

# Listen to Women for A CHANGE

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## **CALLING MAY DAY MARCHERS**

The wonderful May Day parade will take place on Sunday, May 6, in the Powderhorn neighborhood of Minneapolis. Members of MN Metro WILPF will be part of the colorful stream of marchers, bands, floats, puppets, and banners.

Line up begins at noon at Cedar Field, 25th St. and Cedar Ave.; the parade begins at 1 pm. Come carry a WILPF sign and walk for justice and peace. Look for WILPF members at the northeast corner of the park.

The Membership Committee is coordinating and bringing signs. Call 612-922-7993 if you can participate, or just show up!

Pan American Day  
WILPF "Coffee With" Program  
**Saturday, April 14, 2007, 10:00 AM -Noon**

## **COLOMBIA IN TURMOIL**

Have you been wondering--  
What's cooking in Colombia?  
What are the ingredients of this indigestible stew?  
How long has it been boiling, and when will it be done?  
Who will it feed? What about the pot?  
What's it to US?

MARILYN CUNEO, WILPF member and former instructor of Latin American Civilization and Culture in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at the University of Minnesota, will talk about her recent trip to Colombia and lead a discussion presenting her understanding of the complexities of the ongoing armed conflict in that country. She will pay special attention to women at all levels of society whose lives, livelihood, and cultural traditions are constantly disrupted by the threat of violence. The discussion will include some programs developed to meet these problems by the Colombian sector of WILPF (LIMPAL).

Van Cleve Community Center, 901 15th Ave. S.E., Minneapolis

Free; everyone welcome  
Colombian refreshments will be served.

## **Witnessing history - neighbors attend historic Ellison oath ceremony**

By WILPF member Naima Richmond, published in *Insight* 1/19/07

Around April 18, 2006, a very daring and conscientious young African American who represented us, District 58B, in the Minnesota House announced that he planned to file for the U.S. Congress seat being vacated by Martin Sabo. To succeed at this task would make State Representative Keith Ellison the first African American from Minnesota and the first Muslim in the country to be elected to Congress.

A group of senior citizens on the North side of Minneapolis got involved by helping with his campaign. We visited all the high-rise buildings, encouraging residents to get out and vote for Keith Ellison. We also administered registration of voters, transportation, phone calls and office work. We were excited about Keith going to Washington.

Keith never retaliated from the mean-spirited insults thrown to him while on his journey. He kept his eyes on the prize. His campaign was history in the making. Keith taught a lesson in his attributes and attitude: love, peace, fairness and compassion for all people. After all the votes were counted in both elections, the primary and general, Keith won! He was our choice, the people's choice, to represent us. Again, it was history in

the making.

Now all is well, so we thought--until some people objected to him using his Qur'an instead of the Bible for the ceremonial swearing-in. Keith prevailed. Again, history in the making.

Five from our group boarded a flight to Washington, bound for the opportunity to witness history in the making. Enroute from the airport to our hotel, the temperature was sixty degrees. Pansies and roses were in bloom. Magnolia trees beamed radiantly, filled with luscious green leaves. So fitting for the occasion.

We witnessed the elected officials being sworn in via television, because only one person could accompany Keith. So many relatives and friends filled the room in his Capitol Hill offices that had been set aside for us. So many people came to Keith's office to wish him well and to congratulate him. They came from all parts of the United States. And they came from different countries around the world. Three young Afghani from New York said, "We want to meet him." They stayed until they met him. It was history in the making. We witnessed it!

Congratulations Keith, Kim and children!

U.S. SECTION NEWS

Think Bolivia!

WILPF will hold its triennial international congress in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, July 21-26. Bolivia is the home of the Bolivian WILPF section (LIMPAL in Spanish) which hosted a past congress in 1992, the year of the 500th anniversary of the European arrival in the New World. Today Bolivia is a leader in the struggle for national and popular control over natural resources, particularly water and natural gas. Why Bolivia now? (1) To help support the economy, which has great difficulty at the present time; (2) to support Bolivians in their fight against reducing the national debt by reducing social services, especially in health and education; (3) to witness firsthand a country run by a newly elected progressive indigenous government.

