

PETITION

TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

REDUCE MILITARY SPENDING AND RE-ALLOCATE FUNDS TO SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL PRIORITIES

***RECALLING* THAT CANADA MADE A COMMITMENT TO REALLOCATE RESOURCES AT PRESENT COMMITTED TO MILITARY PURPOSES. (ARTICLE 16E CHAPTER 33, AGENDA 21, UNCED,)**

***KNOWING* THAT LAST YEAR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SPENT \$23 BILLION ON THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE BUT ONLY \$1.5 BILLION ON ENVIRONMENT CANADA, THE LEAD AGENCY ON CLIMATE CHANGE, ACCORDING TO THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF CANADA; AND**

***ACKNOWLEDGING* THAT CLIMATE CHANGE AND POVERTY ARE OUR GREATEST SECURITY CHALLENGES;**

WE URGE THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

(i) TO REDUCE MILITARY EXPENSES AND RE-ALLOCATE SPENDING TO POVERTY ELIMINATION PROGRAMS AND TO GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION MEASURES

(ii) TO SIGN AND RATIFY THE ARMS TRADE TREATY AND CANCEL THE \$15 BILLION DEAL TO EXPORT ARMoured VEHICLES TO SAUDI ARABIA

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(iii) TO END THE SUBSIDIES TO THE CORPORATIONS THAT PRODUCE WEAPON SYSTEMS AND ENGAGE IN THE ARMS TRADE AND TO END SUBSIDIES TO THE FOSSIL FUEL INDUSTRIES

(iv) TO WITHDRAW THE PROPOSAL OF SENDING 300 CANADIAN ARMED FORCES AND SPECIAL FORCES TO IRAQ

(v) TO REPEAL C-51, THE *ANTI-TERROR ACT*, WHICH THREATENS OUR CIVIL LIBERTIES

(vi) TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT POLICIES TO END VIOLENCE IN ALL ITS FORMS AND TO PROMOTE PEACEFUL CONFLICT RESOLUTION AS REQUIRED THE UNITED NATIONS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (GOAL #16)

(vii) TO COMMIT TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS BY 25 % BELOW 1990 BY

(viii) TO INVEST IN AND BUILD A GREEN ECONOMY THAT ACHIEVES NET-ZERO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS BY 2050 AND SUSTAINS RESILIENT COMMUNITIES AS RECOMMENDED IN THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE'S 5TH ASSESSMENT REPORT

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