

Saturday 9 December 2006, 7 p.m., Greek Directors' Guild, 11 Tositsa Street, Exarchia  
Showing of the new Movie / Documentary

## REFUSING TO KILL

*Refuseniks from around the world speak out  
against murder, rape & other torture*



Only 2% of soldiers shoot to kill. So the military needs to brainwash the 98% who don't.  
Everywhere people are drafted into the army by law or by poverty.

Those who refuse to kill are punished, jailed, sometimes killed.

In spite of that, there is a growing movement of refuseniks supported by their loved ones, usually women.  
Refuseniks and their families, supporters and other anti-war protesters around the world  
from the Second World War, wars in Africa, Vietnam, Palestine and the two Gulf wars.

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as I know that I will never kick a homeless person lying on the sidewalk,  
never rape a woman, and when I will have a child - never abandon it."*

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*With the occasion of the 20 years after the first public non-religious declaration of conscience objection in Greece  
(6/12/1986, Michalis Maragkakis). Free entrance. Duration of movie 45 minutes. Discussion to follow.*

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