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## STRATEGIES FOR ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN PEACE- WHAT CAN I DO?

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THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2010

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.



6:30 p.m.: Gathering and refreshments

7:00 p.m.: Panel:

Robert Fares: The J Street Position

Hala Abdelaziz: Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions

Mazen Badra: The Mind of Peace Experiment

8:00 p.m.: Audience: Questions and Comments

Co-sponsored by Citizens for Global Solutions

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## EXCERPTS FROM APRIL 2010 NATIONAL LETTER TO WILPFers

WILPF is grateful to all who responded so generously to our winter annual appeal; your help in funding our work is essential, as is all the people power that drives our political work.

WILPF's new Director of Operations, Laurie Belton, began work in February. She comes to us via Earthwatch and WorldTeach; look for an interview with her in the next Peace and Freedom coming out this month. At WILPF's UN office, Maria Butler has been hired to fill the position of PeaceWomen Associate, joining Reaching Critical Will's Ray Acheson, UN Office Director Ana Rosga and all their invaluable interns. We appreciated Maria's spirited intervention during the Advancing Women as Peacemakers panel at the Commission on the Status of Women meetings and look forward to working with her in the years to come.

April is WILPF's membership recruitment month--help us get off to a good start by going online and renewing your membership if you have not done so in the last year, or by updating your member profile if you've had changes in your contact information. We don't want you to miss out on our monthly political updates in our eNews, and the opportunities for advocacy sent via our eAction alerts.

We are pleased to welcome Ellen Schwartz to the National Board as the Treasurer/ Finance Committee chair. Ellen has served WILPF for decades: a longtime stalwart of the San Jose and Sacramento branches, she filled the Policy Committee chair position on the National Board in the 1970's. More recently she was the registrar for the 2005 and 2008 National Congresses, and a member of the Site Committee.

The National Board will be holding its Spring 2010 meeting Friday April 16th, noon, to Sunday April 18th, noon, in Boston; the Fall meeting will be hosted by the Bloomington, Indiana branch from October 23- 25. All members are welcome to attend.

It is not too soon for you to think about running for the 2011-2014 Board; elections will be held in the spring of 2011. Also, in addition to inviting you to join one of our many issue committees, a variety of other national committees have openings from time to time. Currently the Personnel, Nominations, Mini-Grant Monitoring, and Development Committees are seeking additional members. If you are interested in serving WILPF in any of these capacities, please contact our Nominating Committee chair Pat O'Brien at [patob777@verizon.net](mailto:patob777@verizon.net). Or go to [www.wilpf.org](http://www.wilpf.org) for additional information.

We support our members' political initiatives, and encourage you to utilize WILPF's grant program, open to all issue committees and branches in good standing. This year there are 2 cycles: deadlines are May 15 and October 1. Please go to [www.wilpf.org/grant\\_program](http://www.wilpf.org/grant_program) for guidelines and to download an application, or request a hard copy from the national office.

Nancy Munger and Laura Roskos,  
Co-Presidents, WILPF US Section

## ARMS CONTROL TREATY IS ONE STEP FORWARD

You could call it a crawl or a small step, but at least it's a move in the right direction – the arms control treaty which Presidents Obama and Medvedev agreed to sign April 8. The new treaty limits each country to 1550 deployed strategic warheads. The U.S. currently has 2100 and Russia 2600, according to the Federation of American Scientists and the Natural Resources Defense Council.

The new treaty also limits the number of launchers from 1600 to 800. The U.S. total already is less than 1200 and Russia has only 800. According to The New York Times, the treaty caps nuclear armed missiles and heavy bombers at 700 each, but does not limit the thousands of

tactical nuclear bombs and stored strategic warheads.

Obama acknowledged the treaty doesn't go far enough, but said it establishes an inspection regime to replace the one that expired with the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START) last December, and said he plans another round of negotiations to cut stored warheads and tactical weapons further.

Four days after the treaty signing in Prague, Obama was scheduled to host a meeting of the leaders of some 45 countries to discuss how to keep nuclear materials from falling into the wrong hands.

