

NOTE ON TERMS USED

Throughout this paper the terms "citizen action", "citizen campaigns", "corporate organization" and "participatory economy" are used. While this paper makes no claim to developing a political theory of voluntarism, the above terms are introduced here and discussed more thoroughly in the paper itself through presentation of selected citizen groups' experiences.

Citizen action is a concept of active collective involvement in controlling one's workplace and environment. It is a process of people participating and a movement for equality in resource allocation, for community self determination and for a participatory economy.

Citizen campaigns are group actions directed at seeking a significant role in economic decision making and promoting changes in the concentration of economic and political power which is presently in the hands of industrial and bureaucratic corporate organizations.

Corporate organizations are the large public bureaucracies and private industrial systems promoting the goals of growth and self perpetuation.

A participatory economy refers to a conserved society based on non-exploitation, citizen action and cooperative goals.