

Equality for minorities and women, a key struggle in the fightback.

## THE PURPOSE OF THE CONFERENCE

The Chicago Conference is a way of uniting the different struggles together into one people's fightback movement. Workshops and panels will discuss the fight against lay-offs, deportations, segregation, discrimination and police terror. Workshops on the fightback and women's rights, youth and the fightback, and building the fightback within the unions will be held.

The ruling class, big business and the labor misleaders have many means at their disposal to attack the movement, our strength is in our unity and organization. People from around the country have seen the need for one organization that can give leadership to the different struggles being fought around the country. At the Conference we will learn from each other's experiences and pool our knowledge, to build a fighting force that nothing can stop. Representatives from some of the most significant struggles around the country will address the Conference. The fight for democratic rights, building rank and file caucuses in the factories, the rights of the unemployed-these are just a few of the major discussions. Everyone's participation will be welcomed and help to give a clearer picture of how to fight against the whole system of exploitation, discrimination and oppression.

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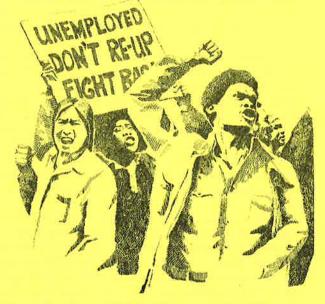
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# National Fightback Conference

**Jobs Or Income For All** 



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# **Call To The Conference**

Los Angeles: Members of the Los Angeles Labor Unity Organization and others were recently arrested during a protest at the U.S. Immigration Service. The arrests took place at a hearing for 500 Mexican workers, victims of the largest deportation round-up in history. In demanding freedom for the Mexican workers, the LALUO exposed the racist lie that foreign-born workers are the cause of unemployment. Under the banner of "JOBS, NOT WAR! MAKE THE BOSSES PAY!" they united workers of all nationalities to resist the attempt of the corporate giants and government to place the burden on the backs of the workers of ANY nationality.

Atlanta, Georgia: The Atlanta Workers Committee to Fight Back marched to the office of State Labor Commissioner Sam Caldwell, demanding payment of overdue unemployment checks and protesting red-tape and racism in the unemployment system. Their peaceful sit-in was brutally attacked by police after the Commissioner refused to meet with them. The Atlanta Workers Committee has opened an office in the heart of Atlanta to assist in unemployment appeals and to offer classes and meetings to build and organize the fightback movement.

Boston, Mass.: Workers United to Fight Back worked all summer to prepare for the reopening of schools this September, mobilizing people in both the white and Black communities against the racist segregationist movement and in defense of Black people's equal rights. This committee has built several large demonstrations under the banner: "STOP THE SEGREGATIONIST MOVEMENT—BUILD THE FIGHTBACK!" They have stood firm against all attempts to divide minority and white workers.



Wildcatting miners demonstrate for the right to strike in West Virginia.



... These are only a few examples of the growing movement of working and unemployed people all over the country who are fighting against the reactionary policies of government and big business. Their rallying cry:

JOBS OR INCOME NOW!
END DISCRIMINATION AGAINST
MINORITIES AND WOMEN!
STOP DEPORTATIONS!
JOBS, NOT WAR!
JOBS FOR YOUTH!
STOP POLICE AND KLAN TERROR!

The fightback movement is putting these solgans into action. The movement is fighting, not only against one company, one city government, or one politician, but against the WHOLE SYSTEM OF EXPLOITATION AND OPPRESSION CALLED IMPERIALISM. They are fighting side by side with working and oppressed people everywhere in the world.

This Christmas week, workers and unemployed people, from all over the U.S. will gather in Chicago on December 27 and 28. They will meet to forge plans for a co-ordinated fight back across the United States, against both the political and economic oppression we face. Out of this meeting will come a new national fightback organization, drawing together the struggles in all different cities into one strong organization.

#### JOBS FOR YOUTH!

Across the country young people are crying out for jobs. In the Black community, unemployment for people between ages 16 and 25 runs between 25% and 55%! Their search for jobs is met with police shootings, night-time curfews, school cut-backs, and drugs flowing freely into the communities.

At the National Fight Back Conference, JOBS FOR YOUTH and other issues of concern to young people will be the topic of workshop and panel duscussions to build the national drive for jobs and education.

# JOBS, NOT WAR!

We are not fighting alone. All over the world—in Asia, Africa, and Latin America—people are fighting against the big superpowers—the U.S. and the Soviet Union—for control of their own countries. The victory of the Vietnamese and Cambodian people against U.S. aggression, and the peoples of Mozambique against colonialism; and the solid unity of the Arab countries against both superpowers, are a testimony to this.

Both the U.S. and the USSR are trying to dominate the world. While they talk about peace, their arms race proves that they are preparing for war ... a war that won't be fought by Rockefeller or Kissinger—but by the sons and daughters of working people. They can't use us to get out of their crisis. We will not swallow their lie that the Arabs, or the Mexicans, or any other Third World country or people is the cause of the economic crisis. We demand:

### JOBS, NOT WAR! MAKE THE BOSSES PAY!



The people of Denver fight union busting attempts.

The American people are not holding back either. 80,000 miners wildcatting against company attacks and labor sell-outs in West Virginia and other states, expressed the sentiments of the majority of working people: "Hard times are fighting times!" "We've had enough!" The heroic stand of the United Farm Workers, continuing to build the union under police and vigilante attacks, and under the assault of the Teamster-Grower conspiracy, continues to be an inspiration with their cry: "Si se puede!—Yes it can be done!"