

## CHAT from Oct 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 ONE WILPF CALL

1WILPF to Everyone: 05:52 PM  
WELCOME!

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You can find out more and join us at our website: [www.wilpfus.org/join](http://www.wilpfus.org/join) .

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 06:09 PM

Here is the editable TEXT PAD Document:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UHwo8fEFcbnhTwhKJvihulZedtnVB7Xp0DGGGuodrQ/edit>

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### AGENDA

#### **WELCOME & INSTRUCTIONS**

FEATURED PRESENTATION:

**SUDDENLY POSSIBLE:**

**GETTING CORPORATE MONEY OUT OF ELECTIONS.**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Earth Democracy Committee -- WILPF US -- DISARM/END WARS Committee

#### **MEMBER FORUM**

How are we doing with the ONE WILPF Zooms?

#### **ADJOURN**

#### **SOAPBOX**

From Nancy Price to Everyone: 06:14 PM

Nancy Price. Is this video available for local organizing?

From Oske Buckley to Everyone: 06:15 PM

Yes!

VIDEO FEATURED: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mh2IIH9aZ9I&t=204s>

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 06:19 PM

**Courtney Hostetler**, Senior Counsel at Free Speech for People.

[www.FreeSpeechForPeople.org](http://www.FreeSpeechForPeople.org)

VIDEO FEATURED: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mh2IIH9aZ9I&t=204s>

Please share with allies and friends.

From Leni Villagomez Reeves to Everyone: 06:22 PM  
ELLIE BLUESTEIN-AN AMAZING FORCE OF PEACE 1928-2020  
Oct. 9 Memorial Info

Couldn't attend or wish to view again? View the recorded Zoom session here. Passcode: **1A1A51S**  
View video tributes to Ellie.

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 06:23 PM

THIS RECORDING of tonight's zoom WILL BE AVAILABLE HERE: <https://wilpfus.org/story/one-wilpf-calls>

WILPF US YouTube channel link today:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNM9SD5QH0xRlozZtfCmbdw>

From Ellen Thomas to Everyone: 06:33 PM

Since we now have 100 subscribers (!), hopefully we'll be changing the name to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/wilpfus>, we'll let you know when that's happened!  
Go to the "One WILPF" playlist to find all the recordings.

From Jennifer Hyman to Everyone: 06:34 PM

Hello - Hope all are well!

#### **QUESTIONS FOR SPEAKER**

From Eileen Kurkoski to Everyone: 06:34 PM

Pls put more info re Michael Soza (sp) article on Ending Foreign Influence....

From Ellen Mass to Everyone: 06:35 PM

Since US corporations invest ubiquitously in corporations and governments around the world, would this legislation bring about a back lash?

From Nancy Price to Everyone: 06:36 PM

NANCY PRICE: QUESTION: AND WITH THIS INFLUENCE THEN I WOULD BET THAT ALOT OF MONEY IS SPENT TO INFLUENCE OTHER THINGS SUCH AS ENVIRONMENTAL RULES AND REGULATIONS THAT WOULD IMPACT THEIR OPERATIONS?

From Jane Hendley to Everyone: 06:42 PM

Is the money spent by other countries greater than the money spent by US corporations on elections in the US?

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 06:44 PM

No Jane. The foreign investment is only a small percentage of the huge amounts of corporate spending.

From 1WILPF to Ellen Mass: (Direct Message) 06:48 PM

Ellen please contact me with more questions at [mbgardam@gmail.com](mailto:mbgardam@gmail.com). We don't want to shut down the discussion.

From 1WILPF to Courtney Hostetler: (Direct Message) 06:49 PM

Thank you so much Courtney and Oske.

From 1WILPF to Oske Buckley: (Direct Message) 06:49 PM  
Thank you for being here Oske! Feel free to stay on.

From 1WILPF to Courtney Hostetler: (Direct Message) 06:49 PM  
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From Laurie Jones to Everyone: 06:56 PM  
Not 2915 Paris Climate Agreement. Oh, good, we will be able to kill people greenly.

From Oske Buckley to Me: (Direct Message) 06:56 PM  
Thank you, Marybeth! I would love to stay on and learn more about the upcoming work for WILPF!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS SEGMENT:**

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 06:57 PM  
Download design to print YOUR OWN  
CLIMATE JUSTICE+WOMEN+PEACE banner here:  
[https://wilpfus.org/sites/default/files/docs/CJWP-Banner\\_2.5x6.pdf](https://wilpfus.org/sites/default/files/docs/CJWP-Banner_2.5x6.pdf)

From Leni Villagomez Reeves to Everyone: 06:58 PM  
TEXTPAD IS EDITABLE at  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UHwo8fEFcbnhTwhKJvihulZedtnVB7Xp0DGGGuodrQ/edit>

From Courtney Hostetler to Me: (Direct Message) 06:59 PM  
Hi Marybeth, I've got to run unfortunately, but thank you so much for welcoming me and inviting me to speak with your group! I hope we're able to keep this conversation going, and work together to pass some of this legislation!

