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WINTER SOLDIER: IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN SCHEDULE

WHEN: Thursday March 13 to Sunday March 16

WHERE: National Labor College, 10000 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD (just outside of Washington, D.C.)

Thursday, March 13

3PM: Check In at Registration

5PM: Welcoming brief for IVAW and testifiers

6PM: Dinner

7PM: *Winter Soldier and the Legacy of GI Resistance*

This panel will examine the history of GI resistance during wartime, focusing on lessons from the Vietnam conflict. (Speakers: Barry Romo, Vietnam Veterans Against the War; David Cortright, author of *Soldiers in Revolt*; Tod Ensign, Director of Citizen Soldier and author of *America's Military Today*; Kelly Dougherty, executive director of IVAW)

Friday, March 14

7-8:30AM: Breakfast

8AM: Check In at Registration

9-10:45AM: *Rules of Engagement: Part One*

This panel will cover the killing and injuring of innocent civilians and unarmed combatants, as well as the destruction of the property, infrastructure and natural resources of Iraq and Afghanistan. (Speakers: Adam Kokesh, James Morriss, Jason Lemieux, Jason Hurd, Clifton Hicks, Steve Mortillo, Jose Vasquez, Michael Leduc, Jesse Hamilton)

11AM-12:30PM: *The Crisis in Veterans' Healthcare*

This panel will look at neglect and abuse of veterans and service members with regards to their mental and physical health. Testimonies will include accounts about the impact of an under-funded Veterans Administration, injured soldiers being forced back into combat

without fully recovering from their wounds, cases of the military's denial of mental healthcare for those suffering from post traumatic stress syndrome and exposure of service members to depleted uranium munitions and other hazardous materials. (Speakers: Martin Smith; Adrienne Kinne, IVAW member and worker in Veterans Administration; Eugene Martin, national organizer with American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO; Joyce & Kevin Lucey, parents of a son who committed suicide after being denied treatment for post traumatic stress syndrome; Zollie Goodman; Tod Ensign)

1-2PM: Lunch

2-3:30PM: *Corporate Pillaging and Military Contractors*

This panel will examine the government's use of private contractors to replace soldiers in U.S. military operations in Afghanistan and Iraq. Testimonies will include the role of corporations in the management of the occupations, and instances of waste, fraud and abuse involving private corporations. The panel will also examine the implications of U.S. tax dollars supporting private security forces, which are not bound by the rules of engagement. (Speakers: Jeremy Scahill, author of *Blackwater*; Antonia Juhasz, author of *A Game As Old As Empire and The Tyranny of Oil*, Luis Montalvan, Jason Lemieux, Kelly Dougherty)

4-6PM: *Rules of Engagement: Part Two*

(Speakers: Logan Laituri, Hart Vigés, Vincent Emanuele, Jason Washburn, Garret Reppenhagen, Sergio Kochergin, James Gilligan)

6-7PM: Dinner

7-8:30PM: *Aims of the Global War on Terror: the Political, Legal, and Economic Context of Iraq and Afghanistan*

This panel will explore the history of U.S. policy in Iraq and Afghanistan, the current strategic and economic goals of the occupations and the impact of both domestic and foreign policies associated with the "Global War on Terror." (Speakers: Anthony Arnove, author of *Iraq: The Logic of Withdrawal*; Michael Schwartz, author of forthcoming *War Without End: The Iraq War in Context*; Amy Goodman, host of Democracy Now radio and television show; Anita Foster)

8:45PM: Daily debriefing

9PM: Press Briefing

9:30PM: Entertainment -Warrior Writer, Sean Toure (Baltimore, Hip-Hop), Ryan Harvey (Baltimore, Folk), Son of Nun (Baltimore, Hip-Hop)

Saturday, March 15

7-8:30AM: Breakfast

8AM: Check In at Registration

9-10:30AM: *Divide To Conquer: Gender and Sexuality in the Military*

This panel will explore institutional policies of discrimination in the military and its impact on service members both on and off the battlefield. Testimonies will include the real impact of the military's Don't Ask Don't Tell policy; the effect of women's engagement on the front lines for the first time; and the perpetuation of racism within the military. (Speakers: Patty McCann, Jen Hogg, Nathan Peld, Abby Hiser, Margaret Martin, Tanya Austin, Chris Arendt)

11AM-1PM: *Racism and War: the Dehumanization of the Enemy: Part One*

This panel will expose torture, abuse, mishandling and mutilation of the dead, and other derogatory treatment of Iraqi and Afghan civilians. (Speakers: Mike Totten, Matthew Childers, Camilo Mejia, Jabbar MacGruder, Bryan Casler, Sam Lynch, Jeffrey Smith, Scott Ewing)

1-2PM: Lunch

2-3:30PM: *Racism and War: the Dehumanization of the Enemy: Part Two*

(Speakers: Dahlia Wasfi, Iraqi-American lecturer on Iraq; Christian Appy, author of *Patriots: The Vietnam War Remembered from All Sides*; Geoff Millard, Andrew Duffy, Mike Prysner, Liam Madden, Chris Arendt, Domingo Rosas)

4-6PM: *Civilian Testimony: The Cost of War in Iraq and Afghanistan*

This panel will combine prerecorded and in-person testimony presented by Afghan and Iraqi civilians. (Moderator: Dahr Jamail, photojournalist un-embedded in Iraq, Fernando Braga, Nesreen, Fahima Voergetz, Rahid Jarrar)

6-7PM: Dinner

7-8:30PM: *The Cost of the War at Home*

This panel will explore the impact of the war on the families of our troops. Testimonies will include the loss of jobs by our National Guard members and Reservists, and the overall social and economic impact of a new generation of thousands of war veterans on American life. (Speakers: Catherine Lutz, author of *Homefront: A Military City and the American 20th Century*; Fernando Suarez del Solar, Gold Star Families for Peace; Nancy Lessin, Military Families Speak Out; representative from U.S. Labor Against the War; Carlos Arredondo; Margaret Stevens; Brooks Sunket; Adrienne Kinne)

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10AM-1PM: *The Breakdown of the Military*

This panel will cover how war policy in Iraq and Afghanistan has led to a weakening of the U.S. military. Testimonies will include the lack of training and equipment for the troops, overuse of military personnel in multiple deployments and the record number of officer resignations. (Speakers: Kristofer Goldsmith, Daniel Fanning, Lars Ekstrom, Selena Coppa, Steve Mortillo, Luis Montalvan, Matt Howard)

1-2PM: Lunch

2-3:15PM: *The Future of GI Resistance*

This panel will analyze the spectrum of resistance within the military today and lay out IVAW's program to build a GI resistance movement. (Speakers: Camilo Mejia, conscientious objector and Board Chair of IVAW; Kelly Dougherty, Executive Director of IVAW; Phil Aliff, Ft. Drum IVAW chapter and Board member of IVAW; Jeff Englehardt; Ronn Cantu; Garret Reppenhagen; Jason Wallace)

3:30PM: Wrap-up, debriefing, closing

WINTER SOLDIER OFF-SITE VIEWING SCHEDULE

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