

# Joseph Rotblat

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*Nuclear, War, Race, Humanity, Weapons, Mean, Long, Country, Loyalty,  
Powerful, Remember, Reality, Thinking, Technology, Zero, People, Proliferation  
Treaty, Philosophy, Civilization, Commitment*

But scientists on both sides of the iron curtain played a very significant role in maintaining the momentum of the nuclear arms race throughout the four decades of the Cold War.

~Joseph Rotblat

The present basic philosophy is nuclear deterrence.

~Joseph Rotblat

But the nuclear powers still cling tenaciously to their weapons.

~Joseph Rotblat

I did not imagine that the second half of my life would be spent on efforts to avert a mortal danger to humanity created by science.

~Joseph Rotblat

The cold war is over, but cold war thinking survives.

~Joseph Rotblat

I saw science as being in harmony with humanity.

~Joseph Rotblat

I appeal to my fellow scientists to remember their responsibility to humanity.

~Joseph Rotblat

Long before the terrifying potential of the arms race was recognized, there was a widespread instinctive abhorrence of nuclear weapons, and a strong desire to get rid of them.

~Joseph Rotblat

The decision to use the atom bomb on Japanese cities, and the consequent buildup of enormous nuclear arsenals, was made by governments, on the basis of political and military perceptions.

~Joseph Rotblat

Indeed, the whole human species is endangered, by nuclear weapons or by other means of wholesale destruction which further advances in science are likely to produce.

~Joseph Rotblat

This is the reality of nuclear weapons: they may trigger a world war; a war which, unlike previous ones, destroys all of civilization.

~Joseph Rotblat

My third appeal is to my fellow citizens in all countries: Help us to establish lasting peace in the world.

~Joseph Rotblat

Indeed, the very first resolution of the General Assembly of the United Nations - adopted unanimously - called for the elimination of nuclear weapons.

~Joseph Rotblat

Above all remember your humanity.

~Joseph Rotblat

My short-term vision is the abolition of nuclear weapons. My long-term vision is the abolition of war.

~Joseph Rotblat

From my earliest days I had a passion for science.

~Joseph Rotblat

We are told that the possession of nuclear weapons - in some cases even the testing of these weapons - is essential for national security. But this argument can be made by other countries as well.

~Joseph Rotblat

Alice Stewart [is] a much underestimated scientist who has been an

indomitable challenger of the establishment and a thorn in the flesh of the nuclear industry.

~Joseph Rotblat

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