

Convention Resolution
The IS and DSA

PC Majority

The IS does not believe that the politics of DSA or of any significant or visible current within it provide a habitable political atmosphere for our tendency in the foreseeable future. Nor given the rise of anti-war and peace activity and the beginning of an organized resistance to concessions within the labor movement, is a major orientation toward DSA justified at this time.

We recognize, however, that the DSA will have an impact on the left in the US, and on at least some important events. We also recognize that there are socialists within DSA with whom we share agreement on a variety of issues. We will do joint work with DSA and DSA members where possible. In particular, we wish to maintain comradely relations with those individuals within DSA with whom we share areas of agreement.

While we favor joint work with DSA or its members in the course of existing work or in areas of work designated by the IS Convention, an orientation toward DSA is not a major priority for the IS at this time. There will, of course, be a need to follow its political development and major activities. This should be done through existing relations with DSA members, through following publications in its milieu, and joint work. This activity should be coordinated by the PC so that information, particularly new information, can be made available to IS members. In addition, the Changes Editorial Board may choose to include dialogue with DSA members in the context of its overall dialogue with the left and the regroupment orientation of the IS.