

## MANY FRONTS, ONE WAR

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**This news just broke:** Trump wanted to fortify the U.S.-Mexico border wall with a “water-filled trench, stocked with snakes or alligators... electrified, with spikes on top that could pierce human flesh.” He also suggested border troops “shoot migrants in the legs to slow them down.” [<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/01/us/politics/trump-border-wars.html>] This is horrifying and dangerous.

**Trump’s border wall is no longer a 2018 election stunt. It is massive ongoing militarization to terrorize vulnerable families at the U.S. southern border. AND WE CANNOT LET IT CONTINUE.**

Last month, Defense Secretary Esper reauthorized the deployment of up to 5,500 service members at the U.S. southern border for ANOTHER YEAR — even though the law is clear that the military must be kept separate from domestic law enforcement activities.

Whether we can actually see it or not, Trump is building his wall around the United States: U.S. active-duty military personnel stationed at the border with weapons in hand; concentration camps to separate families seeking refuge; new policies every day to keep people out.

And while Trump and Stephen Miller’s horrific anti-immigrant policies are being exposed by activists, the media, and Congress, **the dangerous deployment of troops to the border has largely flown under the radar.** While previous presidents have sent the National Guard and Reservists to the border before, the deployment of active-duty military personnel here at home to act as law enforcement is supposed to be illegal.

What is happening along our southern border is a stain on the conscience of our country: detained children have grown suicidal, stopped speaking, and have even forgotten how to use the bathroom. **And until we stop it, this stain is on all of us.**

[To sign the Win Without War petition to the Acting Inspector General to the U.S. Department of Defense, go to <http://act.winwithoutwar.org/sign/investigate-border-troops-now>.]

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**JOIN US TO RESIST THIS ENDLESS WAR!**  
**Vigil here every Sunday, 12-1 p.m.**  
<https://newhavensundayvigil.wordpress.com>

*Since 1999, the New Haven Sunday Vigil has been held here every week from 12-1pm at Broadway, Park and Elm Streets in New Haven, CT, to emphatically say NO to the state of permanent, ongoing war against the world being waged by our government and its allies, a war which is terrorizing the planet and destroying lives in order to consolidate enormous power and wealth in the hands of a very few people.*

*Often people ask us what we mean when we say, “RESIST THIS ENDLESS WAR.” We mean that the serial wars fought by the US and its allies are really one war being waged on many fronts. Men, women and children are being slaughtered, maimed, traumatized, and driven from their homes all over the world.*

*The weapons of this war include: continued development and production of an ever more deadly nuclear arsenal; aerial drone attacks against human beings many thousands of miles away; mass deportations of immigrants and refugees; systemic dismantling of infrastructure and social programs; destruction of the environment; undermining workers’ rights; refusal to pass a national minimum living wage.*

*This state of endless war is escalating on all its fronts. With its blatantly racist and xenophobic rhetoric and policies and its disregard for the U.S. Constitution and international law, the Trump administration has made transparent the existential threat posed by the 1% to all our lives and to the future of our planet.*