

## Press release

### **ARCHumankind Policy Brief “The Pink Triangle Threat. Nuclear Terror Proliferation: an assessment” presented in Washington, D.C.**



On 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016, Congressman Trent Franks received Paulo Casaca for the presentation of ARCHumankind Policy Brief, volume 2, “The Pink Triangle Threat. Nuclear Terror Proliferation: an assessment”.

Congressman Trent Franks – Arizona Republican Congressman since 2002 – has been especially active in the fight against nuclear proliferation and he is one of the most experienced politicians in this field.

ARCHumankind considers nuclear terror proliferation as the most important threat impending upon humanity in our days and argues in the report that this threat has considerably increased following the appeasing attitude of the international community towards the undercover Iranian nuclear weapons programme and the chilling message it sent all over the World.

The contemporary nuclear proliferation wave centred in Pakistan was developed through the so called “Khan network” – a

mix of state, non-state and fanatic corporate multinational that traded clandestine nuclear weapons technology across the World – which allowed both Iran and North Korea to develop their programmes.

Although this nuclear network was discontinued, it allowed North Korea to acquire nuclear weapons and allowed Iran to be very close to its completion, while both countries keep strong on-going operational nuclear weapons cooperation.

Pakistan has the fastest growing nuclear programme in the World and announced recently the development of a new nuclear tactical initiative along the border with India. Whereas Pakistan showed not to be able to control its nuclear weapons capability and whereas its nuclear arsenal has been seen as the least secure, a lighter, more diversified and widespread nuclear device capability implied by the nuclear tactical announcement increases significantly the present dangers.