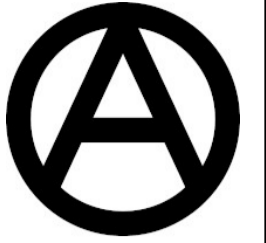


BLESSED IS THE FLAME

FOR ANARCHY AND NIHILISM



NOTHING IS OVER

HONOUR FOREVER TO THE
ANARCHIST REVOLUTIONARY
KYRIAKOS XIMITIRIS
WHO FELL FIGHTING

EVERYTHING CONTINUES



Only battle gives birth to happiness on Earth and to create comradeship, the smoke of gunpowder is needed!

And comrades are made in only three cases,
when they are brothers in misery,
when they are equal before the enemy,
when they are free in the face of death



We don't beg, we steal.
We respect nothing.
We aspire for nothing.
We believe in nothing.
We have nothing.
We feed on our anger.
We don't bow our heads.
We don't kneel.
We're not afraid because we have nothing to gain.
We spit, we bite, we scratch, we fight hand to hand because we're unarmed and we strip away of everything that binds us.
We're naked, alone in the elements, wounded, burned, ready to light the fuse of destruction.

~José Pastor González

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“Moving beyond the confines of sterile class analysis, which solely blames the state and capital while ignoring the responsibility of those consciously trapped in a condemned life—a life determined by others from birth, bound by servitude, shackled, and surrounded by the glitter of capitalist showcases.

In opposition to the world of social consent and submission, complacency, inertia, and defeatism, against any logic of delegation and waiting, we choose the path of direct action, responding with attacks on the world of power, navigating through the flames of its total destruction. Every call for attack is a proposal for social disengagement, a rupture with all forms of authority, a call for the destruction of the existing order.”

From the communiqué of Cells of Offensive Solidarity, page 17

“...There are no glorious years; revolutionary outbursts are a fire that is always burning, and the flames it unleashes depend not so much on the more or less favourable historical context, but on the strength and determination of individuals who cast aside doubts and hesitations, "fears and self-justifications," take a large dose of risk, and strike at power.”

From the article “The fuse is still lit”, page 4

LONG LIVE THE SUBVERSIVES

I only believe in the damned
in the misunderstood
in the marginalised and the outcasts

I sincerely doubt
all the obedient ones
who meekly uphold
the established order

Long live all the
insurgents and subversives

A toast to those who dream



Carlos Pereira Júnior

COUNTER-INFORMATION

28 October, Volos, Greece: A riot erupted in the Volos juvenile detention centre following the death of a 21-year-old foreign prisoner. As a reflexive act of solidarity, anonymous fighters set fire to bins in the centre of Volos and broke an Alpha Bank ATM.

28 October, Lyon, France: Arson attack against an NGE excavator at the T6 tramway extension site in the Villeurbanne commune of the Metropolis of Lyon. Responsibility was claimed by a GIEC cell that signed itself as «Gang d'Intervention des Ecureuil.les en Colère».

The attack took place in the context of the environmental struggle against the ecocidal construction projects undertaken by NGE and in solidarity with the ZAD (defense zone) activists on the A69 highway who faced the repression of the state.

Since February 2024, GIEC cells have been responsible for a barrage of attacks on NGE construction sites across the French territory.

29 October, Corrèze, France: Sabotage of a wind turbine in Corrèze's Saint-Bonnet-près-Bort commune by unknown persons.

29 October, Athens, Greece: The trial for the reoccupation of the Matrozou 44 squat, which began on 22 October, has been completed.

The 4 accused comrades were found guilty at first instance with a total sentence of 77 months which has a suspensive character until the appeal.

30 October, Montreal, Canada: A barrage of vandalisms and arsons by an anonymous anarchist group.

“...We do this for the feeling of joy in criminality, to assist our bodies in remembering what it means to feel autonomous. If we practice enough, perhaps these ecstatic nights will imprint our actions on our bodies, so that they may become a part of our daily lives.”

30 October, Rome, Italy: Anarchists burned two electrical control panels for ventilation systems in a McDonald's store and wrote slogans against the genocide of the Palestinians.

31 October, Milan, Italy: Arson of 23 Enjoy electric vehicles and a truck of the Eniplenitude company, a subsidiary of Eni, in Assago, in the outskirts of Milan, in solidarity with the Palestinian people. Eni cooperates with Israel.



