

Disarmament, Development and the environment. Ring Heather on 0372 727 462 for details.

12 Oct, **Stop the Nuclear Trains!** In the morning - local actions around London (contact Dave Andrews for details). In the afternoon, there will be a gathering at 3pm next to Kensington Olympia Station (a nuclear train route) addressed by Ken Livingstone MP. There will also be a symbolic release of black balloons

Sat 26th Oct, **The Arms Trade & Arms Conversion**, an information day with speakers: Jimmy Barnes (TUCND) and Stephanie Koorey (CAAT) organised by LRCND. Held at Camden Trade Union Support Unit, 213 Eversholt St, London NW1, 11am-2.30pm.

NORTHERN REGIONS

Co Cleveland: 16 Harrogate Crescent, Linthorpe, Middlesbrough TS5 6PS, 0642-829 017, Contact: Maureen Begley

Cumbria: Glovers Cottage, Laxonby, Penrith, Cumbria CA10 1AJ, 076883-641, Contact: Nigel Chamberlain

Co Durham: 36 Second Street, Watling Bungalows, Leadgate, Consett, Co Durham, 0207-500405, Contact: Andy Plant

Northumberland: 9 Quatre Bras, Hexham, Northumberland NE46 3JY, 0434-604 747, Contact: Caroline Westgate

Tyne & Wear: 17 Stratford Grove West, Heaton, Newcastle NE6 5BB, Contact: Peter McTigue, 091-276 2603

NORTH WEST AREAS

(inc. Isle of Man)

** **Greater Manchester:** 13 Paton Street, Manchester M1 2BA, 061-236 1588, Contact: Linda Walker*

Lancs and South Cumbria Area: 12 Shaftesbury Place, Lancaster LA14PX, Contact: Barbara Fairbairn, 0524-32776

****Merseyside:** 24 Hardman Street, Liverpool L1 9AX. 0512-708 7764

South Cheshire & North Staffs: Peace Centre, 56 Tontine Street, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent ST1 1LY, 0782-280998, Contact: Andy Day

9th Nov, Sat: **Greater Manchester & District CND AGM.** 11 am to 5pm. Lord Mayor's Parlour, Manchester Town Hall. Disabled access. Ring 061 236 1588 for details.

SOUTH EAST

East Sussex: 67 Summerheath Road, Hailsham, E. Sussex, BN27 3DR, 0323-844 269, Contact: George Fairbrother

Kent: 7 Tile Kiln Road, Ashford TN24 9NX, 0233-629 003. Contact: Dick Tagg

Surrey: 81 Hook Road, Epsom, Surrey KT19 8TP. Contact: Heather Williams

West Sussex: 22 Belsize Road, Worthing, BN11 4RE. Contact: Evan de la Perrelle

26th Oct, **Eastbourne & District Trades Council Conference on Arms, Jobs & Conversion.** To be held at TGWU Centre, Grand Parade, Eastbourne from 2 - 6pm. Speakers include Jimmy Barnes.

SOUTH MIDLANDS

Beds and North Bucks: 109 Reginald Street, Luton LU2 7RB. 0582-453 353, Contact: Philip Jones

East Herts: 39 Park View, Stevenage, Herts SG2 8PS, 0438 354 256, Contact: Mary Tabor

Northants: 17 Chace Road, Wellingborough, Northants, Contact: Issy Dunn

South Bucks: 6 Whitehouse Lane, Woodburn Green, High Wycombe HP10 0NR, 04946-71260, Contact: Joe Dwyer

SOUTHERN REGION

2 Portland Square, Liss, Hants, GU33 7LD, 0730-892102, Contact: Ian James

Berkshire: 1 Halstead Close, Woodley, Reading, 0734-690 924, Contact: Debbie Sowerby

Dorset: Flat 1, 11 Parkwood Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth, 0202-418 125, Contact: Steve Heydon

Isle of Wight: Swallowfield, 119 Westhill Road, Ryde, IW, 62048. Contact: Raymond Sexton

Hampshire: 9 Trafalgar Place, Portsmouth PO1 5JJ, 0705-817 688/811 603, Contact: Graham Allen

Oxon & W. Bucks: Orchard House, 52a New Yatt Road, Witney OX8 6PA, 0993-703811, Contact: Jean Kaye

Sat, 19 Oct: **One World Week Event, 'Act Together for Tomorrow's World',** 10.00am-5.00pm at the Quay Arts Centre, Newport, IOW. Presentations on the theme, with stalls provided by environmental, justice and peace groups from the area and projects by local schools. Admission free; all very welcome.

Thurs, 24th Oct, **Boscombe FMH, 7.45.** Dorset Peace Council are holding a public meeting on **Arms Conversion.** Contact 0308 421 974 for details.

Fri, 25th Oct: **Public meeting on the Arms Trade.** Speakers: Vernon White of CAAT, Mary Brennan Vice Chair, CND. St Peter's Hall, Petersfield at 7pm. Contact Harry Holmes on Hawkey 217 for details.

