

STOP THE MILITARY LAND GRAB!

THE MILITARY'S ENDLESS APPETITE FOR HAWAIIAN LAND

- In 1898, the U.S. militarily occupied Hawai'i, in violation of international law and treaties, in order to fight a war with Spain. In 2002, the U.S. is waging another global war, and it threatens to seize more land in Hawai'i to further its war aims.
- The U.S. military already controls 200,000 acres of land in Hawai'i and nearly 25% of the land on O'ahu. This places Hawai'i in the same league as other military-occupied territories like Okinawa, Puerto Rico and Guam.
- 54% of the military's land-holdings consist of stolen Hawaiian national lands ("ceded lands").
- The military has continued expanding in Hawai'i, despite the fact that since 1990, the Department of Defense has had a moratorium on new training land acquisitions, and that the Pacific Command in 1995 said that it would reduce its land holdings in Hawai'i. In 1998, the Army condemned 8,000 acres of Campbell Estate land in Kahuku and is in the process of purchasing another 1000 acres in Pōhakuloa.
- A 1997 Army report stated that the Army needed an additional 79,000 acres of training land.
- Access to the beach at Nohili, Kaua'i and the mountains above Ka'ena, O'ahu have been restricted since 9/11/01. Missile defense tests and harmful sonar experiments are conducted off of Kaua'i. Military-related research is conducted on sacred mountains: Mauna Kea and Haleakalā.



ARMY "TRANSFORMATION" IS THE BIGGEST LAND GRAB SINCE WORLD WAR II

The proposed Army "Transformation" would mean:

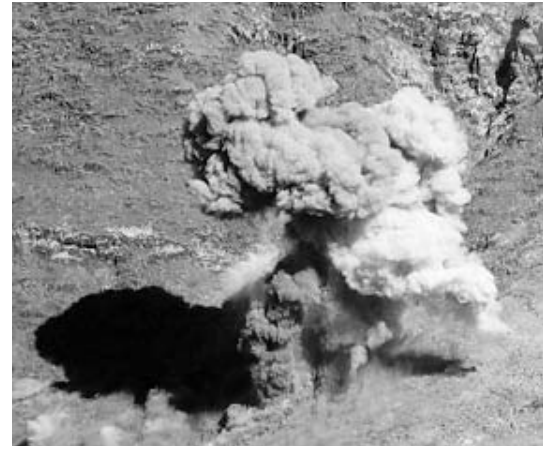
- Seizing an additional 23,000 acres of land on Hawai'i Island and 2,000 acres on O'ahu, which would have an impact on the 70 endangered species in the Honouliuli Nature Reserve.
- Increase of 400 19-ton armored vehicles and additional C-17 cargo planes. Maneuvers and overflights would be done in Kahuku, Wahiawa, Mokuleia, Kawaihae and Pōhakuloa.
- Increase of 480 troops and 921 dependents – more competition for jobs and housing - and 32 construction projects including firing ranges, a tank trail from Mokuleia to Wahiawa, and a "mock embassy."
- More bombs, fires, erosion, toxic chemicals, destruction of habitat and cultural areas, and unexploded ordnance. Increased risk of accidents. More land will become "off limits" to the public.

A TRAIL OF ENVIRONMENTAL DESTRUCTION: FIRES, BOMBS AND TOXINS

The military is the largest polluter in Hawai'i. The military has desecrated sacred places, disrupted traditional

Hawaiian cultural practices, and left a trail of environmental devastation.

- After bombing **Kaho'olawe** for years, the Navy spent \$400 million and still failed to clean up the unexploded bombs to a safe level as was promised in a legal agreement.
- The Marine Corps condemned the Kamaka family land in **Waikāne** after leasing it for live fire training and contaminating it with unexploded munitions. Recently the Marines said they want to resume training in Waikāne.
- When **Mākua** residents were evicted during World War II, the Army promised to return the land 6 months after the war. But the Army still bombs and contaminates Mākua. Live fire training, toxic chemicals, fires and unexploded ordnance threaten human health and safety, endangered species and Hawaiian cultural practices.
- With over 36 fish ponds, **Ke Awalau o Pu'uloa (Pearl Harbor)** was once a rich source of food for O'ahu in ancient times. Today, under military control, Pearl Harbor has become extremely contaminated, with nearly 750 contaminated sites (several of which are Superfund sites) identified by the Navy. It is no longer safe to eat anything from Pearl Harbor.



TAKE BACK OUR LAND AND OUR LIVES FROM MILITARISM:

1. **No Military Expansion!**
2. **Clean Up, Restore and Return the 'āina.**
3. **Develop economic alternatives based on human needs, not war and greed. End Hawai'i's addiction to military spending.**

KŪ'Ē THE MILITARY EXPANSION!

- Endorse the campaign to stop military expansion in Hawai'i. Make your home, office or organization a Demilitarized Zone (DMZ).
- Contact politicians and military leaders to oppose the military expansion.
- Circulate flyers and petitions against military expansion.
- Write letters to the editor and call in to radio shows protesting the military taking of more land in Hawai'i.
- Kū'ē! Protest forever!

CLEAN UP, NOT BUILD UP!

A working group of organizations and individuals concerned about the demilitarization of Hawai'i and justice for Kanaka Maoli have formed to oppose the military expansion. For more information about stopping the military land grab in Hawai'i contact Kyle Kajihiro, c/o American Friends Service Committee Hawai'i (808) 988-6266 or kkajihiro@afsc.org.