If you want to attend the congress, now is the time to make plans and reservations. Summer is the popular season for Bolivians to travel and air reservations fill up. Participants are expected to arrive for lunch on 21 July and depart after breakfast on 27 July. The price for meals and lodging during this period will be \$650 (US Dollars). Americans will need a visa, which can take time, so start preparations now. Visit the U.S. Section website for more information--www.wilpf.org.

CAMPAIGNS

Save the Water

Great Lakes Initiative

This campaign has launched the Great Lakes Initiative, inviting branches with state borders on any of the Great Lakes to participate in helping to get their state to pass the Great Lakes Compact, an agreement reached by Canada and the United States to protect the viability of the Great Lakes.

All states and Canadian provinces surrounding the Great Lakes must individually ratify this compact before the United States and Canadian governments approve it. This is expected to be quite a task WILPF Water Leadership concurs with many concerned Great Lake's advocates on the urgency for ratification so that corporate interests cannot dilute content or intent of the agreement. The three members of the water team from MI and OH feel the need to organize a "WILPF Great Lakes Regional Team."

We hope to have a meeting in late April of all Great Lakes Branch's representatives to share state status and plan further strategy. Upon success of all states' approval of the compact, we will need a full national effort of all branches to ensure a national ratification.

ED NOTE: Minnesota recently ratified this compact, the first state to do so! But other states, such as Michigan, where Nestle is withdrawing huge quantities of water from springs and from Lake Michigan for its Ice Mountain brand of bottled water, will be under great corporate pressure not to sign it.

Commission on Sustainable Development April 30-May 11

We are organizing our members to take part in the UN's 15th Session of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) at the New York Headquarters of the United Nations. WILPF urges you to register with us and attend! We need notification of your interest by April 2nd. You can attend this conference for any length of time, from one day to the whole two weeks! Please reply to Aislinn at csd@wilpf.org or contact us at (215) 563-7110 if you are interested in attending.

As an NGO with consultative status, WILPF wields significant influence at this juncture of international decision-making. We will advocate for the basic human right to water. This session will be an opportunity to make our Water Campaign visible to U.N. delegates and the general public, and to educate around initiatives such as Water as a Human Right, Our Bodies Polluted without our Consent, and the Carbon Footprint of Bottled Water. We are tentatively planning side events

to raise awareness around these issues and we will circulate more information

Women Challenge U.S. Policy: Building Peace on Justice in the Middle East

The campaign invites branches to participate in our project "Women's Vision: A Feminist US Policy on the Middle East." We invite branches to work with like-minded local organizations to create round tables on US Policy on the Middle East and to share with us the result of their colloquia.

A toolkit is now available for download at <http://wilpf.org/campaigns/WCUSP/toolkit.html>. We can also send a hard copy for \$10.00 that includes posters, invitation postcards, sample outreach emails, and tools to make it easy to organize a feminist roundtable. Contact Kate Zaidan at 215-563-7110 or [kzaidan@wilpf.org](mailto:kzaidan@wilpf.org) to order.

DISARM!

News from Valerie Mullen, WILPF's Eye on Congress

Subject: Supplemental Bill

From Phyllis Bennis, Director, New Internationalism Project, Institute for Policy Studies, March 22, 2007, [www.ips-dc.org](http://www.ips-dc.org)

Friends,

The Democratic leadership claims the \$125 billion supplemental is the way to end the war. Aside from setting a date for bringing home troops, the bill includes a number of items many in the peace movement would ordinarily support - veterans' health benefits, Katrina survivors' assistance, children's health insurance...

So what's the problem with the supplemental? Why aren't peace activists supporting it?

Because it gives President Bush another \$100 billion to continue the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq. And it doesn't end the occupation or prevent expansion of the war to Iran.

WHAT IT DOES

It calls for pulling out half the troops from Iraq by August 2008

BUT - It exempts whole categories of troops from the withdrawal

\*\* Troops "training the Iraqi military" can stay - currently 6,000, perhaps as many as 20,00 (no limit in the supplemental)

BRANCH NEWS

Dear Minnesota Metro Members:

As we have reported in past issues, the U.S. section of WILPF has informed our branch that the structure of WILPF is such that no branch of the U.S. Section can be a 501(c)3 (tax exempt) organization. For this and other reasons the steering committee believes it is in the best interests of our branch to give up our 501(c)3 status and revert to the WILPF structure we had before 1997, that is, a nonprofit under the laws of Minnesota but not under federal law. Therefore the steering committee is calling a special meeting of the membership with the sole purpose of voting on "dissolving" the Minnesota Metro 501(c)3 status (called "dissolution" under the law). This meeting will be held Saturday, April 21, at 10 am, at the Van Cleve Community Center, 901 15th Ave. SE, Mpls. Every member will receive an invitation to this important meeting. Please try to come.