SOUTH WEST

Regent House, Week St Mary, Holsworthy, Devon EX22 6UJ, 0288-84254, Contact: Laurie Watkinson

Exeter: The Peace Shop, Rackclose Lane, off New Bridge Street, Exeter EX4 3AH, 0392-431 447**

WEST MIDLANDS

(South Staffs, Salop, Warwickshire, Herefordshire and Worcestershire, Wolverhampton, Birmingham)

** 54 Allison Street, Birmingham B5, 021-643 4617.

Contact: Andy Pritchard

WEST REGION

Avon, Somerset, Glos., parts of Wilts: Unit C, Arnos Court Trading Estate, Junction Road, Brislington, Bristol, 0272-724 566. Contact: Anne Harrison

Bristol Area Organiser: Claire Benjamin, 0272-724 559

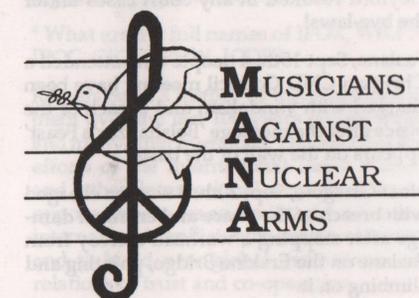
YORKSHIRE/HUMBERSIDE

Lower Lumb Farm, Cragg Vale, Hebden Bridge, West Yorkshire HX7 5SH, 0422-883 927, Contact: John Brierley*

Sat, 5 October: **Dayschool, 'The Arms Trade: Controls and Conversion',** 10.00am-5.00pm, Friends Meeting House, Friargate, York. Contact: CAAT, 071-281 0297.

Mon, 14 October: **Preparation session for Upper Heyford Blockade,** 7.00pm, Leeds Civic Hall. Contact: John Brierley.

EVENTS



CONCERT FOR PEACE

MUSICIANS AGAINST NUCLEAR ARMS

7.30pm, Friday, 25 October

St James's Church, 197 Piccadilly, London W1

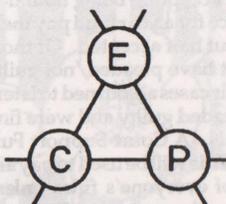
Soloists: Jill Gomez (soprano), Marat Bisengaliyev (violin).

Works by Mendelssohn, Beethoven, Mozart, Haydn. Address by Marjorie Thompson.

Tickets: £7 reserved (£5.50 concessions)

£6 unreserved (£4.50 concessions)

from MANA, 71 Greenfield Gardens, London NW2 1HU (081-455 1030) and the CND Shop.



ELECTRONICS & COMPUTING FOR PEACE AGM

Sat 12 Oct, 10am - 5pm at Quaker International Centre, 1 Byng Place, London WC1. Afternoon discussion topic: **Arms Conversion, the Role of the 'White-Hot Revolution'** in a Post Cold War World. Speaker - Tony Voss from the Oxford Research Group. Further details: Philip Inglesant 081 874 8263.

CAMPAIGN

OCTOBER 1991

VINDICATED!

Finally, from the last quarter we'd expect it, the idea of unilateral nuclear disarmament has not only been taken seriously, but proposed by the President of the USA!

The US have done exactly what CND asked for throughout the '80s - take unilateral action which will encourage a response from other nuclear powers. With the Labour Party Conference in session as this is written, it is hard not to say 'we told you so'. Had they kept to their defence policies of the '80s where, like CND, they supported any genuine disarmament proposals - unilateral, bilateral, regional or multilateral - they would be in a perfect position now to claim, as CND can, that their policy is a sane and sensible one. Neil, eat your heart out!

OUR TIME HAS COME

While Bush's proposals DO NOT mean that the US is going to throw away all its weapons, nor do they mean that NATO's abandoning its 'first use' of nuclear weapons policy, they do mark a monumental sea change in the nuclear debate.

It is now OK to promote the arguments CND has put forward all these years - that nuclear weapons not only provide no 'defence', but that their existence is a major threat to the world's peace and indeed the world's existence. The idea of getting rid of them, whether unilaterally, bilaterally or multilaterally, rather than building bigger stockpiles, looks set to chart the course of the 1990's.

Unfortunately Britain seems unable to accept the new situation. We are about to see an eightfold increase in the number of sea-based nuclear warheads courtesy of the Trident system. Of course we are pleased to see the removal of artillery and short-range missiles from Europe and the removal of depth-bombs from naval helicopters, but the real issue is Trident. If, as is being suggested, the United States eventually turns its attention to its own Trident fleet, either in terms of further unilateral cuts, or in terms of further START negotiations, where would this leave Britain's Trident programme? Missiles are leased from the US; servicing

facilities are provided by the US. Britain could be faced with the choice of paying for all these services itself, or cancelling the programme. Our advice hardly needs expansion.

WHO ARE THE TARGETS NOW?

