

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-2101

March 20, 2000

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk of Cambridge
City Hall
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Margaret:

Thank you for your letter on the vote in Cambridge supporting an international treaty for the gradual elimination of nuclear weapons, and I apologize for the delay in my reply. I share your concern over this very important issue, and I appreciate your bringing the vote to my attention.

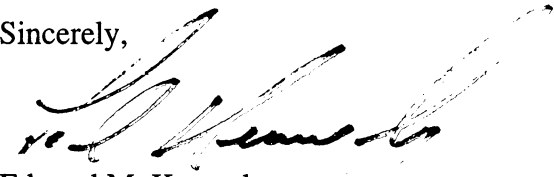
I strongly support a gradual reduction in nuclear weapons by all nuclear powers. As we approach the 30th anniversary of the entry in force of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, there is still much more to be done to meet that goal. I will continue to work with my colleagues in Congress to do all that we can to work towards this goal.

I believe it is important for the United States to lead in the reduction of nuclear weapons at home, as well. Last May, I joined in sponsoring an amendment rejecting limits on the retirement of our own nuclear weapons delivery systems, and I am pleased that this amendment passed the Senate and was signed into law as part of S. 1059, the Fiscal Year 2000 Defense Authorization Act.

Please be assured that I will continue to support the gradual reduction of nuclear weapons at home and abroad. Again, many thanks for your letter.

With respect and appreciation,

Sincerely,



Edward M. Kennedy

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A communication was received from Senator Edward M. Kennedy, transmitting thanks to the City Council for the resolution supporting an international treaty for the gradual elimination of nuclear weapons.

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