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Sculptor Organizations for identification only. Seattle, October 5th, 1982

## Dear Friends.

Today, with the filing of the Articles of Incorporation in the State of Washington, the new phase of the Pacific Peacemaker Project was officially launched.

Enthusiastic supporters here on the U.S. Pacific coast, inspired by the Australian/New Zealand undertaking, have determined to build upon that groundwork in a new two-year Pacific Peacemaker Project during 1982-1984.

The statement of purpose of this project is as follows:

The purpose of the Pacific Peacemaker Project is to expand the awareness of people throughout the world of the consequences of the continuing nuclearization of the Pacific, to focus on the impact nuclear weapon proliferation has had and is continuing to have on the Pacific Peoples, and to work for the concept of a Nuclear Free Pacific as expressed by the Nuclear Free Pacific Conference of 1980.

In fulfillment of this purpose, the project will purchase the Pacific Peacemaker, and desires to promote a voyage of the vessel across the Pacific with the intention of visiting the Marshall Islands, Belau, the Soviet Union and Japan, such voyage to commence before June, 1983.

Australian Peacemaker supporters will readily recognize the current phase of this endeavour — the immediate pressing need for funds. Committee members here are distributing letters soliciting short term loans and membership shares in the project. A brochure outlining future plans is in process and a newly designed T-shirt is being distributed. The above logo has been designed for the Project by Seattle artist, Frank Fuji. A distinguished group of sponsors have endorsed the project.

It is with both inspiration from and gratitude to the Australian/ N.Z. shareholders and participants that we join hands around the Pacific in this on-going and urgent work. Indeed, our hope and resolve is to continue with the same creative persistance and clarity of purpose.

Josie Reichlin Seattle Administrator Pacific Peacemaker Project.

## FROM CONFRONTATION TO CO OPERATION

## THE WEST COAST USA AND BEYOND

Two months to the day from the Trident Blockade on the Hood Canal, Pacific Peacemaker was involved in a very different action with the U.S. Coastguard and the Navy.

We had left Port Townsend in Washington State on October 6th to begin a speaking tour of California. A severe gale was blowing down the straits of Juan de Fuca which gave the seven North American crew on board a quick taste of some of the less pleasant aspects of crossing an ocean.

It took seven days to reach California and on approaching the coast near San Francisco in very heavy fog, we came across a 65 tonne San Franciscan registered fishing vessel. We decided to follow the fishing boat which had radar and after a short while noticed it listing heavily. Steam and smoke began rising from its engine room and after it stopped, we carried out the dramatic rescue that Win Olive describes elsewhere in this newsletter. It seemed strange that it took the Navy and Coast Guard two and a half hours to reach a vessel in distress only 15 miles from the Golden Gate Bridge, yet they could mobilise 99 vessels two months previously to carry out their seizure of us and our boat during a legal, peaceful protest on Puget Sound.

We had been extremely busy during the months of August and September. lan Gaillard and Gai Longmuir had travelled through Oregon speaking about the Pacific issues and the Peacemaker's voyage. Win Olive had been to Canada to participate in the planning of future anti-Trident campaigns by people in Victoria and British Columbia, I had been closely involved with the organisation in Seattle that will take the Peacemaker on its voyage through the North Pacific next year, and in constant speaking engagements before a wide range of groups, covering the spectrum from the International Association of Machinist's Local at Boeing (who make cruise missiles and other nuclear warheads) to hundreds of school children at a Seattle school.

## TARGET SEATTLE

The school's nuclear awareness week, at which I spoke, was held as part of the activities of "Target Seattle" - billed as the first time ever that an entire city had organised to discuss the question of nuclear disarmament. The beginning of the week saw singer Holly Near give a marvellous concert where she spoke of her recent European tour. She reported

that in Stutgart she had joined a rally of 200,000 people in a large stadium and had seen among the crowd a contingent of people in uniform carrying a banner that said: NATO SOLDIERS AGAINST NUCLEAR WAR. "Target Seattle" finished with a large rally in the 60,000seat Kingdome in Seattle where the star of the evening was Australian Dr. Helen Caldicott and the centre-piece of the floor space was the still-beautiful main sail of Pacific Peacemaker. Among those who carried the sail into the dome was 82-vear old Sister Vincent de Paul from the Order of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace, the community which has cared for Pacific Peacemaker at its dock on Lake Washington and been very supportive of us all since we arrived here.

