

End the Destruction

# STOP THE WAR



photo: Chris Cartter

Now comes the hard part. Friends, relatives and co-workers who questioned the war a week ago now are calling up with second thoughts. Now that the "white men in the White House" are once again playing with their electronic toys, the fears and doubts need fresh reply:

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# WAR IN THE GULF

**Bush says, we're fighting for democracy and a New World Order.**

Bush's New World Order sounds suspiciously like the U.S.' old world order-- U.S. control of oil, U.S. control of the Mideast, racism at home and abroad. People of color in the U.S. are in war every day--economic violence (joblessness and homelessness) and chemical warfare (drugs and the environment). Now, over a quarter of U.S. troops sent to fight Arab peoples are Black, more than a tenth are Latin, and over half the women are women of color. What's new is that, in one year, we've gone from Panama to Iraq. The new order uses military might to compensate for economic and political strength lost to Japan and Germany and to assert ever tighter control over third world peoples.



**Baker says Hussein is a madman and a Hitler who must be stopped.**

This war is not about one unstoppable tyrant. The U.S. imperialist policies in the Mideast eased Saddam Hussein's way for a generation. The U.S. has put together an unholy alliance to protect Western interest and reinforce our latest batch of petty tyrants. A U.S. "win" will leave the basic problems the same or worse--not the least, the denial of Palestinian rights.

**Cheney says now that the fighting has started, we have to support the troops.**

The way to support our friends and family in the Gulf is to stop the war now. This is also the way to support the tens of thousands of families in the Mideast already suffering death and destruction. Without a strong movement against a world order built of bombs and blood, war will go on no matter how things end in Iraq.

A new anti-war movement has taken to the streets in cities and towns across the country. High school and college kids by the thousands, Black, white and Latin, are joining movement veterans, communities of color, labor unions, churches and families of service people in a growing grass-roots resistance to war.



*Demonstrations, vigils, civil disobedience are the only sure force to end this war and prevent the next.*

**No permanent U.S. presence in the Mideast!  
No Draft, No Way!**

**Support the National Struggle of the Palestinian People!  
Build the Anti-Imperialist and Anti-intervention Movements!  
Build the Economic Fightback!  
Stop Environmental Destruction!**



About **FREEDOM ROAD**

The Freedom Road Socialist Organization is a revolutionary Marxist organization whose roots lie in the upsurges of the 1960's. Formed in 1985 as a result of merger of two prior organizations, Freedom Road has extensive work in community struggles, the labor movement, the student movement and other progressive social movements. Our work in the Black Liberation Movement has aimed to strengthen the movement's Left-wing and help to rebuild the broad, revolution current in our movement which so influenced our fight for justice and power.

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