

# Invite to do CD in Omaha Wed Oct 10th – A 'Die In' at the Space Weapons Bazaar!

**What:** "Die-in" CD/ Nonviolent direct action in Omaha

**Date:** Wednesday, Oct. 10th

**Time:** 11 a.m.

**Place:** Omaha Qwest Convention Center, where the

## **Strategic Space & Defense Conference 2007, Sponsored by OFFUTT AFB and STRATCOM**

**Otherwise known as:** 'Omaha Space Weapons Bazaar' is taking place,  
2<sup>nd</sup> Annual event

**What:** Nonviolence Training and Planning Meeting for Wed Oct 10th "Die-in"

**Date:** Tuesday, Oct 9th

**Time:** 7p.m.

**Place:** Holy Family Church, 1715 IZARD St. Omaha NE. (near 18th and Cumming Streets)  
Social Hall, on 18th Street, white door on street level, ring doorbell.

Organizers and sponsors : The Des Moines, Iowa and Omaha Catholic Workers

Each year the Global Network Against Weapons & Nuclear Power in Space sponsors a Keep Space for Peace Week in October. Local peace communities who have on going campaigns against space war related industries and military facilities from all over the world participate in this week of protest. Check out <http://www.space4peace.org>

For the second year in a row the Des Moines, Iowa and Omaha Catholic Workers and the Nebraskans For Peace <http://www.nebraskansforpeace.org/> are participating in the Global Keep Space for Peace Week <http://www.space4peace.org> by focusing our protest on the yearly : **Strategic Space & Defense Conference** held at the Qwest Center in Omaha NE. This conference is hosted by the cooperate suppliers of weapons and space technologies for the STRATCom and Military Space Commands at OFFUTT AFB, a sort of " Space Weapons Bazaar.

Among the events planned is a direct action /nonviolent civil disobedience witness

**on Wed Oct 10th at 11 a.m.**

at the main entrance of the Qwest Center. The form of this witness will be a 'die in'. Anyone considering joining us for this die-in must attend the nonviolence training and planning session at Holy Family Church on Tuesday evening October 9th starting at 7 p.m.

## **About the Witness?**

The "die-in" witness we are planning will be a very low-key effort. Since no CD actions have been done in the Omaha area in over 15 years we are going to be very cautious about how we enter into this prophetic witness.

We will not have, nor are we seeking permission or permits to be on the Qwest Center property for Wed a. m Oct 10th.

Just being on the Qwest Center property (may) constitute an illegal act.

(Although this is a public arena and convention center open for a lot of public events. We are confident, no arrest will be made until people are legally informed that they are on Qwest Center property and must leave or face arrest.)

The action itself will be very simple. Those risking arrest will be driven by car and dropped off at the curb in front of the Qwest Center. CD'ers will proceed to the front doors. When, within 10 feet of the doors, 2 people will unfold a banner, 1 person will put on a 'Scepter of Death' costume and the rest of the group will stage a "die-in". That means we lie on the ground simulating dead bodies and what is left after weapons of war are used. We stay in character until Omaha police ask us to leave or be arrested.

