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Political Buttons

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Dove with plant



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the War Machine



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peace symbol



P.O.W.'s never have a nice
day



Stop the bombing Out now!



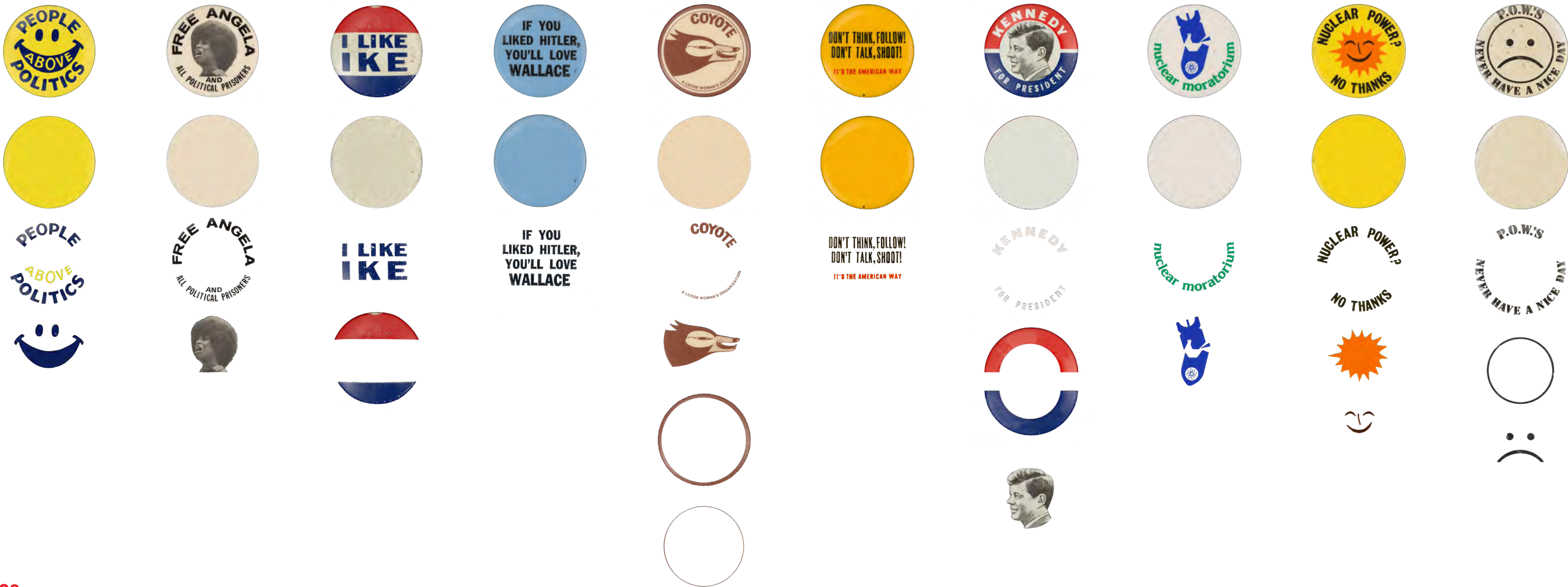
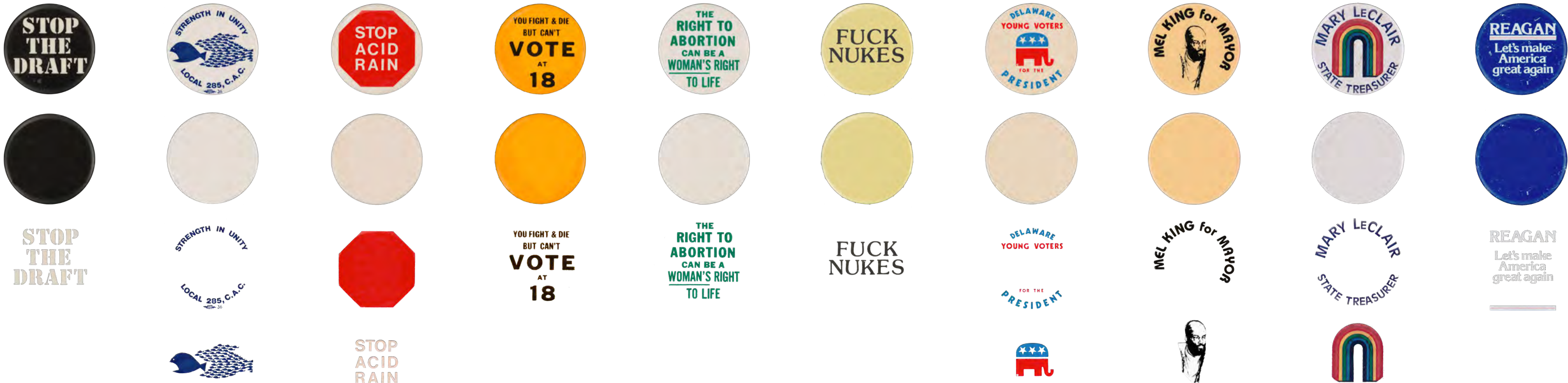
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U.S. Out of El Salvador



