Thatcher makes war on people here in Britain. Unemployment is known to impoverish and shorten lives. Health cuts also threaten lives, while cuts in education and social services generally affect the quality of life. The government policy of mass unemployment, as punishment for pay increases that try to keep up with the cost of living, now threatens millions of livelihoods, undermines family lives and the care of children. Thatcher’s war on the working class has begun to meet with determined resistance, long overdue.

In foreign policy, Thatcher has teamed up with Reagan, on the basis that two mediocrities are better than one. Thatcher has a fascination for all things military. Military expenditure is at record levels, just like unemployment. Thatcher wants to “defend Britain”, while she attacks the living standards of the British people. We need a defence policy to defend us from Thatcherism.

Her perpetual harping on about a “Soviet threat” is justification for constant war-talk that amounts to wild-talk. Anyway, we’re told, 30 million people in Britain could survive a nuclear war. That leaves 24 million people unaccounted for. There are whole industrial areas in Britain that looks as if a bomb just hit them. Thatcherite policies are to blame, leaving destruction in their path.

This government has got to be stopped in its tracks. We do not have to be accomplices in our own destruction. Lives are at risk. Stop Thatcher’s war plans, at home and abroad.