

Sept. 4, 1987

I want to thank all of you for coming to Concord today out of concern for the violence which the Death Train inflicted on me last Tuesday. But, please remember that the same horror & much worse is happening everyday to the people in Central America.

I am grateful you are here today to demonstrate your concern for peace in Central America. I hope you will come back day after day after day after day to nonviolently block the trains & trucks carrying bombs & munitions to ships bound to Central America & other parts of the world . . . tomorrow, the next day & the next day & the next.

Come a day a week, a day a month, or as long as you can. As soon as I am able, I will be back on the tracks. Hopefully, we can get enough people to stop the arms shipments from Concord & then the blockades will spread throughout the rest of the country.

Despite your anger & outrage at what has happened, I ask you to express your opposition to this violence here on the tracks & in Central America nonviolently. We must confront violence with nonviolence. We all have to put our lives on the line for peace & justice - it does not have to be in front of a train. If we want peace, we can have it, but we are going to have to pay for it. Is there anything of higher value than peace & justice . . . a boat? a VCR? What is standing in the way of the journey to liberation with the people of the earth? We of the first world need to learn the lessons of the third-world - that justice is the foundation for peace.

This is the time to call for the creation of a peace force where people will work full-time to stop the arms race, consistent with President Eisenhower's statement: "I'd like to think that the people of the world want peace so much that the governments will have to get out of the way and let them have it." Every time those munitions trains go past us, some people are going to be killed or maimed. When we come to sincerely feel that the lives of those people are worth no less than our own lives, we become fully liberated.

We are talking about a nonviolent revolution - of our life-style & attitudes & values, so we can join the third world revolution for justice & stop the madness, greed, & war which comes out of the first world.

Our government can only continue its' wars with the cooperation of our people & that cooperation is with-out taxes & with our bodies. Our actions & expressions are what is needed, not our whispers & our quiet dinner conversation. Martin Luther King Jr. said: "An injustice anywhere is an injustice everywhere." When someone is hurting in El Salvador or Nicaragua, we are hurting too.

I never thought I would lose my legs here in the U.S, maybe while walking for peace in Nicaragua but not here. I hope everyone will search their hearts about what they can do to stop this madness. We each need to take responsibility. I want to call on everyone to speak out & act as strongly & powerfully & honestly & nonviolently as possible. Together we can stop these death trains & the horrible war in Central America.

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# CONCORD NAVAL WEAPONS STATION SUPPLIES THE BOMBING OF EL SALVADOR

Last year the Bay Area Pledge of Resistance began a series of requests through the Freedom of Information Act for information on Bay Area arms shipments to Central America.

Below are sections of the contract for June 10, 1985 shipment from Concord Naval Weapons Station to El Salvador, with \$6 million worth of bombs.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE		(1) PURCHASER (Name and Address) (Zip Code)		
(2) PURCHASER'S REFERENCE COMUSMILGP Msg		(3) CASE IDENTIFIER ES-D-ABH (63)		
		Government of El Salvador Office of the Armed Forces Attache 2308 California Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20008		
ITEM OR REF NO	ITEM DESCRIPTION <i>(Including Stock Number if applicable)</i>	QUANTITY	UNIT OF ISSUE	UNIT COST
001 ABO	(G5F)132500E485COM(1)(Y) <b>Bomb GP MK82 500 lb Test</b> NSN: 1325-00-460-1305 Class "A" Explosive QUP 6	1752	Ea	\$544.65
				Demolition bombs that have destroyed hundreds of villages in El Salvador.
006 ABT	(G5R)134000000H855(1)(N) <b>Warhead 2.75 WP M156</b> NSN: 1340-00-782-5848 Class "A" Explosive QUP 4	2,700	Ea	\$121.26
				White phosphorus rockets filled with a chemical that burns through people's flesh to their bones.
	q. NSN: 1325-00-111-8024 <b>Fuze Ext M1A1</b> J/P: 10 Class "A" Explosive QUP 4	1,760	Ea	\$ 8.86
				Fuze extenders attached to demolition bombs to increase bombing injuries by sending hot, jagged shrapnel in all directions.
003 ABO	(G1C)130500000A168(1)(N) <b>CTG 7.62 MM Link 9-1</b> NSN: 1305-00-152-3292 Class "C" Explosive QUP 1500	400	Ea	\$ .17
				Ammunition for a General Electric machine gun that fires 100 bullets a second. Mounted on helicopter gunships that pour machine gun fire into villages.
(21) ESTIMATED COST				\$ 5,691,386
(22) ESTIMATED PACKING, CRATING, AND HANDLING COST				\$ 199,199
(23) ESTIMATED GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS				\$ 170,742
(24) ESTIMATED CHARGES FOR SUPPLY SUPPORT ARRANGEMENT				\$ 0
(25) OTHER ESTIMATED COSTS <i>(Specify)</i> Asset Use: All Lines Trans: See Atch 3				56,914 \$ 276,193
(26) ESTIMATED TOTAL COSTS				<b>\$ 6,394,434</b>

four-year-old burned by white phosphorus in Guazapa. He later died.



Don North/Oxfam Canada

Over 60,000 people have been killed in El Salvador since 1980, the vast majority of them civilians killed by the government military and military-linked death squads. Since 1983 thousands of civilians have been killed by bombing attacks, hundreds of villages have been destroyed and hundreds of thousands of people have been driven from their homes.

Concord Naval Weapons Station ships millions of dollars of bombs for the bombing of El Salvador