

PURPOSE OF THE CONFERENCE

This conference will bring together antiwar and social justice activists from across the country to consider what we can do together to end the U.S. wars, occupations, bombing attacks, threats and interventions that are taking place in the Middle East and beyond. Attend and voice your opinion on where the antiwar movement is today and where we go from here.

We demand the immediate and total withdrawal of U.S. military forces, mercenaries and contractors from Afghanistan and Iraq. Instead of trillions for wars and occupations, we demand those funds be spent for jobs, health care, education, the environment, infrastructure and other human needs, and that compensation be paid to the peoples whose countries the U.S. attacked and occupied for the loss of lives and massive destruction they suffered.

The conference will decide on any other demands it believes should be added.

Our goal is unity in action while respecting our diversity and differences in political program and orientation.

To help achieve this goal, at least one month before the conference convenes the co-sponsors will post on www.nationalpeaceconference.org an action proposal for the period ahead.

Attendees will have every opportunity to amend or otherwise change this proposal in accord with democratic procedures.

NOTE TO REGISTRANTS

Any organization or individual attending the conference may submit amendments to the action proposal, proposed demands for the fall actions and beyond, and resolutions. A copy of all such submissions must be received by UNAC2010@aol.com or UNAC at P.O. Box 21675, Cleveland, OH 44121 no later than three days before the conference convenes — by July 20 — in order to be placed before it. In drafting submissions, please keep in mind that the purpose of the conference is to plan future actions to advance its “Out Now” demands. Resolutions that go beyond the stated purpose of the conference, however worthwhile and important, cannot possibly be considered in the limited time available.

Anyone submitting a resolution or other document to the conference for its consideration that is longer than one short paragraph must bring copies in sufficient numbers to ensure that all attendees receive one. We do not have the resources to make copies for all attendees. Email us at UNAC2010@aol.com for further information on this matter.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Noam Chomsky,* internationally renowned political activist, author, and critic of U.S. foreign and domestic policies; Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
Professor Emeritus of Linguistics



Donna Dewitt, president, South Carolina AFL-CIO; Co-Chair, South Carolina Progressive Network; member National Steering Committee, U.S. Labor Against the War

*By videotape

NATIONAL CONFERENCE CO-SPONSORS

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A National Conference to Bring the Troops Home NOW!

July 23–25, 2010

**Crowne Plaza Hotel
Ten Eyck Plaza
State and Lodge Streets
Albany, NY 12207**

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PROGRAM AND AGENDA (TENTATIVE)

Friday Night, July 23 (session begins at 7:30 p.m.)

- Welcome, introductions and overview of weekend
- Panel discussion on "Strategies and Tactics in the Struggle to End the Empire's Wars and Occupations"
- Presentation of Co-Sponsors' Action Proposal
- Presentations by attendees of proposals to amend the action proposal, additional demands for mobilizations, resolutions
[Note: These must be submitted by July 20, three days before the conference convenes, in order to be considered by the body]

Saturday, July 24 (session begins at 8:30 a.m.)

- Keynote speakers
- Workshops
- Lunch; speakers
- Discussion and debate on the Co-Sponsors' action proposal, amendments, additional demands, resolutions
- Dinner (on your own)

Saturday night, July 24 (session begins 7:30 p.m.)

- Public meeting: speakers, cultural presentations
- Caucuses, social hour

Sunday morning, July 25 (session begins at 8:30 a.m.)

- Concluding discussion, debate and vote on action proposal, amendments, demands, resolutions
- Workshops
- Concluding plenary session

TENTATIVE WORKSHOPS PROPOSED FOR UNAC CONFERENCE

1. Afghanistan/Pakistan: What Is the Strategy Behind U.S. Intervention?
2. Viewing Afghanistan and Pakistan from a Feminist Perspective
3. The Impact of the Ongoing Occupation on the Iraqi People
4. Israel & the Palestinian Struggle: Is a Two-State Solution Possible or Desirable?
5. Resistance to Israeli Apartheid in Palestine: Gaza, BDS, Nonviolent Resistance in the West Bank and East Jerusalem
6. Iran Under Threat from the U.S. and Israel
7. Bring Our War Dollars Home: City Council, Town Meeting, and State Legislature Resolutions and Voter Referendum Campaigns
8. U.S. Foreign Policy and the Economic Crisis: A Vital Labor Concern
9. Building Solidarity with Unions and Workers in Countries Targeted by U.S. Imperialism
10. Poor People's Movements and the Triple Evils of Racism, Economic Exploitation and Militarism
11. Haiti, Honduras, Columbia and Other Flash Points in Latin America & the Caribbean
12. Global Warming & War: Breaking the Consumption- Fossil Fuel Cycle
13. Health Care, Not Warfare
14. The Faith Community and the Antiwar Movement
15. U.S. Military Expansion into Africa
16. Organizing Veterans and Military Families
17. Counter-Recruitment in High Schools
18. The Rise of Right Wing Populism and the Tea Party Movement: Do We Need a "Right-Left Antiwar Coalition"?
19. Student Organizing: Budget Cuts and U.S. Wars
20. Immigration Reform and the Militarization of the U.S./Mexican Border
21. Women and War
22. Defending Muslim Political Prisoners and Guantanamo Detainees
23. War, Militarization and the Assault on Civil Liberties and Communities of Color

HOTEL AND TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Conference Site: Crowne Plaza Hotel, Ten Eyck Plaza, State and Lodge Streets, Albany, NY 12207. **Phone:** (518) 462-6611, **Fax:** (518) 462-8192. Go to <http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/cp/1/en/hotel/ALBDT> for complete details about the hotel, including transportation information and available amenities.

Hotel Sleeping Rooms

We have negotiated a special rate of \$109.00 per night (plus 14% tax) for sleeping rooms (single or double occupancy) for conference participants for July 23 and 24. These rooms will be held until June 25, 2010, after which a higher rate may be charged. If you plan to reserve a room at the hotel, we urge you to do so promptly. You may do so by phone by calling (877) 462-4441 and referring to Peace Conference or Block Code BLZ. You may also make a reservation on line by hitting the URL listed above and entering BLZ in the block code field to receive the discounted room rate.

Parking

For anyone attending the conference, parking is free in the hotel's parking garage, which is adjacent to the hotel, subject only to space limitations.

Registration Form United National Antiwar Conference July 23-25, 2010—Albany, New York

Name (please print): _____

Street Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone/Day () _____ Phone/Eve () _____

E-mail: _____

Organization: _____

Position in Organization: _____

Date: _____

Workshop Preferences

Write the number of the workshops you plan to attend in the boxes below:

Box Lunch Preference (check one)

- Roast Beef Club
 Turkey Club
 Ham and Swiss
 Roast Vegetables & Provologne

Note: Lunch order must be received no later than July 19, 2010

The registration fee to attend the conference is \$80.00 (\$40.00 for students, low-income or unemployed persons) and includes the cost of the box lunch. The cost to attend a single session of the conference is \$25.00, and the cost for attending the Saturday night public meeting is \$10.00.

Enclosed is my registration fee of \$_____. Also enclosed is an additional \$_____ contribution to help students, low-income, or unemployed persons attend the conference. Total enclosed \$_____. (Please make checks payable to UNAC.)

Clip and mail this registration form and your check to:
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[Note: You can also register and pay the registration fee online. Go to www.nationalpeaceconference.org and use the form provided and also the PayPal feature.]