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Who we are

The international network No to war – no to NATO was founded in autumn 2008 to prepare actions against the NATO summit in Strasbourg/ Kehl in April 2009. A counter summit, a demonstration and actions of civil disobedience took place. NATO's aggressive military and nuclear policies were analyzed and delegitimized. A vision of a just world free of war presented. The Stuttgart Appeal was the political framework in which we prepared these actions. We reject the new global NATO strategy, which threatens millions of people and the environment, prevents the demilitarization of international politics, and blocks solutions to global challenges. Since 2009 our network has been present at all NATO Summits: in Lisbon 2010, in Chicago 2012, in Cardiff/ Newport 2014. We demanded a stop of the militarization of the EU as a second leg of NATO and its aggressive politics. We demanded the withdrawal of all foreign troops in Afghanistan. We condemned the plans of increasing the military budgets to 2% of the GDP and the modernization of nuclear weapons. We demanded a reduction of the world wide military expenditures (1.8 Trillion USD) to build a peaceful, just, sustainable, and solidaric world. We presented concepts of common security and civil conflict resolution as alternatives to NATO's politics of war and demanded a strengthening of civil organizations and structures like UN and OSCE.

Next to activities around NATO summits, we organized two international conferences for "Peace in Afghanistan" and a seminar on "NATO and the global South" in Argentina. We take our demand to abolish NATO to other networks, movements and events like the European Social Forum in Istanbul, the World Social Forum in Tunis 2012, the Peace Event in Sarajevo 2014, and the NPT. NATO is the greatest obstacle to peace and justice, and to a world free of nuclear weapons.

Once a year we come together to our annual meeting to discuss our further actions. The last took place in Wales 2014 and the next is planned for September in Helsinki around our conference on "NATO in the Baltic Sea Area". The annual meeting elects an International Coordinating Committee (ICC) as an executive body. The communication between the ICC is done by mails, telephone-conference and face-to-face meetings around supported actions of the network, like now in at the Peace&Planet Conference New York before the NPT.

Anti-NATO Activities 2015

The following proposals were agreed on the annual meeting of the international network "No to war – no to NATO" Newport, September 2nd, 2014 (Extract, full version on the website no-to-nato.org)

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The No to war – No to NATO network will continue to work globally on the information and de-legitimization campaign against NATO with the aim of its dissolution. We will contribute actively to a preparatory process for actions around the next NATO Summit 2016 in Poland.

Due to the plan for a host nation support of Sweden and Finland we will organize a conference on the topic “The High North” to discuss these issues, including the situation in the Arctic sea. (September 4th+5th in Helsinki)

We support the aims of the fact finding mission to Ukraine (civil society conference) and want to contribute to a peaceful solution of the conflict. We need to think what to do for this.

In continuation to the No to NATO conference around the Peace Event Sarajevo 2014, deepening the newly established contacts to the Balkans, we will conduct a regional conference on the topic of “NATO and the Balkans”.

We will contribute actively to the nuclear weapons issue around the NPT 2015 in New York, engaging in the NGO conference and UN side events with the topics “NATO’s nuclear weapons strategy” and “modernization”.

We will provide a brochure about our network for this conference.

These events will be used by our Asia/Pacific working group to enlarge the contacts to the Asia/Pacific region.

We want to reconnect environmentalism with the question of war and peace. The COP in December in Paris is a good opportunity and we will try to bring the question of peace into the preparatory process (i.e. via contacts EU-Latin America networks and Peace Event Sarajevo 2014).

We actively support the ideas developed by parts of the German peace movement of activities around the 60th recurrence of Germany joining NATO (Mai 2015).

In reflection of the international drones meeting we support the idea of an international conference on drones.

We will think about a working group on NATO and EU. One idea is to have a common workshop on “militarization, NATO and EU” with GUE-NGL in Brussels.

We will support and actively contribute to activities of related networks, like on drones (international day of action on drones (Oct 4th 2014), military spending (GDAMS, April 2015; planned increase of military spending of NATO members), weapons in space (Keep space for peace week, October 4th – 11th; GN meeting in Kyoto, August 2015), “High North”, etc.

In all our activities we include the feminist perspective on NATO and peace as well as different affectedness of women and men. We will continue to stimulate feminist per-

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spectives discussions on NATO and war and peace. We aim at organizing a women's meeting around one of our larger activities in 2015.

We will increase our efforts to gain members, particularly in countries (whether affiliated with NATO or not) in which we do not have contacts working on NATO, especially in Poland.

Because we are network the following proposals can only be realized, if people take over the responsibility for that. Newport, September 2nd, 2014

Stuttgart Appeal: No to War – No to NATO

This appeal was developed and agreed on the preparatory meeting for the activities against the 60th year's celebrations of NATO in Stuttgart, October 5th, 2008.

All signatures'/supporters form the international network "No to war – no to NATO".

On the occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of the NATO military organization, we appeal to all people to come to Strasbourg and Baden-Baden 2009, to protest against NATO's aggressive military and nuclear policies, and assert our vision of a just world free of war.

NATO is an increasing obstacle to achieving world peace. Since the end of the Cold War, NATO has reinvented itself as a tool for military action by the "international community", including the promotion of the so-called "war on terror". In reality it is a vehicle for US-led use of force with military bases on all continents, bypassing the United Nations and the system of international law, accelerating militarization and escalating arms expenditure – NATO countries account for 75% of global military expenditure. Pursuing that expansionist agenda since 1991, designed to advance strategic and resource interests, NATO has waged war in the Balkans, under the guise of so-called "humanitarian war", and has waged seven years of brutal war in Afghanistan, where

the tragic situation is escalating and the war has expanded into Pakistan.

In Europe NATO is worsening tensions, feeding the arms race with so-called "missile defense", a massive nuclear arsenal and a nuclear first strike policy. EU policy is increasingly tied to NATO. NATO's on-going and potential expansion into Eastern Europe and beyond and its "out of area" operations are making the world a more dangerous place. The conflict in the Caucasus is a clear indication of the dangers. Each advance of the NATO border increases the possibility of war, including the use of nuclear weapons.

To achieve our vision of a peaceful world, we reject military responses to global and regional crises – these are part of the problem not part of the solution. We refuse to live under the terror of nuclear weapons, and reject a new arms race. We must decrease military expenditure – directing resources instead to meeting human needs. We must close down all

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foreign military bases. We oppose all military structures used for military intervention. We must democratize and demilitarize the relations between peoples and establish new forms of peaceful cooperation to build a more secure and just world.

We call on you to spread this message in your communities and movements to make this vision a reality. We believe that a world of peace is possible.

International Signatures: Anti-imperialist Camp * European Feminist Initiative * European Peace Forum * European Left (EL) * Global Network Against Weapons & Nuclear Power in Space * International Association of Lawyers Against Nuclear Arms, Europe (IALANA) * International Network of Engineers and Scientists for

Global Responsibility (INES) * International Peace Bureau (IPB) * No Bases Network * Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) * World March of Women against Violence and Poverty * War Resisters' International * World Peace Council (WPC) * and more than 500 signatures coming from Afghanistan, Andorra, Argentina, Austria, Belgium, Brasilia, Canada, Czech Republic, Congo, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guinea, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxemburg, Malta, Macedonia, Mexico, Montenegro, Netherlands, Niger, Norway, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Sweden, Switzerland, Slovakia, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom, US

Application Form

We want to be part of the international network "No to war – no to NATO" and we sign the Stuttgart Appeal from 2008.

Organization:

Address:

ZIP / City:

Country:

Responsible person:

Email + Internet:

Place/Date:

Signature:

Please give it back to the
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