KEEP SPACE FOR PEACE WEEK, OCTOBER 6-13, 2012, INTERNATIONAL WEEK OF PROTEST TO STOP THE MILITARIZATION OF SPACE, OMNI NEWSLETTER

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PURPOSE To help build consciousness for international, cooperative development of outer space and to support efforts to prevent the arms race from moving into the heavens.

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Imaging satellites capture the visual images of the targets (including individual people) that warmakers wish to destroy. Signals satellites pick up voices and other sounds which further identify a target, while the GPS system provides the gunsight or bombsight which directs the bullet or bomb to its destination. All these same orbiting instruments of war help the Pentagon assess damage, often leading to more strikes repeating the same process. The addition of drones and other new age weapons bring us close to having no human being in the loop at all.

There is a perception among those aware of space that most orbital activity in the past five years has shifted to the private sector, and that federal government satellite activity has declined during the Obama administration. While civilian government agencies like NASA are facing cutbacks, satellite launches have kept up with a Bush-era pace. The satellites that manage spying, navigation, targeting, and military communications are launched by agencies such as the National Reconnaissance Office and the Defense Information Systems Agency, whose budgets are larger than ever, but whose activities take place largely out of the public eye. While the satellites orbiting miles above our heads may be out of our sights, the ground stations they depend upon, in locations such as Menwith Hill, UK; Pine Gap, Australia; and Buckley Air Force Base, Colorado are vast bases that play a large role in local economies worldwide.
October 6-13
LOCAL ACTIONS (list in formation)

Bath Iron Works, Maine (Oct 6) Vigil across from administration building on Washington Street (Navy Aegis destroyers built at BIW) 11:30-12:30 am Smilin’ Trees Disarmament Farm (207) 763-4062

Bucks County, Pennsylvania (Oct 8) Bruce Gagnon speaks at evening potluck supper/program sponsored by BuxMont Coalition for Peace Action, and, earlier in the day possibility of talk at local community college and vigil at Lockheed Martin plant in Newtown. brandywine@juno.com

RAF Croughton, England (Oct 6) Rally at U.S. communication base, March to main gate 1 mile - starts Croughton village 12.00 midday, Returns 3:00 pm. oxonpeace@yahoo.co.uk

Fylingdales, England (Oct 7) Begin bicycle trip from Fylingdales U.S. radar facility to Menwith Hill to highlight their connections with US missile defense and the use of space technology. Overnight peace camp the night before. info@yorkshirecnd.org.uk

King of Prussia/Valley Forge, Pennsylvania (Oct 12-13) Brandywine Peace Community's annual Keep Space for Peace Week demonstration (and observance of U.S. Afghan war anniversary) at Lockheed Martin. Lockheed Martin, the world's largest war profiteer, a primary contractor of space weaponry as well as unmanned aerial vehicles, drones (including the Hell Fire missiles they carry) and the satellites which enable their remote control from the continental U.S. brandywine@juno.com

Menwith Hill, England (Oct 9) Demonstration at NSA Spy Base in Yorkshire and greeting the peace in space cyclists. Sponsored by CAAB. mail@caab.corner.org.uk

Newton, Massachusetts (Oct 21) Bruce Gagnon speaks at First Unitarian Church, 1326 Washington Street, West Newton, 7:00 pm. Ncwrenn@aol.com

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (Oct 9) Bruce Gagnon speaks at a program observing the anniversary of the war in Afghanistan and Keep Space for Peace Week. 6:30 p.m. Friends Center/American Friends Service Committee, 1501 Cherry Street. Co-sponsored by Brandywine Peace Community. Earlier in the day, possibility of class talk/meeting at University of Pennsylvania, a major drone researcher in Philadelphia, and protest of UPENN's drones research. brandywine@juno.com

Pickering, England (Oct 7) Peace in space cycle journey we will be stopping overnight for rest. meeting and discussion. info@yorkshirecnd.org.uk

Springfield, Pennsylvania (Oct 7) Anniversary of the U.S. war in Afghanistan. Bruce Gagnon speaks at the Peace Center of Delaware County, 1001 Old Sproul Road, www.delcopeacecenter.org 5:30 pm. Potluck Supper; 6:30 p.m. Presentation and Discussion: A Decade plus of War...Drones, and more: Empire and the Militarization of Space. Evening co-sponsored by the Brandywine Peace Community. brandywine@juno.com

York, England (Oct 8) Peace in space cycle journey we will be stopping to meet and talk with public. info@yorkshirecnd.org.uk

Keep Space for Peace Week is co-sponsored by the Women’s International League for Peace & Freedom, Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (UK), Swedish Peace Council, and the Drone Campaign Network (UK).