31 October, Athens, Greece: Anarchist comrade Kyriakos X. is killed and anarchist comrade Marianna is seriously injured after a premature bomb explosion in an apartment in the Athenian neighborhood of Ampelokipi. A case was filed for joining and forming a terrorist organisation, with comrade Marianna being guarded at Evangelismos hospital, and with two other comrades, Dimitris and Dimitra Z. being arrested with scant evidence. For more details on the case, see p. 3–6.

31 October, Santiago, Chile: Burning barricades and agitation in the Maipu commune in the Santiago metropolitan region in memory of anarchist comrades Luciano Pitronello and Belén Navarrete, and in solidarity with the comrades of Liceo Barros

Arana (INBA) who were injured by a fire during the manufacture of Molotov bombs.

1 November, Humboldt, Καλιφόρνια, USA: Window breaking and vandalism of Cal Poly Humboldt (CPH) buildings on the eve of the Fall Review in solidarity with the Palestinian people. The Fall Review is an event where interested prospective students visit and get a tour of the university.

"...CPH is a colonial institution occupying stolen indigenous Wiyot lands it refuses to give back. In a world where Institutions only understand the language of money, we must make colonization untenable through property destruction and resistance.

For all the Palestinian martyrs, grab a friend and a hammer and smash the "new normal"."

2 November, Carrara, Italy: Three heavy vehicles set on fire at a marble quarry in Campo di Cecina near Carrara.

"In these places where it is easy to go unnoticed, the machinery and the structures necessary for the industrial system are often left unattended.

May these kinds of fires spread against the destructive machines and their wretched owners."

4 November, Santiago, Chile: Incendiary attack on a Red bus in La Victoria in the Santiago metropolitan region, in memory of comrade Kevin Garrido who was killed six years ago in prison.

For more information see p. 15.

4 November, Portland, Oregon, USA: Anonymous persons claim responsibility for a series of vandalism at banks and companies that directly finance Israel.

Specifically, three Bank of America branches, three Chase Bank branches, one Wells Fargo branch, one McDonalds and one Nike billboard were targeted.

"...We want to encourage people to stay active in the fight against the US empire, the Zionist entity, and all the pillars that uphold their tyranny – from funders to the media to weapons manufacturers to politicians. Disrupting and dismantling the empire from within is our responsibility, and our liberation is bound up with the liberation of Palestine. We must take inspiration and direction from Palestinian resistance, and from the resistance of all those taking up arms against genocide, colonialism, capitalism, imperialism, and white supremacy."

4 November, Arcata, California, USA: Vandalism of polling stations with graffiti and posters on the eve of the presidential election against the support of the Palestinian genocide upheld by the two major parties.

"...Support for an ongoing genocide cannot be allowed to become normalized and accepted as business as usual. This demands direct action.

The specter of fascism has been used as a bludgeon to demand support for the democratic party no matter what, as they move further to the right on a wide range of issues.

Demanding voter support for genocide is a disgusting state of affairs that no one should be able to tune out or ignore.

When the political leadership of the United States makes continuing support for a genocide the only acceptable outcome of voting, then it is time to take action outside of the electoral system. We cannot continue to allow the facade of electoralism to divide us any longer, especially in our support of Gaza.

We need to stop looking to politicians for solutions and start looking alongside each other – to friends, neighbors, and comrades."

5 November, Athens, Greece: The appeal for the prosecution of the imprisoned urban guerrilla fighter D. Hatzivasiliadis for the intervention of 25 March 2019 in the local Exarchia offices of the then-ruling SYRIZA was held.

In the first instance, the comrade was sentenced to 20 months for the misdemeanors of damage

Editorial

When we conceived the idea for this newspaper a year ago, we could not have imagined that it would eventually take on such international dimensions so that, with the help of comrades from different parts of the earth, it would cross continents. The first issue was published only in Greek, but the second was also published in English and Spanish, and an effort is now being made to translate it into French as well. This issue is being published in even more languages and we hope that the translation efforts will multiply in future issues.

Comrades who are interested in contributing to this project can contact us in the email address

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Anarchy of action has always been a small but lively flame burning contemptuously in the vast gloom of apathy and compromise; let us make its blessed light reach the ends of the earth and kindle it with our destructive passion for freedom. Every attack born of this passion is a reminder that the resistance to the world of power is not alive only in certain historical moments with the approval of the masses, but is an everyday affair; that there will always be those who struggle to get out of the mire of oppression; every attack is a statement that there are black sheep who refuse the mutilated life offered to them by this rotten society.

