

## Past and Future Military Uses of Depleted Uranium

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3 **WHEREAS** very serious health damage has been done both to U.S. military personnel  
4 and to foreign populations by past testing and combat use of weapons containing  
5 depleted uranium;

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7 **WHEREAS** weapons containing depleted uranium continue to be manufactured,  
8 shipped, and deployed by U.S. military forces for anticipated future use;

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10 **WHEREAS** testing of depleted uranium weaponry has left contamination inside the  
11 borders of the United States and in offshore waters, thereby risking the health of our  
12 own people as well as marine animals; and

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14 **WHEREAS** residue from depleted uranium weapons continues to threaten both U.S.  
15 military personnel and foreign populations;

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17 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democratic Party  
18 (WSDCC) calls on the U.S. government to (a) clean up all locations, at home and abroad,  
19 where depleted uranium residues continue to threaten people's health, and (b) provide  
20 medical help for those already damaged by the use of depleted uranium weapons, and  
21 (c) ban the manufacture, shipping, and deployment of depleted uranium munitions by  
22 U.S. forces, and their export to other nations; and

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24 **THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Washington State Democratic Party  
25 distribute copies of this resolution to all Democratic members of the Washington State  
26 Congressional delegation and Democratic Presidential Candidates Hillary Clinton and  
27 Barack Obama.

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30 Submitted by the Jefferson County Democrats to the Democratic Central Committee for  
31 consideration at its June 14 convention in Spokane. (Date Submitted 5/2/2008)

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33 The Resolutions Committee "AMENDED THIS RESOLUTION AND RECOMMENDED  
34 A PASS" at its May 31, 2008 meeting in Ellensburg.

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36 The Washington State Democratic Convention "PASSED" this resolution at its June 14,  
37 2008 meeting in Spokane.