So, does anyone out there have an idea who we are aiming our weapons at now? Neither our government, nor NATO, nor the United States have set out any scenarios under which we need, or would use, nuclear weapons. Nor have we been told who our enemy is. (Great letter-writing opportunity there).

Before insisting that Britain holds on to nuclear weapons, and develops new ones, the public needs to know what the threat is.

TIME FOR UK ACTION

When the Berlin Wall came down, and the peace dividend looked set to become the major issue of the day, we were urged by our politicians, Labour and Conservative alike, that we should stand by and wait before taking any action. Since then we've had the Gulf War. Nuclear weapons proved no deterrent there.

Britain and France are now the only countries increasing their nuclear arsenals. Gorbachev and Yeltsin are asking, not unreasonably, that our weapons are included in future discussion with the US over nuclear weapons. It is time Britain finally responded to the events in the Soviet Union.

CND PRESS RELEASE 28/8/91

CND welcomes the unilateral nuclear disarmament measures announced by President George Bush, in particular the decision to withdraw sea-launched cruise missiles, which have long been an obstacle to arms reduction negotiations.

Nevertheless, Mr Bush remains committed to retaining air-launched nuclear systems based in Europe, many of them in Britain. Mr Bush also said nothing about sea-

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TRIDENT NEWS?

The current rumours consist of two dates: the first that it is due to be launched on 31st January 1991. The other rumour is that it is due to be launched (by the Queen) on 7th April. It is difficult at the moment to guess whether both/either/neither are true.

ARMS TRADE STREET POLL

DON'T MISS THE CAMPAIGN!

Up and down the country groups have been on the street with CND's free street poll materials. Invariably they find that the public are sympathetic. Almost invariably they get sympathetic coverage in the local media.

We have now reprinted (and corrected) the Street Poll's, but we don't have unlimited stocks. If you haven't ordered the free poll forms and the "What we think" forms that go with them please do so without delay.

STREET POLL QUESTIONS

Q1 Britain is the world's third largest arms manufacturer and exports to over 100 countries. Do you think the government should:

Allow arms exports to any country?

Prevent arms exports to trouble spots or unstable regimes?

Stop all exports

Don't know

Q2 Every minute £1,000,000 is spent on arms. Every minute 15 children die of hunger and disease. But the world is a dangerous place and countries want to be able to defend themselves.

With which of the following statements do you agree?

More money should be spent by countries on arms.

The money spent on arms by countries is about right

Some money now spent on arms should be spent instead on food and medicine.

Don't know.

ORDER FORM FOR FREE MATERIAL

Please send us (indicate number):

STREET POLL FORMS (Maximum 400)

'WHAT WE THINK' FORMS (Maximum 400)

Name.....Group.....

Address.....

.....Postcode.....

Phone no:.....

RETURN TO CND (STREET POLL), 162 HOLLOWAY ROAD, LONDON N7 8DQ.

ARMS TRADE LEAFLETS

For your campaigns work against the arms trade, this autumn's focus, there are two new leaflets. 'WHAT A WASTE', which highlights the folly of the world spending £1,000,000 on arms every minute while every minute 15 children die of hunger or disease. 'SMART WEAPONS WANT TO BE CONVERTED' is the second leaflet, dealing with the issue of arms conversion. Both leaflets are short, direct and to-the-point, and so they are ideal for streetwork or door-to-door delivery. The poster 'WHAT A WASTE!' is also now available.



'It can happen here' - Windscale Fire Day

In 1957 Britain suffered its worst nuclear accident at Windscale, (now known as Sellafield) when fuel in the reactor caught fire. Large areas of farmland in Cumbria were radioactively contaminated, millions of gallons of milk had to be thrown away, and up to 1000 cancer fatalities have been linked to the accident.

In its evidence to the Hinkley C Inquiry, CND pointed out that the nuclear industry's accounting procedures currently leave 140 bombs worth of plutonium unaccounted for. Reprocessing also means the transportation of spent fuel from the nuclear power stations to Sellafield. The new reprocessing plant under construction at Sellafield will exacerbate all the problems of reprocessing: nuclear clear transport, waste management and the dangers of proliferation. This new plant will reprocess mainly foreign nuclear waste.

12 OCTOBER:

- mark the nuclear transport route to Sellafield in your own area

- hold a vigil/protest action at your nearest station en route

- leaflet the local public.

It is crucial that public awareness of the dangers of living in nuclear Britain is heightened, and that the nuclear cycle is stopped where it starts.

For more information on the 'It Can Happen Here' day of action contact Clare Benjamin at Bristol CND, Unit G, Arno's Castle Trading Estate, Junction Road, Bristol BS4 3JP; 0272-724 559.

TIME TO STOP TESTING

Two underground nuclear explosions took place in Nevada in September. The first on 14th and the second on the 19th September. These were US tests - Britain is also due to conduct a test in September.

Street leaflets entitled "Britain Still Explodes Nuclear Bombs" are available from the CND office (contact Jane Powell). Postcards to send to the relevant embassy/ministry are also available from WILPF (see below under resources).