Why do we kill people who
kill people to show people
that killing people is wrong?



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STOP
THE
DRAFT

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STRENGTH IN UNITY
LOCAL 285, C.A.C.
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STOP
ACID
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YOU FIGHT & DIE
BUT CAN'T
VOTE
AT
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THE
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FUCK
NUKES

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YOUNG VOTERS
FOR THE
PRESIDENT

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MEL KING for MAYOR

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MARY LECLAIR
STATE TREASURER

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REAGAN
Let's make
America
great again

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PEOPLE
ABOVE
POLITICS

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FREE ANGELA
AND
ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS

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I LIKE
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IF YOU
LIKED HITLER,
YOU'LL LOVE
WALLACE

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COYOTE
A LOOSE WOMAN'S ORGANIZATION

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DON'T THINK, FOLLOW!
DON'T TALK, SHOOT!
IT'S THE AMERICAN WAY

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KENNEDY
FOR PRESIDENT

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nuclear moratorium

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NUCLEAR POWER?
NO THANKS

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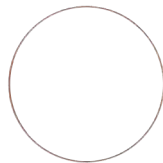
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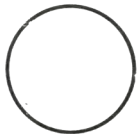
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14 COMBINATIONS

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DELAWARE
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FOR THE
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I LIKE
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A graphic with a yellow background and a blue wavy line. The text "THE RIGHT TO ABORTION CAN BE A WOMAN'S RIGHT TO LIFE" is written in bold, black, sans-serif capital letters. The words "THE", "CAN BE A", and "TO LIFE" are smaller and positioned above, between, and below the larger words "RIGHT TO ABORTION" and "WOMAN'S RIGHT".

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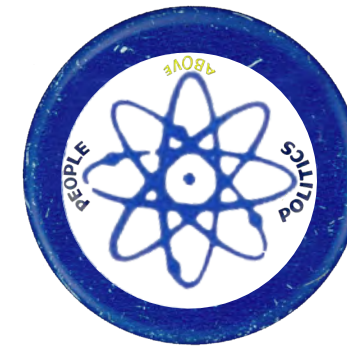
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**FREE ANGELA
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The Great Society Bombs Bullets Bullshit



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PhotoShop users can also download our **PSD file template**, visit the Custom Printing Guidelines page by [Clicking here](#).

Button Badge Features

- Classic D-Pin Fastening
- 25mm (1") Diameter

WEARING BUTTONS is not enough

GBP ▾



MENU

Make your own protest badge!

