

STAR (Stop The Arms Race)

Star is the abbreviation of the slogan, "Stop the Arms Race". It is also the emblem of the peace campaign organized by WILPF (Women's International League for Peace and Freedom), which aims to register **one million women** who wish to stop the arms race. The campaign starts officially on March 8 (International Women's Day), 1982 and ends on the same day in 1983.

WILPF has special STAR cards for collecting signatures of women pacifists, and a \$1 star button for each signature. Those interested have to fill a form published in the last issue of WILPF, March 1982, and send it to the WILPF publication address.

How will the signatures be used?

On March 8, 1982, all STAR registrants are urged to converge at the White House, where they will deliver the message of at least one million women to President Reagan that they do not want new Cruise and Pershing II missiles deployed in Europe. A delegation of STAR registrants will leave the White House with the one million signatures and travel to Brussels to join their

European sisters in delivering this same message to NATO headquarters.

How will the money be used?

The money raised from the STAR campaign will support **national** and **International** WILPF projects whose goal is to end the arms race through public education and action.

Al-Raida's Response

While we strongly support the STAR international campaign for peace, we urge that the call be extended to Eastern Europe, to Soviet Russia and to other countries in the Middle and Far East, in Africa and in Latin America.

Our world is so interdependent and its problems so interrelated that it is useless to limit peace efforts to one part of the world while other parts are in an actual or a potential state of war. The hot spots of the world in the Middle East and in Latin America need immediate consideration and help.