

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDANCE OF THE PEOPLES PEACE SETTLEMENT AT GREENHAM

We hold these truths to be self-evident - that all people are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and that those are also the birthright of every other species on the planet. To secure these rights Governments are instituted, deriving their Just power from the Consent of the Governed. Whenever any form of government becomes destructive to these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or abolish it.

Since the second world war, the countries of Britain have been occupied by the armed forces of a foreign power, the United States of America. An occupation for which the consent of the British people has never been sought or given.

Throughout this time we have grown up, and are now forced to bring our children up under the threat of a nuclear holocaust over which we have no control and which, if it ever came to pass, would threaten the existence of all life on this planet. That threat has, in the past, seemed unreal and distant. Now, as the constantly escalating nuclear arms race reaches new heights with the threatened installation of Cruise missiles, it has become so close to reality that it is time for the people to act in defence of planet Earth and the security of future generations.

So bad has been the record of the Governments of the United States and the United Kingdom in this suicidal arms race, that we are left with no alternative but to throw off the power of both these Governments and to declare here at Greenham Common THE PEOPLES FREE STATE OF GREENHAM.

We call upon all people who care for peace, freedom and the continuance of life upon this planet to rally here in peace to oppose the forces of death and destruction.

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