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 07:01 PM  
The Boys Who Said NO! (documentary)  
The powerful story of the youth-led resistance that ended the draft and helped end the Vietnam War – also discusses influence of the nonviolence of Gandhi and the Civil Rights Movement  
You can (for a cost) WATCH THE FILM this Fri., 10/15, & LIVESTREAM EVENT (with film showing) on Sun., 10/17. Details at <https://watch.showandtell.film/watch/boyswhosaidno>

Program Ctte & Before/After Monthly Mtg. – Tuesday, Nov. 2  
(first Tues. each month – except, maybe, in Dec.)

Afghan situation: deadly US sanctions which theoretically permit humanitarian and medical aid but in practice cut off all aid. Additionally, the US sanctions are blocking access to money, which is far more useful and economical for purchasing needed supplies locally – rather than shipping them by air from far away!

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 07:02 PM  
The UN Ambassador to Afghanistan was on the news last night begging for aid workers and supplies to be allowed into Afghanistan to do their work, and money to pay local service workers there.

From Leni Villagomez Reeves to Everyone: 07:03 PM  
<https://sanctionskill.org>

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 07:06 PM  
[Personnel-Committee@wilpfus.org](mailto:Personnel-Committee@wilpfus.org) Looking to hire folks.  
Contact Darien DeLu at [President@wilpfus.org](mailto:President@wilpfus.org)

The Fannie Lou Hammer Branch (Columbus GA) is sponsoring a Human Rights Conference on 12/11 – info coming in the Nov. eNews.

PLEASE NOMINATE potential candidates! Deadline tomorrow! You only have to be a WILPF member for 2 years to run for the National Board.

From Ellen Schwartz to Everyone: 07:06 PM  
The Human Rights Conference runs from 10am-2pm Pacific, 1pm-5pm Eastern.

From Randy Hicks to Everyone: 07:08 PM  
The physicians for national health plan conference is next week [pnhp.org](http://pnhp.org)

From June Littler to Everyone: 07:09 PM  
Well said!

From bln (San Francisco Branch) to Everyone: 07:14 PM  
Perhaps it would have helped to have someone more familiar with how the USA Section fits within the dozens of other Sections around the world to make up (in a "Regional" structure of participation in our International Board, with an Executive Committee, and the Secretariat comprising the International Board - which at each Triennial International Congress adopts a new three-year International Program - but thanks to Cherrill Spencer for her good efforts at giving us her understandings about it all.

From Cherrill Spencer to Everyone: 07:20 PM  
[cherrill.m.spencer@gmail.com](mailto:cherrill.m.spencer@gmail.com) write to me if you want the full iniut to the Intl Progarmme  
full input

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 07:21 PM  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNM9SD5QH0xRIozZtfCmbdw>  
This is where our Congress Recordings and webinar recordings are available.

From Joan Goddard to Everyone: 07:22 PM  
Write to [AHRchair@wilpfusorg](mailto:AHRchair@wilpfusorg) for info on the **Advancing Human Rights** issues committee's several groups working on concerns!

#### **MEMBER FORUM ON 1WILPF Calls**

From Cherrill Spencer to Everyone: 07:23 PM  
CHAT the keynote speakers attract me

From Darien De Lu to Everyone: 07:25 PM  
CHAT -

From Joan Goddard to Everyone: 07:26 PM  
Thank you, Darien!!

From Joan Goddard to Everyone: 07:27 PM

I remember several abrupt cut-offs of Q&A with speakers.

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 07:28 PM

Contact Marybeth Gardam to make suggestions for future calls. mbgardam@gmail.com

From Leni Villagomez Reeves to Everyone: 07:28 PM

CHAT For most meeting that I attend regularly, either I don't have to 're-register or the pre-registration link is pre-filled with my info when I click on it. Having to pre-register fully every time is one more barrier.

From bln (San Francisco Branch) to Everyone: 07:29 PM

CHAT Perhaps we are missing the boat when we have speakers from possibly "kindred" organizations - we tend to do our work "silo'ed" without taking advantage of joining forces and work in conjunction with other like organizations.

From Ellen Schwartz to Everyone: 07:29 PM

Stack (is that what people mean by "Chat"?).

I do want to say something

From bln (San Francisco Branch) to Everyone: 07:30 PM

We have them, but then do not do follow-up via our organization

From Ellen Schwartz to Everyone: 07:30 PM

It is possible to set up Zoom so you register once for a series of meetings. Then some poor sap can have Zoom send out reminders to those who have registered, with the "join" link.

From bln (San Francisco Branch) to Everyone: 07:30 PM

When was the last time that we followed up? and I do not mean you all in ONE WILPF!!!

From Randy Hicks to Everyone: 07:30 PM

Maybe we can tie the debt ceiling with weapons manufacturing

From Cherrill Spencer to Everyone: 07:31 PM

CHAT \_lots of people here today I dont recognize them - what do they think of this call

From bln (San Francisco Branch) to Everyone: 07:31 PM

We aren't perhaps internally following up - perhaps a follow-up enews? telling people about the speakers, and then ask questions in a follow-up email/news

From Randy Hicks to Everyone: 07:31 PM

North Korea is testing new weapons

From bln (San Francisco Branch) to Everyone: 07:31 PM

Or via the program committee structure, sending out info to the branches and at-large members?

