

198 METHODS OF NONVIOLENT ACTION

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<p>THE METHODS OF NONVIOLENT PROTEST AND PERSUASION</p> <p>FORMAL STATEMENTS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Public speeches 2. Letters of opposition or support 3. Declarations by organizations and institutions 4. Signed public declarations 5. Declarations of indictment and intention 6. Group or mass petitions <p>COMMUNICATIONS WITH A WIDER AUDIENCE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Slogans, caricatures, and symbols 8. Banners, posters, and displayed communications 9. Leaflets, pamphlets, and books 10. Newspapers and journals 11. Records, radio, and television 12. Skywriting and earthwriting <p>GROUP REPRESENTATIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. Deputations 14. Mock awards 15. Group lobbying 16. Picketing 17. Mock elections <p>SYMBOLIC PUBLIC ACTS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 18. Displays of flags and symbolic colours 19. Wearing of symbols 20. Prayer and worship 21. Delivering symbolic objects 22. Protest disrobings 23. Destruction of own property 24. Symbolic lights 25. Displays of portraits 26. Paint as protest 27. New signs and names 28. Symbolic sounds 29. Symbolic reclamations 30. Rude gestures <p>PRESSURES ON INDIVIDUALS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 31. "Haunting" officials 32. Taunting officials 33. Fraternalization 34. Vigils <p>DRAMA AND MUSIC</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 35. Humorous skits and pranks 36. Performances of plays and music 37. Singing 	<p>PROCESSIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 38. Marches 39. Parades 40. Religious processions 41. Pilgrimages 42. Motorcades <p>HONOURING THE DEAD</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 43. Political mourning 44. Mock funerals 45. Demonstrative funerals 46. Homage at burial places <p>PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 47. Assemblies of protest or support 48. Protest meetings 49. Camouflaged meetings of protest 50. Teach-ins <p>WITHDRAWAL AND RENUNCIATION</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 51. Walk-outs 52. Silence 53. Renouncing honours 54. Turning one's back <p>THE METHODS OF SOCIAL NONCOOPERATION</p> <p>OSTRACISM OF PERSONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 55. Social boycott 56. Selective social boycott 57. Lysistratic nonaction 58. Excommunication 59. Interdict <p>NONCOOPERATION WITH SOCIAL EVENTS, CUSTOMS, AND INSTITUTIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 60. Suspension of social and sports activities 61. Boycott of social affairs 62. Student strike 63. Social disobedience 64. Withdrawal from social institutions <p>WITHDRAWAL FROM THE SOCIAL SYSTEM</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 65. Stay-at-home 66. Total personal noncooperation 67. "Flight" of workers 68. Sanctuary 69. Collective disappearance 70. Protest emigration (hijrat) 	<p>THE METHODS OF ECONOMIC NONCOOPERATION: ECONOMIC BOYCOTTS</p> <p>ACTION BY CONSUMERS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 71. Consumers' boycott 72. Nonconsumption of boycotted goods 73. Policy of austerity 74. Rent withholding 75. Refusal to rent 76. National consumers' boycott 77. International consumers' boycott <p>ACTION BY WORKERS AND PRODUCERS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 78. Workers' boycott 79. Producers' boycott <p>ACTION BY MIDDLEMEN</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 80. Suppliers' and handlers' boycott <p>ACTION BY OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 81. Traders' boycott 82. Refusal to let or sell property 83. Lockout 84. Refusal of industrial assistance 85. Merchants' "general strike" <p>ACTION BY HOLDERS OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 86. Withdrawal of bank deposits 87. Refusal to pay fees, dues, and assessments 88. Refusal to pay debts or interest 89. Severance of funds and credit 90. Revenue refusal 91. Refusal of a government's money <p>ACTION BY GOVERNMENTS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 92. Domestic embargo 93. Blacklisting of traders 94. International sellers' embargo 95. International buyers' embargo 96. International trade embargo <p>THE METHODS OF ECONOMIC NONCOOPERATION: THE STRIKE</p> <p>SYMBOLIC STRIKES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 97. Protest strike 98. Quickie walkout (lightning strike)
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