World leaders will gather in New York next month for the five-year review of the Nuclear

Nonproliferation Treaty May 10-14. Chief consideration: how to keep more countries from developing nuclear weapons. The Times reported that Obama also wants to negotiate a treaty on fissile materials and plans to press the Senate to finally ratify the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT).

The new treaty and the CTBT both need to be ratified by the U.S. Senate. The CTBT would ban the testing of nuclear weapons, establish a global system to enforce the ban, and set up a means of enforcement. Ratification is a first step in putting the U.S. back on the road to nuclear disarmament.



## WRITE SENATORS McCASKILL AND BOND TODAY.

April 6 the Obama Administration released its Nuclear Posture Review, which outlines many important and valuable steps that the U.S. will take to "put an end to Cold War thinking," as promised by the President in Prague a year ago. While the Review could have been bolder in some areas, it constructively reorients U.S. nuclear policy to reflect the fact that changing technologic, strategic, and geopolitical circumstances have made it possible and essential for the U.S. to reduce its reliance on nuclear weapons.

Overall, the Nuclear Posture Review is a significant improvement over the two previous Nuclear Posture Reviews conducted since the end of the Cold War. The encouraging steps outlined in the report should not be viewed as the end of the journey toward reducing the dangers posed by nuclear weapons, but they point us in the right direction.

On the positive side, the Nuclear Posture Review places preventing nuclear proliferation and nuclear terrorism atop the U.S.

nuclear agenda. It also significantly reduces the role of nuclear weapons in U.S. national security by stating that the "fundamental" role of nuclear weapons is to deter nuclear attack on the U.S. and its allies and limiting the circumstances under which the U.S. would contemplate using nuclear weapons. Both of these measures will be helpful in strengthening the U.S. hand at the upcoming Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference in May. Furthermore, the Review reaffirms that the U.S. will not conduct nuclear

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## "FAIR TAX" or A HEALTHY MISSOURI?

The Missouri House Ways and Means Committee held a hearing March 18 on tax reform, focusing on two very different proposals.

The first, so-called "Fair Tax", would eliminate individual and corporate income taxes, and replace the revenue lost with a sales tax on everything except business-to-business sales. Included would be professional fees, prescription drugs, food, labor costs, nursing home care, childcare, and a few other services not currently taxed. The tax rate would be anywhere from 5.11% (in the bill) to an estimated 12%, necessary to replace lost revenue. If passed in both the House (HJR 56) and the Senate (SJR 29), the bill would go to the voters in November. It would not need the Governor's signature.

During the same hearing, Rep. Jeanette Mott Oxford's "Tax Justice for a Healthy Missouri" (HB 2034) was heard. This bill would modernize the

tax brackets (not changed since 1931); reduce taxes on average for the lower 60% of Missourians through the brackets and a refundable tax credit of \$150 per person per household (phasing out at \$50,000 per annual income for singles and \$80,000 for married filing jointly); require the wealthiest 20% to pay an amount as a percentage of their incomes similar to the amount paid now by the bottom 80%; and raise \$1.3 billion in revenue.

At a workshop the next day, Rep. Mott Oxford recommended contacting the Chair of the Ways & Means Committee, Mike Sutherland, (R-Warrenton, 201 West Capitol Ave., Room 110B, Jefferson City, MO 65101; 24783 Twin Oaks Dr., Warrenton, MO 63383; Capitol phone: 573-751-2689; [Mike.Sutherland@house.mo.gov](mailto:Mike.Sutherland@house.mo.gov)) urging a vote on her bill. She was upbeat about the possibilities, since Sutherland had shown interest in certain terms of the bill. Quite a few Missourians testified in favor of her bill, or submitted written tes-

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explosive tests and rejects the development of new nuclear weapons.

The Review also supports further discussions with Moscow on even deeper bilateral reductions in U.S. and Russian arsenals – including non-deployed and non-strategic (i.e. tactical nuclear weapons) – beyond those called for in the New START agreement.

