

You are invited to attend the

**FOUNDING CONFERENCE  
of the  
INTERNATIONAL EMERGENCY COMMITTEE TO DEFEND THE LIFE OF  
ABIMAEI GUZMAN**

**27-28 February 1993  
Krefeld, Germany**

On 12 September 1992, Abimael Guzman, known as Chairman Gonzalo, the leader of the Communist Party of Peru (PCP), was arrested by the Peruvian government.

Within 3 days, the International Emergency Committee to Defend the Life of Abimael Guzman (IEC) was formed in London, England.

The campaign has now been underway for 4 months, and already involves thousands of people from over 40 countries. So far, we have sent 17 delegates in 3 delegations to Lima to investigate and protest the secret military tribunal of Dr Guzman and the gross human rights violations of the conditions of incarceration now endured by Dr Guzman and the other political prisoners in Peru--including threats to reinstate the death penalty for the purpose of executing Dr Guzman and the political prisoners. The IEC is now also undertaking the defence of the lawyers of these

political prisoners, many of whom have recently been arrested, subjected to military tribunal and sentenced to life imprisonment.

The IEC Founding Conference will be a rare gathering of many of these activists and other interested individuals from around the world.

At this Conference, 100s of people will be coming together to learn more about the situation in Peru and the development of this unprecedented campaign.

At this Conference, we will be making the crucial plans to meet the challenge before us: expanding and intensifying the defence of Abimael Guzman and the other political prisoners of Peru by developing our organization to the level which the situation demands.

Make plans now to attend.

**TOPICS**

**Why Dr Abimael Guzman is the most important political prisoner  
in the world today:**

**Report from IEC London Office on the International Campaign  
-- Massoud Rahimi, Coordinator for IEC**

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**A Talk by Carlos La Torre,  
Father-in-Law of Dr Abimael Guzman**

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**Reports from Peru: Returning IEC Delegates**

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**Defending the Lawyers Who Defend the Political Prisoners in Peru:  
Dr Crespo, Dr Cartegena and the Association of Democratic Lawyers**

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**IEC in the East: First-Hand Report on the IEC Campaign in Bangladesh**

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**A Talk by José María Sison  
Founding Chairman of the Communist Party of the Philippines**

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**The New World Order, the Peoples' Movements and the Role of  
Human Rights Organizations**

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**The Legal Fight: Taking Dr Guzman's Case to World Courts**

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**A Talk on the Role of Women in the Revolution in Peru  
by Carol Andreas, author of When Women Rebel**

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**Strengthening the Campaign among Students and Youth**

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**The US Hand in Peru and the Threat of US Intervention**

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**Solidarity Messages**

**This is only a partial listing of topics. Other speakers to be announced.  
Most of these talks and discussions will take place on Saturday.**



**TIME:** Saturday, February 27, 10:00am - 10:00pm  
Sunday, February 28, 11:00am - 6:00pm

Saturday will be the most important day for the Conference. The Steering Committee will meet on Sunday, as well as some workshops, and there will be a plenum of the full Conference on Sunday afternoon from 3:00 - 6:00pm.

**PLACE: Krefeld, GERMANY**

For full directions by car to the Conference, please call Krefeld Conference telephone/FAX number: 49-203-401584 (Please note: this number is not in Krefeld, so dial 203-401584 upon arrival.)

**NEAREST AIRPORT:** Dusseldorf Airport (Köln/Bonn Airport is also nearby.)

**NEAREST TRAIN STATION:** Krefeld Hauptbahnhof

Transport to conference will be provided at airport and train station, please phone conference fax/telephone number to arrange this.

Please send in the registration form for the Conference, including your travel details, so that we may know when you are arriving. For those people coming from a distance, it is best to arrive on FRIDAY in the late afternoon or evening, in order to be ready to begin the Conference promptly at 10am Saturday.

**CONTACT/INFORMATION:** The Conference telephone/FAX number is: 49-203-401584-GERMANY

For logistical questions on the Conference, please call GERMANY number: 49-203-401584

For political questions on the Conference, please call the IEC office London: 44-71-482-0853  
After 25 February, please call the GERMANY number for all IEC matters.

**LODGING:** Please indicate if you need accommodations for Friday, Saturday and/or Sunday.

**FOOD:** We will provide lunch and dinner for sale on-premises during the Conference.

**COST:** We have not been able to compute the exact cost for admission, food and lodging in time for this mailing, but it will be extremely reasonable. Please contact Krefeld Conference number for exact costs.

There will be a one-day admission price for Saturday only.

There will be a two-day admission price for Saturday and Sunday.

There will be single price for food, lodging and admission to the Conference for those people staying in the hotel over the weekend.

**LANGUAGE:** We will strive to provide simultaneous translation (through earphones) in Spanish, English, German, Turkish, and Farsi. But this will only be possible if those coming to the Conference bring people with translation skills who can become part of the translation teams. It would be helpful if those people could come one day early. Please notify us in advance.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

We invite all interested people to join with the host committee in Krefeld to: \* Mobilize for the Conference (please call for copies of brochure)

\* Translate during the Conference; translate documents beforehand for distribution at the Conference

\* Assist with technical/sound tasks

\* Assist with food preparation and logistical tasks

\* Work with the press, organizing interviews, etc.

\* Assist in organizing a speaking tour throughout Europe for the visiting delegates after the Conference. Please let us know if you can hold a meeting in your country or area in the days following the Conference.

**VIDEOS:** from Peru will be on view, and available for sale.

**BANNERS AND LITERATURE:** from the campaign from all parts of the globe will be on view; some available for sale.

**LITERATURE TABLES:** Please note on the registration form if your group would like to set up a literature table at the Conference. There will be a small charge for this. Please call Conference organizers at Krefeld for the amount.

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**NAME**

**COUNTRY**

**ORGANIZATION (if any)**

**ADDRESS OR PHONE OR FAX**

**WHEN YOU WILL ARRIVE**

**WHEN YOU WILL LEAVE**

**BY CAR?**

**TRAIN?**

**AIRPLANE (flight & carrier)?**

**PRINCIPAL LANGUAGE(S) SPOKEN?**

**WILL YOU BRING TRANSLATORS, AND FROM WHAT LANGUAGE TO WHAT LANGUAGE?**

The registration form can be filled out for a group, without specific names. But it's important that AS SOON AS POSSIBLE we get a fairly accurate estimate of the number of the people coming with your group, and when

you plan to arrive and leave, your language, etc. It would be helpful to have some kind of contact number unless we already have a way to reach you by phone or FAX. Please send this form in SOON to:

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