

THE IRAQ MORATORIUM

WHAT IS IT? HOW TO PARTICIPATE!

**THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH:
SEPTEMBER 21, OCTOBER 19, NOVEMBER 16**

70% of Americans are against the war in Iraq. Yet the country's political leaders have failed to end it. *If Congress won't act, then the people must do so!* We must find new ways to force an end to American military involvement in Iraq. It is up to US to provide the **70% Solution!** And that's what the Iraq Moratorium is all about.

The Iraq Moratorium gives the 70% majority an opportunity to press our demand for an immediate end to the bloodshed, shattered lives, wasted resources, abuses of power, and failed policies represented by the war and occupation in Iraq. Since President Bush refuses to do so, we must tell Congress to exercise its authority to **defund the war**. *It is the only way to truly support our troops and end this nightmare.*

The Iraq Moratorium is based on a very simple but powerful concept: *On the 3rd Friday of the month in September, October and November, all those who oppose the occupation of Iraq are asked to **take an action** that expresses the demand that the occupation end immediately and that all troops be brought home now.* [Learn more at www.iraqmoratorium.org.]

Congress must say "NO!" to the president's request for another \$190 billion for his phony "war on terror." The only funds it should appropriate are whatever is needed to quickly, safely and completely evacuate all U.S. military personnel and private contractors.



The idea is simple: Starting September 21 and on each subsequent third Friday of the month, Americans in communities across the country will break from their daily routine to take concrete steps to participate in activities where they live, work, and study.

U.S. Labor Against the War (USLAW) was one of the first organizations to endorse the idea. *All USLAW affiliates, members and supporters in the labor movement are urged to take part.*

Here are ways you can participate in the Iraq Moratorium:

- ✓ **WEAR A MORATORIUM STICKER:** USLAW has produced two stickers to wear to show you support the Moratorium. Wear them to work on Moratorium Day and ask your coworkers to wear them. Get stickers from your union or order them at www.uslaboragainstar.org.



- ✓ **DRESS IN BLACK, WEAR A BLACK ARMBAND OR RIBBON**
- ✓ **ORGANIZE A LUNCH TIME VIGIL, RALLY, OR PROGRAM:** Get coworkers together to discuss other ways they are willing to act together to pressure Congress.
- ✓ **ORGANIZE A CALL-IN OR WRITE-IN TO CONGRESS:** Set up tables in the lunch room or other common area where coworkers can sign postcards or use cell phones to call their Congressional representative and senators.
- ✓ **ATTEND A RALLY OR OTHER PROTEST EVENT AFTER WORK:** Invite coworkers, family, neighbors and friends.
- ✓ **MAKE MORATORIUM FRIDAYS "DON'T BUY ANY GAS" DAYS**
- ✓ **PICKET A LOCAL MILITARY RECRUITING STATION OR WAR PROFITEER**
- ✓ **PARTICIPATE IN A LOCAL RELIGIOUS SERVICE DEVOTED TO PEACE**
- ✓ **ORGANIZE A TEACH-IN, FILM SHOWING OR ANTIWAR CULTURAL PROGRAM:** Show "Meeting Face to Face," the USLAW documentary about the U.S. tour of Iraqi labor leaders (www.meetingfacetoface.org) or other antiwar documentaries.

The Iraq Moratorium is not an organization. It is a project to strengthen the work of peace and democracy. Through its clear and simple message, local focus, and a variety of activities, the Moratorium encourages those who have not yet taken action against the war to make their voices heard.

For more information: Visit the Iraq Moratorium website at www.iraqmoratorium.org and the USLAW website at www.uslaboragainstar.org. Contact your union or labor council. Write to USLAW at info@uslaboragainstar.org. Send photos and reports of your actions.



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