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**Tower Hamlets Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament - March-April
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Shanti Mehta and Vijay Mehta attend CND Global Summit and Reception on 16-17 February at City Hall

CND GLOBAL SUMMIT

was held at City Hall on 16-17 February to mark CND's 50th anniversary. However if we thought this was to be a trip down memory lane, swapping tales of demos and marches in years gone by, we were very much mistaken! The whole focus of the two days was on looking forward to a nuclear free world, and, more importantly, how we are going to achieve this. There was an array of national and international speakers too numerous to list here. There were activists -and experts from all over the world all pointing the way forward and, more importantly, suggesting HOW we may finally be able to rid the world of nuclear weapons. The Nuclear Weapons Convention, already signed by more than a hundred states, gives a step by step programme of how to bring this about. The Governments of the

UK and the US of course are non-signatories, although our Defence Secretary Des Browne has said that he has "a vision of a world free of nuclear weapons" and that what was needed was "a transparent, sustainable and credible plan for multilateral nuclear disarmament." But not just yet! For more details of this inspiring weekend, visit, if you can, the CND website at www.cnduk.org/g/index.php West— worth a few

Finally, a suggestion that one hopes will not be taken amiss. The conference was hosted and welcomed by Ken Livingstone, a consistent supporter of CND and of the peace movement/It is, ag*Kate Hudson said in her opening: remarks, momagin-able thafwe should nothdve a stalwart Jike him at CiJy^Hall. Please vot^ror him on Ma*Phil Sedler*