On the assassination of Brian Thompson

The only form of political power is violence. The political basis of that society is irrelevant, be it democratic or autocratic, a vote in a democratic society is nothing more than an acceptance of that society's terms and the only message sent is the consent to be governed. The only way an individual could truly express its wishes to society is through violence, it's the only language an institution can understand, being that it itself rests on nothing other than violence. No oppressive legislation has been overturned by the polite request of the people, but rather the fear of the people's wrath. Take the recent assassination of United Healthcare's CEO as a perfect example. The American two party system is nothing other than a two headed snake designed to uphold the status quo while quarreling with itself enough to give the people the illusion that they could impact its trajectory. Neither party has any intention of deprivatizing healthcare, issues like this that threaten to uproot USA's capitalist basis are not presented as options for the people to change, they are intentionally presented as unquestionable fact while the parties jingle inconsequential populist issues in the

voter's faces. The only way one can voice their opinions on these monopolies without being laughed out the door is through actions like we have seen demonstrated today. Public opinion may mean nothing to the oligarchs but the fear of murder will get any man's attention.

This is the reality of class conflict, a reality which speaks only the language of violence. The egoist sets his sights not on glittering institutions, he knows there will always be those who violently force their standards on others in the name of law, for the egoist no society will do because, by nature, no society would serve a lowly individual's cause over its own great cause. Therefore the only society that will do for the egoist is one that fears its people. The 40 hour work week was not granted by the powers that be out of kindness, it was taken by force. Your own freedom is no different, the state views you as its own, it will take everything it can get from you and dictate what you can do with what it grants you. If you want your life to be your own you cannot be reliant on big brother, you must take it for yourself, and if a state insists its ownership over you, you must instead

Every unrepentant word that comes out of the mouths of imprisoned comrades is proof that repression does not break the rebellious spirits.

And finally, every death in action is an eternal call for struggle.

Regardless of whether nowadays the intensity of the anarchist offensive has dropped considerably, the above messages remain unchanged throughout the centuries, because this very intensity has always made circles, and it is in our hands to turn the wheel.

For the Black International

assert your ownership over it by communicating that you are your own; and dictate the ways it will conduct itself through the only language it understands.

From Creative Nothing Zine,

December 2024

About the Creative Nothing Zine

The *Creative Nothing Zine* is a new English-language e-zine dedicated to exploring the work and legacy of Max Stirner and his philosophical contributions through a variety of creative and intellectual perspectives. It aims to provide a platform for a diversity of interpretations and interactions with Stirner's ideas.



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Valid in Monza, valid in Manhattan

A murder could hardly have provoked more widespread social acceptance than that attributed to Luigi Mangione. Analyzing the spectacular phenomenon of cheering underway in the United States (tens of thousands of messages of support, T-shirts, hats, pins, songs with the words 'deny, defend, depose' and 'Free Mangione', fundraisers for the defendant's legal fees, boycotts of the McDonald's where he was arrested...), a consultant from the Network Contagion Research Institute wrote this striking phrase: 'Thompson's murder is welcomed as a kind of signal to start a wider class war.'

To understand this phenomenon, we must first understand who was murdered.

Last year alone, UnitedHealthcare, of which Brian Thompson was CEO, reported 22\$ billion in profits generated at the expense of literally millions of people. UnitedHealth's largest shareholders are asset management giant Vanguard, which holds a 9% stake, followed by BlackRock (8%) and Fidelity (5.2%). The three standard formulas — made infamous by the bullets with which Thompson was struck — through which the company denies insurance coverage for medical

care do not only apply to particularly expensive surgeries. This 'deny' is an automatic response for many people every day.

Far from the luxurious neighbourhoods, in those outposts that are neither a province nor a city, but inland in the middle of the desert, salespeople, cleaners, workers, and delivery drivers queue to enter pharmacies that are indistinguishable from supermarkets, with armed guards at the entrance, where everything — even toothpaste — is locked behind glass. As soon as the queue is finished, an employee — who distinctly smells of ammonia, bringing in mind an endocrine disorder — announces that the medicine prescribed by the doctor cannot be dispensed because there is no prior approval from the insurance company. Let us also add the feeling that we are becoming lab rats for the pharmaceutical industry (and for Big Tech). Consider, for example, digital therapies, the marketing of which was approved by the Food and Drug Administration in 2017. What drives people to accept software-based medications equipped with nanosensors, through which the 'telehealth provider' can 'monitor' neuropsychiatric and

metabolic activity, is often the coercion to avoid a more expensive insurance policy. In a more mundane sense, civil servants are compelled to wear a Fitbit (a digital device that measures the number of steps taken), otherwise UnitedHealthcare may decide not to insure those whose lives are deemed unhealthy based on the data provided by the Fitbit...

