



WHO IS GUILTY?

COME TO A

PUBLIC TRIAL

THE PEOPLE OF THE LOWER EAST SIDE

versus

THE WAR CRIMINALS:

The U. S. Government
The Pentagon
The Profiteers

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20th — 1 PM

**ST. MARKS CHURCH ON THE BOUWERIE
Second Avenue at 10th Street**

Initiated by:

Lower East Side Mobilization for Peace Action (LEMPA)
105 Avenue B, New York, N. Y. 10009 533-6948

INDICTMENT

We, the people of the Lower East Side of New York, by this indictment, accuse the Government of the U.S. of responsibility for the crime of murder of some 300 unarmed civilians in Songmy, Quan Ngai province, Vietnam.

We believe the U.S. intervention in Vietnam to be illegal and unjust.

The atrocities in Songmy and similar horrors have occurred again and again because the war in Vietnam is being conducted against an "enemy" who cannot be distinguished from the people.

We accuse the Pentagon of responsibility for the brutalization of our soldiers, including the indoctrination of racist attitudes toward all the Vietnamese people, which is an inevitable consequence of American intervention.

We accuse the giant corporations, ever hungry for greater profits from the exploitation of colonial peoples, of direct complicity in all of the aforesaid charges.

We accuse the U.S. Government of deceit and cowardice in claiming innocence of this massacre and putting the entire blame on the shoulders of two servicemen.

Finally, we accuse the U.S. Government of ravaging our cities, which we on the Lower East Side know well, and depriving our people of desperately needed services by constantly siphoning off funds for the war.

Presiding Judges:

REV. MICHAEL ALLEN
MRS. SARA FARLEY
MRS. DIXIE BAYO

Prosecuting Attorneys:

MR. STANLEY ARONOWITZ
MR. OSCAR HUNTER
MISS RACHEL DE ARAGON

WITNESSES FOR THE PEOPLE: Welfare recipients, students, workers, black and Puerto Rican youth, a Vietnam War Veteran, GIs and others. If you wish to be considered as a witness, write to LEMPA—105 Ave. B, NYC 10009.

WITNESSES FOR THE DEFENSE: A "summons" has been "served" on President Nixon, Secretary of Defense Laird and the president of Dow Chemical Company.

JURY: Representative residents of the Lower East Side community.

Co-sponsors (partial list) Organizations listed for identification only.

Marion Barrows, Joseph Kreisler, Action for Progress; Norma Becker, 5th Avenue Peace Parade Comm.; Father Carlos Caguiat, St. Christopher Chapel; John Caldwell, Robert Listefshi, Youth for People; Genoveva Clemente, Ernesto Martinez, Coalition for Human Housing; Gloria Cruz, Community Health Organizer; Steve Dansky, BASTA; Marguerite Datt, Two Bridges Neighborhood Council; Al Evanoff, Carl Edelman, Dist. 65 Peace Comm.; Lola Fine, Emma Lazarus Jewish Women's Clubs; Frances Goldin, Metropolitan Council on Housing; Bob Greenberg, Teachers Action Comm.; Louis C. Hinman, Tom McKenna, Harold Lui, Hamilton-Madison House; Dr. Louis Kroll; David McReynolds, War Resisters League; Toni Parks, Henry St. Settlement; Esther Rand, East Side Tenants Council; Loriman Rhodell, ALERTA; Father John Rossi, St. James R. C. Church; Rev. James Speer, Natalie Sosinsky, Two Bridges Governing Board; Mayer Vishner, WIN Magazine; Joan Wager, LENA; Martin Wallace, Two Bridges for Peace; Victor Weiss, Educ. Alliance Staff Peace Committee; Donald Yee, Asian-Americans for Action.