Though the positives significantly outweigh the negatives, the report stops short of saying that the "sole" purpose of nuclear

weapons is to deter nuclear attack on the U.S. and its allies nor does it call for the U.S. to adopt a "no first use" policy. The U.S. does not need nuclear weapons for any other purpose but deterrence. A "sole purpose" and "no first use" declaration would have further strengthened the credibility of the U.S. conventional deterrent and reduced the incentives that other states might have to acquire nuclear weapons to protect themselves from a U.S. first strike.

The Review also does not recommend that the U.S. abandon its current launch on warning or launch under attack posture.

Maintaining such a posture increases the chances of an accidental or unauthorized nuclear launch.

from The Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation

### GOOD NEWS

Vermont's State Senate has voted 26-4 to close the Vermont Yankee nuclear reactor when its license expires in 2012.

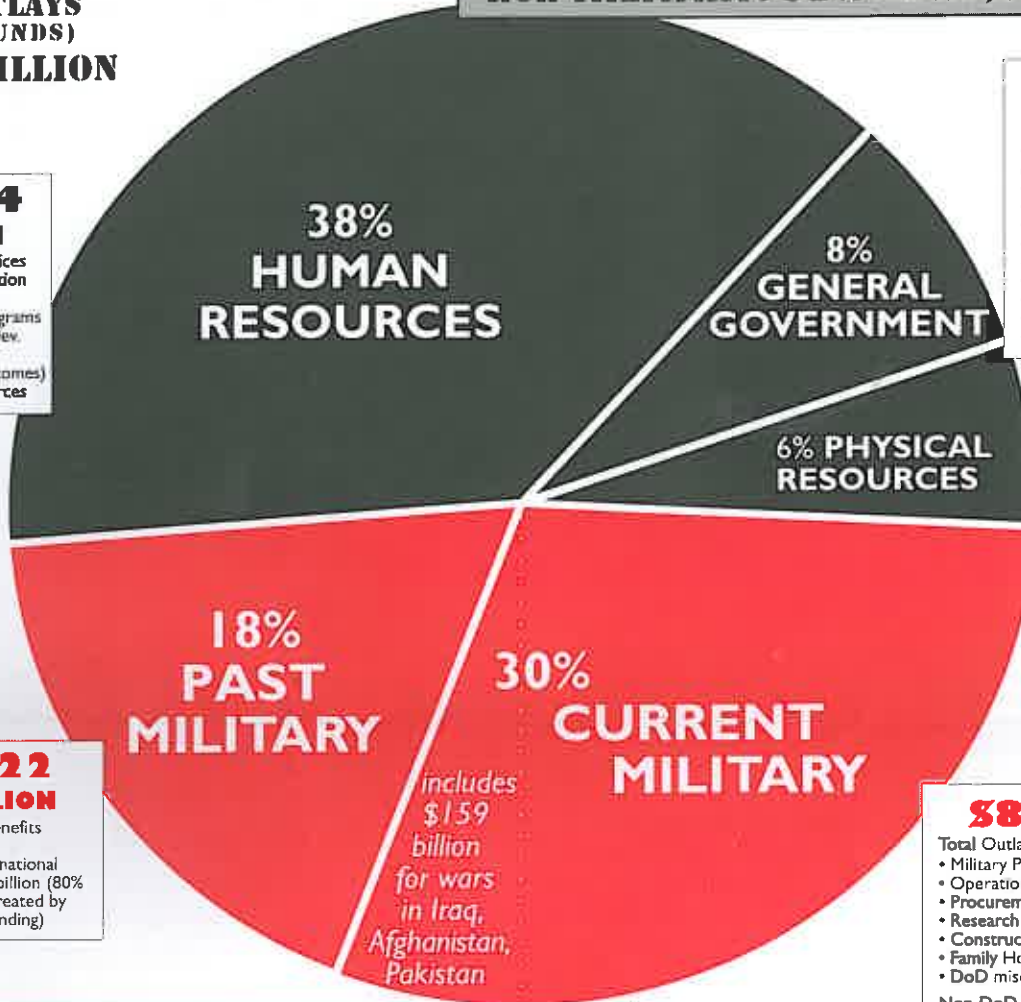
That's good news, but in view of the nuclear industry's efforts for a revival, we'll need to remain vigilant.

