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**"This Is What Democracy Looks Like?
A Cross-National Comparison"**

Sunday, October 30
12pm Pacific time, 1pm Nicaragua, 3pm Eastern,
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Hosted by **MASSACHUSETTS PEACE ACTION (MAPA)**

Join us for this 90-minute comparison of democracy as experienced in Nicaragua, the Northern Triangle, the United States, and the United Kingdom. How much voice do the people of each country have in their governments and in their everyday lives? How do elections contribute to that voice?

Speakers:

In the UK: Tony Burke is a former Assistant General Secretary of the UK trade union Unite and currently represents Unite within the international Trade Union movement. A trade unionist for over 45 years, Tony was previously the Deputy General Secretary of the Graphical, Paper and Media Union. He was a member of the TUC General Council and Executive Committee, is a member of the Labour Party National Policy Forum, and is currently president of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions. He is the Trade Union coordinator for the Morning Star newspaper, and a member of the Board of the Peoples Press Printing Society and the Executive Committee of NSCAG.

In the US: Margaret Kimberley is Executive Editor of [Black Agenda Report](#) and author of the book [Prejudential: Black America and the Presidents](#). In addition to being a Coordinating Committee member of Black Alliance for Peace, she is an Administrative Committee member of the United National Antiwar Coalition, and the Board of Directors of the U.S. Peace Memorial Foundation. She is also a board member of Consortium News and the editorial board of the International Manifesto Group. She has been a member of delegations visiting Nicaragua.

In the Northern Triangle: Grahame Russell has been director since 1995 of the Canada- and US-based nonprofit organization [Rights Action](#), working in Honduras and Guatemala to support land, environmental, and human rights defenders. Grahame is a non-practicing Canadian lawyer and a part-time adjunct professor at University of Northern British Columbia. He is co-editor of the recently published book, [TESTIMONIO: Canadian Mining in the Aftermath of Genocides in Guatemala](#).

In Nicaragua: Susan Lagos taught high school and university Spanish and ESL for 30 years. She has lived in Ciudad Dario, Matagalpa, Nicaragua, for the past 18 years, where she retired to co-own a farm. Previously she lived in other Latin American countries for 18 years, including growing up in Guantanamo Bay,

Cuba. She has volunteered and participated in numerous delegations in Nicaragua and across Latin America with Friends of the ATC, School of the Americas Watch, Alliance for Global Justice, and Code Pink. Her [article](#) about *60 Minutes'* coverage of Nicaragua appeared in *CovertAction Magazine* in July 2022. Originally from the US, she recently became a Nicaraguan citizen and will be able to vote in the municipal elections in November.

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