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## need for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty to enter into force and its relationship with the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.

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The risk of deliberate or accidental use of nuclear weapons has increased in a global context that is in itself challenging for multilateralism. The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) and its verification regime, despite not having entered into force, have contributed significantly to protecting humanity from the profoundly damaging environment and health consequences of nuclear tests and will continue to be a fundamental pillar in the nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation regime. The entry into force of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) in January 2021, highlights the need for the Annex 2 States to ratify the CTBT. The TPNW recognizes the relevance of CTBT and contains commitments to assist victims of the testing or use of nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices, a new type of obligation that relies in part on the CTBTO international monitoring system.

Therefore, based on a review of the relevant literature and interviews with experts, the main objective of this review is to identify and characterize the potential areas of cooperation between the CTBT and the TPNW.

## **Promotional text**

This proposal seeks to emphasize the importance of the entry into force of the CTBT, and the relevance of the international verification system, for compliance with some of the provisions of the TPAN and other instruments of the nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation regime.

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