Arts Committee Report

Our video "Why Reparations: A Personal Story" featuring WILPF member Naima Richmond is currently showing in an art exhibit dedicated to the theme of reparations in the Student Activities Center Gallery at Stony Brook University, Long Island, NY.

In the film, Naima tells of the experiences as an African American woman that have impelled her to join with those seeking reparations for wrongs suffered as a result of slavery. Liz Dodson, assisted by Mary Eileen Sorenson, produced and directed the filming of the video in the studios of Minneapolis TV Network with other members of the committee serving as camera women. (Great fun! )

Dorothy Crabb made all the puppets appearing in the video. The background scenes were painted by Liz and Mary Eileen. Liz was recently in NYC for the annual conference of the Women's Caucus for Art, and visited the Stony Brook Gallery. We have two large photos taken at the gallery which we will put on display at our WILPF meetings for all to see.

Like other WILPF members worldwide, our committee is now developing projects based on the campaign to SAVE THE WATER. At our February meeting we watched the tape of an MTV show featuring rapper JAY-Z as he visited several countries in Africa at the behest of the UN. His trip

was to draw attention to the need for solving the problems presented by the scarcity of clean water and sanitation facilities. In the video entitled "WATER FOR LIFE," JAY-Z discovered that his life in the "hood" wasn't so bad after all.

Before April 21 we will be presenting a proposal for a workshop on "Water, Women, and Spirituality" for the Women and Spirituality Conference held annually in October at the MN State University-Mankato. Our committee has taken part in these conferences for many years and sees them as a productive venue to bring our issues to the hundreds of women in attendance.

Two members of the committee, Sage Passi and Marilyn Cuneo, are volunteering as Water Advocates at some of the performances of "Invigorate the Common Well," the first of three episodes dedicated to water issues created by the Heart of the Beast Puppet and Mask Theatre. This presentation is offered Thursdays through Sundays during March. Episodes 2 and 3 will be developed later in the year.

We plan to participate in the Green Exposition at the State Fair Grounds the first weekend in May.

If you want to be active with us, please call Marilyn at 612-825-9419.

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World Water Day Event

Minnesota Metro co-sponsored the event "Challenge Corporate Control of Water" on World Water Day, March 22, at St. Joan of Arc Church. The evening was one of education and action as part of Corporate Accountability International's "Think Outside the Bottle" Campaign. (CAI was formerly INFACT, for those who remember the Nestle, Philip Morris, and General Electric campaigns). "We aim to raise awareness about the growing global water crisis. We seek to protect water as a human right, not as a corporate commodity. The United Nations estimates that by 2025, 2 out of 3 people will not have access to water."

From Bernice Sisson  
MN Metro member

*WILPF Friends- You've been having such wonderfully "substan-tive" "Coffee Withs," but family or some crisis/obstacle has prevented me from getting there. I really wanted to hear Don Irish, but had*

*signed up for a parish council retreat on that date. ...*

*What I appreciate most about the "Coffee Withs" is the daylight schedule. I turn into a pumpkin when the sun goes down, further limiting meetings.*

Bernice sent her message on a sunflower card, which had the message inside: \*Why Sunflowers? Sunflowers are symbols of hope. Their roots are like vacuums that can extract toxic metals such as depleted uranium and plutonium, a process known as phytoremediation and rhizofiltration. They restore the war-polluted lands and waters, rendering them arable once again in a safer and more cost-effective way than most other cleanup methods. ... The sunflower is a living symbol of our vision. In planting sunflowers at nuclear sites we are demonstrating our faith that, like the sunflower, we can learn to draw our power from the sun, live within our limits, and bring forth a bountiful harvest from the Earth for all generations."

