

PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ON
BLACKWATER CORPORATION

WHEREAS: Blackwater Corporation has been a part of the war effort in Iraq acting as a private contractor, promoting and acting in ways detrimental to the Iraqi people; and

WHEREAS: Blackwater Corporation has been exempt from any of its actions as a private contractor in Iraq and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS: As educators in the California State University system, we teach our students the values of due process and accountability, and Blackwater Corporation has been spending public funds without any public accountability; and

WHEREAS: Blackwater Corporation has been able to receive no-bid contracts and has excessively overcharged the American people for its services as a private contractor; and

WHEREAS: Blackwater Corporation has been employed in New Orleans, following the Hurricane Katrina disaster, and has been engaged in violent and illegal actions against the residents of New Orleans; and

WHEREAS: Blackwater Corporation is attempting to establish a western base of operations in San Diego County in the community of Potrero to further its mission as a mercenary private army; and

WHEREAS: CFA is concerned about the expenditure of scarce public resources on private corporations and warfare instead of quality higher education;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: That the California Faculty Association opposes any establishment of Blackwater Corporation training facilities in California and any contracting of services to Blackwater Corporation in California.