SPEAKERS

Please contact these people directly to negotiate speaking dates, travel expenses, etc. during the week of local
actions. They all have considerable expertise on the space issue.

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- Andy Lichterman (Western States Legal Foundation, Oakland, CA) (510) 839-5877 amlichterman@comcast.net. His blog can be read at [http://disarmamentactivist.org](http://disarmamentactivist.org)
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ENTERTAINERS
(These fine singers/songwriters have space songs and other good political music)

• Anne Feeney (Pittsburgh, PA) unionmaid@earthlink.net
• Holly Gwinn Graham (Olympia, WA) www.hollygwinngraham.com, (Speaks on these issues as well)
• Joel Landy (New York City) joellandy@yahoo.com (718) 937-2240
• Tom Neilson (Leverett, MA) (413) 774-2411 tomneilsonmusic@yahoo.com
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Keep Space for Peace Week

International Week of Protest to Stop the Militarization of Space

No Missile Defense
End Afghanistan War
No to NATO Expansion
Stop the Drones
Convert the Military Industrial Complex
Bring Our War $$ Home
No Nuclear Power in Space or on Earth
End Corporate Domination of
Foreign/Military Policy

List in formation

- Albuquerque, New Mexico (Oct 3) Showing of award winning documentary Pax-Americana & the Weaponization of Space at the Center for Peace & Justice, 202 Harvard SE, 6:00 pm. citizen@comcast.net

- Andover, Massachusetts (Oct 11) Merrimack Valley People for Peace will hold a vigil in front of Raytheon, 7:00-8:00 am. brian@quirk.ws

- Bath Iron Works, Maine (Oct 6) Vigil across from administration building on Washington Street (Navy Aegis destroyers built at BIW) 11:30-12:30 am Smilin’ Trees Disarmament Farm (207) 763-4062

- Bhubhaneswar (Orissa state) India (Oct 6) Space issues education and awareness program. Coordinated by Ramchandra Patro rama_bm@yahoo.com

- Bombay, India (October 12) Day long seminar by Dr. Leo Rebello on World Without Wars on Earth or Space, based on his book World Without Wars. prof.leorebello@gmail.com

- Brunswick, Maine (Oct 4) Showing of award winning documentary Pax-Americana & the Weaponization of Space at the Curtis Memorial Library at 7:00 pm. gaia@gwi.net

- Cardiff, Wales (Oct 9) Handing in of Petition calling for Welsh Government to withdraw support for testing of drones at Aberporth
and over Wales http://dronecampaignnetwork.wordpress.com/week-of-action-events/

- Colorado Springs, Colorado (Oct 12) Demonstration from noon to 12:45 pm with banners outside of the SAIC facility which is adjacent to Peterson AFB (HQ of Air Force Space Command) northgate. That way we get a twofer. bill.sulzman@gmail.com

- Colorado Springs, Colorado (Oct 12) Demonstration at West gate of Schriever AFB, home of the Space Warfare Center and numerous other Star Wars programs 3:30 - 4:30 pm. bill.sulzman@gmail.com

- RAF Croughton, England (Oct 6) Rally at U.S. communication base, March to main gate 1 mile - starts Croughton village 12.00 midday, Returns 3:00 pm, Oxfordshire Peace Campaign, oxonpeace@yahoo.co.uk

- Deming, New Mexico (Oct 12) Weekly Friday Occupy vigil will carry Keep Space for Peace signs

- Fort Meade, Maryland (Oct 9) Pledge of Resistance-Baltimore will make its annual trek to the National Security Agency (NSA) at Fort Meade from 5:30-6:30 PM. The spy agency continues to break a host of laws both U.S. and international. Gather on Route 32 outside the main gate to alert the general public to the criminal activity taking place at the NSA. RSVP to Max at 410-366-1537 or mobuszewski@verizon.net

