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# R E S I S T

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*Resistance to many forms of illegitimate authority is necessary to bring health to this country  
and make it a constructive force instead of a terror in the politics of nations.*

*—from A Call to Resist Illegitimate Authority*

August 19, 1980

Dear Friends,

We met at Louis' for the smallest of our summer meetings. Louis, Frank, and Dorothy were present. Enclosed is a packet describing late requests. Summer funds are on the low side, so we made the following small grants:

1. Orange County Peace Conversion Project -- \$100 to help support their anti-draft network.
2. Citizen Soldier -- \$100 toward the coding process of the Agent Orange questionnaire. Although its organizational disputes remain unclear, Citizen Soldier has done consistently good work in the past, and continues to undertake useful and necessary projects. We had much discussion about the disunity among veterans' groups, and expressed concern in our letter to Citizen Soldier. We will investigate these problems further.
3. Cruzada Nacional DE Alfabetizcion -- \$100 for the English version of a publication on oppression in Salvador. We will also recommend Monthly Review for assistance with translation.
4. CARASA --\$300 in three installments for general support and toward reprinting their sterilization pamphlet.
5. Optimedia -- \$100 to help with film production of "Didn't Take Low".
6. MERIP -- \$100 now to help with added costs of current anti-draft, anti-intervention campaigns, and encouragement to contact us again in a few months when our finances are better.
7. El Pueblo, Independent Bilingual Newspaper -- \$250 set aside, contingent on request for "Z" money, to help replace stolen office equipment.
8. Africa Research and Publications Project -- \$100 set aside pending information from other African groups about this organization's work, how effective its distribution is, etc.

#### REJECTIONS:

9. The Greater Portland Nuclear Referendum Committee, Inc. -- good work, though

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TONY AVIRGAN, EILEEN BISSON, FRANK BRODHEAD, BELL CHEVIGNY, JUDY CHOMSKY, NOAM CHOMSKY, UNA CLAFFEY, MARGERY DAVIES, DONNA FINN, NORM FRUCHTER, MITCHELL GOODMAN, KENNETH HALE, HILDE HEIN, ANDREW HIMES, FLORENCE HOWE, FRANK JOYCE, DONALD KALISH, LOUIS KAMPF, MADGE KAPLAN, MARY-LOUISE KEAN, HANS KONING, PAUL LAUTER, DOUGLAS MCCAY, RICHARD OHMANN, WAYNE O'NEIL, CARLOS OTERO, GRACE PALEY, CLAUDETTE PIPER, HENRY ROSEMONT, BOB ROSENTHAL, MICHELE RUSSELL, CAROLE SMITH, AMY SWERDLOW, JEAN TURNER, GEORGE VICKERS.

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has a single-issue focus and many potential contributors.

10. OCR Composition Center - Their ambitious typesetting project needs large sums of money. There are similar services around the country for the convenience of clients who are not close to Calif.

11. Fight bAck GI Project -- growing influence of the RCP in their literature. We will remind them again about their questionable rhetoric.

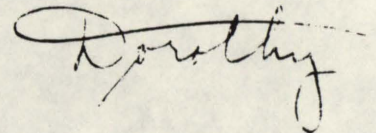
12. Women Make Movies--though we feel supportive, this is not a priority.

13. Nicaragua Film by Judith Camus -- work seems good, but our finances are low.

14. LENS -- We felt that we needed more information about their Seabrook film, such as their specific opinions about direct action and political views, technical competence, and plans for distribution.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE IN NEW YORK ON SEPT. 21ST.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dorothy". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed text "Best wishes,".



LATE GRANT REQUESTS CONSIDERED AT AUGUST MEETING:

Middle East Research and Information Project (MERIP) (NYC) -- would like \$500 to help finance anti-draft work and lessen the strain on magazine expenses.

Nicaragua Film -- Judith Camus, who works with the Nicaraguan Solidarity committee in Boston, would like help with the editing costs of her movie, "Women in Nicaragua".

El Pueblo, INdependent Bilingual Newspaper (San Antonio, TX) -- a self-sufficient monthly publication needs help to replace stolen office equipment.

LENS (Somerville, Ma.) -- would like \$455 for the release of a film on Seabrook activities. This is a newly-formed group working on its first project.

Africa Research and Publications Project (Trenton, NJ) -- a two year old organization providing information about African struggles, needs \$700 to produce a 68 page document, Western Sahara in Struggle, for distribution prior to the United Nations debate scheduled for late Sept.