

U.S. FRIENDS OF SOVIET PEOPLE

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U.S. Friends of Soviet People (USFSP) is the U.S. affiliate of the Organizing Committee to establish an International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with the former Soviet People in their struggle to restore the Multi-National Soviet Union as a Socialist State. USFSP is in the tradition of the "Hands-Off-Russia" Committees which were internationally established in 1918 to protect the young Soviet Republic from foreign intervention. Our aim is international cooperation in building Socialism and Solidarity with the Anti-Imperialist forces of the world who

are struggling and fighting against U.S. Imperialism -- the main enemy of mankind. *Northstar Compass* Journal is our public voice. USFSP acts as a unifying force to consolidate and help coordinate the Anti-Imperialist forces of the world with the ongoing movement to restore the Soviet Union. USFSP acts as a united front and is dedicated to restore the Soviet Union, but we are not a forum for ideological debates. The Soviet People themselves shall choose the correct path towards socialism.

December 13 Event to Celebrate the 80th Anniversary of the "Hands-Off-Russia" Committees

On Sunday, December 13, 1998 the U.S. Friends of Soviet People will sponsor a "People's Celebration of the 80th Anniversary of the 'Hands-Off-Russia' Committees." The Event will be held from 1:30 to 5:00 P.M. at Casa de las Americas - 104 W. 14th Street - 3rd Floor (off 6th Avenue) in Manhattan. There will be Eyewitness

Report-Backs from Russia, speakers, entertainment and a phone hook-up with Michael Lucas, of Toronto, Canada, Editor of *Northstar Compass* Journal and Chairman of the Organizing Committee to establish an International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People.

We need members to help in this struggle.

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- I want to become a member of USFSP. Enclosed is \$10.00 for annual dues
- I do not wish to join at this time; however, keep me on your mailing list of upcoming events. Enclosed is \$5.00 for postage.

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Next Planning Meeting for the December 13 Event Celebrating the
80th Anniversary of the "Hands"-Off-Russia" Committees
will take place on Thursday, November 12 - 6:00 p.m.
at Casa de las Americas -
104 W. 14th St - 3rd Floor (off 6th Avenue) in Manhattan.

Suggestions welcomed -- Members get to be in on decision-making

Please Try To Make It -- It's Important!!

MINUTES OF MEETING OF EDITORIAL BOARD OF U.S. FRIENDS OF
NORTHSTAR COMPASS -- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1998

1. The Director opened the meeting

- Spoke of the role of U.S. Friends of Soviet People (USFSP), together with the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People in their struggle to restore the Multi-National Soviet Union as a Socialist State and for the revival of the 1918 "Hands-Off-Russia" Committees to deal with the current critical situation in Russia, including the danger of U.S. Imperialist intervention.

2. Treasurer's Report

3. Membership Campaign

- Distribution of Membership Applications
- Assistant Director distributed and read a fax letter from Michael Lucas, Editor of Northstar Compass, in which Mr. Lucas reiterated the aims and goals of the International Council and its affiliates, as was voted upon at the Northstar Compass Conference in February this year; unanimously agreed-to by membership at October 25 meeting.

4. December 13th Event Celebrating the 80th Anniversary of "Hands-Off-Russia" Committees

- Distribution of Flyer
- Discussions regarding:
 - Outreach -- (i) will distribute flyers at upcoming events in N.Y.C., including Manifestivity at Cooper Union Oct. 30-31; Workers World Party Conference on Communist Manifesto Dec. 4-6 at Dubinsky Hall (FIT) and other various Events; (ii) press releases to various N.Y.C. Community Newspapers
- Speakers:
 - Focus will be history of "Hands-Off-Russia" Committees and current situation in Russia; eyewitness report-backs from Russia; report from Michael Lucas -- hopefully in person, alternatively phone-hookup with Toronto, on new international delegates to International Council; several other speakers were suggested -- will make final decision at next meeting.
- Formation of groups to take care of such details as entertainment, videos, sound system, decorations, refreshments, etc., will be discussed at next planning meeting November 12.