A telephone tree is also in the process of being set up. If you would be interested in being part of a Testing Alert Network please contact Jane Powell at CND.

Meanwhile, the people of the Western Shoshone nation continue to oppose testing on their land, with support from an international network of peace and environmental groups. For details of the network and its actions, contact: Jane Gregory, Bloo Gate, Greenham Common Wimmin's Peace Camp, Bury's Bank Road, Newbury, Berks.



SHUT DOWN HEYFORD

STOP THE WAR MACHINE - 26TH OCTOBER '91

WHY?

On March 21st 1990, Stephen Hancock and Mike Hutchinson entered Upper Heyford and disarmed an F-111 using hammers and their own blood. It was the first British 'Ploughshares' action, named after the biblical prophesy 'They shall beat their swords into ploughshares.' and following in the tradition of over 40 similar disarmament actions around the world.

At CND Conference, Nov '90, Swords into Ploughshares, the Ploughshares Support Group and Southampton CND put forward a motion calling for support for this mass action at Upper Heyford in the autumn of '91. It was passed overwhelmingly.

WHY UPPER HEYFORD?

The Ploughshares movement has two major themes. Opposition to the nuclear arms race and opposition to Western intervention in the Third World. At Upper Heyford these themes come together. It is the home of F-111 and EF-111 warplanes which were used to bomb Libya in '86 and Iraq in '91. There are also plans to store new air launched nuclear weapons at the base.

Despite plans to make Upper Heyford a 'stand-by' base, this does not mean it is closing. It will be available at short notice as an operational base, similar to Fairford, which was opened for B52 bombing missions to the Gulf.

SO WHAT IS HAPPENING ON THE 26TH?

PEACE WALK: There will be a peace walk, starting on 22nd Oct at RAF Strike Command High Wycombe, from where the British war effort in the Gulf was directed, ending up at Upper Heyford on the 26th in time for the blockade.

PEACE CAMPS: There will be a mixed camp at the existing camp, and a women's camp at Gate 8 during the weekend. (Please come self-sufficient.)

ACCOMMODATION IN OXFORD: Crash accommodation will be available in Oxford on Friday and Saturday nights, including

women only space. There will be a meeting place in Oxford during the weekend for last minute NVDA training, as a place to relax, and for evaluation and reflection.

SATURDAY 26th: There will be a Fair World Fair at the base from 10am-1pm, with stalls, entertainment and fence decorating. The 3 hour blockade during the afternoon will begin with a ten minute silence. There will be non-arrestable activities for those who want to support the blockade. There will also be a creche for 2-12 year olds during the blockade.

Meanwhile there will be a women only action nearby with webs and more blockading.

After the blockade in the event of arrests there will be vigils at police stations where people are being held.

WHAT CAN I DO?

* Write off for the mobilisation pack (£1 inc P&P), see address below.

* If you are planning on coming to Upper Heyford, write off for a copy of the action pack which gives last minute details and arrangements and the legal briefing.

* Order leaflets and get them out! (£1.10/100 inc P&P)

* Order posters for display and billposting.

* Arrange a Non Violent Direct Action training session in your area.

* Organise transport from your area to Upper Heyford.

* Send a donation.



WHAT IF I CAN'T COME?

If you can't be at Upper Heyford on 26th October, be there with us in spirit - send us a cardboard cut-out of your hand with a suitable message written on it. We'll make sure this gets attached to the fence.

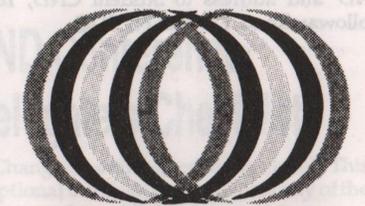
CONTACTS

'Stop the War Machine': 155 Adnott Road, Northampton NN1 4NH. Tel 0604 39583. Cheques should be made payable to 'Stop the War Machine'.

Accommodation in Oxford & peace camps: Jean 0993 703811

Info on the women's action: Anne 0272 517778/724566

Info on the peace walk: Mil 081 347 9452.



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PEACE WAVE
FRIEDENSWELLE
VAGUE DE PAIX
OLA DE PAZ
ВОЛНА ЗА МИР
和平的浪潮

موجة السلام

5TH PEACE WAVE

On October 26th 1991 a major action will start in Hiroshima and Nagasaki at noon, and spread through the 150 counties which have now taken the 'Peace Wave' initiative on board. This is the initiative of the Organising Committee of the World Conference against A & H Bombs, Japan, involving international grass roots action over a common demand for the abolition of nuclear weapons.

THE CAMPUS CONNECTION

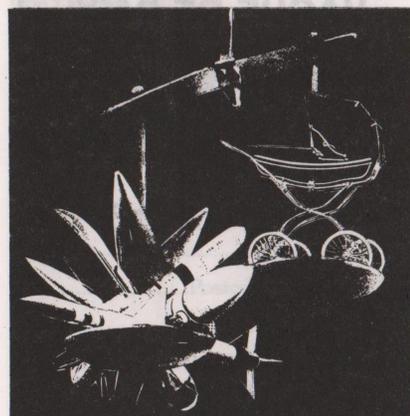
On 30th October 1991 Student CND release their book on military research on campus at a press conference in the House of Commons, attended by Paddy Ashdown, a Labour MP, and Prof. Steven Rose.