During "Target Seattle" week, opposing viewpoints on the question of nuclear war and disarmament were widely debated at many gatherings. Some heard the American ambassador to the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks which recently commenced in Geneva, and went away amazed that the man representing them at these vitally important negotiations appeared a bumbling fool and seemed to demonstrate the contempt of the Reagan Administration for real commitment to nuclear disarmament.

His performance - as someone commented later - leads one to think that concern by Americans about the threat from the Soviet Union can be nothing compared to the threat perceived by the Soviets. Especially at this time with Cruise and Pershing missiles shortly to be deployed in Europe in addition to the 25,000 to 30,000 nuclear warheads already aimed at the USSR, These Cruise and Pershing missiles will be able to reach their targets in the European regions of that country in 4-5 minutes a reality which must be particularly frightening when one has to negotiate with someone of the intellectual stature of Ambassador Rowny.

## **NEW SPONSORS**

Yet other Seattle residents attended the packed theatre where speakers had been organised by the Physicians for Social Responsibility. They heard John Mack, Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School and 1977-Pulitzer Prize winner, explain the view of children and young adults of impending nuclear holocaust, His research shows that children whose parents and friends are active in the peace and anti-war movements are the ones who generally see a future for themselves in contrast to the extremely pessimistic view taken by other children whose parents and friends do not become involved. Professor Mack has also agreed, along with many other prominent North Americans. to join the impressive list of sponsors for the next voyage of Pacific Peacemaker. The new group, which is now incorporated, has spent the period since the blockade creating their organisation and formulating their perspectives. The current crises in Belau and the Marshall Islands have made Micronesia, an area so clearly and directly under U.S. influence, the focus of attention for the next voyage. An invitation from Japan has placed Hiroshima on the Itinerary and hopes are high that appropriate arrangements will be made for a visit to the Soviet Union. And, throughout all activities, priority will be given to an explanation of the new dangers posed by the Trident and Counterforce.

## THE U.S. MOVEMENT

Our arrival in San Francisco saw us enter into the busiest schedule we have been involved with so far on Pacific Peacemaker. A very full seven days of meetings, media and lunches was highlighted by visits to nuclear installations and the arrival of six miles of warships for Navy Week. We have been to universities, schools, trade unions, political gatherings and churches. The movement we have seen here is typical of the massive mobilisation of the peace movement throughout the United States. with new groups forming in every conceivable place and around diverse professional interests. There are physicians, lawyers, clergy, performing artists, musicians, social scientists, teachers, psychoanalysts - and more, all organising to prevent nuclear war.

If there is one dark spot, it is the weak participation of the labour unions. I watched with a sense of dismay during Target Seattle as not one representive from the U.S. Trade Union movement spoke from any of the many rostrums. Yet the possibilities of much greater involvement are there, Indeed, such labour figures as William Winpisinger, International President of the Machinists and Aerospace Workers had been in town only days before. Winpisinger had found time in a busy schedule to discuss Pacific Peacemaker issues with me and his union did give active support to the organising of last June's million-strong rally in New York. But generally when Pacific Peacemaker speakers discuss the involvement of Australian and New Zealand Trade Unions in the peace movement and in Pacific Peacemaker itself, our American audience never fails to react with wonder and interest.

In three days we sail for Los Angeles and then to San Diego before starting the hard slog back up the coast during the winter gales to Seattle. There we will remain for a few days before going to Vancouver where we Australians will leave the boat to return home, arriving sometime in early December.

