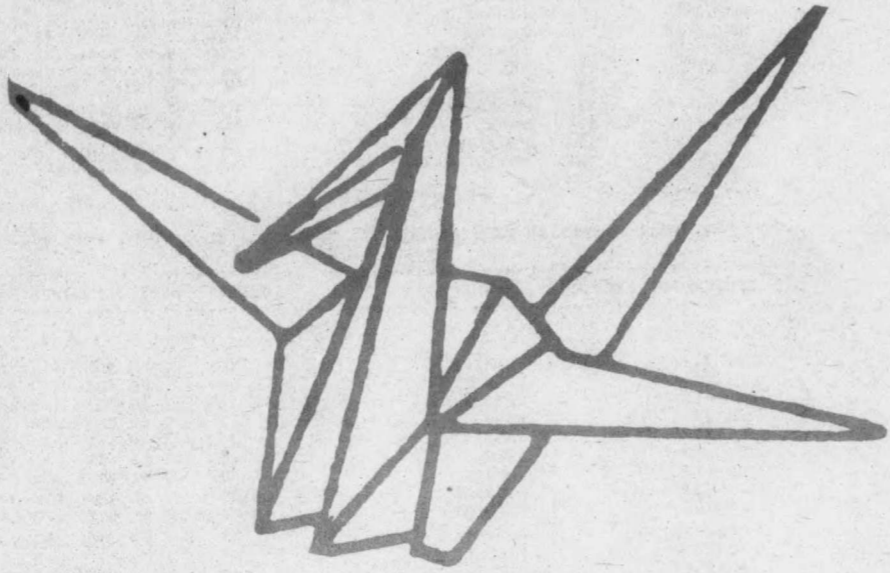


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WORD (World Disarmament) is a UNB-F campus based peace group which has a sister group on the STU campus. Membership of the organization is open to all students of UNB-F, STU and to the general public. The annual membership fee is \$5.00. We are fortunate in that we are recognized and sponsored by both campus Student Representative Councils as a non-fundable organization, enabling us to use meeting rooms and other facilities on campus at no cost to the group.

WORD is dedicated to educating its members, the student population and where possible the general public as to the moral/ethical, scientific/technical, sociological and political aspects of the disarmament issue.

The educational process employed by the group consists of various approaches, i.e. pamphlets, books, speakers, films, etc.. We hope to have workshops in the near future.

One cannot emphasize strongly enough that this group is not a political one. Although the issue of disarmament is more than one dimensional and one aspect inherent in the issue is political, WORD's primary aim is to educate and not to espouse a particular political viewpoint or doctrine. The group's stance, however, does not preclude participation in political action, eg. in July our group coordinated the demonstration at Fredericton's Federal Building on Queen Street in which we protested the testing of the cruise missile guidance system. The Voice of Women (VOW), the Peace Network and WORD, along with the help of others, organized the August 7th Hiroshima Day Celebration of Peace on the Green in Fredericton, and intend to repeat the event this August. October 24th - 29th was declared by the United Nations General Assembly as International Disarmament Week and WORD coordinated the week-long activities in the Fredericton Area.

A secondary aim of WORD is to promote the establishment of a forum wherein world leaders may negotiate, first to limit the production of conventional and nuclear arms, second to cease the production of said arms and finally, to begin arms reduction. Therefore, as a group, we could not wholly endorse Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau's four point initiative, due particularly to the third point he proposed, i.e. increasing conventional forces until they match those of the Warsaw Pact, citing it as a "simple though expensive" answer to achieve a balance. WORD is not only a nuclear disarmament group but one whose fundamental tenet is world peace through world disarmament, therefore the proposal to increase conventional forces is anathema to us.

In the near future WORD, along with Mount Allison's peace group and others, hope to form an international coalition of university peace and disarmament groups thereby, hopefully attaining a unified voice throughout the world which will enable us to work together for peace through disarmament. We are in agreement with Jonathan Schell who stated "The broad ultimate requirements of survival...are in essence...means by which the world can peacefully settle the issues that throughout history it has settled by war."

Excerpt from CIVILIZE THE EARTH by Dieter Heinrich:

"...Half a century ago, the world was inexhaustible and seemingly unaffected by human activity. Today we find

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