The joy of Thompson's death includes all of these aspects: denial of care, of course, but also humiliation by armed guards, locked opportunities, compulsory walks, and a misery that smells of ammonia.

If the avenger is a young white man, good-looking and from a wealthy family, who graduated from a prestigious university, credited with 'an anti-capitalist political manifesto', harbouring sympathies for Ted Kaczynski and exhibiting quite polite manners ('I apologise for any strife or trauma, but it had to be done'), his 'raw honesty' (another expression attributed to Mangione) conveys a sense of redemption and hope, as it dismantles the most powerful — if not the only — ideology remaining: that of *inevitability*.

Let's now examine it from the perspective of capitalists, CEOs, and technocrats.

Their sense of superiority is not only a result of their education, their daily privileges, and the fact that they belong to a restricted *gated community*.

To this social Darwinism – the same that historically gave rise to eugenics – the same that historically gave rise to eugenics – something new is now being added: the possibility of achieving, if not immortality, then the extension of life. In the realm of realistic transhumanism, this upper class spends millions of dollars on anti-ageing biotechnology and regenerative medicine with the costly aspiration of living to 120 years. This new breed of aristocrats is therefore imbued with the fear of accidents that could diminish their biological capital, and at the same time possesses the power to construct a panoptic society tailored to their paranoia. For these *gated dreams*, the hooded spectre that appeared on the Avenue of the Americas in Manhattan on 4 December is a human nightmare, all too human.

Observing how much a single gesture has polarised the passions of an entire society provides ample food for thought. While the assessment of facts may be somewhat banal, the assessment of values is anything but trivial. In this context, we have encountered numerous cautionary

statements, distinctions, and clarifications (not even solicited) indicating that neither advocacy nor incitement is desirable. Additionally, there are the inevitable diatribes against 'individualism' and 'terrorism', or 'competing' interpretations of the ideology of inevitability: one CEO dies, and another takes their place.

For us, the exact opposite is true. Violent action, when undertaken with good discernment, must always be defended. It matters little whether it is individual or collective. If, as in this case, it is even clear, the defence itself becomes an instrument of revolutionary propaganda.

It is true that Thompson will be succeeded by another CEO. However, one can reiterate today what the anarchist Galleani remarked about Umberto I (the comparison does not seem excessive, as Thompson's power is by no means inferior): the murdered king teaches his successor, if nothing else, then moderation. This is beneficial for all those who are exploited. And that appears to be the case. The standards of "deny", "defend", "depose" have, as if by magic, become less arrogant, slightly improving the health of individuals and the class.

Could collective action also succeed? Answering in the abstract, yes. But specifically, what action exactly?

Meanwhile, some news seems to confirm Galleani's wisdom. Less than a week after the murder of Brian Thompson and on the eve of Luigi Mangione's arrest, another health insurance company, Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield, backed down from an inhumane decision it had announced: reducing healthcare coverage for the duration of anaesthesia. The company has long been at the centre of many protests. While we can't know exactly what prompted it to change its mind, we're sure that in those days the bullets that struck Thompson also reverberated in the minds of Anthem executives.

As we hope with all our hearts that the three shootings in central Manhattan are indeed a "kind of signal for the beginning of a wider class war," we can say of Mangione what we always say about our comrades in prison: "If he is innocent, he deserves our solidarity. If he is guilty, he deserves it even more." Indeed, for once, we willingly abandon our principles. *Deny, defend, depose.*

Free Mangione!

From Il Rovescio, 18 December 2024

Athens, Greece: Responsibility claim for incendiary attack in honour of comrade Kyriakos Ximitiris



*It has been a long road to this point. Very long, my brother. The handcuffs weighed heavily on our hands. On the evenings when the little bulb would shake its head and say, "Time's up." We read the history of the world in small names, in dates carved with a fingernail on the walls of prisons, in childish drawings of the condemned – a heart, a bow, a ship that surely cut through time. In some verses left unfinished for us to complete, in others that were finished so that we would not finish. It has been a long road to this point – a hard road. Now this road is yours. You hold it as you would hold your friend's hand, measuring the pulse in this mark left by the handcuffs. **Regular pulse – Steady hand – Certain path.***

G. Ritsos

On 31/10, an explosive device detonated in an apartment on Arkadias Street in Ambelokipi, resulting in the death of anarchist comrade KYRIAKOS XYMITIRIS and the injury of anarchist comrade Marianna M. In the following days, a media spectacle ensued, typical of Greek standards, paving the way for what would follow from the anti-terrorist authorities and the state in general. The state, in conjunction with the police, the media, and justice, presented well-rehearsed narratives regarding the resurgence of domestic terrorism, embellishing these to prevent the viewing public from becoming bored, labelling it as "third-generation terrorism". All this has already led to the pre-trial detention of five comrades.