The report reveals the extent to which British colleges, weakened by years of underfunding, are now increasingly easy prey to offers of funding from the military. More worrying still it describes how colleges are increasingly involved in helping to develop the next generation of chemical and biological weapons - and secret surveillance technology. Research is helping to fuel the arms race while our economy is neglected.

To order your copy of 'The Campus Connection' please send your name and address, with a cheque for the amount (£2.50 per copy plus 50p p&p) made payable to 'Student CND' and address to Student CND, 162 Holloway Road, London N7 8DQ.



YOUTH CND SCALES OF JUSTICE



Youth CND's 'Scales of Justice' petition postcards have gone out now to every member of Youth CND and Student CND, and the YCND office is receiving a large number back each day.

The petition compares the cost of maintaining the Ministry of Defence for a year, to a year's worth of Child Benefit. Each postcard has a short text that people are encouraged to sign, and space for them to add their own messages to the Prime Minister.

But they're not coming in quite fast enough yet. You, whether you're an individual, group secretary or regional contact, can get

hold of literally thousands of postcards from our office and help Youth CND's campaign.

The two-colour cards are attractive to passers-by, and enable people to register their view without having to make a big effort in the process: empowerment! But hurry up please: we're already extending the close date for the cards' return to us, and if the presentation to Downing Street in November is to be a big success we'll need thousands of the cards with us.

Order some now, or call John Handelaar at CND on 071-700 2393. If you have the funds, a donation to cover our costs would be appreciated.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CONVERSION

THE DEFENCE INDUSTRIES & BRITAIN'S MANUFACTURING BASE
16TH NOVEMBER 1991.

Britain's defence industries are facing a crisis. Arms conversion could offer a solution. This conference is intended for defence industry trade unionists and will look at the problems facing the industry as well as how trade unionists should respond.

There will be a number of sessions dealing with the Engineering industry, the Aerospace industry, Defence cuts and non military MOD staff, European legislation and the DDA.

The conference will be chaired by Alec Ferry and takes place in the T&CWU, North Gower St, London NW1. Registration £5. Contact NTUDCC, 65 Bishops Road, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE15 6RY.

DISARMAMENT - THE MISSING LINK

The UN Conference on Environment and Development to be held next year in Brazil leaves out one crucial element - the role of disarmament.

A Day Conference marking the beginning of One World Week and making precisely this link will take place on Saturday, 19 October at Heythrop College, Cavendish Square, London. Bruce Kent (IPB), Nikki Kortvelyessy (Green Party), speakers from the UNA and World Development Movement and workshop sessions will focus on the connections between disarmament, development and environment; the Manifesto for the Earth; and the Brazil Conference.

The conference runs from 11.00am to 5.00pm; to register (£3) or for further details, contact: Linda Walker, 13 Paton Street, Manchester M1 2BA, 061-236 1588.



CND CONFERENCE '91 WORKING FOR PEACE

QUEEN MARY & WESTFIELD COLLEGE,
MILE END ROAD, LONDON E3
SAT 23 & SUN 24 NOVEMBER 1991

Has your group registered for CND Conference? No? Then what are you waiting for!

CND's annual conference is the place at which CND groups and members decide campaigning priorities for the coming year. Conference will be debating resolutions tackling a wide range of issues affecting the peace movement. In the wake of the Gulf War, CND must address new challenges.

ELECTION FEVER

Conference is the key to CND's democratic structure. Each year, delegates elect a new Chairperson of the Campaign, 4 Vice-Chairs, Treasurer and 20 members of the National Council. It is these people who are responsible for overseeing and directing the work of the Campaign between conferences, and for directly representing the membership. Conference is your chance to put your questions and suggestions to the officers of the campaign in person.

CND at a Crossroads

The Soviet Coup... The War in the Gulf... The New World Order... European Security... Global Security... Proliferation & Testing... and last but not least Bush's proposals on 'unilateral' nuclear weapons reductions! How should CND respond to these issues and their effects on Britain? Should it continue to concentrate on the campaign against nuclear weapons? Or should we widen the agenda to include issues such as the Arms Trade?

How can CND best serve its local groups? Your views matter. Come to Conference and have your say.

CARRY ON CAMPAIGNING

Conference provides information on CND's current campaigns. There will be a wide range of workshops giving delegates the opportunity to find out more information, learn new skills and meet other campaigners.

Workshops and plenaries will focus on Trident, TASM, Nuclear Proliferation and Testing, Nuclear Transport, the United Nations & the New World Order, European Security, Arms Conversion, and Military Research on Campus.

In campaigning workshops the emphasis will be on participation. Workshops will look at media work, fundraising, speaking in schools and campaign organisation.

