

Bay Area Women in Black
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Women in the Gaza Strip,
Women of South Africa against Apartheid,
And the Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo
Waiting for their disappeared.

In silence, dressed in black,
Women all over the world
Are seeking the freedom
To see their own children grow up.

With our "Stop the occupation"
In Tel Aviv, London, and Haifa,
From Sidney to Amsterdam and Rome
To Belgrade and to New York,

Against war and human conflict,
Racism and militarism,
The production and trafficking of weapons
And all types of violence against women,

We are here in silent protest
Because silence is even louder;
It tears down the walls of indifference;
It opens the ears of those who will not listen.

So Enough! of war;
Enough! of hypocrisy;
Enough! of suffering:
We have simply had Enough.

Women in black, a single thought;
We are Women in black;
Sisters in silence and in peace,
We are women:
We are women in black

Homeless women in Jenin,
Our homes destroyed by the Israelis;
Children killed in Madrid,
Women used as human shields;

Cities under military occupation
A Vietnam every day, every hour,
Women who live in refugee camps;
Women stoned for adultery.

We want equal opportunity;
We want more human rights;
We want a world in Peace;
We want to love without shackles.

“Take war out of history!”
Beyond killing
And dying
There is another path:
living