*As Bernice notes in her card, our Coffee Withs are always interesting and usually well attended. In February Hamline U Prof Emeritus Don Irish talked and then led a discussion about U.S. foreign policy and its extremes. This followed the January event on the subject of global warming and Minnesota waters, by J Drake Hamilton, Science Policy Director of Fresh Energy. The March "Coffee With" was a wonderful event led by member Jo Montie, who is on the national Jane Addams Book Award committee. Jo had what looked like hundreds of current and past Award books for people to peruse. The event was well attended by enthusiastic children's book lovers. In April Marilyn Cuneo will report on her recent trip to Colombia and visit with WILPF members there. The May event is "Empire 101." See page 1 and the calendar for announcements of these events.*

## "Swiftboating"

By Joe Mayer, Progressive Pondering, March 1, 2007

When I first got involved in politics in the 1960s it concerned a state issue we felt strongly about. To better prepare myself I purchased a book regarding politics written by a major university political science professor. I can't remember the book's name or the author any more but I haven't forgotten the main message: "We have to make it politically possible and feasible for legislators, governors, presidents and all elected officials to vote for the issues we advance. We have to support them in their votes and do the grassroots work to sway public opinion to a favorable position."

Recently two Minnesota Congressmen echoed that political wisdom. Last week 7th District Congressman Colin Peterson stated that he received over 100 calls and letters criticizing him for voting against the President's troop escalation in Iraq and only two thanking him for his position. On Monday of this week the SE Minnesota Alliance of Peacemakers met with Rep. Tim Walz of the 1st District. His plea was the same, "Write me, call my office, e-mail. Don't let me hang out there on my own. I have to know there's support for my positions."

Electing officials favorable to our positions isn't enough. We must do the grassroots work that will encourage and allow them to vote for the positions on which we elected them. Opposition lobbyists outnumber Congressmen and Congresswomen over 10 to 1 in Washington and they work 7/24.

An example of this occurred this week in Minnesota District One. The U.S. House is currently considering House Bill #800, the Employees Free Choice Act. It may be voted on today, Thursday, March 1, 2007. Yesterday morning we heard an advertisement on radio sponsored by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. In the ad the Chamber claimed that Rep. Walz and this Bill was going to take away the workers' right to vote and their right to privacy. It stated employees shouldn't be subjected to "coercion" and "intimidation" by union "bosses." Further, it told workers to rely on the National Labor Relations Board to conduct union representative elections.

Unbelievable! The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is advocating use of the NLRB which they've taken over and gutted and which currently refuses to enforce labor laws.

Unbelievable! Employers who have intimidated and coerced workers since the beginning of the Industrial Revolution are attempting to transfer their hardness of heart to union officials who have worked to protect laborers' rights.

Unbelievable! Chamber members who have used their power to scare, coerce, intimidate, threaten, and discipline now try to paint unions with their own immorality.

Unbelievable! The U. S. Chamber of Commerce dressing itself in labor rights. Hypocrisy knows no bounds.

It all follows the "swiftboat principle"--spend tons of money at the last minute before a Congressional vote or an election so that opposition won't have time to react. This maneuver is meant to thwart democracy.

Constant contact with our elected officials and support for them when they truly represent us is necessary for democracy to survive. Call your representatives or senators even if--especially if-- it's just to say "Thanks."

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## Lies of the vigilantes

John Laughland

*The Guardian*, Wednesday, February 28, 2007

Slobodan Milosevic was posthumously exonerated on Monday when the international court of justice (ICJ) ruled that Serbia was not responsible for the 1995 massacre at Srebrenica. The former president of Serbia had always argued that neither Yugoslavia nor Serbia had command of the Bosnian Serb army, and this has now been upheld by the world court in The Hague. By implication, Serbia cannot be held responsible for any other war crimes attributed to the Bosnian Serbs.

The allegations against Milosevic over Bosnia and Croatia were cooked up in 2001, two years after an earlier indictment had been issued against him by the separate international criminal tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) at the height of Nato's attack on Yugoslavia in 1999. Notwithstanding the atrocities on all sides in Kosovo, Nato claims that Serbia was pursuing genocide turned out to be war propaganda, so the ICTY prosecutor decided to bolster a weak case by trying to "get" Milosevic for Bosnia as well. It took two

years and 300 witnesses, but the prosecution never managed to produce conclusive evidence against Milosevic, and its central case has now been blown out of the water.

