

AIPIN

From October 13-24, members of AIPIN (International Association of Indigenous Press) met to publicly announce recognition of their official status by the International Press Association. AIPIN is comprised of Indigenous people and organizations that work with various mediums of mass communication, press, radio and television. Its objective is to make the Indigenous voice an active one within mainstream society.

RADIO WAVES FOR WOMEN

A recent conference organized by the "Mujeres Aymarasy Comunicación" program of the Center for Education and Communication in Puno, Peru, brought together Indigenous Women who make community-level radio programs in Peru and Bolivia. The programs, made for and by women, deal with problems faced by women everywhere, such as domestic violence, discrimination, and marginalization. Their object is to unite women around their mutual concerns

and to provide an avenue through which women can mobilize for social change. The conference provided the women an opportunity to share their experiences and to create a network of support. As Rosa Palomino, who produces a radio program in Peru noted at the end of the conference: "The radio programs provide a system of mutual support, a form of development. If we don't include the women, we will not develop..."



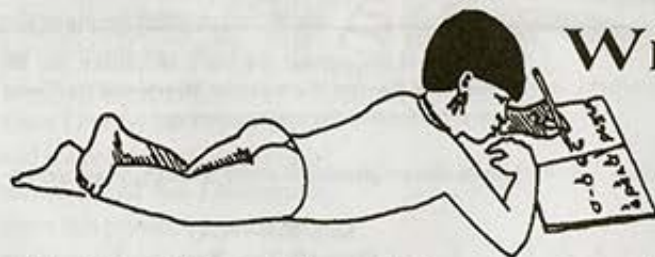
IN DEFENSE OF INDIGENOUS MIGRANT WORKERS

United Farm Workers (UFW) And Representatives of the Binational Mixtec-Zapotec Front (FM-ZB) have signed a joint agreement to spur organizing and advance the defense of human and labor rights of Indigenous migrant workers in the U.S.

Thousands of Mixtec and Zapotec Indigenous peoples comprise the latest immigrant group of workers toiling in the agricultural fields and the service industry of California. Mixtec-Zapotec Bi-national Front is the largest and most important Oaxacan organization in California. The new immigrants are Indigenous workers from the

Mexican State of Oaxaca who, through a joint effort of the UFW and FM-ZB, will be encouraged to join the United Farm workers Union while still maintaining the autonomy of their own organization, under an agreement that was signed on September 24, 1993.

UFW President Arturo Rodriguez and FM-ZB General Coordinator Arturo Pimentel Salas signed the agreement in Los Angeles, California on September 24, 1993. The agreement is expected to boost a new union organization campaign begun by Cesar Chavez shortly before his death last April 22.



WINGS FOR THE YOUNG

ALAS, Solidarity Alliance of Latinamericans, is a project driven by Carnita Piedra Castaneda Foundation of Ecuador, that seeks to promote links in the union among the young Indigenous peoples of Abya Yala to initiate solidarity and an international support network. This project covers three specific areas:

- 1) The creation of a network of communication on a national and international level allowing young people access to information in order promote exchange between different community organizations.
- 2) To promote national and international gatherings with Indigenous youth.
- 3) The creation of popular education programs what will be a "schools

without walls", community workshops, and the "university of the Streets", utilizing the methodology of "learning/doing, the community teaches the community".

The objectives of ALAS are to achieve unity and leadership of young people on behalf of communication and education so young people can become fundamental to the development of their communities.

ALAS will hold the Continental Encounter in Riobamaba, Ecuador next year, People interested can contact:

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