# WHERE YOUR INCOME TAX MONEY REALLY GOES

U.S. FEDERAL BUDGET 2011 FISCAL YEAR

**TOTAL OUTLAYS (FEDERAL FUNDS) \$2,945 BILLION**

**Non-MILITARY: 52% AND \$1,547 BILLION**



**\$1,134 BILLION**

- Health/Human Services
- Soc. Sec. Administration
- Education Dept.
- Food/Nutrition programs
- Housing & Urban Dev.
- Labor Dept.
- Tax Credits (lower incomes)
- other human resources

**\$241 BILLION**

- Treasury, Incl. 20% Interest on debt (\$100B)
- Government personnel
- Justice Dept.
- State Dept. (partial)
- International Affairs
- NASA (50%)
- Judicial
- Legislative
- Allowances (proposals)
- other general govt.

**\$171 BILLION**

- Agriculture
- Interior
- Transportation
- Homeland Security (42%)
- HUD
- Commerce
- Energy (non-military)
- Environmental Protection
- Nat. Science Fdn.
- Army Corps Engineers
- Fed. Comm. Commission
- other physical resources

**\$522 BILLION**

- Veterans' Benefits \$123 billion
- Interest on national debt \$399 billion (80% est. to be created by military spending)

**\$876 BILLION**

Total Outlays DoD \$721 billion:

- Military Personnel \$159 billion
- Operation & Maint. \$319 billion
- Procurement \$141 billion
- Research & Dev. \$78 billion
- Construction \$19 billion
- Family Housing \$3 billion
- DoD misc. \$2 billion

Non-DoD military spending includes\*:

- Retiree Pay/Healthcare \$65 billion
- DoE nuke weapons/clean up \$20 billion
- NASA (50%) \$9 billion
- International Security \$15 billion
- Homeland Secur. (defense) \$40 billion
- State Dept. (partial) \$7 billion
- FBI military \$4 billion
- Intrafund transfers -\$5 billion

\*analysis includes non-DoD activity based on coding and on the military nature of the activity, such as armed agents on flights, border control, DoD space flights, etc.

**MILITARY: 48% AND \$1,398 BILLION**

**HOW THESE FIGURES WERE DETERMINED**

“Current military” includes Dept. of Defense (\$721 billion) and the military portion from other departments as noted in current military box above (\$155 billion). “Past military” represents veterans’ benefits plus 80% of the interest on the debt.\* For further explanation, please go to [www.warresisters.org](http://www.warresisters.org).

These figures are from an analysis of detailed tables in the *Analytical Perspectives* book of the *Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2011*. The figures are federal funds, which do not include trust funds — such as Social Security — that are raised and spent separately from income taxes. What you pay (or don’t pay) by April 15, 2010, goes to the federal funds portion of the budget. The government practice of combining Trust and Federal funds began during the Vietnam War, thus making the

human needs portion of the budget seem larger and the military portion smaller.

\*Analysts differ on how much of the debt stems from the military; other groups estimate 50% to 60%. We use 80% because we believe if there had been no military spending most (if not all) of the national debt would have been eliminated.