We, for our part, do not accept the term 'terrorism' in relation to urban guerrilla warfare and general political counter-violence. For us, terrorism is living below the poverty line, unaffordable rents, exorbitant bills, gentrification and redevelopment, police brutality, non-functioning trains, and guns discharging into the air.

Secondly, urban guerrilla warfare is not divided into generations. Organised political resistance has existed throughout history for hundreds of years, flourishing or declining according to the prevailing social conditions. The violent struggle will continue until the collapse of capitalism and authority.

The state views this repressive operation as an opportunity to launch an all-out attack on the anarchist movement and all those who fight, aiming to eliminate its internal enemy once and for all. The events in Ambelokipi should raise awareness among all revolutionary subjects, spark new insurrectionary incidents, and bring radical action back to the forefront. The death of our comrade inspires us and compels us to grit our teeth, transform the pain of loss into fury, and attack the state and its lackeys by all means possible.

We claim responsibility for the arson of 3 EATA (Greek Post Office) vans in Kalithea in the early morning of 13/12.

We dedicate this action to our comrade KYRIAKOS XYMITIRIS who will always be present here in any aspect of the anarchist struggle.

Solidarity with all imprisoned comrades in the Ampelokipi case

We wish comrade Marianna a speedy recovery.

We send incendiary signals to comrade K. K., who is in custody and facing prosecution for attacking a police vehicle with an incendiary device.

Incendiary Elves

to foreign property and disorderly conduct. In the appeals court, the charge of damage was dropped, while for the charge of disorderly conduct, the comrade was sentenced to 12 months with a three-year suspended sentence.

6 November, Berlin, Germany: Vandalism and window breaking to the building of the state consultancy firm BwConsulting due to its involvement in the German state's investment in military equipment.

7 November, Santiago, Chile: It was reported that a few days prior, hooded students set up barricades and clashed with police outside the National Institute in solidarity with political prisoner Ayekan.

7 November, Mesologgi, Greece: Anarchist comrade K.K. was arrested for the arson of a police vehicle, which had taken place almost a month earlier outside the Mesologgi Police Station. From a statement by supporters:

"...K.K., targeted by local authorities for his active participation in social and class struggles, is being persecuted as part of the state's attempt to suppress any fighting individual, fabricating guilt without evidence, exploiting the hysteria of the times..."

8 November, Athens, Greece: Incendiary attack on the administration building of the National Technical University of Athens, opposing the evacuation operations of squats and the repression of student occupiers. Responsibility for the attack and further details can be found on page 7.

9 November, Hyvinkää, Finland: Arson of the Otsola centre, which functioned as a meeting and event space for fascists.

10 November, Bremen, Germany: Incendiary attack on two corporate vehicles of the Kaefer Group as part of the "Switch off the system of destruction" campaign. The group was targeted due to its significant involvement in the military industry, as well as environmentally destructive projects such as tar sand extraction, LNG pipeline construction, and nuclear energy.

"Fire to Kaefer! Sabotage the arms industry. Whatever is destructive must be destroyed. [...]"

...Modern armament projects rely on a highly diversified and specialised supply chain. No tank, aircraft, or satellite is produced in a single location or designed by a single company. We must exploit this fact and identify and attack the vulnerabilities of these supply chains.

[...]
Through research and sabotage, we aim to show that the destruction and exploitation of the earth are inextricably linked with the destruction and exploitation of people. The pursuit of power, control, resources, economic growth, and national grandeur manifests in the global trend towards military armament, war, and fascism..."

10 November, Halle (Saale), Saxony-Anhalt, Germany: Attack with stones on the premises of advertising company Ströer due to its involvement in the manhunt for comrade Johann, who is being persecuted for his militant anti-fascist actions. Johann's face, accompanied by the promise of a large reward for anyone providing information leading to his arrest, was displayed on billboards across Germany.