The (ICJ did condemn Serbia for failing to act to prevent Srebrenica, on the basis that Belgrade failed to use its influence over the Bosnian Serb army. But ... Serbia's innocence of the central charge is reflected in the court's ruling that Serbia should not pay Bosnia any reparations. ... Yugoslavia had no troops in Bosnia, and greater guilt over the killings surely lies with those countries that did, notably the Dutch battalion in Srebrenica itself. Moreover, during the Bosnian war, senior western figures famously fraternized with the Bosnian Serb leaders now indicted for genocide, including the US general Wesley Clark. Should they also be condemned for failing to use their influence?

However, Monday's ruling is about far more than  
*Lies continued on page 5*

**Supplemental** *continued from page 2*

\*\* Troops engaged in "special operations" can stay - the Marines say they want 20,000 for Anbar Province alone, perhaps as many as 40,000 for the whole country (no limit in the supplemental)

\*\* Troops "protecting diplomatic enclaves" like the huge Green Zone and the US Embassy, the largest in the world, and maybe including the numerous Uthe US and its allies have acted like vigilantes, claiming the right to bomb countries in the name of humanity. The Kosovo war was the most important action taken on this basis and the curtain-raiser for IraS bases established in Iraq, can stay - 20,000 is a conservative number (no limit in the supplemental)

That means Bush could keep unlimited numbers, perhaps 60,000 - 80,000 troops, permanently in Iraq - and still be in compliance with the bill.

And the bill does not require that the troops withdrawn from Iraq be sent home; they can be immediately deployed to Afghanistan, or to bases in surrounding Arab countries, or to ships in the Persian Gulf - or be used to attack Iran.

**WHAT IT DOES**

It imposes restrictions on Pentagon deployments, prohibiting the deployment of troops not fully trained,

not adequately equipped, and not adequately rested between deployments.

BUT - It includes a waiver for President Bush to simply state his intention to override those restrictions, allowing him to send in as many untrained, badly equipped and exhausted troops as he wishes.

**WHAT IT DOES**

Prohibit construction of new permanent bases in Iraq

BUT - It does nothing to close the existing permanent bases the U.S. has built across Iraq

**WHAT IT DOES**

Cut 10% of the funding for private military contractors

BUT - It allows 90% of the 100,000 or so mercenaries who fight alongside the U.S. military to remain in Iraq

**WHAT IT DOESN'T DO**

The supplemental does not prohibit an unprovoked attack on Iran.

The supplemental does not end the occupation of Iraq.

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**Lies** *continued from page 4*

Milosevic. Since the end of the cold war, q. Fought, like the Iraq war, without UN approval, it was waged partly because the international community felt it should have intervened more robustly against Yugoslavia over Bosnia. It now turns out that Serbia was not in control in Bosnia after all. The ruling therefore punctures a decade-and-a-half of lies in support of the doctrine of military and judicial interventionism.

The ICJ, indeed, operates on a radically different philosophy of international relations than that which inspires the ICTY. Unlike the ICTY, the ICJ is not a criminal court and claims no power of constraint over states. Its jurisprudence is based on the anti-war sovereignty-based philosophy of the Nuremberg trial and the UN charter. In the international system, born out of the second world war, war is illegal except in very restricted cases. States have no right to attack other states, not even on human rights abuse claims. This position is based on the understanding that there are no war crimes without war, and that war always makes things worse.

Mere anarchy was loosed upon the world when the cold war ended and the US sought to create a unipolar world system by destroying the old one. After the 1991 Iraq war, the US and Britain claimed the right to bomb Iraq to protect the Kurds and Shias, which they did for 12 years. Nato bombed the Bosnian Serbs in 1995 and Yugoslavia in 1999. The ICTY, created in 1993, operates on the basis of this doctrine of interventionism, which has come to its ghastly conclusion in the bloodbaths of Iraq and Afghanistan.

Created and controlled by the Great Powers, the ICTY, like its sister courts for Rwanda and the new international criminal court,

corrupts the judicial process for political ends, the most important of which is to support the US's supposed right to act as the world's policeman. The new ICC, created by Britain, also seems to operate on the basis that white men do not commit war crimes: its prosecutors are currently investigating two local wars in Africa while turning a blind eye to Iraq. Only when that hideous strength which flows from the hypocrisy of interventionism is sapped, will the world stand a chance of returning to lawfulness and peace.