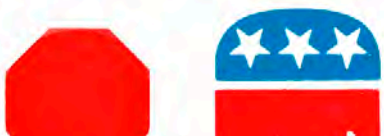
Pick a colour



Pick a slogan



Pick a graphic



25MM BUTTON BADGE



COLOR



ADD IMAGE



ADD TEXT



DELETE

EDIT TEXT



PREVIEW

FUCK
NUKES



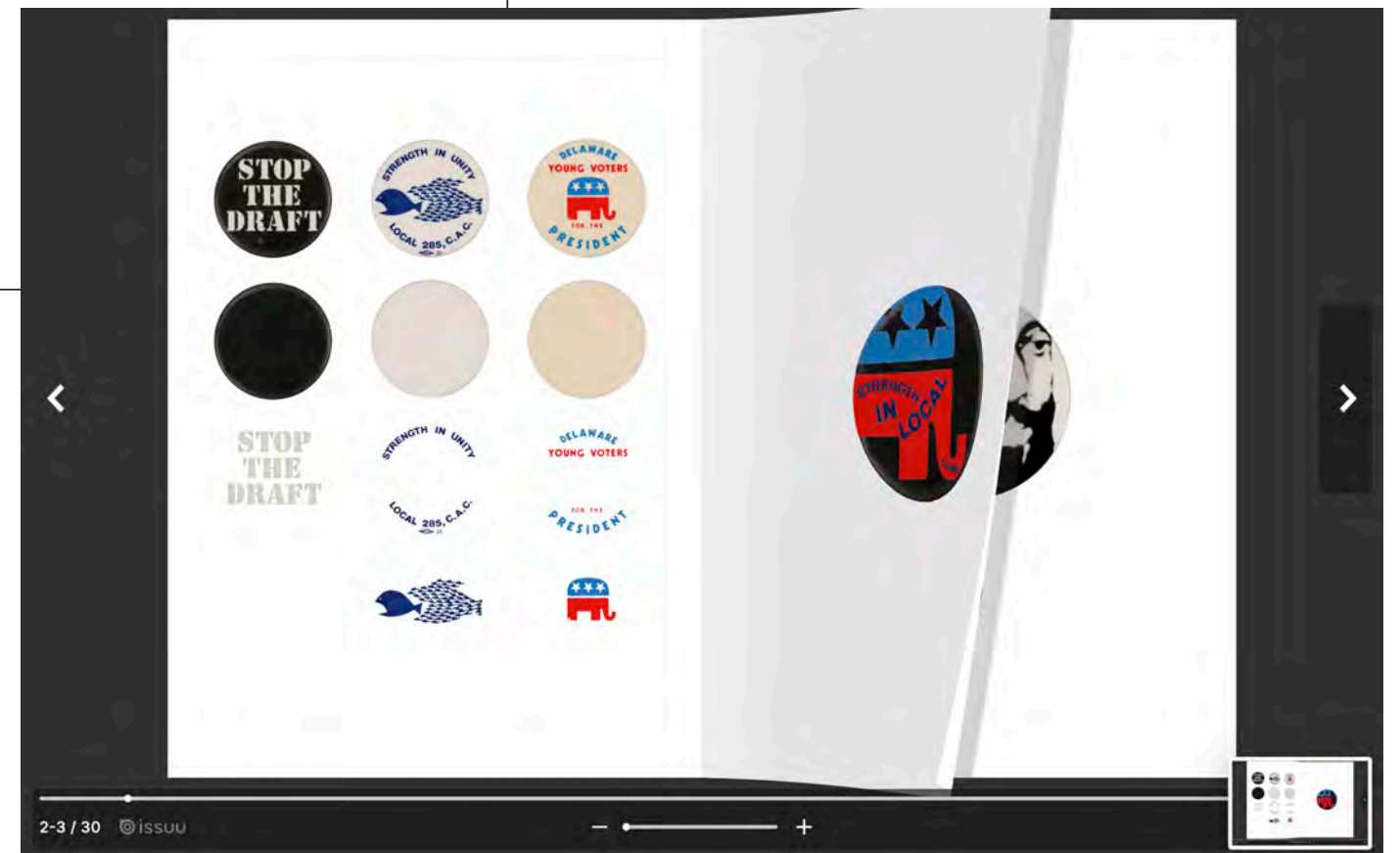
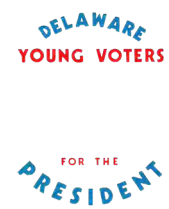
Meaning...

After the Second World War, the United States and the Soviet Union continued to develop and test nuclear weapons.

FUCK NUKES was designed by Ian McLaren for CND in 1967. The impactful slogan, anti-nuclear symbol and text comparing the economic cost of nuclear weapons to things like schools and roads were all key parts of anti-nuclear messaging.



STOP
THE
DRAFT



CRITICAL POSITION

By systematically recontextualising and recataloguing the ingredients of political buttons, their innate themes and design can be concentrated even more than their original form. They can simultaneously re-emphasise themes, introduce opposites and entertain. By recataloguing them in print form with no meta data, we're able to see how they're made and what makes them so small and powerful.