A GLOBAL SECURITY SYSTEM: AN ALTERNATIVE TO WAR

ILLUSTRATING IMPACTS OF WAR ON THE ENVIRONMENT
- Military aircraft consume about one quarter of the world’s jet fuel.
- The Department of Defense uses more fuel per day than the country of Sweden.
- The Department of Defense generates more chemical waste than the five largest chemical companies combined.
- A F-16 fighter bomber consumes almost twice as much fuel in one hour as the high-consuming U.S. motorists burn in a year.
- The U.S. military uses enough fuel in one year to run the entire mass transit system of the nation for 22 years.
- During the 1991 aerial campaign over Iraq, the U.S. utilized approximately 340 tons of missiles containing depleted uranium (DU) - there were significantly higher rates of cancer, birth defects and infant mortality in Falluja, Iraq in early 2010.
- One military estimate in 2003 was that two-thirds of the army’s fuel consumption occurred in vehicles that were delivering fuel to the battlefield.17

SHORT-TERM NONVIOLENT RESPONSES TO TERRORISM
- “Smart” sanctions that focus on and affect elites only.
- Mediation, negotiation.
- Dehumanization.
- International law enforcement.
- Nonviolent resistance to any violence.
- Interposition.
- Global opprobrium for all violence.

LONG-TERM NONVIOLENT RESPONSES TO TERRORISM
- Stop and reverse all arms trade and manufacture.
- Consumption reduction by rich nations.
- Massive aid to poor nations and populations.
- Refugee repatriation or emigration.
- Debt relief to poor nations.
- Education about roots of terrorism.
- Education and training about nonviolent power.
- Promote culturally and ecologically sensitive tourism and cultural exchanges.
- Build sustainable and just economy, energy use and distribution, agriculture.

WHY CIVIL RESISTANCE WORKS

Rates of success, partial success and failure

WHO FUNDS WAR?

- In less than a year, thousands of people from 90 countries have signed World Beyond War’s pledge for peace.
- Demilitarization is underway. Costa Rica and more than 20 other countries have disbanded their militaries altogether.
- European nations, which had fought each other for over a thousand years, including the horrendous World Wars of the twentieth century, now work collaboratively in the European union.
- Former advocates of nuclear weapons, including former U.S. Senators and Secretaries of State and numerous retired, high-ranking military officers, have publicly rejected nuclear weapons and called for their abolition.
- There is a massive, worldwide movement to end the carbon economy and hence the wars over oil.
- Many thoughtful people and organizations around the world are calling for an end to the counter-productive “war on terror.”9
- At least one million organizations in the world are actively working toward peace, social justice, and environmental protection.
- Thirty-one Latin American and Caribbean nations.
- In the last 100 years, we humans have created for the first time in history institutions and movements to control international violence: the UN, the world court, the international criminal court; and treaties such as the Kellogg-Briand Pact, the Treaty to ban landmines, the Treaty to ban child soldiers, and many others.
- A peace revolution is already underway.