

Campaign in Support of United States Military War Resisters

WHEREAS the Canadian Peace Alliance opposed the US-led invasion of Iraq in 2003 and called for the Government of Canada to adopt a position of non-participation and opposition to that campaign;

WHEREAS more than 50,000 draft-age Americans came to Canada from 1965-1973, in order to avoid participating in an immoral war in Viet Nam, and were given sanctuary in this country;

WHEREAS United States military personnel are currently fleeing the United States to Canada in order to avoid participating in an immoral war in Iraq, and face court martial if deported;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Canadian Peace Alliance facilitate a campaign and call on groups and individuals to take immediate steps to:

1. Build a cross-Canada network in support of United States military war resisters;
2. Press the Government of Canada to provide access and security to war resisters.

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