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Photo taken in 1948, showing a view of the devastated city of Hiroshima in Japan, three years after the dropping of the first atomic bomb in a city. - AFP

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On August 6, 1945 at 8:15 am, a US B-29 bomber nicknamed "Enola Gay" dropped a 9,000-pound atomic bomb that exploded 600 meters (1,980 feet) above the ground. Built with a uranium 235 warhead, the bomb caused 140,000 deaths by the end of December 1945 according to generally accepted estimations.

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