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CND PROTESTS AT CIVIL DEFENCE EXERCISE.

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Members of CND are preparing to confront participants of the WARMON II civil defence exercise as they climb into the Royal Observer Corps bunker at Turnhouse at 9.00am on Sunday 19th Oct. The WARMON II exercise, which takes place all over Scotland, will simulate a nuclear exchange and test the effectiveness of civil defence plans. CND believes that such exercises are a dangerous folly, promoting the myth that nuclear war is survivable. The main function of civil defence in the event of nuclear war, CND claims, is to control the population and not to defend it. To maintain order in the run up to a nuclear war, draconian powers will be given to regional controllers. Those sympathetic to CND would be rounded up or shot.

Further civil defence exercises are planned for November.

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Note: The Turnhouse bunker is situated at the west end of Craigs Road (near West Craigs) which is a turning off Maybury Road.