while the Japanese emissaries were talking to our government officials in Washington. Stalin wrote: "Words must have no relation to action; sincere diplomacy is no more possible than dry water or iron wood."

"It is evil to spend so much money on weapons." False; the first duty of government is to provide for the common defense. As St. Paul said, "If any provide not for his own, especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel."

"We can't afford to spend so much money on weapons." False; spending money on defense is an essential like fire insurance on your home. The bigger your home, the more costly your premiums. Nobody objects to paying year after year and never collecting; you've had protection all those years.

"We should rely on treaties instead of on more weapons." False; the Soviets have broken every treaty they ever signed (including SALT I) except the treaty Stalin signed with Hitler. Furthermore, even if the Soviet did live up to a new nuclear weapons agreement, that would do nothing to protect us from a missile launched by Castro, Qaddafi or some international terrorist, or from an accidental launch.

"Nuclear weapons are becoming more destructive all the time." False; they are becoming less destructive because improved technology is making them more accurate so they can be more specifically targeted.

"Americans should all feel guilty about the dropping of the atom bomb at Hiroshima." False; the Imperial Japanese started World War II with a sneak attack on Pearl Harbor and savagely mistreated American soldiers. The atom bomb brought about a speedy end of World War II and saved the planned island-by-island invasion of Japan which our Pentagon had estimated would cost one million American casualties.

"Nuclear war is the worst evil that can befall us." False; many things are worse, including loss of freedom and independence, dishonor and default of reponsibility, and cowardice in letting our great nation be destroyed or defeated by the Communists.