

## **Discussion Forum**

## February 15th Five Years On

5th Anniverary of Mass Anti-War Demonstration

South Tyneside Stop the War Coalition will Hold a Discussion on this topic:

Friday, February 15, 2008
Trinity House Social Centre, 134 Laygate
South Shields. (Nearest Metro
Chichester)
7.30pm - 9.00pm

February 15th 2008 is the 5th anniversary of the mass anti war demonstration where 2 million marched through London to oppose the invasion of Iraq. Tony Blair and the New Labour Government threw aside this mass censure of their war plans and joined Bush and the US in invading Iraq the following month on March 15th. Five years later there is no end to the carnage and destruction of the sovereign country of Iraq caused by this invasion and continued occupation.

Five Years on Blair has gone to be replaced by Gordon Brown as Prime Minister yet the state terrorism of occupation continues with US forces in the North and some 5,000 British troops in the South of the country. What is more the 2001 invasion and occupation of Afghanistan is being stepped with 5,800 British forces being deployed there. At the same time, using their naked aggression the Anglo US rulers have stepped up their interference backed up with the threats of military action against Iran and other sovereign countries of the Middle East. Their aim is to impose the interests of the anglo US global companies and plunder these countries of their wealth and resources.

Five years on the people of Britain and the world are building their resistance to the Anglo US dictate in world affairs. In Britain the question of ending the dictate of pro-war cabinet government is a problem taken up for solution, whilst the people of other countries threatened by the Anglo - US dictate are strengthening their mass movements to defend their sovereignty and make social progress based on their own efforts.

These events make it even more imperative for the British people to bring into being an anti-war government and reiterate the right of countries such as Iran to defend their sovereignty.

Come to the forum and take part in informed discussion. Think, discuss and act on the here and now. Another world is possible it is the necessity to change it.