SLASHING THE MILITARY BUDGET

The Peace and Solidarity Commission works in a united front with all peace forces in the United States, including those forces in the U.S. Peace Council, which is spearheading a project called "Money for Human Needs" (https://moneyforhumanneeds.org/). We encourage all of our cadre to join the U.S. Peace Council. This means that our Party is taking the initiative where we have chapters to demand that our representatives at the federal, state, and local level pass resolutions of support for Representative Barbara Lee's legislative proposal to cut military spending, and to transfer the money spent on the military to "Money for Human Needs." NO MORE MONEY FOR WAR!! End the military-industrial complex!

OPPOSITION TO MILITARY AND ECONOMIC INTERVENTION

The Peace and Solidarity Commission (PCUSA) opposes all forms of American military and economic intervention in foreign countries. In reality, these interventions are always done to serve finance capital and the military-industrial complex, and not the international working class. The "assistance" provided by agencies like USAID is a Trojan horse used to destabilize governments that are opposed by the American Empire. The conflict in the Middle East, recently resulting in the seizure of power by the Taliban in Afghanistan, provides a clear example of the consequences of American military intervention.

In the international arena, we defend the Cuban revolution, and an end to the U.S. embargo against Cuba. We also work to end U.S. sanctions against Venezuela and support the withdrawal of U.S. armed forces from Syria and Yemen.

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THE RISE OF FASCISM HERE AND ABROAD

In the last 30 years, we have seen a rise of far-right governments in many former socialist states. Ukraine, for example, where the duly elected government was overthrown in 2014 by ultranationalist and outright fascist rioters, has followed the fascist footsteps by banning the Ukrainian Communist Party from participating in elections. Ultranationalist fascists and anti-labor parties have come to power in Brazil, Turkey, India, Israel, and the Philippines. All this is done with the connivance and financial aid of the US Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). Communists in the United States stand in solidarity with the oppressed peoples and nations that suffer and struggle under the boot of Western-backed fascist states!

HISTORY OF COMMUNISTS IN THE U.S. PEACE MOVEMENT

From the beginning of the Bolshevik movement in Russia, Communists have always been involved in the peace movement. The Bolshevik slogans of “Peace, Bread, and Land” have always pushed the peace question on the forefront of the Communist agenda. It was the peace movement that drove the Bolshevik movement to its final destination of revolution against the capitalist order. Comrade Lenin made it very clear when he stated that, "Imperialist wars are the seeds of social revolution."

From World War I to the present, Communists have been leading social movements for peace and solidarity with the victims of imperialist wars. In the U.S., during the 1930s, the Communists led mass organizations like the American League Against War and Fascism. After World War II, it was the Soviet Union that initiated the World Peace Council (WPC). In France and Poland with NGO status at the United Nations. In the U.S., it took the form of the Peace Information Center (PIC) led by Paul Robeson and W.E.B. DuBois. The PIC had been the American affiliate of the World Peace Council. In the early 50s, during the McCarthy period, the U.S. government outlawed the PIC. In the 1970s, American communists joined together with other anti-war forces to reestablish a U.S. affiliate of World Peace Council, called the U.S. Peace Council (USPC). Today, the USPC and PIC are again growing and are involved with campaigns to take Pentagon money and use it for social needs.

OPPOSITION TO US IMPERIALISM

U.S. imperialism is one of the present day strongholds of global capitalism. The United States uses sanctions, economic sabotage, and military intimidation to bring countries under its influence. Military encirclement against the DPRK, Russia, and People’s China, together with military and economic support to Israeli occupation of Palestine, is the present policy of U.S. imperialism.

SOLIDARITY WITH NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS

As Communists, we must remain steeled against imperialism and advocate self determination and national liberation.

The World Peace Council (WPC), with its affiliates throughout the world (including the U.S. Peace Council, its U.S. affiliate) have taken the lead in the national liberation movements against European colonialism in the 20th century. With the Soviet Union’s support and leadership in this struggle, the colonies in Asia, Africa, and Latin America have freed themselves of European capitalist colonial status. Current day struggles for national liberation include Puerto Rico, Guam, Samoa, Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.