

Stop the War conference and national demonstration



This branch notes:

- * The bodies of 1,100 people who had suffered violent deaths were taken to the Baghdad morgues in the month of April.
- * According to the Iraqi government and UNICEF, a quarter of all Iraqi children suffer from chronic malnutrition.
- * Public order in Basra, Iraq's second city, has virtually collapsed and one person is being assassinated every hour.
- * Attacks on American and British troops are increasing dramatically and the casualty figures are now the highest for over a year.
- * Baghdad is slipping into civil war -- with dozens of mutilated bodies discovered every day -- almost certainly killed by death squads connected to the Iraq government.
- * 100,000 people have fled their homes in Baghdad for fear of sectarian killings at the hands of the death squads.
- * The continuing threats against Iran and plans to attack the country

This branch believes:

1. That British and US troops should withdraw from Iraq
2. That any military strike on Iran will kill thousands of innocent people and will further fan the flames of hatred in the region.

This branch resolves to:

1. Support the National 'Time To Go, Troops Out of Iraq, Don't Attack Iran' demonstration, 23 September, assemble 1 pm Piccadilly Gardens, Manchester called by the Stop the War Coalition and CND and add our names to the list of sponsors
2. Send delegates to the Stop the War national conference on Saturday 10 June, Friends Meeting House, Euston Road, London WC1