11 November, England, United Kingdom: Anarchist comrade Toby Shone was released from Garth prison, having served his entire sentence.

12 November, Bristol, England, United Kingdom: Palestine Action blocked the entrance to the headquarters of Elbit Systems and its E&A hub. Elbit Systems is Israel's largest arms manufacturer.

15 November, Athens, Greece: Anarchist comrade Marianna M. is transferred to Korydallos prison, just one day after undergoing her second consecutive surgery. From the *Assembly of Solidarity with Imprisoned, Fleeing, and Persecuted Fighters:*

“...The pressures from the scum of the anti-terrorism unit, working in close collaboration with the investigator handling the case, led to the release of our comrade and her transfer to the women’s prison in Korydallos, where there is no hospital and therefore no possibility of providing the appropriate care for her injuries.

We make it clear to all directions that whatever happens to our comrade will have consequences and will not go unanswered...”

15 November, Madrid, Spain: Anarchist prisoner Toni Chavero starts a new hunger strike in solidarity with anarchist prisoner Marcelo Villarreal.

16 November, Hamburg, Germany: Militantly charged demonstration in the St Pauli district on the occasion of the global day of action in memory of anarchist comrade Kyriakos X. and against the ongoing militarisation, genocides, and the 69th anniversary celebrations of the German Federal Army.

During the demonstration, leaflets were distributed against militarisation and the army, in support of the memory of comrade Kyriakos X. and in solidarity with the detainees in the Ampelokipi case. Slogans were sprayed, firecrackers thrown, barricades erected, and an SPD party office was attacked.

17 November, Thessaloniki, Greece: Anarchists attacked riot police (MAT) with Molotov cocktails during a demonstration marking the 51st anniversary of the ‘73 uprising.

17 November, Komotini, Greece: Fifth re-occupation of Utopia A.D. After the re-occupation, a march was held with a strong presence. Banks and ATMs were vandalised, and every corner of the city was filled with slogans.

17 November, Toulouse, France: Incendiary attack on a vehicle of the solar company MT Énergies in response to the international call for action in memory of comrade Kyriakos X. and against green capitalism.

“...Whether in France, Greece, or elsewhere, green capitalism allows civilisation to consume ever more resources, land, and lives. Let’s burn it down...”

18 November, Athens, Greece: Anarchist comrade Nikos Romanos is arrested. The reason for his arrest is a fingerprint found on one of the items discovered in the apartment that exploded in Ampelokipi, leading to the death of comrade Kyriakos and the serious injury of Marianna. Specifically, the fingerprint was found on a bag that contained a weapon.

18 November, Heraklion, Greece: The eviction operation of the Evangelismos squat by the state was thwarted for the second time.

22 November, East Java, Indonesia: Arson attack on university buildings in solidarity with Nikos Romanos and all anarchist prisoners. Responsibility claim on page 11.

22 November, Melbourne, Australia: Sabotage of a truck and blockade of the entrance to the international Webb Dock port with burning barricades.

“...It was reported that two ‘Australian’ companies, Toll Holdings and K&S Corporation, are exporting weapons to the USA, where they are used to support the murderous campaign of ‘Israel’ against Palestine.

Based on the successful campaign by Palestine Action against Kuehne+Nagel, which led to the company abandoning its contract with Elbit Systems, we declare as our aim to force Toll and K&S to stop supporting the genocide and terminate all contracts with Thales and any other arms manufacturers...”

23 November, Rome, Italy: Attack on Carrefour in solidarity with Palestinian resistance. Responsibility claim on page 9.

24 November, Novosibirsk, Russia: Arson of the facilities of the Federal Judicial Authority.

The fuse is still lit

It has been a month and a half since 31 October. Although I was not there with Kyriakos and Marianna, the images of those few seconds haunt me and will probably continue to do so for a long time. However, I believe that the present, as well as the future, must be approached with a certain composure. This is not a matter of pride or image, but because, in the face of power, every submissive attitude we adopt is a gift offered to it. In the face of each of our weaknesses, there is a policeman who laughs. In front of every hesitation, there is an authority that grows stronger. The system feeds on our difficulties. In this regard, I was pleased to hear comrade Lello's words on the radio, in which he remembered Licia Rognini (who passed away last month) and recalled the powerful example of dignity she embodied throughout her life. Licia lived without her husband, Giuseppe Pinelli, an anarchist who fell from the window of the Milan police station on 15 December 1969, exactly 55 years ago. A life spent without showing any sign of surrender, not even emotionally, which is often what the enemy expects. It awaits a moment of weakness by you [...] We don't have the right to fully show publicly our despair, because they will exploit it. [...]».

