First they came for the Communists and I did not speak out because I was not a Communist.
Then they came for the trade unions and I did not speak out because I was not a trade unionist.
Then they came for the Jews and I did not speak out because I was not a Jew.
Then they came for me and there was no one left to speak out for me.

Pastor Martin Neimoller - 1937

#### **Our General Aims are to:**

- Raise awareness of the causes of conflict on a local, national and international level;
- Promote and support alternative solutions to war between and within states; and
- Work for a socially just and peaceful world.

## **Our Specific Objectives are to mobilise people to influence Australian Government policy** (regardless of political party) **in relation to:**

- Australia's role, independence and responsibilities in the Australia, New Zealand and US (ANZUS) alliance
- How economic and social legislation that impoverishes and alienates people contributes to the circumstances in which conflict and war are created

## Broaden public discussion and analysis of the causes of war and injustice including:

- Current national and international issues
- The social, political and economic effects of globalisation and "western foreign policy" on the world.

### **Monthly Meetings**

We invite you to participate in our monthly meetings which are normally held at 7pm on the second Tuesday of each month at the Queensland Council of Trade Unions Building, 16 Peel Street, South Brisbane, Queensland. The meetings of the *Just* **Peace for Palestine** sub-Group are held at 6pm on the same dates and place.

### Forums

*Just* **Peace** organises four or five forums each year on a variety of topics. These forums involve speakers, films and accompanying discussions, with the objectives of reaching out to the Brisbane Community with our message.

### Website and Face Book

Just Peace maintains a website, justpeaceqld.org, which serves as a source of information on peace-related activities of Just Peace and related organisations. There are links to other peace sites, news articles, films, books, poetry, songs and other form of communication. Here you can also join up on line, donate to Just Peace and subscribe to our e-bulletin.

**Our Face Book page** can be reached at facebook.com/JustPeaceQLD. Here you can read up-to date-articles, commentary, and post your own opinions.



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### About Just Peace Queensland

There are many threats to the health and future of humankind. Those of climate change, disease, poverty and global financial mismanagement generate real, if limited, international solutions. But war and the threats of war simply spawn larger militaries and faster arms races. Nationalism, tribalism and religious extremism all power the continuation of war. These last are complicated issues which the world has addressed in a relatively token manner. On a global basis only limited success has been achieved.

*Just* **Peace** is a Brisbane-based organisation whose aim is to raise public awareness about alternatives to war and the necessity of justice in achieving lasting peace. It was formed by a group of ordinary citizens who were concerned with the direction the Australian Government was taking with a heavy reliance on following the US militaristic path.

**Just Peace** works to exchange information, promote dialogue, organise events and develop publications that seek to clarify the peace issues we face as a national and international community. We also offer support and fellowship to those who face the destructive effects of war and injustice.

*Just* **Peace** stands as both a group of locally active individuals and as a proud member of the global peace movement. We come from all walks of life, all ages and all political persuasions. Our one commonality is our commitment to a safe, just and peaceful world.

We invite you to join us and contribute your ideas, energy and enthusiasm in creating a more just and peaceful world.

### Our activities & methods include:

- Networking and supporting actions and activities of other groups that have similar aims and objectives;
- Lobbying politicians and other influential institutions;
- Raising public awareness through various means such as public forums and meetings, conferences, peace education in both public and private sectors,

organising cultural events and producing and disseminating informative literature;

### **Current Campaigns and Actions:**

- **Involvement** in the United Nations International Day of Peace (21 September) activities
- Active membership of the Independent and Peaceful Australia Network (IPAN)
- The ongoing crisis between Palestine & Israel (Just Peace for Palestine sub-Group)
- **Lobbying Members of Parliament** to indicate the futility of Australia signing up to disastrous foreign conflicts that simply degrade our national security.
- **On-going anti-war and pro-peace activities** including opposition to US bases in Australia, the use of Depleted Uranium during military exercises in Australia and the increasing militarisation of Australia
- **Strong support,** both financially and organisationally, of a wide variety of peace activist and cross-cultural organisations
- Publications
  - High quality quarterly newsletter
  - Brochures, fact sheets and flyers addressing issues such as Palestine / Israel, An Independent Australian Foreign Policy, Australian / Indonesian relations and Anti – Terrorist legislation

"Never doubt that a small group of concerned citizens can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has".

"Our first and most pressing problem is how to do away with warfare as a method of solving conflicts between national groups within a society and who have different views about how the society is to run".

> Margaret Mead, Anthropologist, American Museum of Natural History, New York.

### Membership and Support

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Family	\$30
Concession	\$10
Donation	\$

Please make cheques payable to *Just* **Peace Qld Inc**. and mark "not negotiable". Money orders are acceptable

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*Just* **Peace** is not aligned to any political movement or party or religious organisation. Membership is diverse and is open to anyone who shares our aims and objectives.

**NOTE** that the *Just* **Peace** Management Committee has determined that, given the types of activities *Just* **Peace** conducts, public liability insurance will not be carried.