We are going to spoil your picnics.
Because if we don’t spoil them the missiles will.

Ronald Reagan will be re-elected next November, and the chances of nuclear war will become even more certain. Yet FND continues its attempts at winning the hearts and minds of the Kremlin and the Pentagon by showing them that millions of people are scared toothless of the coming nuclear war.

The job of the generals is to keep people scared. A terrorised and passive population is precisely what keeps the government criminals (at least guilty of premeditating mass murder) in power.

The Chileans fear the secret police. We fear the nukes.

But the bombs are not going to disappear simply by having us tell Reagan we don’t like them. Everyone knows the Chileans people dislike their cops. They still have them.

The only thing that will eliminate the nukes is if we start fighting for this goal. The governments know we are against them, now is the time to make them feel it.

Time is on their side. It may be too late to stop the last world war. But we have to try.

Palm Sunday picnics to increase the already enormous FND support group will not scare or pressure Reagan into eliminating the Cruise and Pershing II.

We will have to stop the picnics and try demonstrations, as a first step in a long struggle to devise new methods that will let us win.

First Strike is a publication which will discuss such new strategies. First Strike is produced by the left tendency of the nuclear disarmament movement. A section of the movement which is not afraid to propose new actions apart from the yearly ritual of hopping for peace with a million voices. A section which is not afraid to initiate new actions.

Our aim is to win this fight against the superpowers, and we must use realistic tough policies to do it. These are socialist policies developed in the knowledge that our present condition is a struggle, and that we are the underdogs.

Hopefully the movement will be successful. We will do our best in First Strike and through our actions, to improve the ability of the movement to fight back.

This means that First Strike will be published, and will reach the movement and beyond on a regular basis (every month). It also means we will be at the next Palm Sunday FND picnic and will make the left presence felt.