- Friargate, England (Oct 8) Public Meeting: Yorkshire’s role in Drone
Warfare 7:00 pm, Friargate Friends meeting house.

http://dronecampaignnetwork.wordpress.com/week-of-action-events/

- Fylingdales, England (Oct 7) Begin bicycle trip from Fylingdales U.S. radar facility to Menwith Hill to highlight their connections with US missile defense and the use of space technology. Overnight peace camp the night before. info@yorkshirecnd.org.uk

- Gangjeong, Jeju Island, South Korea (Oct 6-13) Screening of space films in the Peace Center during the Keep Space for Peace Week. Banner and signs on Space Week will be hung and held in the village, including near the naval base construction gate. Information on space week will be distributed to the nationwide march participants during the space week. armha5156@gmail.com


- Jammu (Jammu & Kashmir state) India (Oct 10) Rally coordinated by Ashwani Pradadhan ashwanipradhan50@gmail.com

- King of Prussia/Valley Forge, Pennsylvania (Oct 13) Noon. Brandywine Peace Community's annual Keep Space for Peace Week demonstration (and observance of U.S. Afghan war anniversary) at Lockheed Martin. Lockheed Martin, the world's largest war profiteer, a primary contractor of space weaponry as well as unmanned aerial vehicles, drones (including the Hell Fire missiles they carry) and the satellites which enable their remote control from the continental U.S.
Leeds, England (Oct 3) ‘Drones – a new kind of warfare’ a talk and discussion with Chris Cole of the Campaign against Drones on the growing use of unmanned drones in the Middle East and beyond. 7.30 pm, Room G546, Rosebowl Building, Leeds Metropolitan University. Organised by Pax Christi and Yorkshire CND.


- Menwith Hill, England (Oct 9) ‘The Faceless Face of Military Drones’ demonstration at NSA Spy Base in Yorkshire at 6-8 pm. Will be welcoming the cyclists from Yorkshire CND when they arrive at Menwith Hill from Fylingdales. (Faceless masks will be available) Sponsored by CAAB mail@caab.corner.org.uk or 01423 884076

- Nagpur, (Maharashtra state) India (Oct 9) Space issues education and awareness program at Women’s College, Nandanwant Lay out. Coordinator Mrunalini Fadnavis mrunalinifadnavis@gmail.com

- Nagpur, (Maharashtra state) India (Oct 12) Students rally at Matru Sewa Sangh Institute of Social Work. Coordinated by Prof. Geetha Thachil geethathachil@gmail.com

- Nagpur, (Maharashtra state) India (Oct 13) A massive Dharna (Squating) will be held jointly with several organisations at Nagpur. rao.jnrao36@sofy.com

- Newton, Massachusetts (Oct 21) Bruce Gagnon speaks at First Unitarian Church, 1326 Washington Street, West Newton, 7:00 pm Ncwrenn@aol.com


- Oita, Japan (Oct 12) Banner against the fast breeder reactor development in Japan and the international joint R&D of a nuclear
fusion reactor 16:00~17:00 at Oita Kyusyu Electric Power Co
seamesky@sand.ocn.ne.jp


- Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (Oct 7) Vigil and demonstration against drone research at UPENN at 34th & Walnut Streets, 1:00 pm. Speakers, music, and more; followed by kite flying in Woodland Walk field, between UPENN and Drexel University, behind the corner at 34th & Walnut Streets. End the War, Stop the Killer Drone Strikes, Space for Peace, not drone strikes directed from the U.S. through space. Kites will be available, bring your own if you can, and don't forget your umbrella in the event of rain. brandywine@juno.com

- Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (Oct 8) Noon, Brown bag lunch presentation at Friends Center, 1501 Cherry Street, with Bruce Gagnon, International peace organizer; Coordinator, Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space and Keep Space for Peace Week; Author, Come Together Right Now: Organizing Stories From Fading Empire. brandywine@juno.com

- Pickering, England (Oct 7) Peace in space cycle journey we will be stopping overnight for rest. meeting and discussion. info@yorkshirecnd.org.uk
● Pondicherry University, India (Oct 7-8) Space issues education and awareness campaign Coordinator J. Narayana Rao  
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● Porthmadog, England (Oct 13) Anti-drone street stall, Porthmadog, Fellowship of Reconciliation, 2.30pm  
http://dronecampaignnetwork.wordpress.com/week-of-action-events/