## **TOWARDS THE FUTURE**

It has been a difficult but very rewarding project, one which has had an impact not only in Australia and New Zealand but throughout the world. Articles about the Peacemaker have been headline news in Britain and the press in other European countries, including the Soviet Union, have mentioned the Peacemaker's journey and opposition to nuclear testing and arms. We have now addressed hundreds of organisations on Pacific issues and our literature has

reached well over a hundred thousand people directly. As we finish our long journey we can look back on a year:of many achievements, Of course, there have been some failures too. At times the unrelenting pressures have led to hastiness and confusion. Sometimes we have not all understood each other well enough. Sometimes we have found areas of real difference among us. But the important lesson to be drawn from the voyage is that we did find a way through most of the difficulties that confronted us and we are convinced that projects like the Peacemaker will continue to have an important educational function and are definitely a practical way of linking together people of diverse class and cultural backgrounds.

Now the boat — and the Peacemaker idea — is to continue on in other hands. We still have much to do in our own

region, closer to home. In both Australia and New Zealand, the peace movement is growing and as it does so it defines more clearly those questions whose solution will be real and constructive steps towards peace. Our own opposition to the presence of foreign bases and installations in our region has been clarified, our knowledge of the terrible effects of nuclear testing and dumping has increased and we understand better than ever before the terrible ramifications and end results of uranium mining. But the support for Pacific Peacemaker - so generous, so broad, so committed, convinces us that just as we know more about the problems, we also have great hopes for the solution; our rapidly-growing; ever-deepening peace movement!

> Bill Ethell San Francisco, California.

## BOOK A PACIFIC PEACEMAKER SPEAKER NOW FOR A REPORT BACK TO YOUR ORGANISATION

Bill Ethell, Win Olive, Ian Gaillard and Gai Longmuir will return to Australia in December. They, along with other crew members already here, will be available in N.S.W. and Victoria to address peace groups, church groups, community organisations, job meetings, schools etc. Already Lorraine Ethell has given talks and slide shows to Teacher's Associations, Action for World Development, Women's Peace groups, University Disarmament groups, political parties (Democrats, ALP, CPA), union job meetings (BWIU, WWF) and environmental groups.

USE OUR EXCITING SPEAKER FOR FUNDRAISING OR AS A LEAD-UP EVENT FOR THE MARCH 27 RALLY NEXT YEAR, RING DAVE WORTH — 264 5036 OR MARTHA ANSARA 818 1169.

# TRIDERT

Our leaflet on the TRIDENT submarine and its connection with the US Bases in Australia has been updated and rewritten. It now includes a section on ANZUS and discusses a new foreign policy for Australia — one that is independent and non-aligned.

Copies can be ordered from Pacific Peacemaker at 40c or 20c for bulk copies for groups.

West Coast crew Pacific Peacemaker: (I-r) Skip Cospito, Prof. Neuroanatomy UCLA; Ed Terdal, Blockader; Sister Josie Reichlin, Seattle Administrator, Pacific Peacemaker; Bill Ethell, Skipper; Win Olive, Australia; Mark Shurman, Blockader; Jeffrey Praether, Performing Artists for Nuclear Disarmament; Ian Gaillard, Australia; Alan MacHardy, USA,



## **PACIFIC NEWS**

# KWAJALEIN ATOLL —"OPERATION HOMECOMING"

For the last four months, up to 1000 Marshall Islanders from the tiny island of Ebeye, have been occupying their homelands of Kwajalein and other islands of Kwajalein Atoll.

Their historic protest, "Operation Homecoming", commenced on June 19. They have courageously persisted in the face of arrests, beatings, cutoffs of water and food, intimidation of islanders supporting the occupation, and a dearth of press coverage in the US and other international media.

The Kwajalein landowners and their families started their "sail-in" after many years of suffering intolerable living conditions on overcrowded, 66-acre Ebeye, where they were relocated in the 1960s to make way for the US Kwajalein Missile Range (KMR).

The 8,000 Ebeye residents have endured shocking housing, no local water supply, a totally inadequate sanitary system which has been blamed for severe health problems, and sub-standard schools, hospitals and other facilities.

Their environment and living conditions are in stark contrast to those of the American community on nearby Kwajalein Island, with their air-conditioning, abundant recreational facilities, plentiful food supplies, excellent hospital and schools, and many other amenities.

