The U.S. Navy wants to turn the University of Hawaii into a secret military center called a “University Affiliated Research Center”, or “UARC.” In a UARC, the military would be able to issue orders for secret research to be done by UH scientists, with no accountability or responsibility to students, faculty or the community. This research would lead to the creation of weapon systems. UH officials have been in negotiations to establish UARC since 2002, in a closed and undemocratic process. Students and faculty occupied the UH administrative building in Spring 2005 to force open a real dialogue on the issue.

Since mid-2005, the Faculty Senates of UH Manoa, UH Hilo Arts & Sciences, and Hawaii Community College have voted against UARC. Also, the Student Governments and Native Hawaiian Advisory Councils throughout the State have also voted against UARC. On February 16, UH Interim President David McClain stripped classified research for the first three years from the proposal, in a victory for the UH community. Classified research is only 15% of UARC, though, leaving 85% of other kinds of secret or ‘sensitive’ research behind which may pose dangers to the public, and which also is part of the militarization of Hawaii.

The Board of Regents will vote on UARC on March 16 at Leeward Community College.

In the last year and a half, the community has done a powerful job of stopping this program from being quietly approved. **We must be there at LCC on March 16 to demand that UARC be finally stopped.**

**UARC is part of the US military expansion over Hawaii.**

⇒ The stationing of a Stryker Brigade in Hawai‘i, which would entail an Army land grab of 25,000 acres, the destruction of Native Hawaiian cultural sites and endangered species and the release of tons of toxic contaminants into the environment.
⇒ The stationing of a Navy Nuclear Aircraft Carrier Battle Group in Pearl Harbor.
⇒ The expansion of 'Star Wars' Missile Defense programs on Kaua‘i, O‘ahu, Maui and Hawai‘i island.
⇒ The expansion of military space research & surveillance on Haleakala and Mauna Kea.
⇒ Military recruiters taking our youth to fight their wars.
⇒ Depleted uranium in Wahiawa, secret sarin nerve gas tests in Puna and Honolulu, and chemical weapons dumping offshore of Waianae and Honolulu.

**UARC is corruption.**

In recent years, a small group of politically-connected UH officials and politicians have attempted to establish “sole-source” contracts to achieve guaranteed federal funding without competition or transparency. These attempts have come under federal investigation. UARC would allow for increased pork-barrel corruption, benefitting the “old-boy” network, a small circle of UH officials and researchers, defense contractors, and powerful politicians such as Sen. Inouye.

**WE DEMAND:**

1. That the Board of Regents listen to the students, Faculty Senates, and community, and reject the UARC proposal. 2. Full disclosure and accounting of all past and present military related programs in the UH system, including a list of classified programs and programs conducted under the Research Corporation of the University of Hawai‘i.

**IT’S UP TO YOU TO SAVE OUR UNIVERSITY!**

**BOARD OF REGENTS VOTE ON UARC MARCH 16 2005 Leeward Community College**