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SLASH MILITARY SPENDING

for a
**PEOPLE'S
PEACE
BUDGET**



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WHAT HAS MILITARY SPENDING TO DO WITH THE ECONOMIC CRISIS ?

The military budget is one of the prime causes of inflation. Contrary to popular belief, military spending creates unemployment. Economists calculate that the billions taken out of the civilian economy by the military costs millions of jobs.

WHAT IS THE PEOPLE'S PEACE BUDGET ?

The PEACE BUDGET gives \$125 billion MORE - FOR PEOPLE. It transfers money from military to civilian programs which would generate approximately 4 million more jobs, plus millions of jobs which would result from increased consumer spending.

The PEACE BUDGET cuts military spending by more than 50%. It adds significant programs for housing, community development, education, health, income security, mass transit. The PEACE BUDGET cuts big business subsidies. The President's budget increases military spending while squeezing and eliminating programs for the people.

In all of its programs, the PEACE BUDGET stresses an aggressive civil rights program to rapidly ensure equality and integration in all fields of life. The President's budget results in racist denial of jobs, services and rights that victimize Black and other minority people first and more severely than the general population.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM ?

SLASH THE MILITARY BUDGET which may amount to \$150 BILLION IN 1976

The U.S. towers over all other countries in the world in the massive strategic build-up. It has 3 strategic nuclear forces, each capable of destroying the Soviet Union. The U.S. also has 44 new major weapons systems under way which will cost \$148 billion.

Drastic cuts in military spending have been proposed by people who have expert knowledge of the defense needs of our country. These proposals would provide much of the funds needed for the PEACE BUDGET. These proposals include the following:

- Cancel the B-1 Strategic Bomber program which would cost \$43 to \$75 billion
- Cancel the Trident submarine program which would cost about \$24 billion
- Stop funding obsolete ICBM's which will cost \$50 billion
- Cancel the multi-billion dollar program to develop new strategic missiles which have no military justification
- Dismantle the 222 military bases overseas; remove all overseas military forces.
- Terminate military treaties with reactionary governments; abolish the CIA - an agency of international provocation and domestic repression

--all of this would save billions of dollars!

SHIFT THE TAX BURDEN TO THOSE WHO CAN PAY!

The PEACE BUDGET provides financing according to ability to pay. Closing tax loopholes would remove a major part of the tax burden from most working people. It ends taxes on incomes under \$15,000; makes no social security deductions on salaries under \$10,000. The PEACE BUDGET would tax corporate profits at 52%, and personal income above \$50,000 a year at 50%. These proposals would increase revenues by \$37 billion net.

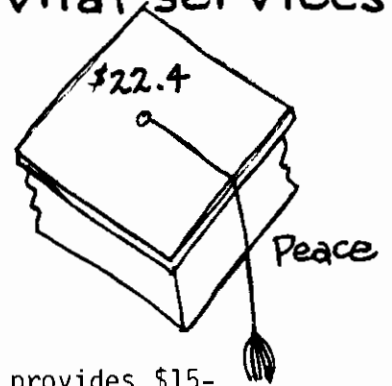
WHAT WILL THE PEACE BUDGET DO FOR US?*

Create new jobs... while increasing vital services



The PEACE BUDGET creates 4.8 million more jobs; adds 5 million more jobs by increased consumer spending; more trade with socialist countries can add 1/2 million more. Total of 10.3 million more jobs possible by SPENDING FOR PEACE.

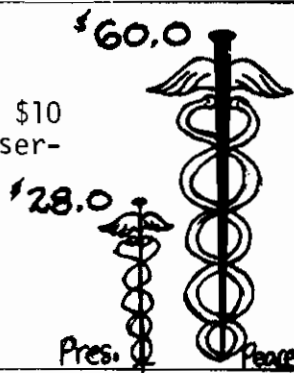
Education



The PEACE BUDGET provides \$15-billion more for quality, integrated education; stipends for higher education to minority and lower-income working class students.

Provide decent medical care

The PEACE BUDGET provides \$10 billion more for medical services; creates a national health service with free care to all; cuts current costs 50% by price rollback for drugs, hospital services, fees.



Pres. \$0.5 Provide child care, and Peace \$5.0 aid to working mothers

The PEACE BUDGET adds \$5 billion for child care, housekeeping aids to working mothers; wage-equivalent payments to mothers for time off before and after childbirth.



