

# The issue is Choice.

**RIGHT TO CHOOSE**

**O**n this day thousands of people in Toronto and millions around the world are protesting the escalating danger of nuclear war represented by the cruise missile. In these massive protests people are demanding the right to control their own lives and to choose the type of society to live in, a society free from the terror of nuclear and conventional war. However, the Canadian government consistently denies the wishes of the majority on the issue of nuclear arms.

**W**omen also are struggling for control of our lives, an important element of which is control over our bodies. But here again, the government ignores the 72% of Canadians who support a woman's right to choose whether to have an abortion. One of the major themes of this rally is to divert the enormous state expenditure on war and defence to the funding of human needs. We strongly support this demand and further believe that a crucial element of human needs is the provision of services that would enhance women's control over our reproductive capacities; this includes not only access to abortion, but also universal daycare, safe and effective contraception, adequate state child support, and comprehensive education in the schools on sexuality and reproduction.

**T**he Ontario Coalition for Abortion Clinics was formed because the existing medical system effectively denies most women choice over abortion. O.C.A.C. demands the legalization of free-standing abortion clinics to make this choice a real one and the removal of abortion from the federal criminal code.

If you would like more information on the coalition's activities or wish to support the struggle for women's right to choose please contact us.

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