● Portland, Maine (Oct 8) Anti-Drone Die-In at Obama Campaign Headquarters, 533 Forest Ave., noon-1pm. CODEPINK State of Maine & Portland Pat Taub (207) 542-7119 pparee2011@gmail.com

● Prague, Czech Republic (Oct) 10 Militarization of Space and the Missile Defence Project discussion with Dr. Miroslav Tuma, disarmament expert from the Institute of Foreign Relations in Prague. Where: Centrum neziskovych aktivit, Tyrsova 1, 6:00 pm  
jana@svetbezvalek.cz

● Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada (Oct 11) Vigil and flyer distribution at the north end of the Scarth Street Mall in downtown Regina, 12:00-12:30 pm. Making Peace Vigil 306-539-8853; sgerardm@gmail.com

● Rochester, New York (Oct 6-13) Putting up Keep Space for Peace Week posters around town throughout the week. 585-339-9782

● Santa Barbara, California (Oct 18-21) Challenging Robotic Warfare Technology: Education, Organizing, Strategy & Resistance Statewide Conference tierralinda@live.com

● Shenstone, England (Oct 6) Anti-drones peace walk begins with
demonstration at UAV engine plant at Shenstone (near Birmingham). Meet at the train station at 10.30am then demonstration at the nearby Elbit factory until 11.30.  
http://dronecampaignnetwork.wordpress.com/anti-drones-peace-walk/

• Sioux Falls, South Dakota (Oct. 13) Pax Christi Southeastern SD "The Dignity of Life, Promoting Peace on Land & at Sea." We will pray, study and act on issues of life and death. Caminando Juntos, 1-3 pm. gl_wieland@yahoo.com

• Southwell, England (Oct 11) Drones Peace Walk leaves Leicester FMH 9am, walk to Southwell, 13 miles.  
http://dronecampaignnetwork.wordpress.com/week-of-action-events/

• Springfield, Pennsylvania (Oct 7) Anniversary of the U.S. war in Afghanistan. Bruce Gagnon speaks at the Peace Center of Delaware County, 1001 Old Sproul Road, www.delcopeacecenter.org 5:30 pm. Potluck Supper; 6:30 p.m. Presentation and Discussion: A Decade plus of War...Drones, and more: Empire and the Militarization of Space. Evening co-sponsored by the Brandywine Peace Community brandywine@juno.com

• Stockholm, Sweden (Oct 28) Swedish Peace Council seminar about The Militarization of the North: How the Arctic has become a dangerous field for war preparations. Speakers from northern Russia, Bard Wormdal from Vardö (northern Norway) on satellite war, from Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Sweden is present chair of Arctic Council) and Agneta Norberg on drone testing in Northern Sweden.
  http://dronecampaignnetwork.wordpress.com/week-of-action-events/

- Tucson, Arizona (Oct 9) Vigil from 6:30 - 7:30 a.m. at Raytheon Missile Systems, Hermans Road entrance to the plant (3rd traffic light south of Valencia on Nogales Highway, the extension of South 6th Avenue). nukeresister@igc.org

- Vandenberg AFB, California (Oct 10) Monthly protest from 3:45- 4:45 pm at the Main Gate. Anyone wanting to join us can call for info at (805) 343-6322.

- Vandenberg AFB, California (Oct 22) Back country non-violent resistance action to occupy Pentagon’s global drone and missile nerve center. tierralinda@live.com

- Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh state) India (Oct 11) Students rally coordinated by J. V. Prabhakar prabhakar.jalluri@gmail.com

- RAF Waddington, England (Oct 13) Drones Peace Walk leaves Lincoln 9am, walk 6 miles to RAF Waddington. Demonstration at RAF Waddington from 12 noon until 2pm.  
  http://dronecampaignnetwork.wordpress.com/week-of-action-events/

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Download the full space week poster at: http://www.space4peace.org/actions/Keep%20Space%20for%20Peace%20Poster%202012.pdf

The award winning documentary Pax Americana & the Weaponization of Space is now available online at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=tRA5bEO0cUg#

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