

JUNE 12 RALLY COMMITTEE

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MARCH AND RALLY FOR JUNE 12th

ANNOUNCED TODAY

Committee in formation as of April 16, 1982:

American Friends
Service Committee
Clergy and Laity Concerned

Coalition of Black Trade Unionists

District 65 / UAW
1199/National Union
of Hospital and
Health Care Employees
Fellowship of Reconciliation
Friends of the Earth
Greenpeace

International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers

Martin Luther King, Jr.
Center for Non-Violent
Social Change
Ministerial Interfaith
Association
Mobilization for Survival
Nuclear Weapons
Freeze Campaign
-National Conference
Pax Christi
Progressive National
Baptist Convention

PUSH
Riverside Church
Disarmament Program
SANE
Southern Christian
Leadership Conference
.U.S. Peace Council
War Resisters League
Women's International League

for Peace and Freedom

Plans for a massive peace march and rally in New York City on Saturday, June 12th, were announced today at a press conference. The demonstrators will call for a freeze and reduction of all nuclear weapons and the transfer of money from military spending to meet human needs. The expected massive turnout on June 12th will coincide with the proceedings of the Second UN Special Session on Disarmament.

"People from all walks of life and of all political persuasions are beginning to speak out against current nuclear arms policies, and for redirecting military spending to meet human needs. The June 12th demonstration will be a crucial focal point for the rapidly growing anti-nuclear movement in this country,"

announced Moe Foner, Executive Secretary, District 1199 of the National Union of Hospital and Health Care Employees. Representatives of varied and diverse constituencies also expressed their commitment for building for June 12th.

Participants in the press conference included:

- o Harry Belafonte entertainer
- o Rabbi Balfour Brickner Stephen Wise Free Synagogue
- o David Brower Chair of the Board, Friends of the Earth
- o Cesar Chavez United Farm Workers
- o Dr. Herbert Scoville, Jr. President of Arms Control Association, former Deputy Director of CIA

(For a complete list of participants, see enclosed sheet)

TO SUPPORT THE UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT AND TO CALL FOR A FREEZE AND REDUCTION OF ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND A TRANSFER OF MILITARY BUDGETS TO HUMAN NEEDS.



Organizers for the demonstration predict that June 12th will be one of the largest protests in American history. Buses, trains, car pools, bicycle caravans and peace walks will bring people into New York from well over 500 cities. They will be joined by delegations from all over the world.

Details, including speakers and performers at the rally, will be announced to the press as they become available.

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