The All-Peoples Congress

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Dear friends,

As you know, Reagan's re-election means more attacks on poor and working people here at home and increased war danger abroad. And the Democrats take every opportunity to show that they will not "stand in the way." The emboldened Reagan administration is supporting terrorist attacks on abortion clinics, glorifying racist terrorists like Goetz, moving to cut job training programs, social security and aid to cities, while they up the Pentagon budget and war threats around the world. In the face of mass resistance Reagan continues to support the hated apartheid racist government of South Africa. And the war threat to Central America and the Carribean, and to Nicaragua in particular, continues unabated.

It is clear now that only a united and strong fightback movement can beat back the attack on our lives. We must all come together, women and men, Black, Latin, Asian, Native and white, lesbian, gay and straight, older and younger, disabled and abled, union, unorganized and unemployed to fight back and gain the things we all need.

On SATURDAY, MARCH 2 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Emmanuel Church, 15 Newbury St., Boston, we in the New England region will have the opportunity to begin this important process. Individuals and groups from around New England will be meeting that day to begin to plan our fightback strategy. Welfare activists, unionists, antiwar activists, students, fighters against racism and apartheid, disabled activists, lesbian and gay people, seniors, tenants and others will participate. If you want to fight back, we need your input. The ideas we generate will be pooled with those from similar regional meetings all over the country, leading to a National Fightback Conference in the spring.

We in the All Peoples Congress and Peoples Anti-War Mobilization plan to do all that we can to help make the Regional and National Fightback strong and successful. We also view the Days of Protest, April 19 - 22, in Washington, D.C. as very important. On these days, activists from all over the country will converge on Washington to say "No intervention, Build a Just Society, Reverse the arms race, Oppose apartheid, and End racism." On Saturday, April 20, a mass rally will converge on the Capitol to press these demands. APC and PAM will be organizing for these events. If you would like to go with us or help us organize, or need transportation to Washington, please contact us as soon as possible.

A STRONG, UNITED MOVEMENT CAN STOP THE WAR DRIVE AND THE CUTBACKS. THE TIME FOR ACTION IS NOW!

In struggle,

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