

## US Corporations Profiteering In Iraq with OUR Tax \$\$\$

***There are many good reasons to oppose Bush's war:***

- \* It was unprovoked...
- \* Justifications have proven to be lies...
- \* We're not stopping terrorism...
- \* There's a terrible cost in human lives...
- \* Most of the world opposes us...



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***The INVASION of IRAQ  
is part of a war ...  
but it's a war on  
U.S. WORKING PEOPLE  
and OUR STANDARD of LIVING***

## **What the \$87 Billion Means to Us!**

*The Bush Administration demanded and Congress approved another \$87 billion of our taxes to continue the unpopular occupation of Iraq.*

? **\$87 Billion** - taken from needed U.S. social and domestic programs like public education, healthcare, Social Security & Medicare, state & local budgets, environmental protection, regulatory and consumer protection (more Mad Cow coming?), veterans benefits, and many other essential programs.

### ***Where's It Going?***

? **Most is being shoveled right into U.S. corporate bank accounts** – to the Halliburtons & Bechtels (*Administration cronies and contributors all*) – as part of a takeover and privatization of the Iraqi economy.

### ***U.S. Funds Used to Deny Labor Rights to Workers of Iraq***

? **Just as the Administration attacks U.S. workers at home and our tax dollars are being spent on no-bid contracts to 'fat-cat' U.S. corporations in Iraq**, the U.S.-led occupation authority has denied Iraqi workers the fundamental right to organize unions and bargain to meet their needs.

***The Administration's quest for cheap labor knows no borders!***

***DEMAND an END to WAR PROFITEERING***

***RESPECT for WORKERS RIGHTS – in IRAQ and in the U.S.***

***END the OCCUPATION! BRING OUR TROOPS HOME!***

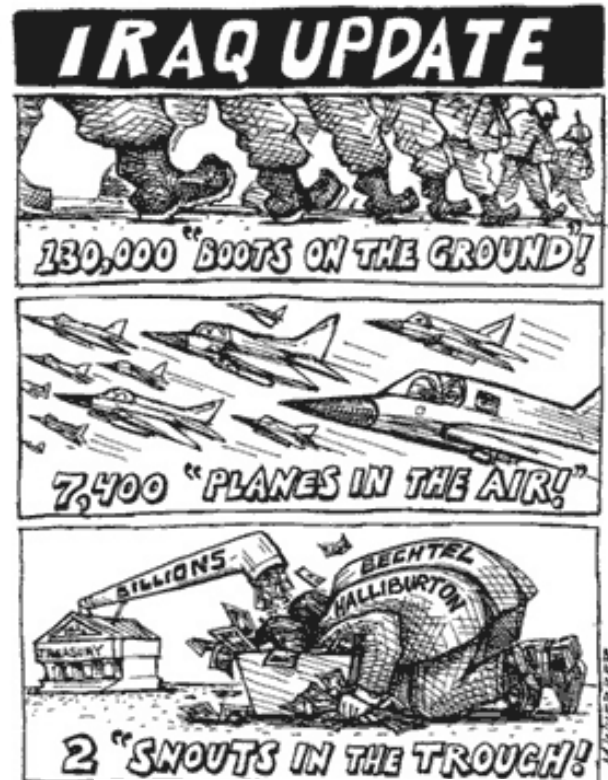
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## U.S. Labor Against the War

USLAW is a national network of labor organizations (unions, labor councils, federations, labor antiwar committees and allied organizations) that advocates -

- ? A just foreign policy that will bring genuine security and prosperity to working people, strengthens international treaties, supports human rights institutions, respects national sovereignty and upholds the right of self-determination for all peoples.
- ? A foreign policy that solves disputes by diplomacy rather than war.
- ? A policy that promotes global economic and social justice rather than the race-to-the-bottom, job-destroying, discriminatory practices favored by multinational corporations.
- ? An end to U.S. occupation of foreign countries, replaced by the reconstruction of war-devastated nations with the full support of the international community and the full participation and decision-making power of affected peoples.
- ? Redirecting the nation's resources from inflated military spending to meeting the needs of working families for health care, education, a clean environment, housing and a decent standard of living based on principles of equality and democracy.
- ? Supporting our troops and their families by bringing the troops home now, by not recklessly putting them in harm's way and by providing decent compensation, veterans' benefits and domestic policies administered without discrimination that prioritize the needs of working people who make up the bulk of the military.
- ? Protecting workers' rights, civil rights, civil liberties and the rights of immigrants by promoting democracy, not subverting it. Ethnic, racial and religious profiling and stereotyping must be replaced by policies that promote dignity, economic justice and respect for all working people.
- ? Solidarity with workers and their organizations around the world who are struggling for their own labor and human rights, and with those in the U.S. who want US foreign and domestic policies to reflect our nation's highest ideals.



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### *Actions you can take:*

- 3 **Sign and circulate the USLAW petition for labor rights in Iraq available at**  
[www.uslaboragainstawar.org/campaigns/campaign.php?topic\\_id=1](http://www.uslaboragainstawar.org/campaigns/campaign.php?topic_id=1)
- 3 **Become a member of USLAW. Application form available at**  
[www.uslaboragainstawar.org/resources/resource.php?id=330](http://www.uslaboragainstawar.org/resources/resource.php?id=330)
- 3 **Urge your union, labor council or other labor organization to affiliate with USLAW. More information available at**  
[www.uslaboragainstawar.org/resources/resource.php?id=361](http://www.uslaboragainstawar.org/resources/resource.php?id=361)
- 3 **Join the USLAW Task Force for Vets and Military Families. More information at**  
[www.uslaboragainstawar.org/campaigns/](http://www.uslaboragainstawar.org/campaigns/)
- 3 **Organize a speaking event for USLAW union members who visited Iraq in October. For information, write to** [info@uslaboragainstawar.org](mailto:info@uslaboragainstawar.org).
- 3 **Sponsor the USLAW workshop "War and the Economy" that shows the connection between the military budget, US foreign policy and their impact on working people, our jobs, unions and communities. For more information, write to** [into@uslaboragainstawar.org](mailto:into@uslaboragainstawar.org)