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PROTECT KAHO'OLAWE 'OHANA

March, 1982

THE 'OHANA INTRODUCES THE FRIENDS OF KAHO'OLAWE

There has been some confusion regarding the existence of both the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana and the Friends of Kaho'olawe. Are they the same group? competing groups? different groups? This, then, is an explanation of how the two groups came to be.

In late 1981, the 'Ohana began its planning for the protest against the use of Kaho'olawe as a RIMPAC bombing target. Realizing that it was an issue that affected many other groups - from those who were interested in the de-militarization and de-nuclearization of the Pacific to groups interested in saving the whales - we called together representatives of these groups and asked if they would like to join our protest of the use of Kaho'olawe as a RIMPAC target and the further desecration of that sacred place.

Following a small initial meeting, the idea of a coalition involving more groups and individuals took hold and grew. The Friends have been a supportive group and the 'Ohana is pleased to have been a part of its formation and existence.

The 'Ohana, as well as the other groups and individuals involved in The Friends, maintain their autonomy and continue their major fields of work apart from their assistance with this RIMPAC issue. So, too, the 'Ohana continues to mount a separate opposition to the RIMPAC exercises on Kaho'olawe.

From its beginning, the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana has regarded the military use of Kaho'olawe for training and bombing as outright acts of desecration and disrespect for the host people of Hawai'i. These acts of desecration and disrespect will be intensified with the advent of RIMPAC 1982, when the United States invites its allies to play war on and around Kaho'olawe.

Tyrants will concede nothing unless a demand is made. The 'Ohana has made its demand and continues to demand that the bombing be stopped. As stewards of Kaho'olawe we must do everything to bring justice to our 'Aina and to our people. The use of Kaho'olawe as a RIMPAC target must be stopped!

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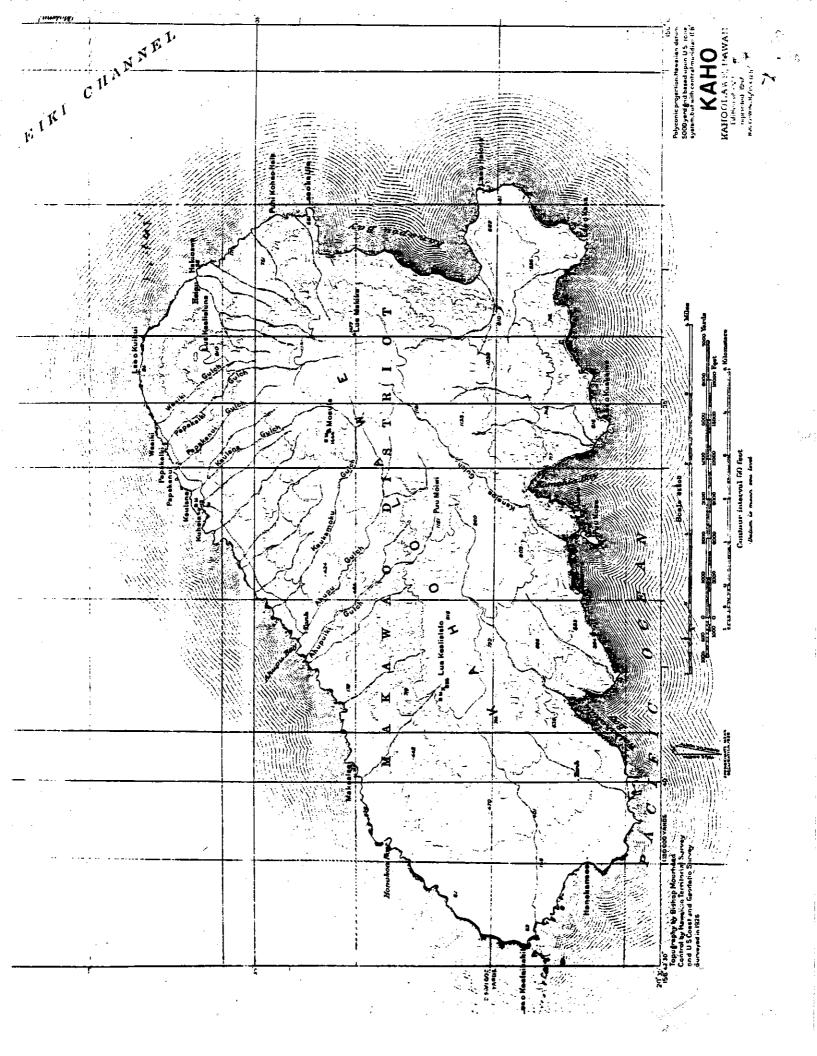
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FRIENDS OF KAHO'OLAWE

Kaho'olawe: Sacred Hawaiian Island Under Attack!

