

FP #1 – Foreign Policy – Restrict Arms Transfers

J. Kweku Lumumba (DeKalb County, [REDACTED]) offers the following:

From the chapter on Foreign Policy, replace plank 7, entitled, ‘Halt Arms Sales to Human Rights Abusers,’ in its entirety as follows:

~~7. Halt arms sales to Human Rights Abusers.
Pass Congresswoman McKinney’s bill.~~

7. Prohibit Arms Sales to All Foreign Nations

The U.S. is the largest arms seller and dealer in the world. We urge our government to prohibit all arms sales to foreign nations and likewise prohibit grants to impoverished and undemocratic nations unless the money is targeted on domestic, non-military needs. In addition, grants to other nations may not be used to release their own funds for military purposes.

The U.S. must not be a conduit for defense contractors to market their products abroad and must shift our export market from arms to peaceful technology, industrial and agricultural products, and education.