

*On the 8th Anniversary of the War on Afghanistan*

# **U.S./NATO Out!**

## **Bring the Troops Home Now!**



**End Colonial Occupation  
in Afghanistan, Iraq,  
Palestine, Haiti...**

**Healthcare, Jobs, Housing,  
Education for All  
—Not War!**

## **Seattle Protest**

# **Wed. Oct. 7**

# **5pm**

## **23rd and Jackson**

*Endorsers: Eastside Fellowship of Reconciliation; Mobilization Against War and Occupation (Vancouver BC); October 17 Anti-war Mobilizing Committee, Party for Socialism and Liberation; Socialist Alternative; Veterans for Peace, #92, Washington For Impeachment; Whatcom Peace and Justice Center*

## **Volunteers Needed!**

Call 206-568-1661 to volunteer or endorse.

The war and occupation of Afghanistan and Iraq are both colonial-type wars. Bush used the “War on Terror” as a pretext for the escalation of imperialist intervention. Bush is gone but the brutal occupations continue.

Now, eight long years after the invasion of Afghanistan, the U.S. and its NATO allies are vastly expanding the war, doubling the numbers of troops. Casualties on both sides are soaring. Resistance to foreign occupation is growing rapidly inside Afghanistan and across the border in Pakistan. The war is a disaster for the peoples of those countries, just as are the occupations of Iraq and Palestine. It is also growing disaster for the people here— not only the soldiers and their families, but the tens of millions of people suffering from the economic crisis.

The wars in Afghanistan and Iraq cost more than \$14 billion per month, \$160 billion every year, nearly \$1,000,000,000,000 (\$1 trillion!) since the start. At the same time, we are told by the politicians—who never say no to the military-industrial complex and have given away more than \$10 trillion to the big banks— that there’s no money for real health care reform, single payer health care. They have proven that the money is there. The problem is that the politicians are dedicated to protecting the interests of the military and health insurance corporations, not of the people.

The ANSWER Coalition is calling for people across the country—in cities, towns and campuses—to take action on Wednesday, October 7, 2009, and at all the planned actions between October 5 and October 17 to demand an end to all the wars and occupations, and for healthcare, jobs, housing, education for all—not war.

*Initiated by Seattle ANSWER Coalition—Act Now to Stop War & End Racism*  
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