

F2. Is it essential for Canada to ratify the CTBT?

Yes. Canada is one of the 44 designated states whose ratification is essential for the Treaty to enter into force. The Treaty is of great importance to Canada. It is the culmination of almost 40 years of effort by Canadian peacemakers. As the preamble makes clear, the Treaty will constrain the development and qualitative improvement of nuclear weapons, and will end the development of advanced new types of nuclear weapons, a concept supported by 93% of Canadians in a recent poll.