STATEMENT FROM MYA SHONE AND RALPH SCHOENMAN

We are sad to announce to our devoted TAKING AIM listeners around the world that this will be our final broadcast on WBAI.

We are concluding our ninth year of producing and broadcasting TAKING AIM, apart from Specials and multiple hours of fundraising and providing premiums.

On Sunday, October 31st, we received a telephone call from WBAI Program Director Tony Bates informing us that TAKING AIM would be moved from Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. – the bedtime hour!

Neither we nor you were consulted about this change, nor was our input sought on how programming on WBAI could be improved and its listenership expanded.

The methods are those of any corporate capitalist management.

This, along with other actions by the current WBAI and Pacifica management, led us to re-evaluate our association with WBAI. Our decision was a difficult one since so many of you have told us how much you appreciate and rely upon our perspective and political analysis.

Rest assured that we shall communicate in small ways and large as we pursue the many other projects in which we are involved. We shall maintain our connection to our audience and to all those who share our political vision.

We ask you, our TAKING AIM listeners and supporters, to keep in touch with us at takingaim@pacbell.net and to continue to visit our web site and program archive at takingaimradio.com.