

SOA Watch has identified [26 Representatives](#) who have worked to prevent the effort to cut funding for the SOA/WHINSEC from succeeding or caved in to Pentagon pressure. The 26 have disregarded the demands from their constituents and are directly responsible for the continuation of SOA/WHINSEC sponsored military repression and violence in Latin America.

Suggested Actions to Hold the Accomplices of the School of the Americas Accountable:

We have power if we organize together and take action. Contact the 26 and let them know that their collaboration with the SOA/WHINSEC is unacceptable. Here are some suggested actions that you can take in your community:

Call the SOA Accomplices and express your extreme displeasure about their actions. Encourage others to do the same: Call the numbers listed [here](#) or call the Capitol Switchboard at (202) 224-3121. They can transfer you to the offices of the Representatives.

Visit the Representatives in their districts: July 2-6, 2007 is a district work period. Gather a few friends and organize a small delegation to visit the Representatives in their district offices (see their district office addresses below). Demand answers from them about why they have disregarded the voices of their constituents and worked to keep the School of the Americas in operation. August 6-31, 2007 is another district work period that you can use to meet your Representative.

[Click here for information and tips on how to set up a meeting with your Representative.](#)

[Click here for a map with the locations of the district offices of the 26 Members of Congress.](#)

Educate your community about the human rights stands of the Representatives: The more people know, the harder it will be for the Representatives to defend their position. Start discussions about the SOA/WHINSEC in your workplaces, schools, universities, and communities, as well as in meetings with religious and union leaders. Too many people have no idea that Congress authorized their tax dollars to be used for the training of Latin

American soldiers who are using the skills they learn to cause suffering among civilian populations.

Write a letter to the editor: Download the [sample letter](#) from the SOA Watch webpage or write your own. Send it to your local newspapers and follow-up with a phone call to ask that it gets published. Contact SOA Watch Communications Coordinator Joao DaSilva at [idasilva\(at\)soaw\(dot\)org](mailto:idasilva@soaw.org) for more information and to let him know about letters that were published.

Hold a public protest: Create anti-SOA signs with posterboard and markers or bedsheets and spraypaint and hold a gathering in front of the district offices of the SOA accomplices. Make copies of the [letter to the editor](#) and of [fliers](#) to hand out to people who pass by. Even a small group can have a big impact. Please send photos and reports to Hendrik Voss at [hvoss\(at\)soaw\(dot\)org](mailto:hvoss@soaw.org)

[Click here for a list of the 26 Representatives, who worked to prevent the efforts to close the SOA from succeeding or caved in to Pentagon pressure](#)