

CN VIDEO—Women’s March on the Headquarters of War: The Full Video Report

Consortium News videographer Netra Halperin has produced a full video report of Sunday’s Women’s March on America’s center for planning and executing war.

About 1,500 women and allied men marched on the Pentagon on Sunday to demand an end to perpetual war and the funding of education, health care and other social needs instead.

After marching one mile from Pentagon City a rally was held from a stage set up in a Pentagon parking lot, against the backdrop of the five-sided war headquarters.

Watch Netra Halperin’s one minute trailer, followed by her full, 28 minute report, which include interviews with comedian Lee Camp, a peace activist from Okinawa, retired U.S. Army Colonel and State Dept. official Ann Wright, Minar Muhawesh, founder of Mint Press News:

The full 28 minute video:

CN VIDEO—Jill Stein Talks to Consortium News: ‘We Are Being Robbed Blind by the War Profiteers’

During the Women’s March on the Pentagon, Jill Stein, the Green Party’s 2016 candidate for president, told **Consortium News Video** that war is robbing us blind.

By Netra Halperin

Special to Consortium News

2016 Green Party presidential candidate Jill Stein spoke to **Consortium News Video** during the rally at the Pentagon following the Women’s March to the war headquarters on Sunday. Stein said she attended the march and spoke to the crowd because she wanted to be at “ground zero” for the “survival of humanity.”

She protested the “political, bi-partisan system” that is “in bed” with those

who profit from war.

On the importance of women leading the way in protest, Stein said: "Feminism is incompatible with militarism."

Watch the 6:29 video interview here:

Netra Halperin is a documentary filmmaker and videographer, whose latest film is *Promise of Peace*.

Women March on the Pentagon

Fed up with ongoing wars depleting innocent lives and the U.S. Treasury, more than a thousand women marched on the Pentagon on Sunday to declare their opposition to the continuing slaughter.

By Joe Lauria

Special to Consortium News

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Stopping U.S. military involvement in Syria and Yemen and closing U.S. military bases around the world were among the demands voiced by the protestors who set out from Pentagon City and marched to the seat of American military power along a one-mile route.

With the Pentagon in the background, the protestors shouted slogans and waved signs calling for, "No More War."

Walter Teague, an activist, spoke of taking part in the mass protest of 35,000 people against the Vietnam War that converged on the Pentagon building on October 21, 1967. That was 51 years ago to the day of Sunday's women's march, which took place after five more decades of American wars. In 1967 one could walk right up to the Pentagon's front door, unlike now when the building is fenced off on all sides, hundreds of yards from the public.

And unlike militarized police in heavy armor on guard at mass demonstrations these days, those 1967 protestors were confronted by military police wearing only helmets and carrying a single M-16 rifle. (Though there were 6,000 armed

troops inside the building.) The only police present on Sunday were those who escorted the protestors through the gates.

Among the speakers on a stage set up in a Pentagon parking lot, with the five-sided war headquarters in the background, was Jill Stein, the 2016 Green Party candidate for president. Stein told the crowd: "There's not a lot of democracy going on out there because they've got the new McCarthyism going ... The era of censorship, of warmongering and of political suppression is back big time."

"Just because there's radio silence out there doesn't mean there isn't a rebellion in full swing. You've got to go to the communities to see it. Do you know why our communities are crumbling? Because our tax dollars are going over there," she said pointing to the Pentagon.

Last tax day Americans paid an average \$3,400 each "to keep that thing doing what it's doing," said Stein, gesturing to the building. "While we were digging deep for the Pentagon ... \$80 of the average taxpayer went to support social programs and \$40" to support the Environmental Protection Agency.

The march was organized for the 51st anniversary of 1967 by Cindy Sheehan, who lost her son in the invasion of Iraq and became a national figure when she camped out in front of George W. Bush's Texas ranch in protest of the illegal war.

(Photos by Joe Lauria).











