The All-Peoples Congress

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Dear friends of the APC,

The 1984 elections are finally over! And even though at this writing we don't know who will win, we're sure about what to expect from the new administration. The Pentagon already has its budget for 1985-$354 billion! The US invasions of Nicaragua and El Salvador will escalate, but perhaps now we'll be calling it a "quarantine" or "stronger leadership". There will be no jobs program for the millions of unemployed, no restoration of social services for single mothers, the homeless, the elderly. All (President?) Mondale promised was more for the Pentagon and higher taxes! Sounds like more Reaganism to come, despite which pro-war, big business candidate was elected last week.

But this is no surprise. Mere elections have never stopped, or even slowed, the growth of the military-industrial complex, or the racism, anti-gay bigotry, and attacks on workers and the oppressed promulgated by the rich and powerful in this country. Only the organized struggle and fightback of the oppressed-Black, Latin, White, Asian and Native, disabled, unemployed, unionists, lesbians and gay men- can build a mass movement to counter these attacks and to work for real progressive change. The ALL PEOPLES CONGRESS/PEOPLES ANTIWAR MOBILIZATION is prepared to continue building this movement, to demonstrate in concrete solidarity with people all over the world who are struggling against US imperialism of all kinds. So don't let the elections get you down! Join with the APC to say, "NO to RACISM, NO to WAR!"

AN EVENING IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE STRUGGLE OF NATIVE PEOPLE

For Native Americans elections have always meant more broken treaties and a whipping up of racist patriotism which historically has provided the excuse for the genocide of Native people in the name of "Manifest Destiny". The struggle of Native people for self-determination is at the heart of the struggle against racism, war, and national oppression. The same "profits before people" system which promotes 90% unemployment on reservations, government land swindles, and brutalization of Native political prisoners also supports the apartheid regime in So. Africa, genocide in Guatemala and El Salvador, and fascism in the Phillipines. AN EVENING IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE STRUGGLE OF NATIVE PEOPLE is an ideal way to expose the election farce and to reaffirm our solidarity with all people fighting US imperialism. The APC will also be organizing at this event for the 15th ANNUAL DAY OF MOURNING on Nov. 22. (see leaflet) The APC is proud to participate each year with the United American Indians of New England in denouncing the myth of "Thanksgiving", telling the true history of US imperialism in North America and the heroic struggle of Native people for self-determination.

SEASON OF THUNDER

The APC is also proud to sponsor the first Boston showing of Season of Thunder, a film about the heroic Philippine National Liberation Movement. The PNLM is a movement based in tribal Filipino resistance to the hated US-backed Marcos regime. The event will include a presentation by Lydia Bayoneta, a Filipina activist and a founder and leader of APC/PAM in Rochester, N.Y.

The APC looks forward to joining with you at all of these exciting November events. This is an important period, and we're entering it with confidence and optimism.

In struggle,

Steven Gillis