The Kwajalein islanders were protesting against the terms of the Compact of Free Association, signed in May between the Marshall Islands Government and the US Defence Department. The Compact granted the US 50 years use of Kwajalein and permanent military denial powers; proposed annual payments of \$US1.9 million (well below the current \$9 million yearly rent) and no provisions for past use compensation.

The landowners demanded that the 'military use' entitlement be restricted to 15 years, permanent resettlement of the mid-atoll corridor islands, guarantees of more and better jobs at the KMR, capital improvements on Ebeye and other islands, and adequate past use compensation.

Early in October, the Pentagon agreed to talk with the Kwajalein landowners — a clear indication that their "get tough" tactics to intimidate the people and end 'Operation Homecoming' had failed.

The highly important MX Missile is scheduled to commence testing at the

Missile Range next January, and Pentagon negotiators would obviously be nervous about any possibility of a delay or any interference with that project,

## **HOW YOU CAN HELP:**

 Send in US dollars money to help buy tents and tarps and other needed supplies. Make check payable to PCRC earmarked for Operation Homecoming:

> PCRC PO Box 27692 Honolulu, Hawaii 96827

 Send letters and cables to Colonel John Banks, Jr. to protest the searches of Marshallese and the confiscation of food and other items. This is a severe violation of basic human rights and personal privacy.

Colonel John Banks, Jr.
Commander, Kwajalein Missile Range
APO San Francisco, CA 96555

Send letters to the State Department supporting the Kwajalein landowners' demand that the U.S. stop testing missile delivery systems and allow its people to return to their home islands now.

Ambassador Fred Zeder Office for Micronesian Status Negotiations U.S. State Department Washington, DC

## PACIFIC TRADE UNION FORUM

The Second Pacific Trade Union Forum Conference was held in Noumea, New Caledonia on the 26-27th of September.

The idea for a conference of Pacific Trade Unions came from the Nuclear Free Pacific Conference in Hawaii in May 1980 (at which skipper Bill Ethell attended as a representative of the BWIU).

The main issues discussed at this second conference were the Nuclear-Free Pacific issues, Trade Union development and independence for New Caledonia, Intervention from outside the conference prevented it from attaining a consensus on united actions against French shipping. These actions would have been aimed at stopping the French atomic tests in the Pacific. This intervention was therefore not only in the interest of French commercial forces but also served those of the French Government.

The Australian representatives included Simon Crean, Junior Vice President of

the Australian Council of Trade Unions, John Halfpenny from the Amalgamated Metalworkers and Shipwrights Union (Aust's largest union) and Pat Clancy, Federal Secretary of the Building Workers Industrial Union. The New Zealand contingent included Bill Knox from the Federation of Labour (equivalent to our ACTU).

The Meeting of nearly 80 delegates from 13 Pacific countries and states ended on a positive note with them agreeing that the PTUF should continue in its present form. They agreed that it provides an excellent forum for informing each other of, and understanding the different issues that confront Trade Unionists in the Pacific, especially the issue of a Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific.

# 4th NUCLEAR-FREE & INDEPENDENT PACIFIC CONFERENCE

Vanuatu will be the venue for the 4th Nuclear-Free and Independent Pacific Conference (NFIP), to be held over 10 days in June 1983,

Previous conferences around the theme of a Nuclear-Free and Independent Pacific were held in Fiji in 1975, Ponape (Caroline Islands) in 1978, and the most significant to date — in Hawaii in May, 1980.

The 1980 Conference was a major step forward in strengthening the links between indigenous Pacific Islanders and peace/anti-nuclear activists in the Rim countries, such as Australia and the U.S. Also in strengthening the interconnection of the movement for a Nuclear-Free Pacific with the struggles of indigenous peoples throughout the region for land rights, self-determination and independence.

Since 1980, the movement for a Nuclear-Free AND Independent Pacific region has grown significantly. The Pacific Concerns Resource Centre (PCRC), which was established at the 1980 Conference has helped to develop communication networks, resource and information sharing throughout the region.

