

New Resources

— David Seitz

* **The Dream of an Impenetrable Shield: Ballistic Missile Defense in the Nuclear Age.** The Nuclear War Graphics Project has created the most comprehensive slide show on Star Wars to date, covering the history of ballistic missile defense, the Strategic Defense Initiative program and its flaws, and questions in the current debate. 80 slides with taped narration and printed script. 26 minutes. Available from the PSR Cambridge national office for \$27.00 including shipping.

* **Destruction before Detonation: The Health Costs of the Arms Race.** Based on Dr. Victor Sidel's arresting talk, this slide package, developed for PSR speakers, graphically depicts the ties between our unprecedented military buildup and the severe cutbacks in American and world health care. 50 color and black-and-white slides. Available from the PSR national office in Cambridge for \$15.00 plus \$2.00 shipping.

* **Comprehensive Test Ban Slide Package.** Produced for PSR speakers, this package helps explain the Limited Test Ban Treaty and its control over atmospheric and underground nuclear testing, the

threat of nuclear proliferation, the verifiability of a Comprehensive Test Ban, and the importance of a CTB as a first step toward a freeze and reversal of the nuclear arms race. 60 color and black-and-white slides with script. Available from the PSR national office in Cambridge, \$15.00 plus \$2.00 shipping.

* **The FY1986 Defense Budget: The Weapons Buildup Continues.** PSR members who speak about the nuclear arms race will want this written digest, an overview of the FY1986 defense budget that details budget authority and outlays for specific weapons systems and analyzes trends and problems. 68 pages, including 26 pages of tables and graphics. Available from the Defense Budget Project, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, 236 Massachusetts Avenue NE, Washington, DC 20002, for \$6.75.

* **Yes, You Can Learn Defense Economics.** In this videotape Sheila Tobias, coauthor of *The People's Guide to National Defense*, presents a stimulating talk that demystifies the defense budget and suggests practical lobbying techniques. 40 minutes. VHS and Beta. Available from

The Educational Film and Video Project, 1725 Seabright Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062, 408/427-2627, for \$35.00.

* **The Effects and Dangers of Nuclear War.** Some may not be aware of this resource. Consisting of 17 black-and-white posters, 38" x 25", the exhibit begins by detailing the physical destruction and human suffering caused by the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombs, goes on to ask "how much is enough?" and ends with a poster, newly developed for PSR, on the current costs of the arms race on world health care. Available from the PSR national office in Cambridge for \$30.00 plus \$2.00 shipping.

* Informed Democracy, an affiliate of Impact Productions, is offering two half-hour audiocassettes—Helen Caldicott, MB, BS, on **A Prescription for Survival** and Jack Geiger, MD, with **And You Thought Civil Defense Was Boring**—for \$1.00 each when bought by the case (30 per case). Other well-known video documentaries are offered at a reduced price. For further information contact Informed Democracy, P.O. Box 2999, Santa Cruz, CA 95063 (408/427-2624).