

GUIDE TO DISSENT

- Firstly, realize that dissent is patriotic. You own the morale high ground.
- Provide those who disagree with your dissent, Hermann Goring's famous quotation. (see below)
- Remember, patriotism is too often the refuge of scoundrels, Dissent, rebellion, and all-around hell raising remain the duty of patriots.
- Realize that it may not be apparent at first, but your dissent does make a difference.
- Read everything. Be seen and be heard. Dissent is not meant to feel comfortable.
- Join an organization. Give them your money or your time or creativity or your support.
- Write to your senators, your congressman, congressional committees, and your newspaper. Make them hear you.

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The dissenter is every human being at those moments of his life when he resigns momentarily from the herd and thinks for himself. Enlist others to leave the herd.

Herman Goering at the Nuremberg trials:

"Of course the people don't want war. But after all, it's the leaders of the country who determine the policy, and it's always a simple matter to drag the people along whether it's a democracy, a fascist dictatorship, or a parliament, or a communist dictatorship. Voice or no voice, the people can always be brought to the bidding of the leaders. That is easy. All you have to do is tell them they are being attacked, and denounce the pacifists for lack of patriotism, and exposing the country to greater danger."

(source: <http://www.snopes.com/quotes/goering.htm>)