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International People's Solidarity in Japan**

July 4-7, Sapporo Hokkaido

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JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL PEOPLE'S SOLIDARITY DAYS

July 4-8, 2008, Hokkaido, Japan

Resisting Free Trade, Militarism and Fighting for Real Solutions to Climate Change

No more world creating inequality, poverty and social disparity

We demand Climate Justice!

Join the International People's Solidarity Days to discuss and build our alternatives

The G8 Summit will be held this year from July 7-9 in Toyako, Hokkaido, Japan. This will be a culmination of a series of ministerial preparation meeting beginning in March. The G8 Action Network, a network of various Japanese organizations and movements, is calling on all social movements, peasant organizations, women, migrants, urban and rural poor, fisherfolk and civil society from all over the world who are resisting free trade in its many forms, war and militarism, the privatization of essential services and natural resources, illegitimate debt and the domination of global finance, and fighting for and building real people based solutions to global warming, to come and join in the week of action against the G8 here in Japan.

THE GLOBAL CRISIS

Islands being submerged by rising sea levels, the collapse of financial systems, rising food prices - crisis is spreading across the world. The world is now feeling the consequences of neoliberal globalization and developing countries that were forced to deregulate and liberalize their economies are now at the mercy of this global crisis. The global food crisis is but the latest of the crises spawned by neoliberalism. These series of crises have brought to the forefront the flawed policies of corporate globalization, which has brought nothing but worsening poverty, increasing insecurity and deepening indebtedness. The policies of the G8 have also increased militarization and wars and now they are pushing for market-based solutions to climate change, which threaten to endanger the future of the planet.

We can no longer let this continue. The time is now for all of us around the world to come together and join forces to make our voices heard and stop the G8 from doing any further damage to the world.

JOIN US IN THE INTERNATIONAL PEOPLE'S SOLIDARITY DAYS

We invite all of you to come to Japan and join in our International People's Solidarity Days from July 4-8. Through discussions and exchanges with different people around the world, we will build and

strengthen our resistance to the G8 and neoliberal globalization and present our proposals for alternatives and strategies on how Another World based on justice, equality and peace is achieved.

We are now accepting applications for registration for your self-organized workshops, seminars, symposiums, stalls, performances and the like for the International People's Solidarity Days from July 4-8. Deadline for registration is June 16. Please see the website for more details:

<http://www.jca.apc.org/alt-g8/?q=en/node/218>

WE NEED YOUR SOLIDARITY

As with all struggles, we can only be successful with the solidarity, support and involvement of movements and activists around the world in resisting this G8 Summit. We invite all of you who are with us in the struggle against trade liberalization, corporate globalization, war and militarism and false solutions to climate change and demanding for cancellation of all developing country debt to sign on to this call. We urge all of you to join us in Japan and to strengthen our struggle and together, build another world.

IN SOLIDARITY:

Alliance of Progressive Labor, Philippines

Campaign for Alternative Industry Network, Thailand

Carbon Trade Watch

Convergence for community centered area development (CONVERGENCE)

Focus on the Global South

FTA Watch Thailand

Global Network

Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions

Indonesian Peasants Union (SPI)

Jubilee South-Asia Pacific Movement on Debt and Development

Korean Confederation of Trade Unions (KCTU)

Migrant Forum in Asia

Oilwatch Southeast Asia

Stop the New Round! Philippines

Transnational Institute

Womyn's Agenda for Change, Cambodia

Anti Debt Coalition Indonesia (KAU)

Freedom from Debt Coalition, Philippines

Gerak Lawan, Indonesia

List of Japanese organizations (only names in English...)

Asia-Japan Women's Resource Center

Asia Solidarity School

ATTAC Japan (Tokyo metropolitan area)

ATTAC Kyoto (Japan)

Action Committee against US-Japan Security Pact

IRREGULAR RHYTHM ASYLUM

The Peace Link Hiroshima, Kure, Iwakuni

Network for Indonesian Democracy, Japan

Grassroots Movement to Remove U.S Military Bases

Altermonde

KASAI-CHAPPUIS <http://www.geocities.jp/IraqNewsJapan/>

Missionary Society of St.Columban (Japan)

From on the street of Osaka-kita, Japan

Joint Action Kansai

Kyuujuu net IWATE

The National Coalition of Workers, Farmers and Consumers for. Safe Food and Health in Japan (Shokkenren)

Research Group of UN and Constitution issues

Jubilee Kyushu

Action Committee of San'ya Welfare Center for Day-laborer's Association

Jubilee Kansai Network

Food Policy Center Vision21

Space Allies

Life-Work-Movement Net

Article 9 Association, Hiroshima

No to WTO Grassroots Campaign in Japan

Community and Collaboration Research Center

DeMusik Inter.

Consumers Union of Japan

Japan Asia Africa Latin America Solidarity Committee

JAPAN PEACE COMMITTEE

Networkers against Surveillance Taskforce [NaST]

NO [G8 Action

Japan Family Farmers Movement (NOUMINREN)

Palestine Solidarity in Sapporo

People's Plan Study Group

PAFF (PART-TIMER, ARBEITER, FREETER AND FOREIGN WORKER)

Citizens' Wind toward "Gathering for Peace"

Forum for Peace [Human Rights and Environment.