There will also be opportunities to attend workshops covering CND's strategy for the coming years.

FUN FOR ALL

A wide range of stalls will be available at Conference from bookstalls to presents, including the latest designs from the CND Christmas catalogue. There will also be information and campaigning materials for your local group.



How to Register

If you haven't already received a group registration form, send an SAE to Nicola Butler, Conference Office, CND, 162 Holloway Road, London N7 8DQ, tel 071-700 2393 ext 209. Please feel free to contact Nicola Butler at the above address with any queries.

When you register, you will be sent further details of conference, including details of elections, debates and the CND Annual Report.

Please note: Accommodation in London cannot be guaranteed if you do not register before Monday 21 October 1991.

Also: The deadline for emergency resolutions to CND Conference is Wednesday 6 November. All resolutions on issues which have arisen since August 1991 must reach the CND Conference Office at the above address by 5pm.

CND Conference Delegate's Checklist

1. Change of undies (preferably clean). This is optional but if you want to meet any of the delegates from other groups it is recommended.
2. Enough money to buy yourself several drinks at the bar... and several drinks for me... and your Christmas presents from the CND stall...
3. A Geographer's A-Z Map, bought at your point of entry into London. The uninitiated should not attempt to travel beyond their terminus station unaided. And don't call us if you get lost by ignoring this one, 'cos the switchboard will be closed. Ha.
4. Placards aplenty when the delegates find out that we're holding conference on the site of a nuclear power station (true).
5. 'I heart London' T-shirt and Kiss Me Quick, Officer hat, in order to navigate your way through Central London's tourist throng in anonymity.
6. Handy 'all on yer wall' standing orders factsheet, for improved efficiency whilst engaging in procedural mugging.
7. Loads of folding stuff when you finally give up on finding London East Three at all and get into a mortgage agreement with a Black Cab company in desperation.
8. Likewise if your accommodation is south of the river and you stay in the bar after 8.30pm (You will however be rewarded by a far superior quality of accommodation.)
9. Sub-aqua gear and woolly hat for fullest enjoyment of Nuclear Free Thames vigil.
10. Supply of valium for Conference Administrator.

NEWS & CONTACTS

SEA-BORN PROTEST AGAINST PORTSMOUTH ARMS FAIR

Half a dozen small boats were used during the first two days of the Royal Navy Equipment Exhibition (RNEE) in a series of sea actions around its Whale Island venue in Portsmouth Harbour. The boats, crewed by Sea-Action groups from Brighton, Southampton, London, East Anglia and Greenham, aimed to make sure that the arms fair, though held on an island, was surrounded by protest.

As delegates were carried across to the arms fair by the MoD's ferry service (to avoid the land-based demo) the protest craft repeatedly drew up alongside displaying their flags with peace symbols and messages such as 'Blood on your hands!' and 'Stop the arms trade!'. As each ferry neared the jetty the protesters attempted to blockade their mooring. This was generally prevented by the presence of numerous police inflatables. The arms dealers then had to walk the hundred yards along the jetty enduring a chorus of condemnation from the protest boats.

In another action demonstrators climbed onto a metal platform overlooking the RNEE marquees. They held up a 'Stop the arms fair' banner until MoD police clambered after them and took it away.

Each afternoon the arms dealers lined up on the west side of the island to be treated to a display of their latest deadly toys. What they hadn't anticipated was this being accompanied by a parade of accusing banners bouncing across the water just feet below the cavorting helicopters and jump-jets.

Two demonstrators landed on the beach beneath the spectators and held out a banner reading 'Oceans for life'. As the tany described the devious manoeuvres of the Merlin helicopter the trespassers cried out through the noise 'Shame on you!' and 'How dare you!'. The Merlin left with a £1.5 billion order under its belt and was replaced by a Harrier Jump Jet which thundered across the harbour. It sat hovering over the two of the boats blasting them with fumes before screaming off again. After this apocalyptic scene the skys went silent and the demonstrators called out to the delegates 'Hands up who armed Saddam?' - they shuffled off pretending not to hear.

These sea-borne actions together with the blockade and peace camp at the bridge to the RNEE entrance combined to form an overwhelming display of opposition which could not have missed the atten-

tion of a single arms dealer there. Exhibitors at this year's RNEE were 40% fewer than two years ago, indicating that now, more than ever and in spite of a few contracts awarded here and there, the weapons industry is on the defensive and in retreat - let's keep pushing it that way.

Duncan Blinkhorn (Brighton Sea Action)

Menwith Hill

The most secret US spy base in Britain continues to be bugged by local peace campaigners. The number of arrests for nonviolent actions at Menwith Hill this year has now risen to over 200. Members of Otley Peace Action Group and others, who maintained a nightly vigil at the base throughout the Gulf War, are continuing with a regular presence outside (and inside!) the base.

