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CND: Communists, Neutralists, Defeatists

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Summary:

This leaflet produced by the Coalition for Peace through Security attacks the CND specifically as being 'Communists, neutralists, defeatists'. It likens the CND to 'the Appeasers during the 1930s'.

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COMMUNISTS

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WHY THIS



**is the symbol of
COMMUNISTS, NEUTRALISTS,
DEFEATISTS.**



**is the symbol of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament.
The CND wants Britain to disarm *unilaterally*. That
means that we give up our weapons and defences
without any opponent giving up theirs.**

COMMUNISTS

At least seven CND leaders are either card-carrying Communist Party members or sympathisers.

Leading Communists regularly use CND meetings to attack British and American defence policies while praising Soviet Government 'peace' propaganda.

The Communist Party pamphlet *The Case for Peace and Disarmament* refers to CND General Secretary Bruce Kent as paying tribute to the Communist Party 'which he considered had vigorously worked to help sustain the peace movement through recent years'.

Despite repeated denials of any link with the World Peace Council (a Soviet Government funded propaganda organisation) one of CND's official representatives for north London is the National Organiser of the World Peace Council's British section, (March 1982).

NEUTRALISTS

CND pretend that if Britain throws out our American allies from their bases here and gives up its own nuclear weapons then this island will be safe from a Soviet attack. *THAT IS RUBBISH!*

So long as Britain dares to remain an independent nation, with adequate conventional forces and pledged to the Western Alliance, then our airfields and ports will continue to be targeted by the Russians.

CND know this. For them, throwing out the Americans is only the first step; their next step, which they are scared to reveal openly, will be to pull Britain out of NATO, the defence alliance which has kept us free and out of war for over thirty years.

The destruction of NATO from the inside in this way is the top priority for Soviet Communist leaders. That is why they encourage CND.

DEFEATISTS

The scare propaganda about nuclear war churned out by CND is extraordinarily similar to the scare tactics used by the Appeasers during the 1930s. Those people too tried to persuade the public that defending ourselves against the Nazis was both useless and a provocation.

The great fear for that generation was the possibility of city bombing and gas attacks by the Germans. Prominent Left-wing scientists, academics, literary figures and politicians predicted enormous casualties, and spoke about the futility of Britain building up defences in the face of an aggressive Nazi Germany.

Those arguments by the defeatists of the 1930s led Hitler to believe that he could walk over Europe with no opposition – and so World War 2 began.

Today the CND encourage the Soviet Government to believe that we would not stand up to defend the free and democratic society in which we live. They risk provoking the same miscalculation, this time among the Soviet leadership.

The defeatists of the 1930s have come back to life in the 1980s— they call themselves The Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament.

**REJECT
COMMUNISM, NEUTRALISM, DEFEATISM**

**REJECT
UNILATERAL DISARMAMENT**

**SUPPORT
PEACE THROUGH SECURITY**