

## PALM SUNDAY 2022 – SYDNEY RALLY AND MARCH

April 10, 2pm, Belmore Park (near Central Station)

### TALK PEACE! War Creates Refugees!

Australia's leaders – especially Prime Minister Morrison and Defence Minister Dutton – are pushing war talk on China in tandem with the United States military. Now with the Russian invasion of Ukraine they hope there is a fever pitch for a khaki election in May. AUKUS and its nuclear-powered submarines are a signal that Australia is preparing for an aggressive war with China, most likely to be a nuclear war. A war that no one can win.

Instead of an endless stream of billion-dollar announcements for the purchases of missiles, artillery and tanks, the Australian government should be expanding its diplomatic effort to talk peace, not war, to increase international aid and to address the immediate challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic and global warming. Australia has a crisis in its aged care, health, education and housing sectors, exposed by the impact of the pandemic. These are the important issues for government action.

The rules about solving international conflict are in the United Nations Charter, not in a war-gaming room in the Pentagon or the White House.

The images of Ukrainian and Afghan refugees fleeing the horrors of war must motivate us to oppose war and to adopt a compassionate response to asylum seekers and refugees. Congratulations to New Zealand for taking 450 refugees that the Australian government has refused to settle here, instead keeping them in miserable detention for the last 9 years and more. End mandatory detention and offshore processing! **Justice for Refugees!**

**Sponsored by:** Blue Mountains Refugee Support Group, Edmund Rice Centre, Grandmothers for Refugees, Independent Education Union, Josephites Justice Network, Labor for Refugees, MSC Justice & Peace, Migrante Australia NSW, NTEU NSW / ACT, NSW Teachers Federation, Older Women's Network NSW, Pax Christi, Philippines Australia Union Link, Refugee Action Coalition, SEARCH Foundation, Sydney Peace & Justice Coalition, Sydney Anti-AUKUS Coalition.

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(near Central Station, March to Victoria Park)

Reject AUKUS nuclear submarines  
Justice for Refugees No to Racism