The PCRC has begun organisational preparations for the June 1983 NFIP Conference. Organisations throughout Australia will shortly be advised of plans to date, seeking their support and possible participation.

Further information may be obtained from: Beverley Symons, Australia-N.Z. Representative, PCRC Steering Committee, C/- P.O. Box A243, Sydney South 2000, Ph. (02) 30 3214,

## A FOGGY RESCUE

## THE TALE OF THE FISHING TRAWLER OLETA.

This is Pier 39, Dock J, Berth 5 — San Francisco, 14th October, 1982, and if the fog wasn't so dense, I'd be looking out over Alcatraz and the Golden Gate.

Just writing to tell you of a little adventure we had on the high seas, in case you might think that life on *Pacific Peacemaker* has been dull since the blockade,

We left Pt. Townsend for San Francisco on the 6th October, sailing most of the way well out to sea. On our second day we left the Straights of Juan De Fuca, passing Pt. Angeles and the beautiful snow capped mountains of the Olympics. I have seen them now on a few occasions and am continually impressed by their majestic beauty and can never get out of my mind that these Straights pass into the Hood Canal, home of the dreaded Trident — the most destructive weaponry ever devised.

It also comes to my mind that in my experience, the people who love the earth, the seas and the mountains, the skies and trees and the stars, and who are loving towards other people come out best in defending them against the nuclear arms race. This is because they are themselves continually renewed by "Their Mother, the Earth".

## Nearing San Francisco

There had been heavy weather before we left Port Townsend, and you could feel the icy winds off the fresh snows of Mt. Baker, the Cascade Mountains and the Olympics — the "Fall" as our American friends call it. But as is the way with nature, it gave way to calm seas and blue skies, and on some days we were on deck in beach gear, even stopping to swim with the dolphins on one occasion.

When we were 6 days out from Pt. Towsend, approaching Pt. Reyes only 40 miles from San Francisco, we had been 24 hours in heavy fog and very poor visibility. We hugged the coastline, moving cautiously with two of the crew constantly on bow watch. We could hear the fog signals from the Pt. Reyes lighthouse coming closer and closer, but we could not see the light. We had heard on the radio that a vessel had foundered on the reef there shortly beforehand.

Suddenly Al, who was on the bow, sprang up crying "surf", pointing to a white line emerging from the fog. You could see how the surf leaped high when the waves crashed over the rocks. As Bill turned the boat around, nearly on

our bow — surprisingly — was a small fishing trawler, the *Oleta*. We signalled to the lone fisherman on board, asking him to come in on the radio, and as he had radar and was familiar with those waters, he agreed to guide us through the fog.

Following the trawler through the fog, things seemed to be going smoothly. I went down to the chart room to do Yoga and was quietly standing on my head when I became aware that on deck, it had become anything but peaceful. I rushed up to find that the *Oleta* was listing badly — and was sinking! It was taking in water heavily and all systems had failed. The fisherman said it would be 30 minutes before it sank.

## To the Rescue

We lowered the dinghy. Bill and lan went over, boarded the Oleta and took stock of the damage. Meanwhile, on board Pacific Peacemaker we alerted the Coast Guard. They advised that their helicopter would take 45 minutes to arrive from San Francisco, and that the repair ship U.S.S. Hector would come to the rescue but that it would take 2½ hours,

On board the Oleta, they could hear the water running into the now inaccessible engine room. Combustible and poisonous fumes were present from the batteries. After assessing the situation, Bill brought Pacific Peacemaker along side and with the whole crew bailing with 5 gallon buckets, we managed to maintain the water level at a safe limit. Meanwhile we kept on the radio to the Coast Guard helicopter. Although we had given them a position, it was hard for them to locate us in the fog. Hearing their engine nearby, we let off a flare

NON A LA BOMBE EN POLYNESIE and shortly after, they came in close enough to drop a portable pump which was soon in operation. We then pumped the engine room dry and stopped the leak, standing by the boat until the 585 ft. Naval ship *Hector* arrived as darkness drew in.

