



Thousands to join call for Humane Borders

SAN ANTONIO, TX.-

The Continental campaign against the Border Wall on the US-Mexico border 'kicked off' with a great action this Friday, Oct. 12, 2007 in El Paso, Texas and CD Juarez, Chihuahua in Mexico.

300 farm workers, students, community residents and movement organizations marched from Cd. Juarez and met the El Paso, TX contingent in the middle of the international bridge on the dividing line between US and Mexico and denounced the border wall that has already claimed over 10,000 lives since 1994. Protestors are against extending the WALL OF DEATH a proposed 700 miles proposed by Bush and Congress.

Protestors read a declaration in the middle of the international bridge demanding to 'Tear down the Border Wall of Death; Justice for Bracero workers; cease the militaristic and repressive mass immigrant deportation raids in the US; and justice for the Colonia 'Lomas de Poleo' outside CD Juarez.





Participating organizations included Via Campesina (Norte Amer.), Southwest Organizing Project (SWOP), Colonias Unidas, Proyecto Ayuda, Chaparral and Sunland Park Colonias, Union de Trabajador@s Agrícola Fronterizos (UTAF), Liga de Unidad Socialista (LUS), Pastoral Obrera, , Kasa Kultural, La Otra (Juarez), Comité de Braceros and Southwest Workers Union (SWU).



The protesters marched from the international bridge to Don Benito Juarez Monument Park and held a rally for an hour with various speakers. Carlos Marentes, UTAf spoke about the meaning of the struggle for justice for Bracero farm workers and the importance of stopping & tearing down the border wall on the US-Mexico borders. Veronica Carmona spoke against the mass deportations and militaristic operations of ICE in the US against immigrant communities whether documented or undocumented, “It is sheer terror” she remarked. Ruben Solis spoke for SWU and declared the commitment to organize a

continental campaign to stop and tear down the US-Mexico border wall. "Today and tomorrow thousands of people will demonstrate against colonialist system of today imposed by the likes of Bush and Chaney and Homeland security, but the border and migration problem is a human and economic problem not one of national security and law enforcement".

Solis continued saying that "The Continental Campaign to Stop & Tear Down the WALL of Death on the US-Mexico border has been endorsed by nearly 100 organizations of the social movement and today's kick off was held in San Diego, California where protestors organized a 15 miles protest march. Protests were held in Brownsville, Texas, Laredo, Texas and Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, Del Rio and CD Acuña, Coahuila, San Juan, Puerto Rico, New York City and Louisville, Kentucky."



NEXT:

The Continental Campaign against the Border WALL will organize actions on November 2, 2007 on Day of the Dead to commemorate the thousands who have died crossing the border. Actions will be organized on December 10 which is international day of Human Rights to protest the human rights violation on the US-Mexico border and December 18th which is international day of migrants and farm workers. The continental campaign against the border WALL calls for massive demonstrations against the border WALL on January 26, 2008 a day designated as the World Day of Action by the World Social Forum.

WHAT'S TO DE DONE:

- **Endorse the Continental Campaign NO WALL**
- **Join and organize actions**
- **Educate and pass information**



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