On July 4th, while celebrations for American Independence Day took place inside Menwith Hill, outside the main gate, peace campaigners, decked in symbolic chains, held aloft giant letters spelling out the message "WE WANT INDEPENDENCE TOO". August 1 saw the 25th anniversary of the day the American National Security Agency took over formal control of the base. Yorkshire & Humber-side CND chose a special birthday gift to present to NSA to mark the occasion - a giant ticket back to the United States: one-way only, luggage to include all bugging, monitoring, tapping and other spying equipment, non-negotiable, non-transferable and for immediate use. We are anxiously awaiting the postcard from Disneyland indicating the ticket has been put to good use.



GULF PEACE TEAM

The Gulf Peace Team currently has a large group in Iraq made up of 'experts' in medicine, engineering (civil, sanitation etc), environmental and academic (Harvard and the LSE in London). Their purpose is to look at the effect that sanctions are having on Iraq on its people, land and economy. The GPT hope that this information can be used beyond the academic, including peace education on the effects of war and the insanity of war as a means of resolving conflict.

Discussion has already begun on the future, including forming a new organisation, probably called International Peace Teams. A meeting has been proposed for either February or March 1992 to take place at the UN University for Peace in Costa Rica. However, the UK GPT is currently suffering from lack of funds - as they slightly overspent on sending food/people to Iraq, the peace camp there and supporting personnel in Amman.

Contact: Ginnie Landon, Gulf Peace Team, 9 Cazenove Road, London N16 6PA

RESOURCES

100 Years of Peace Making

This is a history of the International Peace Bureau and other international peace movement organisations and networks, published by IPB, and written by Rainer Santi, April 1991. Price £4.95.

* Why did a majority in Sweden favouring the acquisition of nuclear weapons change to a 3:1 opposition in only 4 years?

* In the 1960s and 70s were the Western peace movements 'fellow travellers', working under guidance from Moscow?

* What are the full names of IFOR, WILPF, IPCC, CIC, IPPNW, ICDDP?

Rainers Santi's history of the peace movement over the last 100 years tackles these and many other questions. He describes the efforts of the International Peace Bureau and other international organisations to oppose arms races and militarism; to solve international conflicts without resort to war; and to build new global institutions and relations of trust and co-operation.

This book will be of interest to students, historians, defence analysts and other Non-Government Organisations as well as peace activists and researchers. It is an essential work of reference for every library.

For All Our Lives Please Stop Your Nuclear Tests

New 'No Nuclear Testing' protest postcards, 10p each or 12 for £1. Available from Women's International League for Peace & Freedom, 157 Lyndhurst Road, Worthing, Sussex BN11 2DG (tel 0903 205 161).



Remembrance for Peace 2-10th November

White Poppy's for Peace, available from Peace Pledge Union, 6 Endsleigh St, London WC1H 0DX.

PEACE IN COURT

Information to: Peace in Court, c/o David Polden, CND, 162 Holloway Road, London N7 8DQ; or phone the Peace Movement Legal Support Unit, 071-388 9689 (Fridays only; messages can be left at other times).

ARRESTS

Alconbury, Fylingdales, Lakenheath, Mildenhall & Menwith Hill, Aug-Sept: the frequent visits by peace activists inside these bases, closely observed by the MoD, have not resulted in any charges under the bye-laws. Nor have the infrequent visits to Upper Heyford resulted in any court cases under the bye-laws!

Faslane, Sept 15th: 4 people who attended a Christian CND Council meeting have been charged with vandalism and breach of the peace after the message 'Belshazzar's Feast' appears on the wall of the base.

Near Glasgow, Sept 20th: 8 women charged with breach of the peace and criminal damage after stopping a warhead convoy from Faslane on the Erskine Bridge, painting and climbing on it.

Menwith Hill, Sept 7th: In solidarity with the 10th anniversary of Greenham Common Women's Peace Camp two days earlier, 4 women from Otley Peace Group enter the base, decorate trees and picnic before being escorted out without being arrested. People are warmly invited to come and explore this interesting base now the military bye-laws have been discredited.

Portsmouth, Sept 2nd: 104 people arrested after blockade of 'naval components' exhibition while the opening ceremony is being performed. Ninety-nine were charged with obstructing the highway and the others were released without charge. One driver who eluded the police cordon and drove at the blockade was arrested and charged with dangerous driving.

The first hearings of these cases are being held week beginning Sept 23rd. All defendants were offered to have the charges dropped in return for accepting being bound over to keep the peace for a year [and pay the sum of £100?]. About half accepted. Of those who refused most have pleaded 'not guilty' and have had their cases adjourned to later dates. At least 5 pleaded guilty and were fined £50 with £20 costs. A Court Support Fund has been set up. This will be used to pay an equal proportion of everyone's fines unless they decline. Donations to INLAP (Institute of Law & Peace), c/o 78 Seymour Road, London N8.

IN COURT

Birmingham, Sept 11th: Keith Bailey, the Chief Executive of BSA Tools of Birmingham is charged with evading exports controls and illegally exporting £2 million worth of equipment for making artillery shells to Iraq in 1988-89.

