**WORK for peace**

Perhaps Richard Nixon is the only one who has the 'face' of a 'lucky' lottery system which does nothing to affect the basic injustices which alienate the youth of this country. The basic issue is such a big issue that it is a war on which people do not believe in, and thus young people are being taken against their will to do the politicians' dirty work. It seems to be common sense not to engage in a war that young citizens of this country do not support criminally.

But the war goes on, and the draft goes on. Last year we chose people to die reluctantly; this year we give people to die randomly.

The thing that can be said about the lottery is that it is no worse than the old system. To be sure, it will replace the uncertainties and inequities of the old system with new ones.

Employers and draft boards will probably discontinue in hiring and deferments on the basis of birthdays. Those in the middle of the list will have a ten-year chance. On the other hand, the new system reduces the special priviledges of those who are in college and deferred only because of their parent's economic status. In addition, more people face up to the real issue: Is this a just war? If not, is one against all wars or just this one? If one does not consider the military service when a country fights an unjust war.

As people think through these problems, the draft issue is bound to increase, and the Army is likely to be the proud recipient of large numbers of college educated trainees prepared to carry out active or passive resistance within its ranks.

For those whose consciousness of the war has been sharpened by this recent-host with the lottery, we would offer this strong reminder: if you want peace, you've got to work for it. The Moratorium is gathering forces for its December effort right now. The war will not be over until MIT can turn out October 15's 6,000 every month for organizing and political action. To get involved, call Dave Burnmaster at X855.

**Conversion conference**

SAC's National Conference on Social and Economic Conversion offers a real chance for the whole Institute to learn and contribute their views on the problems and possibilities of conversion.

Past months have shown that this issue has been a matter of intense interest to students, faculty, and staff. The Conference, especially the seminars and workshops to be held on Thursday night, offer everyone the chance to think about the problem in a more intellectual atmosphere.

We urge all members of the Institute Community to attend as much of the Conference as possible, and to attend with an open mind; ready for new ideas.

Before and during the November Actions, many people said that they were indeed interested in and concerned about the issues of priorities and conversion, but objected to considering these issues in an atmosphere of 'corruption.' We trust that these people in particular will be present at the Conference.

We, like others, regret that one participant in the Conference will be unable to attend. Ernest Mandel, a Belgian economist, was unable to enter the country because the Justice Department of the United States did not think his views should be heard within the borders of the land of the free.

**Footnotes**

101. The Rev. Harvey Cox, a Harvard theologian, takes a dim view of Nixon's weekly White House church service. "Freely," the reverend said, "we have enough problems exciting young people to become interested in religion without having Nixon support it."

102. Judge Edward Violta must be getting impatient with the repeated failures in the case. He prodded the counsel for the petitioners, the famous MIT "Bread and Freedom" group. He was the judge in the University Hall cases last year and is still involved in the case of the local Vietnam demonstrators.

103. One day after his Nov. 3 Vietnam speech, the Nixon administration finally admitted that the famous 50 minute film entitled "America at War" was 'false.' The producers of the film had intended to show that the Moratorium days did not reflect the feelings of the nation's majority. The film will be distributed to 100 nations.

104. One of the campus newspapers is in Wednesday's issue announced new "scientific" ad rates: $1.50/6 inches if 6 or more ads. As of 10.01 lunatics knows, that yields a substantial profit for the appearance of 6-inch ads and drops back to zero at 285--about six times the cost for one small ad. If someone buys out the whole eight-inch page, the cost is negative; one can only conclude he would make money for $395 profit.

105. The letters should be submitted with copy to Room 59-O32.

106. An attempt was made secretly to get AIDS from the phone. A freshman brother explained that he could not be so affected because "he was tied into his room."

107. "We have had rape here, but it's been voluntary." --Dean Holden

108. "When you're being raped, the spirit is willing but the body is not." --Yale anti-war group

109. The man who was in charge of the food-launder in Washington is living anonymously- no one knows his last name or phone number. He has not been involved in the cases of the local Vietnam demonstrators.

110. In the spirit of Thanksgiving we give the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Scholarship Award to the winners of the " month, Silver Springs Md., and all the others who got the Champaign decorations up before November was over. The purpose of the spirit is to live the 'c' cash registers, oh.

111. (GNS).--The National Council on Hunger declared that $400,000 allo- cated to feed the poor is being mis- used. The President is over to private company to finance this week's White House Conference on Nutrition. Preliminary papers for the conference have al ready concluded that hungry people in this country should eat more:

112. Not only is Davis Stengel No. 1 in his class (President of '72) but he is married with his draft board (born Sept. 14).