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CALENDAR

**Sat. April 14, 10 am-noon:** WILPF "Coffee with" (see page 1).

**Sat. April 14, 10:45-noon:** Free showing of movie "9/11: Press for Truth," introduced by family member of victim. Presented by MN 9/11 Group. Riverview Theater, 3800 42nd Ave. S, Minneapolis. FFI 612-384-8742.

**Sat. April 14, noon-2 pm:** National Day of Action Against Climate Change, and Step It Up Campaign spearheaded by Bill McKibben. Rally at Capitol Mall, St. Paul. FFI 612-879-8937.

**Sun. April 15, 3 pm.** "What peace activists need to know about corporate personhood." Mayday Books, 301 Cedar Ave., Minneapolis. WILPF member Karen Redleaf leads discussion. Presented by IMPACT (Ideas to Mobilize People Against Corporate Tyranny). Free. FFI 651-644-1173.

**Fri. April 20, 21, 7:30 pm:** "Rachel Corrie: A Life for Others" a dramatic reading presented by War Plays Project. Apr. 20--Friends Meeting House, 1725 Grand Ave., St. Paul; Apr. 21 at St. Joan of Arc Church, 4537 3rd Ave S, Mpls). Free, donations accepted. FFI 651-696-1642.

**Sun. Apr. 22, 11 am-3 pm:** Free film screenings about global warming and surviving peak oil. Acadia Cafe Theatre, 1931 Nicollet, Mpls. FFI 612-879-8937.

**Sat. Apr. 28, 1-6 pm:** Divestment from Apartheid Israel: An Organizing Conference. Carlson School of Management, U of M West Bank. Keynote by Farid Esack, veteran of struggle against apartheid in South Africa. Followed at 7pm by "Cafe Intifada," an intellectual salon with interactive theatre. FFI 651-644-1487.

**Sat. Apr. 28, 10am-5pm:** Peace First Forum on Sustainability and Justice. Washburn High School, 201 W 49th St. (near I35 and 46th), Mpls. Keynote is U.S. Rep Keith Ellison. Includes opportunity for attendees to work together to set progressive political agenda for next 18 months. Sponsored by Friends for Nonviolent world. FFI 651-917-0383 or bettina@fnvw.org.

**Sun. May 6, noon-4 pm:** May Day Parade. See page 1.

**Sat. May 12, 10 am-noon:** WILPF "Coffee With": Prof. Richard Martinez and some of his Empire 101 students discuss U.S. interventions around the world. (In 2006 Prof. Martinez decided to do something rare - to teach a free course on the US empire to members of the community. The Empire 101 class learned about US foreign policy by reading documents recently declassified under the Freedom of Information Act. ) Free, refreshments. FFI 651-644-1487.

## WE HAVE BECOME DEATH

*By Bruce K. Gagnon, Coordinator, Global Network Against Weapons & Nuclear Power in Space*

The U.S. now has more firepower stationed in the Persian Gulf than at any time since the beginning of the Iraq war.

Last night before going to bed I read the latest article by Seymour Hersch at the New Yorker magazine ("Annals of National Security: The Redirection," March 4, 2007) on U.S. plans for Iran. I now have absolutely no doubt that Bush-Cheney will attack Iran, along with Israel.

But even more so the article clearly spells out the larger plans to widen the war in the region by funding Sunni terrorist groups in Lebanon, Syria and Iran to create more turmoil in those Shiite-dominated nations. The plan is to create an Iraq-style civil war between Sunni and Shiite throughout the Middle East in hopes the U.S. can then divide and conquer the entire region.

The U.S. is now without a doubt the leading death agent on the planet. Our foreign policy is war and

death. And the fact that the weapons corporations can make a substantial profit at it - all the better they say.

This is worse than Hitler. This is the most horrendous display of evil that one can imagine.

According to Hersch, the Bush-Cheney cabal have asked Saudi Arabia to fund Sunni terrorist groups to go into these Shiite countries and create civil war. These are the same Sunni groups that are killing American GI's right now in Iraq. Do you see the insanity?

You must do something immediately. You have to get people to read and publicly discuss this article by Seymour Hersch. People must come to grips immediately with the pure evil of current U.S. plans for endless war in the Middle East.

We are in big trouble at this moment. Get busy.

{Ed Note: WILPF collaborates with Bruce on his international (October) week of action against weapons and nuclear power in space.}

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