Mirai Seisaku Kenkyujo

NO-VOX Japan

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See the complete list of Japanese endorsers: <http://www.jca.apc.org/alt-g8/en/node/22>

For more information, go the the following websites:

<http://www.jca.apc.org/alt-g8/?q=en...>

INTERNATIONAL PEOPLE'S SOLIDARITY DAYS organized by G8 Action Network is planned as follows:

(This is not a final version. There are other more self-organized activities besides what follows)

July 4

16:00-18:00 Opening ceremony

Expected speakers:

Susan George

Ainu, Japanese indigenous people

others from Via Campesina or NO-VOX International

18:00-19:00 Demonstration

19:30-21:30 Welcome Party

July 5

13:00-15:00 Rally organized by three networks (G8 Action Network, NGO Forum, and People Forum in Hokkaido)

Speakers (to be confirmed):

Walden Bello

Others from Via Campesina

Representative of each network (G8 Action Network, NGO Forum, and People Forum in Hokkaido)

18:00-21:00

Social Movements Gathering

Speakers (to be confirmed)

Walden Bello

Wangui Mbatia from People Parliament

Others from Jubilee South, KCTU, CADTM, Globalization Monitor

Japanese speakers

July 6

10:00-12:00

Seminar on Climate change, organized by OWINFS, Focus on the Global South, Via Campesina, Friend of Earth International

12:30-14:00

Seminar on African development

Speakers (to be confirmed):

Wangui Mbatia from People Parliament, Kenya

Florent Noel from Centre for promotion of economic and social alternatives (CPAES), Cameroon

Myrium Bourgy from CADTM

14:00-18:00 Cultural events

July 7

17:00-18:00 Demonstration

July 8

15:00-17:00 Closing ceremony

July 9

9:30-10:30 Press conference

Please join us!

The security or immigration is becoming tight.

All foreign nationals who are entering Japan regardless of its visa status may be questioned at the airport. You should say at the immigration at the airport that the purpose of your entry is to go to Sapporo to join parallel peaceful activities in Sapporo. We strongly recommend you to contact your Japanese counterparts to ask about how to enter without difficulty before entering Japan.

Please see the blog in Esperanto, Korean and English:

<http://watch08summit.blogspot.com/>

Please sign!

The International Coordination Meeting on Mar 8-9 and subsequent tour of the venue of G8 Summit (Toyako Hokkaido) was successful.

Thank you - Asian activists for having come to Japan to join them.

We at No G8 Action Network plan International People's Solidarity Days for July 4-7 or 8 in Sapporo Hokkaido.

For more detail on activities against the G8 Summit in Hokkaido Japan in July, let you know it later.

For your reference, here's information on Civil G8:

<http://www.g8ngoforum.org/forum/upl...>

<http://www.g8ngoforum.org/english/>

CALL TO ACTION AGAINST THE G8

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WHY MOBILIZE AGAINST THE G8?

The G8 nations account for just fourteen percent of the world's population and yet decisions made at these summits dictate the course of the rest of the world. And now more than ever, the evidence is stark that decisions that these nations have made have brought nothing but worsening poverty, increasing insecurity, deepening indebtedness, militarization and wars and now they are pushing for market based solutions to climate change which threaten to endanger the future of the planet. The host of the summit, the Government of Japan, says that it will make this summit a summit on the climate. This is rank hypocrisy. The reality is that the government, under pressure from Japanese industry, is backing away from mandatory limits to greenhouse gas emissions.

We can no longer let this continue. The time is now for all of us around the world to come together and join forces to make our voices heard and stop the G8 from doing any further damage to the world.

JOIN US IN THE INTERNATIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING

We will also begin preparations to challenge the G8 Summit beginning March. We invite all of you to come to Japan and join in our international preparatory meeting from March 7-11, 2008.

This is our schedule:

March 7, 16:00: Press conference at Parliamentarian building

March 8-9: International Coordination Meeting & G8 Seminar

March 9: evening, Move to Hokkaido by plane

March 10-11: Activities in Hokkaido

If your organization is planning to attend the meeting, please email nag00562 nifty.ne.jp to register your participation. You can also contact this email for more information on the meeting.

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SIGNED:

G8 Action Network, Japan

ATTAC Japan

Consumers Union of Japan

Forum for Peace, Human Rights and Environment

Globalization Watch Hiroshima

Iwate Network for Protecting Article 9

Japan Asia Africa Latin America Solidarity Committee (AALA)

Japan Family Farmers Movement□NOUMINREN□

JAPAN PEACE COMMITTEE

National Coalition of Workers, Farmers and Consumers for Safe Food and Health, Japan (SHOKKENREN)

No! G8 Action

No to WTO/FTA Coalition

No-Vox Japan

Peoples' Plan Study Group (PPSG)

SPACE ALLIES

The New Communist Association for the Future

IN SOLIDARITY:

(list of organizations outside Japan who sign on)

Alliance of Progressive Labor, Philippines

Anti-Debt Coalition Indonesia (KAU)

Fisherfolk Movement-Philippines (Kilusang Mangingisda)

Focus on the Global South

Global Network Asia

Globalization Monitor, Hong Kong

Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions (HKCTU)

Indonesian Peasants Union (SPI)

Institute for Global Justice, Indonesia

Jubilee South - Asia/Pacific Movement on Debt and Development (JS-APMDD)

Korean Confederation of Trade Unions (KCTU)

Migrant Forum in Asia

Stop the New Round! Coalition, Philippines

Transnational Institute (TNI)

WALHI-Friends of the Earth Indonesia

Womyn's Agenda for Change, Cambodia

To endorse this call to action, please email [nag00562 nifty.ne.jp](mailto:nag00562@nifty.ne.jp)

February 20, 2008

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