### The Government’s Deception

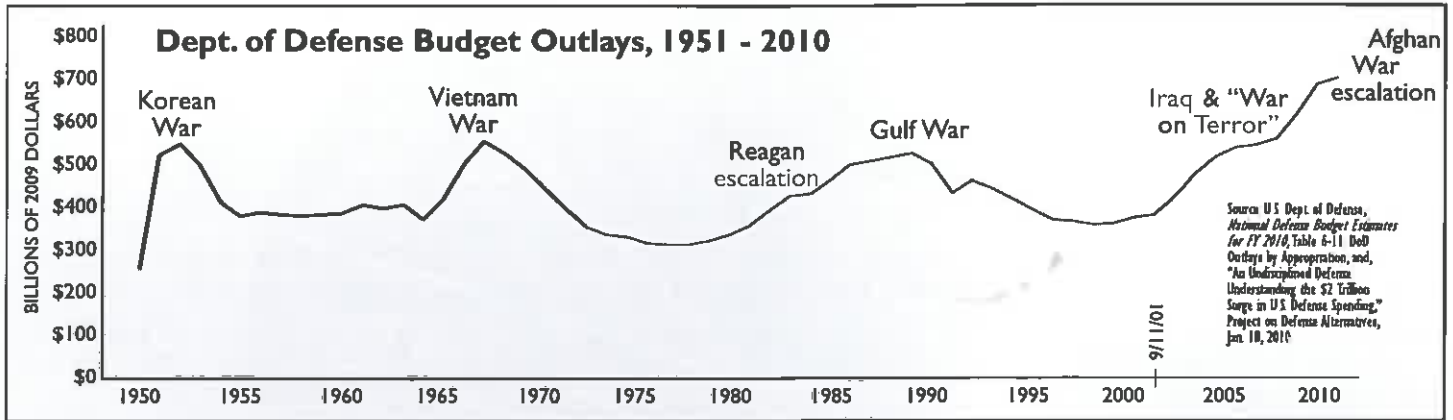
The pie chart (right) is the government view of the budget. This is a distortion of how our income tax dollars are spent because it includes Trust Funds (e.g., Social Security), and the expenses of past military spending are not distinguished from nonmilitary spending. For a more accurate representation of how your Federal income tax dollar is really spent, see the large graph.

Source: 1040 Forms and Instructions 2009, Federal Outlays for FY 2008

# MILITARY SPENDING SURGE

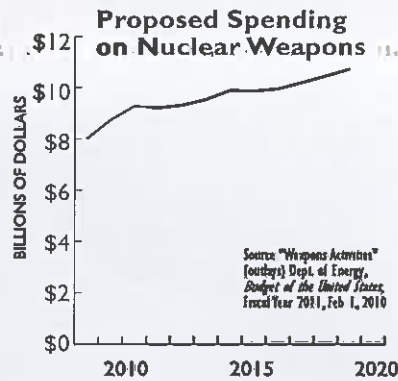
A \$2 trillion boost for base Pentagon spending since 1998. **Plus**, \$1 trillion for endless wars. **Plus**, thousands killed in wars, millions in need of food and shelter, the U.S. economy in tatters. How much longer will taxpayers continue funding the military-industrial complex at the expense of true security? Worried about jobs? The increase in military spending since 2000 could cost the economy close to 2 million jobs in the long run.\*

\*"Massive Defense Spending Leads to Job Loss," Dean Baker, Center for Economic and Policy Research, Nov. 2009, [truthout.org/1109097](http://truthout.org/1109097)

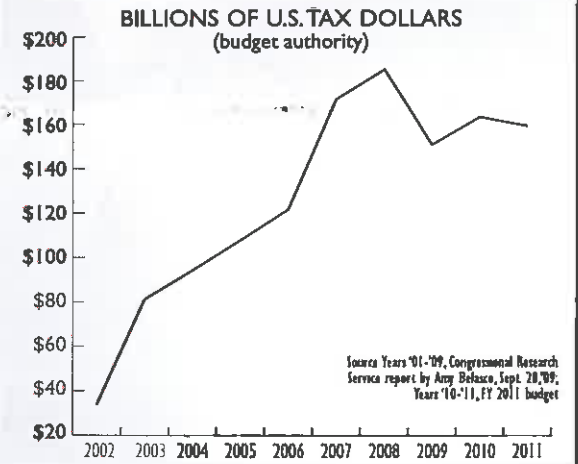


## U.S. Nuclear Weapons: "WAR IS PEACE"

George Orwell's *1984* has arrived. President Obama was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2009 while waging two wars. The Nobel Committee cited Obama's commitment to work for a world without nuclear weapons. Obama's 2011 budget turns "peace" on its head: steady increases in nuclear weapons spending over the next 10 years, including a new plutonium facility for the Los Alamos National Laboratory (NM) and a uranium manufacturing plant at Oak Ridge (TN).



