

RESOLUTION ON CONVENING A GLOBAL CONFERENCE AGAINST U.S. AND NATO MILITARY BASES

WHEREAS, the increasingly militaristic foreign policy of the United States and its new administration, as the leading power of NATO, is pushing the world toward the brink of nuclear war and global environmental catastrophe; and

WHEREAS, there is an imminent need for an urgent unified response by the global peace, justice and environmental movement to prevent such disastrous outcomes for the whole of humanity; and

WHEREAS, the founding organizations of the Coalition Against U.S. Foreign Military Bases believed from the beginning that the struggle against U.S. Foreign Military Bases could not be waged and won solely by peace organizations and activists from within the United States; and

WHEREAS, it will take a unified global movement, composed of all pro-peace and justice organizations and activists that are opposed to U.S. and NATO military bases, to achieve the goal of closing all U.S. and NATO military bases around the world; and

WHEREAS, undeniable success of the present National Conference has demonstrated that, in spite of our possible differences on other issues, a broad unity of diverse peace, justice and environmental organizations and activists against U.S. and NATO military bases can be achieved on the basis of the Coalition's Unity Statement, which has been endorsed by more than 200 peace, justice and environmental organizations from around the world;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Coalition Against U.S. Foreign Military Bases calls upon all forces of peace, social and environmental justice to join hands with us in a Global Coalition for convening a Global Conference Against U.S. and NATO Military Bases within a year of this National Conference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Coalition's present Unity Statement be offered as the foundation and framework within which the new Global Coalition and the proposed Global Conference will be organized; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Coordinating Committee of the Coalition Against U.S. Foreign Military Bases shall immediately start the process of soliciting global support for such Global Coalition, which shall plan the Conference, identifying a host country for the Conference, generating financial support, and taking an active role, along with our international allies, in organizing the Global Conference Against U.S. and NATO Military Bases.