

EMERGENCY NATIONWIDE MORATORIUM

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

On the anniversary of the murders on the Kent State campus, and in the twenty-fifth year of the Indochina war, there will be a large number of rallies, vigils, strikes, and militant, non-violent civil disobedience around the United States. The Emergency Nationwide Moratorium builds for demonstrations of opposition on May 4th throughout the country even as our president goes on television to stress his continuation of an insane course of action against the people of Indochina.

In this period of crisis in our country, it is more important than ever to build broad and lasting constituencies of people who actively and loudly express their outrage and dissatisfaction with our foreign policies in Indochina as well as our mirrored domestic policies. To this end, we strongly urge campus and community groups to work together to build a full day of activities on May 4th. This could be an important organizing day for your community as there is now a larger anti-war constituency than ever before. We all should reach out to high school students, elected officials, POW and MIA families and rank and file laborers.

We are writing this letter to fill you in on developments in local communities around the country as May 4th nears as well as to enclose some specific information that should be helpful in your organizing efforts. We are enclosing:

1. a photo-ready copy of an Ad that might be used in local, community, and school newspapers prior to May 4th. Local groups can insert local events and local sponsors,
2. a suggested full day of activities for May 4th and ideas that have come to us from around the country.
3. a list of events that other communities are planning for May 4th.

We hope that you will be in touch with us as events develop in your local community; we would appreciate it if you will send us press clippings and other materials letting us know what is/has happened in your area on May 4th.

In peace and struggle,

The Moratorium staff