Greenham, Sept: Newbury Magistrates order the return of £4.25 taken from Lynette Edwell's handbag at Holloway to pay off part of a fine for trespass under the bye-laws on the grounds that the bye laws have subsequently found to be invalid.

Liverpool, Sept 17th: British Nuclear Fuels fined £7,500 by Fleetwood Magistrates after admitting unauthorised disposal of radioactive waste. Metal boxes used at BNFL's plant ended up at a Liverpool scrapyard and dust in one of the boxes was found to be radioactive.

Menwith Hill, August 28th: High Court refuses MoD an injunction preventing Lindis Percy from entering the spy-base. Lindis has now been arrested or escorted off the base on more than 130 occasions, but has yet to be convicted of an offence.

Stroud, August 28th: a Judge in Chambers declares Roger Franklin bankrupt as a result of his redirecting nearly £11,000 in withheld taxes to peace groups and relief agencies to show that he does not "wish to be part of a state that is preparing for genocide by the use of nuclear weapons". Roger refuses to attend the hearing because it is not in public, but writes a letter offering to pay any penalty money to peace organisations or charities.

IN PRISON

Vic Williams, Sept 11th: a court martial sentenced Vic to 14 months for 'desertion' for leaving his Royal Artillery unit rather than be sent to serve in the Gulf and for 'conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline' for talking to the press about his moral objections to the war. Messages of support to: Vic Williams, c/o David Polden, CND, 162 Holloway Road, London N7 8DQ.

YOUR NATIONWIDE GUIDE TO DISARMAMENT ACTION

Please send entries to 'Campaign Listings'. Remember to include date, time, place, topic, speakers, access, cost (concessions?), and - most importantly - a contact name and number.

Make a special effort to find out about access details and facilities for people with disabilities and include them in your listings.

Contact Names: * full-time worker
** permanent office

Deadline for October listings: Monday, 17th October

BRITISH CND

162 Holloway Road, London N7 8DQ, Tel 071-700 2393 Fax 071-700 2357 (10.00am-6.00pm; 24-hour Actionline 071-700 2349)

23-24th November, CND Annual Conference at Queen Mary & Westfield College, London E3. Contact CND for details.

SCOTTISH CND

** 420 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow G2, 041-331 2878 (10.00am-5.00pm)

General Secretary: Ian Davison

** Administrators: Nancy Dangerfield, Donna Carrig

5th October, Social Reunion for Holy-Loch demonstrators, veterans and younger, Glasgow. Contact Jeanne on 0436 84 2446 for details.

14-19 October Gulf Reconciliation Week, IONA.

20 October, Gulf Reconciliation Service, St Giles, Edinburgh, 6pm.

20-27 October Churches One-World Week, contact SCAWD, 41 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh, EH1 1EL

24 October Act of Witness, Faslane, ending series of anti-Trident actions. 12.00 noon service. Afternoon fence-cutting actions.

CND CYMRU

Bryn Ellytyd, Tanygrisiau, Blaenau Ffestiniog, Gwynedd LL41 3TW, 0766-831356

General Secretary: Bob Cole

IRISH CND

8 Sidneyville, Bellevue Park, St Lukes, Cork, Ireland, 021-506 411

National Secretary: Adi Roche

NORTHERN IRELAND

Nigel Guy, 58 University Avenue, Belfast, 0232-246 828

EAST ANGLIA

26 Northgate Street, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk IP33 1HY, 0284-764 108, Secretary: Colin Vincent

Essex: 10 Longmore Avenue, Chelmsford, Essex CM2 7NT, 0245-263 465, Contact: Doug Shinn

Mon, 21 October: Bruce Kent on 'The United Nations and Tomorrow's One World', 7.30pm, Ipswich Town Hall. A public meeting jointly arranged by the local One World Centre, Ipswich UNA and Woodbridge CND. Contact: Peter Lanyon, 0394-386 273.

Mon, 26 October - Saturday 9th November: Billericay CND's Peace Exhibition in Billericay Library, High St during office hours. Contact Doreen 0277 625 866 for details.

EAST MIDLANDS

Derbyshire: 37 Gregory Avenue, Langley Mill, NG16 4GD, 0773-762 762, Contact: Alan Bestwick

Leicestershire: 13 Welford Road, Leicester LE2 7AD, 0533-554 684, Contact: Ken Last

Rutland: 5 Oval Close, North Luffenham, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 8LB, 0780-720 631, contact: Sylvia Lawson

Lincolnshire: 8 Eton Street, Grantham NG31 8ET, 0476-72246, Contact: Alan Fox

** Nottingham District: Notts CND, 33 Castlegate, Notts NG1 7AR, 0602-588586

LONDON REGION

** 6 Endsleigh Street, London WC1 ODS, 071-388 1628, Contact Suzy Cornwell (Tue, Wed pm, Thur)

9 Oct, Public meeting "Green Brushes with Peace", 8pm, The Studio, Bourne Hall, Ewell. An illustrated talk by Margaret Glover on