

on Wall Street for three hours, until 11:30 a.m. The actions, which resulted in 102 arrests, were aimed at systems perpetuating militarism, sexism and racism.

***** A "Free South Africa Movement" took off in a dramatic way in late November, with nonviolent direct action -- by U.S. black leaders including several members of the U.S. House of Representatives -- at the South African Embassy in Washington. A campaign of civil disobedience and picket lines has involved day after day of protests at South African government buildings in the United States.

***** Planning meetings and workshops occurred throughout the country in a distinct upsurge of post-election attention to the issues and practicalities of furthering nonviolent direct action.

DECENTRALIZED 'INAUGURAL DAYS OF RESISTANCE' -- JANUARY 19-22, 1985

A new "National Network for Direct Action," launched in early December, "will be a means for contributing to the development of nonviolent resistance within the United States." The national Fellowship of Reconciliation's disarmament program is facilitating the Network, which includes an emphasis on decentralized community-based campaigns of nonviolent opposition to militarism.

An initial effort of the National Network for Direct Action is "Inaugural Days of Resistance," with events in dozens of states during the Jan. 19-22 period. (Reagan's formal swearing in for a second term is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 20, with the inaugural parade and address on the following day.) Local organizers and activists are being asked to take the initiative now to plan "counter-inaugural" events in their own communities. To share your evolving plans with other organizers around the country, to find out what other regions have planned for the "Inaugural Days of Resistance," and to receive a free copy of the Network's first bulletin, contact: National Network, c/o FOR Disarmament Program, Box 271, Nyack, NY 10960; (914) 358-4601.

RESPONSE TO CRACKDOWN IN CHILE

Preoccupied with the ominous developments in Central America, here in North America progressive groups and individuals seem to have done little in response to Chile's vicious "state of siege" instituted on the day of Reagan's re-election. One of the attempts to fill this gap is underway as a result of a Nov. 29 ad hoc meeting in New York City, where representatives of a number of local and national organizations have established a working group to lay groundwork for possible nationwide actions in the U.S. in early 1985 in response to what is happening in Chile. For further information, you can contact one of the groups involved in this ad hoc coalition: Chile Center For Education & Development, attn: Rachel Field, 2710 Broadway, New York, NY 10025; (212) 316-0040.