At this point, I suppose we should at least consider what we need to think about on both an individual and collective level, given the undoubtedly painful loss of Kyriakos and Marianna's injury. How many more words of frustration do we wish to express? How much longer do we intend to complain about the fact that the media are doing what they are paid to do, namely demonising and vilifying a comrade who fell during an attack? Do we truly want to discuss the abuses committed by the media, the police, and counter-terrorism against our comrades? What exactly surprises us? Anarchists have been investigated, arrested, tried, tortured, and sentenced to death for over a century, and this is certainly nothing new. There is no injustice; revolutionary ideas — and practices — are in conflict with the State, which is merely doing its job, striving to maintain itself by oppressing and attempting to crush its enemies. End of story. There is no reason to cry that it's a scandal. This does not mean that the insidious machinations of the media and the repressive apparatus should not be exposed. That is precisely what we have been missing. Acute criticism, apart from being objectively necessary, constitutes a continuous exercise in questioning those who intend to distort reality and shape it to their advantage. And today, this criticism is as important as it was yesterday. Perhaps even more so, given that the voices of comrades are becoming increasingly scarce. However, we must be careful not to fall — and get lost — in self-pity, an impulse that is unfortunately always lurking nearby.

Kyriakos did not die as a victim. He is a comrade who took action, and that makes all the difference. The manner of his departure inevitably confronts us with the question of anarchist practice. This is an unavoidable reality, and it is also a matter of respect. He was not killed by a police officer during an arrest. He was not murdered by a fascist while putting up posters, nor did he die in a car accident. Kyriakos died in a violent conflict against this world. It requires courage. The least we can do, with that

courage, is to assert with our heads held high the practices he employed, as have other anarchists before him, to challenge authority. We must recognise and reclaim these practices as an integral part of anarchism, calling them by their true names, for what they are. Without unnecessary embellishment.

Alas, however, in the whirlwind of this postmodern delirium in which we unfortunately find ourselves these days, we lose track. Collective revolt, individual revolt, revolutionary anarchism, propaganda of the deed, class hatred, social war — none of these seem to merit space anymore. Anarchism appears to have given way to activism, to micro-practicism: to black-and-red, black-and-green, black-and-pink, to specialties of all kinds; to various subcultures. These dimensions have made hyper-sentimentality their *raison d'être* and share a serious theoretical confusion. Clearly, all of this is very easy and very convenient. Reconciliatory perspectives abound, bringing everyone into agreement and making anarchism more palatable, thus weakening it and rendering it into something abstract.

Sometimes, however, events restore the reasons for the anarchist struggle to the forefront, making it inevitable that we confront harsh material reality. For anarchism is social and class war. It is revenge, blood, lead, and dynamite. It represents an intervention in social struggles that goes hand in hand with individual armed action, without the two aspects being mutually exclusive. Today, as yesterday, there are those who believe that the armed cause is not merely a dusty old tool consigned to the history books; it remains applicable and feasible.

Beyond the counter-revolutionary nonsense of post-anarchism that has come to us from the starry sea, many of us also grew up in a historical period devoted to social peace, compromise, and disillusionment with any revolutionary project. In this context, merely mentioning terms like "rulers," "exploited," and "revolution" causes many useful idiots who support the capitalist world to smile, often without realising it. They are pawns of a system that chewed them up in the seventies and eighties and spat them out in the nineties, only to tell us about times that are no longer as they once were — times when revolution is seen as an archaic term consigned to an inglorious, defeated past. The notion that armed struggle was merely an illusion held by a handful of misguided and glorified individuals is perpetuated, as if it were a privilege of political realities that no longer exist. Thus, we are expected to grow up reading the history written, as always, by the victors. The story that recounts periods of lead, dark years, nights of the Republic. The good that ultimately triumphed over evil. The rhetoric surrounding the defeat of terrorists and the return to social peace in the best of all possible worlds. The only path forward in the name of democracy. A series of absurdities that could not help but influence a significant portion of the so-called new generations. However, historiography is one thing, and reality is another. And if you examine this reality closely, it becomes evident that there has always been something that has been, and continues to be, distanced from these paternalistic discourses. Strikes,



conspiracies, cells of fire, informal federations, revolutionary struggles, new subversions. There are no glorious years; revolutionary outbursts are a fire that is always burning, and the flames it unleashes depend not so much on the more or less favourable historical context, but on the strength and determination of individuals who cast aside doubts and hesitations, "fears and self-justifications," take a large dose of risk, and strike at power.

