As the Coalition of the Willing which was responsible for the illegal invasion of Iraq on 20 March 2003 has regrouped as AUKUS, we should remember the legacy of that disastrous war and other destructive wars.

Two people in particular are suffering persecution today because they dared to expose war crimes. Julian Assange for releasing material including a video of the Baghdad airstrike which killed two Reuters journalists and other civilians, and ADF Major David McBride who gave the ABC information about alleged war crimes in Afghanistan.

The rally will call on the Australian government to pull back from the AUKUS agreement, which is heightening tensions with China, and will remember the horrendous outcomes from armed conflict.

The wars on Iraq and Afghanistan resulted in the deaths of many hundreds of thousands of people, as well as injuring or displacing millions more. The wars caused widespread environmental destruction.

Speakers at the rally will be:
- Independent MP Monique Ryan
- Senator David Shoebridge
- Lawyer Bernard Collaery
- Major David McBride
- President of the Medical Association for Prevention of War, Dr Sue Wareham.
- Larissa Baldwin-Roberts, GetUp CEO
- Mr Jeff Morris, CBA whistleblower

Please come along to support David McBride who will be in court on the day, and Julian Assange and to express horror that the countries which were responsible for so much heartbreak in Iraq and Afghanistan are bent on engaging in another war.
WHAT CAN YOU DO?

1. CONSIDER JOINING US TO PLAY A MORE ACTIVE PART
   • IPAN (Independent and Peaceful Australia Network)
     https://www.ipan.org.au
     IPAN (ACT)
     Email: ipanactactivists@gmail.com
   • MAPW (Medical Association for Prevention of War)
     https://www.mapw.org.au
     MAPW (ACT)
     Email: act@mapw.org.au
   • AAPP (Alliance Against Political Prosecutions)
     https://www.aapolpros.au
     Email: aapolpros@gmail.com

2. WRITE A LETTER TO THE CANBERRA TIMES
   Email: letters.editor@canberratimes.com.au

3. WRITE OR VISIT YOUR FEDERAL MP
   • Senator the Hon Katy Gallagher (ALP)
     Email: senator.katy.gallagher@aph.gov.au
   • Senator David Pocock (Independent)
     Email: senator.david.pocock@aph.gov.au
   • Hon Dr Andrew Leigh MP (ALP)
     Member for Fenner
     Email: andrew.leigh.mp@aph.gov.au
   • Ms Alica Payne MP (ALP)
     Member for Canberra
     Email: alica.payne.mp@aph.gov.au
   • Mr David Smith MP (ALP)
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     Email: david.smith.mp@aph.gov.au