March 18, 1981

ENTIRE ISLAND OF KAHO'OLAWE PLACED ON NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

April, 1982

KAHO'OLAWE TO BE USED AS BOMBING TARGET IN RIMPAC '82 MILITARY TRAINING EXERCISES BY UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND AND JAPAN!

What Is RIMPAC?

RIMPAC stands for both the nations which rim the Pacific and the large-scale military training exercise sponsored by the United States in which these nations participate. Beginning in 1971, the United States has invited the nations of Australia, New Zealand, Canada and since 1980 Japan to participate in this joint military training exercise which has included the bombing of Kaho'olawe, one of the eight major islands of Hawai'i.

The size of the RIMPAC exercise is awesome. In 1978 it included the nuclear aircraft carrier USS Enterprise and 41 other warships, 255 military planes and 22,000 personnel. In 1980 it included 41 naval ships, 200 aircraft and 20,000 men.

Intensive, RIMPAC lasts nearly one month and integrates a variety of actions, including ship-to-shore shelling, anti-submarine, torpedo and counter vessel actions, as well as jamming of "enemy" intelligence actions.

The Friends Of Kaho'olawe Oppose RIMPAC

The Friends of Kaho'olawe is a coalition of individuals and organizations in Hawai'i brought together by the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana in late 1981 to assist in the protection of Kaho'olawe by opposing the use of Kaho'olawe as a RIMPAC target. In addition to the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana, which has been the native Hawaiian grassroots "family" leading the movement to protect Kaho'olawe, the Friends includes such groups as the Pacific Concerns Resource Center (PCRC) which is dedicated to making the Pacific nuclear free and independent and Greenpeace which is dedicated to preserving the habitat of sea animals and other enviornmental issues.

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At the core of the protest of the RIMPAC exercises is the belief in the sanctity of the 'Āina (the Land) because it is a gift and that the use of Kaho'olawe as a bombing target is an act of desecration. The bombing of Kaho'olawe is contrary to the concept of "ALOHA 'AINA" (LOVE THE LAND) which has real meaning to the people of Hawai'i. Within the concept of "Aloha" are the related ideals of care, respect, protection, sacrifice, preservation, patience, life, love, and Akua; therefore, to love the land is not an empty directive, especially when one considers the importance of the Land—she is the mother of us all, nurturing our bodies and our spirits.

The will of the People of Hawai'i has been expressed numerous times through the passage of six resolutions by both Houses of the State Legislature calling for the halt of the use of Kaho'o-lawe as a target and the return of the island to the People of Hawai'i. This will has been consistently ignored by the U. S. Navy. The contradictory actions of the United States is best demonstrated by the following facts:

The U. S. Navy, as a result of the 'Ohana suit against the Navy, was forced to comply with Federal laws and made a survey of the entire island of Kaho'olawe and found 544 archaeological sites which include adze quarries, petroglyph clusters, fishing shrines, temples, habitation structures, and burial sites, which together illustrate the detailed and complex record of nearly 1,000 years of occupation by the Hawaiian people. As a result of this survey, the entire island of Kaho'olawe was nominated to and on March 18, 1981 was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. What this means is that the Navy is definitely aware of Kaho'olawe's significance; its own archaeologists have found the 544 sites. YET, THE NAVY CONTINUES TO BOMB KAHO'OLAWE. In fact, the path of the shells go right over Ahupu which is the site of one of richest petroglyph fields in all of Hawai'i.

The Friends, supportive of the efforts of the 'Ohana to STOP THE BOMBING OF KAHO'OLAWE! has adopted and organized its effort around the following 'Ohana goals:

Goals Of The Friends

- To stop the use of Kaho'olawe as a RIMPAC target.
- 2. To challenge the United States' claimed "ownership" and continued abuse of Kaho'olawe and other parts of Hawai'i, e.g., Pohakuloa, Makua Valley, Barking Sands, in light of the illegality of its conduct dating from the military coup plotted and carried out against Hawai'i in 1893, and the continuing conspiracy to keep Hawai'i for its own national interests.
- 3. To challenge the United States' invitation to other foreign countries to desecrate our 'Aina with their war games.
- 4. To educate the public and decision makers about the significance of Kaho'olawe as a cultural, spiritual, historical, and archaeological treasure.
- 5. To remind the People of Hawai'i of their responsibility to protect and preserve not only the 'Aina, but also the traditions and culture of the host people of Hawai'i.

