

The "Gulf War" 20 Years Later

Visibility action marking 20 years of U.S. war on Iraq

Friday, January 14, 2011 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

SW 3rd and Madison, (by Terry Schrunk Plaza) Portland

Portland peace activists will remember the commencement of the first U.S. attack on Iraq, and connect the 43-day bombing and ground campaign which began January 16, 1991 to the current U.S. occupation of Iraq, now nearing the end of its 8th year. Demonstrators will line the sidewalks near the Federal Building from 4:30 to 5:30 PM, when a sidewalk march across the Hawthorne Bridge will begin. Sanctions imposed on Iraq in August, 1990 were in place until the March, 2003 invasion and devastated the country, including the estimated deaths of over 1 million people, many of them children under 5, by bombing and lack of food, clean water and medicine. Since 2003, hundreds of thousands more Iragis have died, and nearly 4500 Americans. By remembering the beginning of the war we hope to bring an end to it, calling for all the troops to come home now.



Sidewalk march over the Hawthorne Bridge @5:30 DRESS FOR WEATHER; BRING A FLASHLIGHT

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