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Antipodean Nuclear Feminisms

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(a) Abstract:

The clear majority of the nuclear literature was written from either a superpower or else Eurocentric perspective. Although an Antipodean stance—by which I mean perspectives from Australia, New Zealand and Oceania—should have no bearing on the morality of the matter, in this manuscript I make the case that such Antipodean perspectives on the nuclear age *are* highly politically relevant. This is achieved by performing a survey of the unique insights and perspectives that the nuclear politics and people of Australia, New Zealand, Polynesia, Micronesia and Melanesia. A small number of individuals stand out: the environmental philosophers Richard Routley/Sylvan and Val Routley/Plumwood of Australia, the politician and eco-feminist Marilyn Waring of New Zealand, the Marshallese activist Darlene Keju-Johnson, the Fijian feminists Suliana Siwatibau and Amelia Rokotuivuna, the European couple Bengt and Marie-Thérèse Danielsson on Tahiti, among others. In so doing, another narrative emerges in which the region's women and feminism more broadly are rightly viewed as critical not only to Antipodean nuclear thinking, but also its politics, culminating with the 1985 Rarotonga Treaty which established the South Pacific nuclear-weapon-free zone. Much neglected in nuclear scholarship, *Antipodean Nuclear Feminisms* serves as both a corrective and alternative to the Anglo-American voices that continue to dominate nuclear discourse.