It was quite a different atmosphere aboard *Pacific Peacemaker* from that of the blockade. And we heard some of the 800 crew of the Hector shouting through the fog, "It's *Pacific Peacemaker!*" and we could hear discussions about the Peacemaker and the Trident, *U.S.S. Ohio.* 

During the 20 minutes it took the *Hector* to lower its boat, we commented among ourselves on the fact that 99 Coastguard and Naval vessels had been mobilised to smash the peaceful protest on the Hood Canal exactly two months before — but now they were clearly scratching around for rescue vessels.

## Arrival

We then followed the *U.S.S. Hector* back to San Francisco with the *Oleta* in its tow. In thick fog, on the morning of 14th October at 4.10 a.m., we passed under the famous Golden Gate — which wasn't so spectacular at that time. A different entry to San Francisco than we had planned, but we were all glad that we had been there at the right time for the *Oleta*.

I have been impressed with the fact that so many of the Naval people and Coast Guard have talked to us in a friendly way. Like us they have suffered so sadly from deprivation of knowledge about the Nuclear Arms Race, and seek a solution. From discussions, some appear to have quite an admiration for Pacific Peacemaker and I hope it will not be too long before they join the peaceful peoples.

With Gai Longmuir in the office in Seattle, Bill Ethell, Ian Gaillard and myself are the only Australian now aboard Pacific Peacemaker on this tour down the West Coast, Josie Reichlin of the Sisters of St. Joseph and others involved in the purchase of the boat are also on board. We have all made many dear friends here in the United States and it is satisfying to know that Pacific Peacemaker will be in good hands for its further journeys to Belau, the Marshall Islands and other places in the Pacific - to become part of the fulfillment of our dearest dream: A NUCLEAR FREE PACIFIC.

Win Olive Pacific Peacemaker, San Francisco.

## **PEACE AWARD**

## **NEWCASTLE PEACE FORUM HONOURS PACIFIC** PEACEMAKER

On Friday October 22 at the Peggy Hill Memorial dinner organised by the Newcastle Peace Forum, both the Bishop of Newcastle and Pacific Peacemaker were honoured in the presentation of two magnificent plaques by the mayor of Newcastle Joy Cummins.

The annual dinner commemorates the work of Peggy Hill, a tireless campaigner for Peace and remembered with great affection by many Newcastle identities for her humour and courage.

Each year her family has asked the Peace Forum to select people to honour for their work in the Peace Movement during the previous year. Bishop Holland was selected for his great work in drawing together people of different persuasions under the umbrella of campaigning for Peace and for his courage in speaking out publically supporting the Peace Forum and the campaign against nuclear weapons.

Lorraine Ethell accepted the magnificent gold framed porcelain plaque on behalf of Pacific Peacemaker and gave a graphic report of the journey to Peacemaker's steadfast Newcastle supporters.

Bill Bodenham (who with Eddie Seymour is the joint secretary of the Peace Forum) remembered how just a year ago Peacemaker arrived in Newcastle with her engine broken down, towed by a coastguard cutter and how he wondered whether we would make it back to Sydney let alone across the Pacific. But the work put into repairing the engine then was just the beginning of a year of tremendous support from the Trade Unions and many individual organisations of Newcastle who helped make the voyage as successful as it was, Thank you Newcastle, Thank you Peace Forum. Keep up the good work.



TRANSITION NEWSLETTER: A JOINT VENTURE

With this last issue of the Australian Newsletter be begin the first of our bi-monthly publications.

Thus, the first 6 pages of this newsletter originated in the Australian Project Office and the additional last two, dated December, begin our publishing here.

We are happy to send this combination edition because we value the history and roots of this project. Indeed, it adds the needed global flavor to our hopes and endeavors.

With this mailing is included a Newsletter subscription form. If you have not yet subscribed, now is your special opportunity to respond.

