Over 300,000 US troops have gone through Shannon...

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The FACTS about this WAR for OIL

• Over 655,000 Iraqi people and 3,200 US soldiers have died

80% of Iraqis want the US out of Iraq

Sectarianism has been fuelled by the occupation

Over \$1.5 trillion spent on the war so far
 Oil companies have made record high profits



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A War for Profit and Empire

It is obvious now that the invasion of Iraq was not about WMDs or establishing democracy - it was a brutal war for oil. Now the US and their stooges in the Iraqi government are handing over Iraq's oil to private oil companies. This privatisation is being opposed by workers throughout Iraq, with a recent strike. This strike shows the potential of Iraqi workers to unite to fight for better conditions, an end to the occupation and an end to the sectarian civil war.

Growing American Anti-War Movement

Across the US school students, young people and workers are building a strong anti-war movement. Now almost 70% of Americans oppose Bush and the war. There is also a growing opposition to the war inside the US Army itself. A strong anti-war movement in the US including strike action and mass protests could bring Bush to his knees, especially if it is linked in with Iraqi workers and trade unions. Such a movement should also fight against the root cause of this war and the poverty in Iraq - the capitalist profit system.

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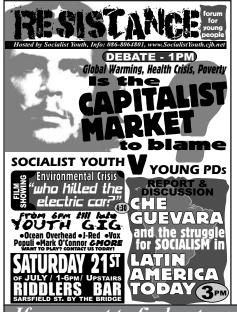
The Irish government is supporting the occupation by allowing the US military refuel in Shannon Airport, and in fact they pay the airport charges for the US. At the same time it is allowing our health service to remain chronically under funded while giving massive tax breaks to big business. A mass movement similar to that in the US needs to be built in Ireland to end this criminal compliance by the Irish government.



• US and foreign forces out of Iraq! US military out of Shannon!

 For a united movement of ALL Iraq's workers & poor against the occupation and sectarian civil war

 For a Socialist Iraq with democratic public ownership of Iraq's resources to provide a decent standard of living for all Iraqis



The recent decision of the Green Party to go into coalition with Fianna Fail is an absolute disgrace. Their TDs have put their careers before their principles by allowing amongst other things the US to remain in Shannon. This completely demolishes the idea that going into government with right wing parties can achieve effective change. We believe young people must organise and struggle ourselves if we want to see real change.

For a socialist alternative in Iraq 6 internationally Socialist Youth fully supports the right of the Iraqi people to resist the occupation of their country. Such a resistance movement needs to unite all of Iraq's workers and poor in opposition to imperialism and sectarianism in their country. A resistance movement such as this can fight for a democratic socialist Iraq where its vast resources are owned, controlled and utilised in the interests of working people. If you are interested in these ideas then come to **PESISTANCE** this Saturday from 1pm.

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