

Thursday 18th february 2016 at 12.15 p.m.

THE CIRCLE OF SILENCE

**Parvis de la Défense
Between the CNIT and the Quatre Temps
Metro station La Défense – Grande Arche**

By joining the Circle of Silence, we wish to draw attention to the inhuman treatment of immigrants whose papers are not in order.

We cannot accept those measures (laws, decrees) which, taken in our name, destroy the lives of men and women.

We cannot accept that men and women are locked up in detention centers, and then expelled.

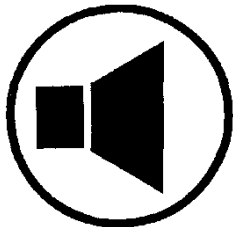
We cannot accept that people are being hauled in for questioning simply because of their appearance. We draw attention to the inhuman conditions of detention in the centers, as well as in the holding areas at airports. We condemn above all the existence of these centers.

We cannot accept that our country, through increasingly restrictive legislation, denies protection to asylum seekers, who are dangerously exposed if sent back to their countries of origin.

We draw attention to the administrative burden which is making it increasingly difficult to obtain a residence permit. This obliges men, women and entire families to live and work in fear and as clandestines, unable to make plans for their futures and without decent living conditions.

We deplore any “hunt” for foreigners which can cause untold psychological damage both to those who are persecuted, as well as to society in general and to children in particular. Such attacks on individual personal dignity are offensive to all human beings.

We appeal to your conscience and invite you to join the Circle of Silence on the Parvis de la Défense, between the CNIT and the Quatre Temps, on the 3rd thursday of each month, from 12.15 to 1.15 p.m.



Dates of the next Circles of Silence :

17th march, 21th april and 19th may

Le Cercle de Silence est un rassemblement de citoyens et de membres de Notre Dame de Pentecôte, du Secours Catholique du 92, d'ATD-Quart-Monde, du CCFD-Terre Solidaire du 92, du Réseau Éducation Sans Frontières (RESF 92), de l'Arche de Lanza del Vasto, etc...

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