- 6. To raise public protest against the RIMPAC exercise and the continued desecration of Hawai'i, of which Kaho'olawe is a part.
- 7. To inform the public that Kaho'olawe is not an isolated act of imperialism and aggression, but part of a network of such actions in the Pacific, Carribbean and other parts of the world.
- 8. To draw together all of the native groups which are struggling against the same or similar kinds of assaults; and to coordinate with groups in general even from other affected nations in arousing their support and protest.
- 9. To remind the public that RIMPAC is just a part of the increased militarization that is already affecting the lives and futures of the world's peoples.
- 10. To prove that grassroots people can make a difference and that we can impact upon the socio-political processes locally, nationally and internationally.

What We're Doing

Our major actions include the following:

- 1. PETITION SIGNING: Included with this Fact Sheet is the petition we are circulating in Hawaii, Japan, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the United States and other Pacific Nations. Our aim in collecting these signatures is twofold: First, to clearly state the individual's opposition to the use of Kaho'olawe as a RIMPAC target and second, as a method of informing the public that Kaho'olawe is still being bombed.
- 2. PASSAGE OF RESOLUTION CONDEMNING THE USE OF KAHO'OLAWE AS A RIMPAC TARGET: Both Houses of the Hawaii State Legislature are working on resolutions, individual and a concurrent resolution, condemning the use of Kaho'olawe as a RIMPAC target. The Senate hearing on this resolution is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9, 1982 at 1:00 P.M. in Senate Room 3 on the second floor of the State Capitol. Public testimony will be taken and all testimony must be received by Senator Kobayashi's office (Room 219, Capitol) 24 hours before the hearing; 25 copies of your testimony must be supplied. This is an opportunity for our legislators to hear of the experiences and love the people have for Kaho'olawe.
- 3. <u>WRITING LETTERS OF PROTEST</u>: We are in the process of writing letters to key government officials, elected and appointed, in Hawai'i, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and the United States.
- 4. SPEAKING TO INTERESTED GROUPS: There is no substitute for human contact. Much of our emphasis has been on speaking to people: students at Kahuku High School, University students, Hawaiian civic clubs, church groups, etc. We have a slide show and a video program on the significance of Kaho'olawe and the impact of the RIMPAC exercise. Arrangements for speakers and showing of the slide show and video tape can be made by calling:

Puanani Burgess Sandy Galazin Kawehi Kanui-Gill 947-4946 538-3522

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- 6. PUBLIC PROGRAMS AND DEMONSTRATIONS: Two rallies have been planned to date:
 - ---March 6, 1982, Saturday, 11 a.m. 5 p.m. at the Iolani Palace grounds: The Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana looks back to its source in a program dedicated to the remembrance of George Helm and Kimo Mitchell and their legacy in the struggle to protect Kaho'olawe. Through music, dance and words, we'll look at the beginnings of the Protect Kaho'olawe 'Ohana and its efforts to protect Kaho'olawe. We'll also examine the impact the scheduled RIMPAC '82 exercises will have on Kaho'olawe.
 - ---March 20, 1982, Saturday, 10:30 12:30 on the Iolani Palace grounds, the Friends of Kaho'olawe will sponsor a rally focusing on RIMPAC and uniting other Pacific and Third World struggles.

Can You Help?

The following is a list of ways in which we hope you can kokua Kaho'olawe. If you can think of other ways, the help will be appreciated:

- 1. PETITION SIGNING: For those of you who are receiving this Fact Sheet through the mail, you will also receive copies of our petition. Please, reproduce this sheet if you need more, and have them completed and sent to us; we are accepting the petitions through the end of April, 1982. For those who receive this fact sheet through a member of the Friends, please, ask that person for petitions, have them signed and sent to us.
- 2. PUBLIC TESTIMONY AT LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS: As mentioned above, the State Senate will be conducting its hearing on the resolution condemning the use of Kaho'olawe as a RIMPAC target and calling for the return of the island to the People of Hawaii, on Tuesday, March 9, 1982 at 1:00 p.m., Senate Room 3 on the second floor of the State Capitol. Every person who has somehow been touched by Kaho'olawe has a responsibility to protect that precious place and now is the time to do it. Copies of the resolution can be obtained through Senator Kobayashi's office or through a Friends member.
- 3. WRITE LETTERS OF PROTEST TO THE FOLLOWING KEY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS:

