I repeat and resubmit my 2015 nomination of Benjamin Ferencz for 2016.

Benjamin Ferencz’s energy and commitment has helped transform words into deeds. He has devoted his life to the implementation – the concrete realization - of the Nuremberg Principles. Affirmed by the United Nations in 1946, these Principles are core to Alfred Nobel’s vision to replace the ‘Law of Force’ with the ‘Force of Law’ in international relations.

Ferencz has passionately worked to make this framework become a reality. At 95, he reminds us of the work that we have yet to accomplish – such as criminalizing aggressive war - and he appeals to young people to continue this intergenerational project. For these efforts, Ferencz deserves to be recognized by the world’s population and to be seen as a most ardent worker in the full awakening of the human conscience.

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