EMERGENCY RESOLUTION OPPOSING U.S. BUILD UP TO WAR AGAINST IRAN

WHEREAS the executive branch of the U.S. government continues the illegal war in and occupation of Iraq despite widespread public opposition;

WHEREAS U.N. International Atomic Energy Agency Chairman Mohamed ElBaradei has said there is no evidence Iran is developing nuclear weapons;

WHEREAS President Bush has implied that World War III will occur if Iran acquires the "knowledge" necessary to make nuclear weapons; and

WHEREAS the executive branch of the U.S. government now threatens to initiate a war against Iran, with or without congressional declaration and Security Council approval,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the National Lawyers Guild:

1. Continues its condemnation, in the strongest possible terms, of the war in and occupation of Iraq;

2. Calls on Congress to cut the funding for the war on and occupation of Iraq;

3. Calls on Congress to declare it will not fund any hostile action against Iran;

4. Opposes and condemns any hostile U.S. action against Iran; and

5. Warns the United States and the world of the tragic and destructive effects of war on all of the Middle East.

And will do so by publication of this position and by speaking out and organizing activities to oppose this build-up to war against Iran.

Implementation by the NLG Joint Anti-War Working Group (including the International Committee, the Military Law Task Force, and the Mass Defense Committee) and all NLG chapters.

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