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To the member of the IC Working Group on 2008 global mobilization

Dear friends,

in the last IC meeting in Nairobi, our Working Group on 2008 global mobilization took the responsibility to facilitate the IC debate in the next meeting in Berlin, by preparing a draft paper.

As you remember, IC already took some important decisions concerning 2008. I try to make a summary of them, using the text approved by IC in Nairobi:

- 1. The WSF process will be characterized in 2008 by a set of simultaneous activities conducted regionally and/or locally all over the world, and by a common day of global impact and visibility, reinforced by common communication strategy and tools.
- 2. The overarching slogan will be "Another World is Possible-Another World in under construction" to be decided at the next IC meeting.
- 3. Proposed actions will be in continuity with the 2007 Nairobi WSF discussions, particularly the outcomes of the forth day (plans of actions and campaigns).
- 4. Dynamics and activities should be open, inclusive and plural, in the spirit of the WFS process, and have to be in accordance with the World Social Forum Charter of Principles.
- 5. The dates of the activities for WSF2008 should remain around the Davos date, and the global day of action/visibility will be January $26^{th}/27^{th}$.

According to the text approved by the last IC, something very important has been already fixed:

- 1. general characteristics of 2008 global mobilization
- 2. date

I would like to submit you two proposals, with the aim to help our discussion, which is now necessary to prepare the next IC.

First proposal:

To spread as soon as possible the already taken decisions on 2008 all over the world.

We could use the text approved in Nairobi (the 5 points written above).

We could write the 5 points in a visible way.

We can send them by mail to all the mail addresses of movements, Forums and campaigns we have.

A part of the job could be done by the Secretariat in Sao Paulo, another part could be done by each

of us.

We can add to the text a dedicated mail address, so movements and Forums can start sending us info about 2008.

In this way, we could reach to goals:

- to arrive in Berlin with some more info concerning the debate on 2008 in the different countries
- to spread precise info (in different countries the debate is starting without precise info)

Second proposal:

To start immediately a debate between us on the list.

Our debate should make possible to share ideas, in order to make a proposal for the IC concerning what we need to decide in Berlin:

- 1. title
- 2. methodology for spreading information
- 3. how to collect actions decided at local, national, regional level and by campaigns and coalitions
- 4. how to stimulate participation all over the world
- 5. how to stimulate eventual interconnections between actions tools for global communication (to be discussed together with the IC Communication Commission)

I'll forwarded this message to all the IC list, for knowledge. Perhaps somebody else would like to join the group.

I hope to receive answers from you.

Thank you and warm greetings

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