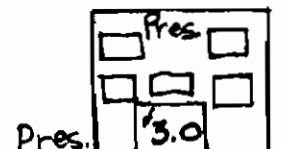
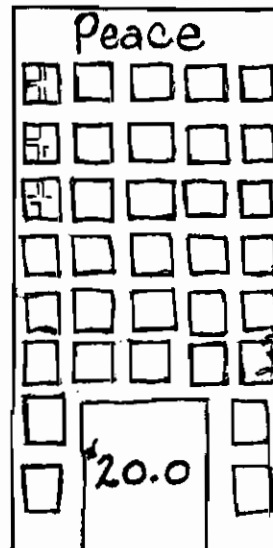
Enrich the quality of life

The PEACE BUDGET adds \$5 billion for culture, recreation; playgrounds, camps, inexpensive vacations for working people; people's art, theatre, music, etc; outlets & facilities for cultural workers.



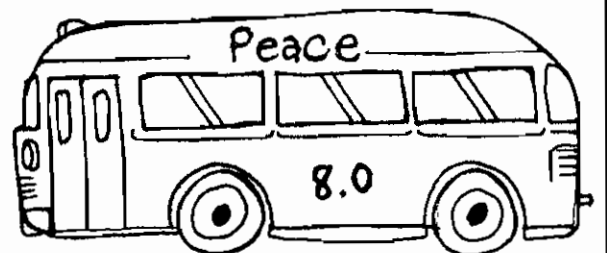
Housing

The PEACE BUDGET adds \$50 billion for 2 million, racially integrated housing units a year; rents at 10% of income; government guaranteed mortgages at a 6% interest rate.



Transportation

The PEACE BUDGET increases outlay for mass transportation by \$6 billion; adds new facilities; increases services; at fares all can afford.



*Expenditures shown in billions of dollars.

COMPARISON OF THE PRESIDENT'S BUDGET with THE PEOPLE'S PEACE BUDGET
for FISCAL YEAR 1976 --- EXPENDITURES (in billions of dollars)

<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>President's Budget</u>	<u>Peace Budget</u>	<u>Increase or Decrease</u>
National Defense	94.0	36.0	-58.0
CIA and Related Agencies*	(8.0)	0.0	(- 8.0)
Recreation and Culture*	(1.0)	5.0	+ 5.0
Commerce and Transportation	13.7	17.7	+ 4.0
Housing*	(3.0)	20.0	+20.0
Community & Regional Development	5.9	8.9	+ 3.0
Education	7.4	22.4	+15.0
Labor Safety & Labor Rights	(0.2)	4.2	+ 4.2
Child Care, Aid to Working Mothers*	(0.5)	5.0	+ 5.0
Health	28.0	60.0	+32.0
Income Security	118.7	150.7	+32.0
Veterans' Benefits & Services	15.6	15.6	0
Civil Rights*	(0.4)	2.4	+ 2.4
Price Control & Consumer Programs*	(0.5)	2.5	+ 2.5

*These functions are not listed in the President's Budget. Amounts in parentheses listed in the President's Budget column are equal to amounts relating to these functions listed under different titles in the President's Budget.

President's Budget figures are as shown in the Budget of the U.S. Government, Fiscal Year 1976, page 50, "Outlays".

WHAT YOU CAN DO

OUR GOAL IS TO GET TENS OF THOUSANDS OF LETTERS TO CONGRESS, WINDING UP WITH A GIANT LOBBY IN WASHINGTON TO DEMAND A DRASTIC CUT IN MILITARY SPENDING.

ORGANIZE A COMMITTEE IN YOUR ORGANIZATION, UNION OR COMMUNITY TO STIMULATE THIS ACTIVITY.

CALL ON YOUR REPRESENTATIVE AND SENATORS IN CONGRESS TO:
 --ENDORSE THE PEOPLE'S PEACE BUDGET
 --INTRODUCE LEGISLATION BASED ON PROPOSALS IN THE PEACE BUDGET TO SLASH MILITARY SPENDING.

Please send copies of letters and other materials you produce on this question.

 Please mail this portion to: National Center to Slash Military Spending
 156 Fifth Ave., Room 537, N.Y., N.Y. 10010

Name _____ Tel: _____

Address _____ ZIP _____

Organization (if any) _____

I would like _____ copies of the PEACE BUDGET brochure. I am enclosing \$ _____ to help pay for cost of printing and circulating thousands of brochures.

___ I can help organize activity in my area. ___ I want to be on your mailing list.

Cost of 10 brochures - \$1.00 (includes postage). Cost of larger orders sent on request.