From 1WILPF to bln (San Francisco Branch): (Direct Message) 07:33 PM

Well who do you mean should do the follow-up, Barbara? We're all up to our eyes!

From Oske Buckley to Everyone: 07:33 PM

Hi All! I have to jump off the call, but I wanted to thank you all for the invitation to Free Speech For People to have Courtney speak tonight. It was also wonderful learning of all the great work that you are doing. If you would like to reach out to us directly regarding any follow up, please feel free to email me at obuckley@freespeechforpeople.org. Have a great evening!

From Darien De Lu to Everyone: 07:34 PM

I'm surprised to see the comment about a GREATER need for knowledge of how the USA Section fits within the dozens of other Sections around the world. Cherrill Spencer IS aware that our section is part of the Americas Region. I believe it's crucial that we not allow the WILPF Int'l structure to smother our participation in International. The Executive Committee, and the Secretariat do not always speak for us. Also, the Secretariat (including the Secretary General) is NOT a member of the International Board. The impressive work US members did on the three-year program will be, we hope, reflected in the Program proposal the Triennial International Congress adopts.

From 1WILPF to bln (San Francisco Branch): (Direct Message) 07:35 PM

Well we get criticized a lot for sending out TOO MANY emails and eAlerts and they are cutting down the size of the eNews.

From Ellen Thomas to Me: (Direct Message) 07:38 PM

Ellen Schwartz has her hand raised.

From bln (San Francisco Branch) to Me: (Direct Message) 07:42 PM

I don't know why anyone would criticize you for your notices . . . I do like the auto re-registering. When you have good speakers - keep the speakers, do the announcements in an email afterwards . . . YES YES YES, I love Randy's idea - put them up in the chat - or have them read by a person NOT the person sponsoring the announced events

From Cherrill Spencer to Everyone: 07:44 PM

The list of WILPF IB members is here: <https://www.mywilpf.org/this-is-wilpf/international-board/> at the bottom Madelein Rees is listed. I will look at who is officially on the IB

From laurel farnham to Everyone: 07:44 PM

Thank you everyone.

From Ellen Schwartz to Everyone: 07:45 PM

CHAT: Post the link to the text pad periodically in the chat, because people who join late will not see what was posted previously. Then it would be effective to put announcements in the text pad and not use the meeting time for people to verbally present announcements.

From Anne Henny to Everyone: 07:46 PM

I'm having trouble with my internet so I will stop trying to facilitate. Sandy and Marybeth will handle the stack.

Yes, Ellen good idea

From Cherrill Spencer to Everyone: 07:46 PM

This is what the WILPF website says who is on the Int Board: International Board

The WILPF International Board is composed of 17 members: the President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, one Regional Representative and one Regional Alternative Representative from six regions, Africa, the Americas, Asia Pacific, Europe, Middle East and North Africa (MENA), and South Asia, and the Secretary-General.

From Darien De Lu to Everyone: 07:48 PM

That list is, unfortunately, incorrect. The new (2018) Int'l Constitution and Bylaws CLEARLY STATE that the Sec'y Gn'l ATTENDS IB meeting, but she is not a (voting) member. Staff usually are not board members! (This change was the ONLY "victory" the US Section had with MUCH NEEDED amendments in the 2018 Constitution and Bylaws.

From Anne Henny to Everyone: 07:49 PM

I have to jump off. Lovely to see and hear everyone!

Leni Villagomez Reeves to Everyone: 07:52 PM

Gotta go. Good to see you all.

From Dee Murphy to Everyone: 08:08 PM

Agreed with Cherrill on that one. Re; Tensions with China.

Also China is also giving high interest loans to African culture and building infrastructure there.

\*countries\* not culture

From Ellen Schwartz to Everyone: 08:08 PM

I thought China has been madly buying up T-bills (or -bonds or -notes, not sure) for years.

From Dee Murphy to Everyone: 08:09 PM

hard to compete. They don't trust the US and would rather pay high interest loans to China.

From Ellen Schwartz to Everyone: 08:10 PM

Investopedia says China holds \$1.07 Trillion in Treasury holdings (April 2020) behind Japan with ... something more,

From Dee Murphy to Everyone: 08:10 PM

\*take the loans from\*

Ellen Schwartz to Everyone: 08:11 PM

As of Sept. 14 2021 China held 1.1 trillion USD. So moving up.

White people.

Randy Hicks to Everyone: 08:14 PM

Budget right should tie in well with defense department

From 1WILPF to Everyone: 08:18 PM

MONETARY REFORM article on **Debt Fuels War**.

<https://greensformonetaryreform.org/n/newsletter-2021-05.shtml#article-id-2>

From Randy Hicks to Everyone: 08:20 PM  
Poor People's Campaign sure did  
#taxtherich