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## PEACEMAKER FILM

## PEACEMAKER FILM: THE NEXT IMPORTANT PEACEMAKER INITIATIVE

The filming of Pacific Peacemaker's epic journey of resistance to nuclear weapons, in particular the Trident submarine and all its ramifications concluded with the blockade on the Hood Canal, the arrest of one of our camerapeople, John Kirk and our coverage of that extremely tense period immediately afterwards.

Now as I prepare the footage for editing, it is a remarkable experience to relive the journey yet again, to see the impact of Pacific Peacemaker in the different ports of call and to remember the many obstacles that were overcome to make this protest the success it was. This is an experience people throughout the world will be able to share when the film is completed and distributed in the New Year.

The Voyage of the Pacific Peacemaker was an inspiration to thousands of men. women and children throughout the Pacific who came directly in touch with the journey, to those that passionately helped Peacemaker on her way and the many more who read about her exploits or saw them on television, It was unquestionably an effective journey, directly bringing about the establishment of many nuclear free zones, distributing facts on the nuclear issue so often hidden from the public and in New Zealand leading to a Parliamentary debate which saw a motion to declare the entire country a nuclear free zone defeated by only one vote.

Through the film we intend to keep alive that inspiration, that educational process, that impact on the political debate. The campaign against the Trident and Nuclear Weapons has in so many ways just begun and this film will be an extremely useful tool in that continuing campaign.

At this stage I am selecting from our Super-8 footage and footage obtained from our souces (Visnews, CBS, American Television Stations and New Zealand Television) footage to be transferred to videotape for final editing and then television release. From the videotape 16mm prints will be made for distribution. Fortunately a number of people have supported us to date, but the cost of videotape, studios etc is high and further funds are required to raise our entire budget.

Equally fortunately however the film is registered with the Department of Home Affairs and qualifies for the 150% tax deduction available to investors in Australian films. Because the film will be finished easily by June if the money is available, an investor now would receive their deduction in just eight months time. If you are interested in continuing the voyage and work of the Pacific Peacemaker please tell your friends about the film, and with them write to P.O. Box 642, Crows Nest, N.S.W. 2065,

> **Dave Roberts** Film Director/Producer.

## PACIFIC PEACEMAKER SLIDE SHOW

The Pacific Peacemaker Project was initiated in part as an educational project through which information on Pacific concerns could be distributed. As part of the Project's outreach, two slide shows are available. The first, developed by Gai Longmuir of the Australian crew, deals with the first trans-Pacific voyage of the Pacific Peacemaker. The second, which was acquired from the Nuclear Free Pacific office in San Francisco, provides an introduction to the areas to which the boat will be visiting next year, and the effects of continued nuclear testing on those areas.

Committee members have presented these slide shows throughout the Pacific Northwest at the invitation of various organizations and private citizens. If you are interested in showing either or both slide shows please call 324-2342.

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THE PACIFIC PEACEMAKER NEEDS YOUR HELP TO CONTINUE DRAWING ATTENTION TO THE IMPACT THE ARMS RACE IS HAVING ON THE PEOPLE OF THE PACIFIC.

The original constitution of the Pacific Peacemaker calls for those who have shares in the Peacemaker project to be reimbursed by the end of 1982, either through outright sale of the boat, or through the financing of a second voyage. The Pacific Peacemaker Committee, centered in Seattle, Washington, needs your help to continue this work.

To continue the Peacemaker Project, we need to raise U.S. \$100,000. We are attempting to do this in the following ways:

SHORT-TERM LOANS - We are asking those who are interested in seeing the Pacific Peacemaker make a second voyage, and who can afford it, to consider making a 6 or 8 month non-interest bearing loan in the sum of \$1,000 or more. The loans would be repaid from contributions received for symbolic share memberships.

SYMBOLIC SHARE MEMBERSHIPS — Memberships in the Pacific Peacemaker project are available now for U.S. \$250 and entitle the contributor to a membership certificate and copies of the Project Newsletter and constitution. It is anticipated that at the end of the project the boat will be sold and symbolic share members will receive a per share reimbursement of up to U.S. \$250.

DONATIONS - Loans and memberships cover only the purchase of the boat. To keep the project going we need donations in any amount to cover ongoing expenses.

