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TO ALL BRANCH ORGANIZERS

Dear Comrades,

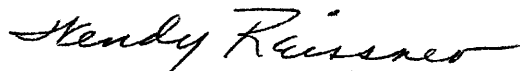
Enclosed is a copy of the call for a Labor for Peace Conference, to be held in St. Louis, June 23-24. The initiators of the Labor for Peace Conference have not yet spelled out their political purpose in calling together this gathering, but it is clear that the character of the conference will be determined by the Democratic Party orientation of the initiators. However, the formal call for the conference itself limits itself to stating that labor needs an antiwar organization. It is on the basis of this call that we can attend as delegates.

Comrades who can become official delegates should do so. At this point, the basis of determining delegate status is rather loose. The organizers of the conference have indicated that trade unionists can be elected through caucuses or peace groups within their unions in addition to other channels.

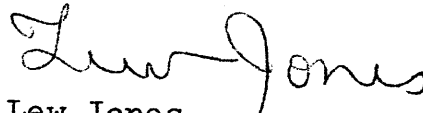
We will attend the conference in order to circulate our press and election campaign material. In addition, the National Peace Action Coalition will be attending, and has requested to have a spokesperson address the conference. NPAC supporters will urge the gathering to endorse the Hiroshima-Nagasaki protest actions, and will be soliciting individual endorsements for the July National Antiwar Conference in Los Angeles.

Further information on our participation will follow. Organizers should send the national office the names of comrades elected as delegates, as well as information regarding the organization of the conference in your area. As the cost of attending will be high, most responsible unions or union organizations that send delegates will want to see that they are financed.

Comradely,



Wendy Reissner
Antiwar Director



Lew Jones
for the Administrative Committee

A CALL

to the Organizations of American Labor
to participate in the Founding Conference

of

LABOR FOR PEACE

Friday and Saturday,
June 23 - 24, 1972

at the

**Teamsters Joint Council Auditorium
300 South Grand Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri**

Brothers and Sisters:

In common with the overwhelming majority of Americans, the working people of our country are plain sick and tired of the cruel and senseless war in Vietnam.

We are sick and tired of the killing and maiming of thousands of our finest youth, and the destruction of an innocent country and millions of its people.

We are sick and tired of the same old lies—handed down from administration to administration—about how we are defending the right of the Vietnamese people to self-determination, while we bomb their land into oblivion.

We are sick and tired of being caught in the wage-price treadmill, of running and running just to stand still—and even falling behind.

We are sick and tired of an "equality of sacrifice" that freezes our wages, while permitting prices to skyrocket and corporation profits to reach record levels.

We are sick and tired of watching our cities decay—of seeing our Black, Puerto Rican, Chicano and poor White brothers and sisters condemned to an impoverished ghetto existence—while our government pours billions of dollars a year in the cesspool of history called the Vietnam war.

We are sick and tired of this war that has divided our nation, set us apart from our youth, and poisoned the political atmosphere in our land with a deadly pollution.

And we are determined that the voice of American labor, which has been raised in every struggle for justice and decency, shall not remain silent during this critical period.

It is for these reasons—and because the coming weeks and months may well be decisive in determining our future—that we invite representatives of all labor organizations—international unions, state and city central labor bodies, and local unions—to join us in harnessing the conscience and will of American labor in a powerful organization—LABOR FOR PEACE—to bring an end to this war **NOW!**

We hope to meet you in St. Louis—on June 23 and 24—for peace.

THE COMMITTEE OF SPONSORS

Registration Form

LABOR FOR PEACE

300 South Grand Boulevard • St. Louis, Missouri 63103

Our organization will be represented at the Founding Conference of LABOR FOR PEACE on Friday evening and Saturday, June 23 and 24, by the following delegate(s):

We enclose payment of registration fee of \$ _____ (\$15.00 per delegate).

We understand that upon receipt of this registration, you will send us hotel information for our delegates.

NAME OF ORGANIZATION _____

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22 LABOR LEADERS PLAN PEACE DRIVE

Move to Form a New Group
Opposed to Vietnam War

By DAMON STETSON

A group of 22 labor leaders from 13 unions have agreed to call a "broadly based" national conference to set up an organization, Labor for Peace, aimed at bringing the Vietnam war to an immediate end.

The organization is to be formed at a meeting of officers and delegates representing local unions, regional bodies and international unions on June 23 and 24 at the headquarters of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters in St. Louis.

Among those present at an emergency meeting here last week to plan the conference were Emil Mazezy, secretary-treasurer of the United Automobile Workers; Frank Rosenblum, secretary-treasurer of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, and Murray Finley, a vice president of the same union; Harold Gibbons, a vice president of the teamsters; Louis Goldblatt, secretary-treasurer of the International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union and Fred Fullford, president of the United Furniture Workers.

Also, Ralph Heistein, Clifton Caldwell and Abe Feinglass, vice presidents of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters; Leon Sverdlove, president of the Jewelry Workers Union; David Livingston, secretary-treasurer of the Distributive Workers of America; Leon Davis, president of the

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