

OCTOBER 2011  
**THREE STRIKES AGAINST**  
**THE**  
**EMPIRE**  
**WASHINGTON, DC ★ CREECH AFB ★ SOUTHCOM**  
STOP WARS

**Joint Solidarity Statement by the October2011 Movement, the National Catholic Worker Gathering and SOA Watch South Florida/ SouthCom Watch**

Grassroots resistance actions are being coordinated around the country in early October. Three efforts in particular share common cause:

- The [October2011 Movement](#) in Washington, DC to decry the start of the eleventh year of war on the people of Afghanistan and the onset of the federal austerity budget, and to stand up to corporate rule and militarism;
- The [National Catholic Worker Movement](#) and [Nevada Desert Experience](#) to demonstrate at Creech Air Force Base near Las Vegas, Nevada where armed drone aircraft are headquartered and controlled on their "hunter-killer" missions around the world, and at the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS, formerly the Nevada Test Site) where various experiments are conducted which perpetuate the US nuclear arsenal;
- [School of the Americas Watch South Florida / SouthCom Watch](#) to march to the new headquarters of the U.S. Southern Command (SouthCom) outside of Miami, Florida, which is responsible for all U.S. military operations throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

**Our struggles are interconnected and we organize in solidarity with each other.**

The nonviolent resistance actions in Washington, DC will start on [October 6, 2011](#), on the 10-year anniversary of the U.S. war in Afghanistan. Thousands of people have pledged to gather on that day, to nonviolently resist the corporate machine by occupying Freedom Plaza until our resources are invested in human needs and environmental protection instead of war and exploitation. Nonviolent direct actions at the NNSS and at Creech AFB are going to take place on October 9 at the culmination of the 3 day [Catholic Worker gathering](#), also being coordinated with the [Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space's](#) annual Keep Space for Peace Week, October 1 to 8. The [march on the U.S. Southern Command](#), with the intention to close it down and to reclaim the sacred land for the peoples of the Americas, will also take place on October 9, 2011.

These actions are united in the effort to build a world in which the values of justice, cooperation, and respect for the earth are upheld. We believe that people power and grassroots organizing are essential for achieving lasting socio-political change.

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