

Arms Dealers are still **not** welcome in Ottawa!

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For the first time in almost 20 years,
the City of Ottawa is hosting an international

**ARMS BAZAAR
at Lansdowne Park!**

We stopped them before! Let's stop them again!

Background

The Coalition to Oppose the Arms Trade (COAT) was founded to expose and oppose ARMX in 1989, which was Canada's largest military trade show. During COAT's campaign, the Ottawa's City Council passed an historic motion condemning the international arms trade and banning arms exhibitions like ARMX from all municipal facilities. COAT's campaign rallied thousands for a peace march through Ottawa's downtown to the gates of ARMX at Lansdowne Park.

There hasn't been an arms show at Lansdowne for almost 20 years. *Let's keep it that way!*

What happened?

The "*U.S. Embassy Defense & Security Exhibition*" is now scheduled for Lansdowne this fall (Sept.30-Oct.1). It is part of a three-armed military trade show called "*Secure Canada 2008.*" Its sponsors include the U.S. and UK governments, major U.S. war-related industries, the top lobby group for 1,400 U.S. war-related manufacturers, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Canada, and two Canadian magazines catering to the U.S.-dominated military-industrial-security complex. City of Ottawa staff—saying that these events are not really "arms exhibitions" like ARMX and that the City's motion no longer applies—have also leased municipal property at Lansdowne for an even bigger arms trade show next year called "*CANSEC 2009.*"

Sign the Online PETITION!

Please sign COAT's online petition to demand that Ottawa politicians respect City Council's 1989 commitment to not lease municipally-funded facilities for international arms trade exhibitions! Sign the online petition here: <http://prax.ca/coat/No-Arms-Shows>

Contact Ottawa's Mayor and City Council!

Demand that the Mayor and City Council respect Ottawa's 1989 ban on arms exhibitions from municipal property! Information on how to contact City Hall by email, phone, fax and regular mail can be found here: <http://coat.ncf.ca/ARMX/ContactCity.htm>

Join us for a peaceful protest!

If the so-called "Secure Canada 2008" and "U.S. Embassy Defense and Security Exhibition" (Sept.30-Oct.1) go ahead, we will hold a peaceful protest to express our opposition to these manifestations of the international arms trade at Ottawa's publically-funded facilities.

Learn more! Keep Informed!

For more details about the arms bazaars and exhibitors scheduled to showcase their deadly products at Lansdowne Park, please visit the Coalition to Oppose the Arms Trade (COAT) website:

<http://coat.ncf.ca>