## FUNDING THE GLOBAL "WAR ON TERROR"



## WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Leaflet with this flyer now, on Tax Day (April 15), and in the months before a new budget is passed in October.
- Write elected officials and local newspapers. Send them copies of this flyer. Demand that the Pentagon budget be slashed.
- Protest with your money! Sign up at [wartaxboycott.org](http://wartaxboycott.org). Refuse to pay all or part of your federal income tax. Whatever you choose to refuse—\$1, \$10, or a percentage—send a letter to elected officials and tell them why. Though illegal, thousands of people openly participate in this form of protest. Contact us for information or referral to a counselor near you. Contribute resisted tax money to organizations that support the common good.
- Get *Death & Taxes*, the new 30-min. DVD featuring war tax resisters from across the country, available at [nwtrcc.org/deathandtaxes.htm](http://nwtrcc.org/deathandtaxes.htm).

- For more about refusing to pay for war, contact the National War Tax Resistance Coordinating Committee, PO Box 150553, Brooklyn, NY 11215, (800) 269-7464, [nwtrcc.org](http://nwtrcc.org). Support the Peace Tax Fund bill: [peacetaxfund.org](http://peacetaxfund.org).

- Support military personnel who refuse to fight in Iraq and Afghanistan. For more information see [ivaw.org](http://ivaw.org) or [girlights.org](http://girlights.org). Call the GI Rights Hotline if you are in the military and need help: (877) 447-4487.

### RESOURCES

- Additional copies of this leaflet are available for 10¢ each (1-199), 7¢ each (200 - 499), 6¢ each (500+) plus 20% postage or call for exact amount.
- For sample brochures and resources on war tax resistance, send a self-addressed stamped (61¢) envelope to War Resisters League at the New York address below.

- *War Tax Resistance: A Guide to Withholding Your Support from the Military*, 144-page handbook with history, methods and resources. \$15 plus \$4.95 priority mail; \$3 media mail.

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## HONDURAN RESISTANCE DEFIES U.S.-BACKED COUP REGIME

In our November Bulletin we reported on the Honduran military coup that replaced President Manuel Zelaya with Roberto Micheletti amidst non-violent but vociferous civilian resistance. November elections were boycotted by most pro-resistance candidates, who objected that no free and fair elections could take place under military occupation, and Porfirio "Pepe" Lobo Sosa was elected president.

For insight into the current situation, read Dana Frank's article, "Hondurans' Great Awakening," in the April 5 issue of *The Nation*. She wrote of two powerful forces at work — a resistance movement surprising everyone in its breadth, nonviolence and resilience; and the new regime's brutal repression in response.

The Obama Administration is vigorously supporting the coup regime. Sec. of State Hillary Clinton declared on March 4 "We believe President Lobo and his administration have taken the steps necessary to restore democracy." Lobo has appointed all but one of the same military leaders who plotted the coup, and the paramilitary-style violence against the resistance has escalated throughout Honduras.

From day one, Frank wrote, the coup government launched a vicious assault on those who dared to challenge it, deploying

not just the military but municipal police and newly mobilized paramilitary assassins. Peaceful demonstrations full of old people and children were met with volley after volley of tear gas. Human rights groups tracking the repression reported marchers beaten with batons sporting new metal tips; detainees tortured and raped. So far at least 41 people have been killed, more than 3000 illegally detained.

Notwithstanding the violence, Frank wrote that on a visit in February she found "a country transformed; people involved in the resistance bursting with energy and an utterly new faith in their power; young people politically engaged; a country politicized to the bone."

