

WASHINGTON MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE
TO END THE WAR IN VIETNAM
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Dear Friend,

We wish this could be solely an acknowledgment of your contribution of money and hospitality for the October 21 Demonstration, but it is not. It is a plea for more help, especially to those who have not yet responded.

Over 100,000 persons (it could easily be twice that number) are expected for October 21. A demonstration of this proportion entails huge expenditures. Thousands of dollars for loud-speakers, comfort stations and other facilities to accommodate masses of people. Additional thousands are used up for the long-term expenses of maintaining an office. Our printer, who has been working day and night, has not been paid. The cost of tens of thousands of leaflets currently being distributed throughout the Washington Metropolitan area runs into hundred of dollars. A growing mailing list consumes \$50 a mailing. Publicity and travel expenses will further deplete our meager funds. Our sole source of income is you.

Motorcades are starting from the west coast on Monday, October 16. Denver, Chicago, Oberlin, and other cities have called in requests for hospitality--many thousands more are anticipated within a few days. These people are spending their effort and money to travel cross-country to participate. The least we in Washington can do is to provide them with sleeping space and contribute comparable sums of money toward the Demonstration expenses.

Dr. Spock, Dagmar Wilson, John Wilson and others will address the Rally. The major peace groups have united behind October 21 and this is the opportunity to show our strength to those who formulate administrative policy on the war.

We are appreciative of your responses over the past several weeks but they have not been enough.

THE NEED IS GREAT -- THE TIME IS NOW.

Sincerely,

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