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Greenpeace holds vigil

Local Greenpeace members will today mark the first anniversary of the bombing of the Rainbow Warrior and the death of Fernando Pereira by holding an all-day vigil outside the French Embassy.

Huge photographs of the sunken vessel and the dead crewman will be accompanied by a "comments book", which will later be presented to the French Embassy. (4PM)

"We hope people will come down to the vigil and record in the book their feelings about the bombing of the Rainbow Warrior and French testing in the Pacific", said spokesperson Mark Roach.

For further information

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THIS IS A REPORT OF ACTIVITIES IN PARIS ON JULY 10 THAT WAS NOT CIRCULATED AT THE TIME DUE TO COMPUTER PROBLEMS:

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'PRESS CONFERENCE ON SIRIUS WENT WELL THIS MORNING. REMI, YVES AND ALAIN CONNAN SPOKE AT IT.

DEMONSTRATION LATE EVENING ALSO SUCCESSFUL. APPROX 150 PEOPLE, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER ASSOCIATIONS WERE PRESENT AT THE ESPLANADE OF HUMAN RIGHTS (LOOKING DOWN AT THE EIFFEL TOWER), INAUGURATED IN MAY 1985 BY MITTERRAND. THE DEMO WAS A CEREMONY IN MEMORY OF FERNANDO AND THE RAINBOW WARRIOR:

- GIANT PORTRAIT OF FERNANDO
- TWO BANNERS WITH THE SLOGAN '10 JUILLET 1986: L'ARC EN CIEL FLOTTE TOUJOURS' (RAINBOW IS STILL FLOATING)
- ONE WITH 'YOU CAN'T SINK A RAINBOW'
- ONE WITH 'GREENPEACE'.

THREE LARGE RAINBOW WREATHS IN MEMORY OF FERNANDO.

FRANCOIS MADE A SPEECH IN HONOUR OF FERNANDO, CONDEMNING STATE TERRORISM, USED TO SILENCE PEACEFUL CONTESTATION OR DEBATE ON NUCLEAR ISSUES.

IMPORTANT BUT CALM POLICE PRESENCE (THE WHOLE AREA WAS SURROUNDED BY POLICE AND BARRIERS). GOOD PRESS PRESENCE. PHOTOS SHOULD BE ON AP AT LEAST.'

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BRIAN WILL BE BACK IN THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE LATER THIS AFTERNOON.