Part of what makes the resistance so strong, she believes, is its diversified base, with each social group organized within its own constituency, each with a representative in the top-level coordinating committee and each with its own stake in re-constituting Honduras. She cited the women's movement as an example. Observers note that 60 to 70% of demonstrators are women.

Nearly all the major dailies, TV and radio stations in Honduras have overtly supported the new regime, Frank wrote, so the alternate media have been essential to rapid politicization at the grassroots.

What unites the resistance,

she believes, is a positive vision of a new Honduras, to be enacted through a National Assembly that would produce a new Constitution, modeled after ones recently passed in Bolivia, Ecuador and Venezuela; one to guarantee land rights for campesinos and indigenous peoples, women's rights and basic labor rights.

The coalition plans to continue to challenge the government at the grassroots and hopes to force a National Assembly next year. Meanwhile, it's moving forward with plans for its own National Assembly June 28, the anniversary of the coup.

Progressives in the U.S., Frank wrote, need to make sure the Obama Administration doesn't get away with shoring up the coup regime of the Honduran oligarchs and military. She believes we need to demand that the U.S. withdraw its recognition of the Lobo government, halt all aid, cut ties to the Honduran military, including ongoing training at the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security (formerly known as the School of the Americas), and close the U.S. base at Palmerola.

To achieve these goals, we need to build up grassroots pressure on member of Congress, district by district, working through our own unions, faith communities, women's groups and immigration organizations.

## DOCTORS FIND FLAWS IN HEALTH CARE LAW

The health care bill has finally become law, and the process of implementation has begun. The Republican Party is expected to belly-ache about the law into the November elections and beyond. But some proponents of health care reform also have gripes.

Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP) objects that, instead of eliminating the root of the problem, the profit-driven private health insurance industry, "this costly new legislation will enrich and further entrench these firms."

Further objections by the PNHP were stated in the April newsletter of Missourians for Single Payer Health Care:

About 23 million people will remain uninsured nine years out.

Millions of middle-income people will be pressured to buy commercial policies costing up to 9.5% of their income, but covering an average of only 70% of their medical expenses.

Insurance firms will be handed at least \$447 billion in taxpayer money to subsidize the purchase of their shoddy products, thus enhancing their financial and political power and ability to block further reform.

The law will drain some \$40 billion from Medicare payments to safety net hospitals, threatening the care of tens of millions who will remain uninsured.

People with employer-based coverage will be locked into their plan's limited network of providers, face ever-rising costs and erosion of their health benefits.

Health care costs will continue to skyrocket. The much-vaunted insurance regulations ending denials on the basis of pre-existing conditions are riddled with loopholes, thanks to the central role insurers played in crafting the legislation. Older people can be charged up to three times more than their younger counterparts, and large companies

with a predominantly female workforce can be charged higher gender-based rates at least until 2017.

Women's reproductive rights will be further eroded, thanks to the burdensome segregation of insurance funds for abortion and other medical services.

PNHP, an organization of 17,000 doctors, contends that only a single-payer system offers effective tools for cost control like bulk purchasing, negotiated fees, global hospital budgeting and capital planning.

Major provisions of the new law don't go into effect until 2014, and PNHP says the stakes are too high to wait and see how the reform plays out. These doctors pledge to continue working for single-payer national health insurance, and expanded and improved Medicare for all.

NOTE: Dr. David Gill will give MOSP's annual health care lecture at the Ethical Society on April 25. See Calendar.

## WILPFers AROUND AND ABOUT

"Yvonne Logan, 90, peace activist and volunteer director since 1975 of the World Community Center, 438 North Skinker Boulevard" was the identification for the picture greeting readers who opened the "Community" section of the March 14 St. Louis Post-Dispatch, followed by the interview with Deborah Peterson. The close-up tells, in her words, that she decided to work for peace after hearing a physicist describe how a nuclear bomb could obliterate Chicago. She joined WILPF in 1958 and served as national president from 1981 to 1985 and 22 years on the national board. At 90 she's still going strong.



