

A DECLARATION OF CONSCIENCE

As members of an institution committed to reason and morality and to the relationship between private and public responsibilities, we, the majority of Faculty and students of Grinnell College, joined by other citizens of the city of Grinnell, Iowa vigorously condemn the recently intensified aggressive action of the United States in Cambodia and Vietnam and the acts of official repression so obvious in recent days at Kent State and other universities. These immoral and irrational acts and others similar to them threaten the life of this institution and other institutions of higher education; they disrupt the process of learning, increase the polarization of society and society's potential for violence. These acts must be condemned, and we condemn them.

We urge all academic institutions and all citizens to take a similar position and to join us in making their voices heard in centers of state and national decision-making. We are sending official delegations to the Governor of Iowa, the President of the United States and the Congress. We encourage others to do likewise.

Paid for by students, Faculty and administrators of Grinnell College, and by concerned citizens of the city of Grinnell, Iowa.

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