United States of America:

Vice Admiral William P. Lawrence Commander Third Fleet Pearl Harbor, Hawaii 96860

John F. Lehman Secretary of the Navy The Pentagon, Rm. 4E 710 Washington, D. C. 20301 Admiral Robert Long Commander in Chief of the Pacific Camp Smith, Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Casper Weinberger Secretary of Defense The Pentagon Washington, D. C. 20301

President Ronald Reagan The White House Washington, D. C.

Australia

Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser Parliament House Canberra, ACT 2600 Australia Mr. Jim Killen Minister for Defense Parliament House Canberra, ACT 2600 Australia

New Zealand

Right Honorable R. D. Muldoon Prime Minister Private Bag Wellington, New Zealand Mr. David Thomson Minister of Defense Private Bag Wellington, New Zealand

Canada_

Right Honorable Pierre Trudeau Prime Minister of Canada House of Commons, Rm 309-S Ottawa, Ontario Canada KlA OA6 Honorable Giles Lamontagne Minister of National Defense House of Commons, Room 312-WB Ottawa, Ontario Canada WIA OA6

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For those of you who are citizens of non-RIMPAC countries, please, write your letters of protest to the United States officials with copies to your head of state. Please send us copies of all letters.

- 4. WRITE LETTERS OF PROTEST TO THE EDITOR OF YOUR LOCAL NEWSPAPERS WITH COPIES TO THE FRIENDS OF KAHO'OLAWE. Also, please send us the clippings of the actual editorial.
- 5. WRITE LETTERS IN SUPPORT TO THE FRIENDS OF KAHO OLAWE.
- 6. IS THERE INTEREST WITHIN YOUR GROUP TO DO A RIMPAC PROTEST ACTION? If so, please inform us of the name of your national/regional/group contact is and how they can be reached by telephone, telex, cable address and mailing address. We can

cable you more precise information as to when RIMPAC will begin as soon as we know; usually, public notice of the exercise is not released by the Navy until 48 hours before its commencement.

7. INVITE A SPEAKER TO YOUR GROUP'S MEETING: Please call one of the members listed above to arrange for a speaker and/or showing of the slide show and video program.

Copies of the video tape are available

in New Zealand: I

PPANAC P. O. Box 61140

Otara, Aukland, New Zealand

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Two major limitations of the use of the video program are language (only in English) and the video system which is a U. S. system, 3/4 inch tape. However some universities have the necessary equipment.

8. SEND US ANY INFORMATION YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT RIMPAC.

Can We Help You?

Kokua and Aloha are reciprocal. If there is anything we can do to assist your struggle or demonstrate our support, please, contact us.

We end this communication between us with a Song for Kaho'olawe written by Uncle Harry Mitchell.

Mele o Kaho'olawe

Song of Kaho'olawe

Aloha ku'u moku o Kaho'olawe Mai kinohi kou inoa 'o Kanaloa, Ko hema lamalama, Lau kanaka'ole Hiki mai na pua E ho'omalu mai. Alu like kakou lahui Hawai'i, Mai ka la hiki mai i ka la a'e, Ku pa'a a hahai, Ho'ikaika na kanaka, Kau li'i makou, Nui kealoha no ka 'aina. Hanohano na pua O Hui Ala Loa/O Hawai'i nei No ke kaua kauholo Me ka aupuni, Pa'a pu ka mana'o No ka pono o ka 'aina, lmua na pua, Lanakila Kaho'olawel lmua na pua, Lanakila Kaho olawel

Love my island of Kaho'olawe, From the beginning your name was Kanalo You are the southern beacon. Barren and without population Until you were invaded by nine young men Who granted you peace. Let us band together people of Hawai'i From sun up to sun down, Stand together and follow, Be strong young people, We are but a few in number, But our love for the land is unlimited. Popular are the young people Of Hui Ala Loa/Of Hawai'i nei For the civil strife Caused against the government, Together in one thought To bring prosperity to the land, Go forward young people, And bring salvation to Kaho'olawel Go forward young people, And bring salvation to Kaho olawel

---ALOHA AINA!-