Treasurer **Ava Jordan** reported receipt of a terrific birthday gift March 29 . . . Medicare eligibility. Earlier, March 17, her letter recommending passage of Mott Oxford's Tax Justice for a Healthy Missouri bill was published in the Post-Dispatch.

**Joyce and Steve Best** and daughter **Jaina** recently went to Bennington College in Vermont to attend a performance of a contest-winning play written by their granddaughter Alicia, a senior at Bennington. Alicia's dad, Randy and family also went to Bennington for the "Best" performance.

We learned of the death March 11 of Doris "Granny D" Haddock, the new Hampshire woman who walked across the country at age 89 to promote campaign finance reform. She was 100. Remember when she came walking through St. Louis in 1999 and we joined her in a walk to a rally downtown, waving our little red and yellow 'Go Granny Go' signs?

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<http://mccaskill.senate.gov/contact.cfm>**MEETING WITH McCASKILL REPRESENTATIVE**

On Thursday, March 4, Bob Burns, field representative for Senator McCaskill's St. Louis office met with four WILPF members, Joan Botwinick, Yvonne Logan, Mary Jane Schutzius, and new member (transfer from CA) Barbara Bogard, as well as Bill Ramsey from Instead of War, Ron Glossop from Citizens for Global Solutions, Judith Smart from the League of Women Voters, and Andy Heaslet from Peace Economy Project. Each of us brought up one subject, submitted written material on it plus one question for the Senator to answer in writing. We took up Health Care reform, Mary Jane; nuclear weapons' continuing cost, Yvonne; current housing problems, Joan; corporate overrepresentation, Bill; Law of the Sea, Ron; CEDAW, Judith; and Boeing's production of unneeded C-17's and other planes, Andy.

Mr. Burns listened attentively, asked some questions, and took all the material presented for the Senator. He said he was pleased to be invited to meet with us, adding that he hoped to be able to arrange a meeting at the WCC with the Senator personally, that she would be most receptive to our proposals.

**WILPF BULLETIN**

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Articles, reports, and information for the Calendar are due on the day of the Board meetings. The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, May 4, 2010.

Bring or mail articles for the May bulletin to the World Community Center, 438 No. Skinker, St. Louis, MO 63130, or e-mail [mjschutz@prodigy.net](mailto:mjschutz@prodigy.net). Contributions are welcome.



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## CALENDAR

**Sun., Apr. 18, 3:45 p.m.:** Citizens for Global Solutions Annual Meeting, beginning with an informal reception, followed by 4:00 p.m. talk: "What Is the Future of Democracy?" by St. Louis U. Prof. James Bohman, Ph.D., annual business meeting and buffet turkey dinner. Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd., \$10.50. Reservations by Apr. 15: Dr. David Oughton, 1130 Big Sky Drive, Fenton MO 63026; More info: Ron Glossop, 314-869-2303 or Dave Oughton, 636/717-0165.

**Sun., Apr. 25, 11:00 a.m.:** MOSP Annual Health Care Weekend, Dr. David Gill: "Dr. Gill's Rx for Health Care: Single Payer, Expanded Medicare for All Americans," Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Rd., Richmond Heights.

**Tue., Apr. 27, 1:30 p.m.:** WILPF Executive Committee meeting, WCC.

**Fri., Apr. 30, Noon – 2:15 p.m.:** Women in Black vigil, America's Center, Washington Ave. downtown, in conjunction with the United Methodist Women's Congress. (Come for at least 30 minutes, no expectation to stay the entire time.)

**Sat., May 1, 11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.:** March from America's Center to rally at Kiener Plaza for Immigrants' Rights, action by the United Methodists Women Congress.

**Tue., May 4, 1:45 p.m.:** WILPF Board meeting, WCC.

**Tue., May 11, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.:** Women in Black vigil, Delmar Loop, near the Bread Company.

### SAVE THE DATE

**Sun., May 23, 5:30 p.m.:** WILPF Annual Meeting and Potluck, Regional Arts Commission, 6128 Delmar.

