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Make Some Noise – emagazine 6 MySpace, Darfur, and a truly global noise

Article 1 Make Some Noise Around the World

From Mongolia to Japan, New Zealand to the Netherlands, this month's issue highlights the noise on the ground from across the globe.

Mongolia: Throat singing and Make Some Noise? That's right, on May 27th, AI Mongolia united local musicians in Freedom Square, Ulaanbaatar to play Lennon originals like they've never been played before. Bulsara, Nisvanis, Nomads, Nominjin and Chingesiin Mongol rocked out with 'Power to the People', 'Freedom Fighters' and a rousing finish with 'Imagine'. The Netherlands: On August 18-20, the Lowlands festival and radio station 3FM will help launch the Dutch campaign to 'Make Some Noise against Discrimination' with actions against discrimination in Russia and downloadable ring tones.

Ireland: On July 8-9th Make Some Noise teamed up with MTV UK at the Oxegen Festival in Dublin to host a series of special performances by some of the industry's hottest young stars. Corrinne Bailey Rae, Maximo Park, The Charlatans, Feeder, Boy Kill Boy, Orson, The Feeling, and Guillemots each performed and recorded live a Lennon track for an exclusive audience gathered in the MTV Live tent. The performances are to be broadcast on MTV. Japan: AI-Japan is leading the way with mobile downloads. They have partnered with the country's biggest music TV channel and expect to launch a retail platform for Make Some Noise tracks and mobile ringtones within a few weeks.

Northern Ireland: On July 26 and 27, Irish bands Oppenheimer, V/Formation, The Crimea and Spree followed in the rich tradition of bands like U2 and Make Some Noise artists Snow Patrol with two Amnesty International benefit concerts in Belfast. Amnesty Northern Ireland joined forces with Radio Ulster's Across The Line and the Urban Arts Academy to bring its message of anti-oppression and justice for all to a new generation of music lovers. New Zealand: Not to be outdone by the Aussies, AI New Zealand's Freedom Week will focus on the war-torn Darfur region of Sudan in a noisy week of fundraising. For the first time, the 50+ student groups will be joined by local bands and performance artists who will be busking for Darfur.

Article 2 Make Some Noise on MySpace

We've just launched our exclusive MySpace page where we'll be blogging updates and joining the discussion on about Make Some Noise. So watch some videos, post a blog entry or comment and add yourself as one our friends at <u>www.myspace.com/msnoise</u>

<u>Article 3</u> Featured Campaign: Darfur

With thousands of women raped, murdered and many more fleeing as refugees, the time to act is now. Join actor Don Cheadle and Snow Patrol and demand justice for women under fire in Darfur, Sudan.

Article 4 One Million Faces. One Message

June 23, 2006. New York. Julius Arile, the millionth person to support the Control Arms campaign delivers the Million Faces petition to Kofi Annan, Secretary General of the UN. A historic moment, but the UN Small Arms Review Conference failed to reach an agreement because of the actions of a few - notably the United States, Cuba, India, Iran, Israel and Pakistan. So we will keep lobbying and keep adding faces to the petition until the UN General Assembly in November, with a direct vote (as opposed to requiring consensus) on a global Arms Trade Treaty.

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Nominjin performing in Mongolia © Carl Whetham

http://noise.amnesty.org/site/c.adKIIVNsEkG/b.1808045/k.5E20/Make_an_Impact__Do_mor e.htm]

Take action to protect individuals wherever justice, freedom and equality are denied. Your action can make a difference.

One Million Faces. One Message

A new video about the inspirational musical journey of AfroReggae from the favelas of Brazil to the world stage - part of the campaign to Control Arms <u>Watch the video</u> http://noise.amnesty.org/darfur_ Women under fire in Darfur Join actor Don Cheadle and Snow Patrol and demand justice for women under fire in Darfur. This action is still open <u>Take action!</u> http://noise.amnesty.org/juarez_

Justice not excuses in Chihuahua, Mexico

Your efforts in February and March led to a significant meeting with the Mexican government. Watch the video about the issue, featuring Mexican rock band Jaguares. <u>Watch the video</u> <u>http://noise.amnesty.org/controlarms_</u>

Control Arms

There are just too many arms in the world. Find out about the Million Faces petition and take action. Take action!