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTIONS - As an educational arm of the project, the Peacemaker Committee plans to publish a newsletter at regular intervals. Included in the newsletter will be background on the areas the Peacemaker plans to visit, and other articles of general interest.

T-SHIRTS - Cotton T-shirts, with the Pacific Peacemaker in blue, yellow and green on the front and a map showing its first and projected second voyages on the back, are available now for U.S. \$8. Please state your size when ordering.

NUCLEAR WEAPON FREE ZONE CERTIFICATES: Originating in New Zealand, this is the beginning of a grassroots campaign to assert our right to declare our own homes and work places Nuclear Weapon Free Zones. Order in lots of 10 for \$10.

## YOUR HELP INSURES THAT THE PACIFIC PEACEMAKER'S WORK WILL CONTINUE.

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THE PACIFIC PEACEMAKER LEFT AUSTRALIA FOR SEATTLE, WASHINGTON ON December 28, 1981 to protest the Trident nuclear weapons system. The Peacemaker was funded by trade unions, churches, peace groups and individuals throughout Australia and New Zealand (Aeotearoa). Launched in August of 1981 by the Australian Council of Trade Union President, the project has generated widespread media coverage against Trident, nuclear weapons, and the plight of the Pacific peoples subject to nuclear testing and seizure of lands for military purposes.

Pacific Peacemaker arrived in the United States and became one of the two flagships in the August 12, 1982 Peace Blockade of the first Trident submarine as it entered the waters of Puget Sound on its way to its home port at Bangor, Washington, an action that served to draw worldwide attention to the United States' role in the continuing escalation of the arms race.

THERE IS MORE WORK TO BE DONE

## IN MICRONESIA:

Within an ocean area the size of the United States, the land mass represented by the Micronesian Islands approximates the state of Rhode Island. It is this land mass that has been the site of 180 nuclear test blasts in the last 35 years. The indigenous people of this area suffer from what is believed to be the highest per capita incidence of leukemia in the world.

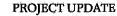
## IN THE REPUBLIC OF BELAU:

In July, 1979 the people of the Republic of Belau, located between New Guinea and the Republic of the Philippines, by a majority of 92%, ratified a constitution based on the Constitution of the United States, but including the provision that Belau would be a nuclear free republic. Within weeks, the United States declared this document null and void and set up a committee to write a new constitution without the nuclear free clause. When sent to the general public for ratification, this second constitution was rejected by an 80% margin. A nuclear free constitution was ratified and put into effect in 1980. United States' response has been to ignore this Constitution, continue construction of military installations on the island and to press for ratification of a U.S.-Belau treaty that would allow for deployment of nuclear weapons on Belau.

## IN THE MARSHALL ISLANDS:

2500 miles southwest of Hawaii some 1000 Marshall Islanders are "occupying" up to 8 islands in the Kwajalein Atoll in response to the forced relocation of Marshall Islanders to inadequate camps, and the use of their land by the U.S. military as a primary target for incoming ballistic missiles fired from California. Testing of the MX missile system on Kwajalein Atoll is tentatively planned to begin early in 1983.

THE PACIFIC PEACEMAKER PLANS TO SAIL TO THE SOUTH PACIFIC NEXT SPRING, stopping at the Marshall Islands and Belau to focus attention on the impact of nuclear weapons testing and deployment on the people and environment of the South Pacific. From there the boat will sail to Japan, where it has been invited to participate in the Atomic and Hydrogen Bomb Conference at Hiroshima in August, 1983. Further plans call for research into the possibility of visits to a Soviet port city and the Aleutian Islands.



Mary Carbray,

Because of severe storms off the California coast in November, the *Pacific Peacemaker* is now moored in San Diego and will remain there for the winter months. Ted Phillips, the skipper of the *Lizard of Woz*, is currently caring for the boat there with the help of a growing support group.

The Peacemaker Project has recently received certification of Incorporation from the State of Washington. Our newly formed board is now engaged in negotiations for the transfer of the *Pacific Peacemaker* and Pacific Peacemaker Project.

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