

Land Rights and Nonviolence, Part 2

Nonviolent Action in Modern Movements

Israel: The *Neve Shalom/W_hat al-Sal_m* community of Israeli Arabs and Jews (1969-present)

Palestine: Movement to help a Palestinian farmer (late 1980s); the *International Solidarity Movement* and the Al-Kurd family (2008)

The Philippines: Holding the government accountable for land redistribution (2006-present)

Canada: Defending First Nation sovereignty from mining interests (2008)

New Zealand: Trying to gain back native Maori land from the colonial government (1879-1883)

Australia: The Gurindji people obtaining land rights and better working conditions (1967-1975); the Koori people's Tent Embassy protest (1972) and their occupation of Oyster Cove in Tasmania (1983-1985)

Nigeria: Ken Saro-Wiwa and the Ogoni people kicking out Shell and Chevron (1990-1993)

France: Stopping the expansion of a military base in the Larzac region (1971-1981)

Spain: *Movimiento Okupa*, or squatter's movement, (mid-1980s - present)

Italy: Peasant land seizures in Sicily and southern Italy (1919-1920)

Bolivia: Stopping the government-sponsored eradication of coca crops (1988-1994?)

Perú: Getting the government to renegotiate the free trade agreement with the United States, and generally to respect the rights of Amazonian indigenous groups (2008)

Brazil: The ongoing struggle of the *Movimento de Trabalhadores Sem Terra* (MST) and related organizations to improve the lives of the millions of landless workers in Brazil (1980-present)

Uruguay: A growing social movement of *Mutual-Support Cooperatives*, housing more than 20,000 families in more than 400 communities across the country (1966-present)

Ecuador: Road blockades, protest marches for Amazonian indigenous land rights (20th century)

Honduras: Movement to preserve the land and culture of the indigenous Lenca (1993-present)

Guatemala: Securing land rights for *campesinos* / farmworkers (1978-present)

México: Occupation of land in Chiapas leading to eventual legal recognition (1994-present)

United States: Fighting for the rights of the Lakota to grow what they please on their own land; defending land rights of the Western Shoshone from mining and nuclear interests (2002); land occupation by Mohawk tribe in New York State (1958); Occupation of Alcatraz (1969-1971)

Puerto Rico: Kicking the US Military out of Culebra (1971-75) and then Vieques (1999-2003)

India: The Bardoli Campaign (1928); the Chipko Movement to save trees (1973); The Baliapal Movement against a planned missile-testing site (1985-1992); the *Narmada Bachao Andolan* (2002); the *Adivasi Gothra Maha Sabha* (2003); *Ekta Parishad* and the Janadesh Movement (2005-2007); kicking Tata out of West Bengal (2008); Sarvodaya, Bhoodan, and Gramdan (1952-present)