The last time I met Kyriakos, in an alley in Exarchia, I remember we talked for a long time. About the world in times of war and the challenges we face. About the quality of the struggle. How certain beliefs had changed, evolved, and matured over time. About the inherent limitations of certain single-issue struggles. About a precise way of understanding Freedom in its fullest essence. About a level of conflict that is far too low. About how necessary it is to raise this level. That is why Kyriakos lost his life. I believe that the greatest act of solidarity with those who are no longer here, and with the comrades who were investigated and imprisoned for this case, is to carry forward the ideas and struggles that these brothers and sisters brought to the forefront. In a theoretical-practical combination that is increasingly necessary. Even urgent.

We live in technocracies based on abuse, slaughter, expropriation, and war. The wretches who run this deadly system are safe, with full bellies and swollen bank accounts. From the top of their small or large chains of command, they manage many slaves who consciously or unconsciously contribute to their wealth and success. And they no longer fear the wrath of the oppressed, the knives of the exploited, or the bombs of the anarchists, because after years and years of class violence, the authorities have learned the hard way how to keep spirits calm. They have learned that you should not pull too hard on the rope and take the bread from the tables, or else the people will pick up the rakes. They have understood that it is useful to provide and manufacture defeats, even if they are artificial. The rubbish is always the same, never changing, but it is sweetened by the illusion of democracy and participation.

Reassuring façades of modern and progressive governments, democratic cops and judges, benevolent bosses. But shit is still shit; they have just learned to hide it under the right carpets, in prisons where no one sees and no one cares, in police cells, in migrant concentration camps, and in countries where no one gives a damn, in tomato fields and cemeteries at the bottom of the sea, in the deadly, daily, and systematic exploitation of the workplace. Realities hidden by mass domestication, achieved through crumbs and artificial needs, passed off as prosperity. A poisonous mechanism that has succeeded in securing social peace,

with the help and support of reformists of every age and colour, without whose contribution, it is worth remembering, this objective would not have been possible.

Now, on the brink of a third world war, with states and democracies forced to reveal their true face after so long in hiding, everything seems to be becoming clearer, and that is why right now, right here, we must reaffirm both in words and deeds the correctness of our Ideas and practices, our arguments, our refusals. In the squares during the day and where they least expect us at night. Each according to their own abilities, their own instinct, their own nature. As the world collapses, it will no longer be possible for one to remain still. We know who is on the right side. Kyriakos was on the right side with that bomb.

Against subjugation.

Against the military concepts of "glory" and "honour". No martyrs, no heroes.

Death to the State. War on war. Long live anarchy.

Strength, Marianna! I embrace you. You will never be alone.

Strength, Dimitra, strength Dimitris, always with your heads held high.

Strength Nikos, once again, much solidarity with you.

Goodbye, dear Kyriakos,

the fuse is still lit.

An anarchist,
15 December 2024

Realities behind the arrest of Nikos Romanos

We are publishing this article from Negation Formations in an effort to provide those readers who are not from Greece with information and context regarding the recent state kidnapping of anarchist Nikos Romanos.

On 31 October, 2024, an explosion in the Athens neighborhood of Ambelokipoi killed the comrade Kyriakos X and severely injured the comrade Marianna M.

They were both in an apartment where an explosive device detonated, knocking out one wall of the building. The state claims they were planning to detonate a bomb elsewhere and that it exploded prematurely. Both Kyriakos and Marianna are anarchists, respected participants in the movement.

The press in Greece is owned by a handful of old families who control most of the remaining greek assets— those that haven't been sold off to foreign investors. The Greek mainstream media exists to disseminate state narratives, and it immediately began slandering the victims of the explosion as well as engaging in wild speculation— such as that the israeli embassy was the intended target. Whether or not that's true, it is true that israeli mossad agents came to assist the Greek police in their investigations. Since the explosion, the state has made additional arrests of people it claims are somehow connected to the apartment and its lease, sublease, etc.

As the Greek press promoted the propaganda of the state, there commenced activity in some cowardly corners of the left to distinguish the more "guilty" of those accused from the others. This is the question of who to tar with the labels of "anarchist" and "terrorist" — thereby assumed to deserve repression— vs. who is really "innocent."

The anarchist movement itself, both in Greece and internationally, has rejected such division and remained strong in solidarity despite a chilling increase in repression. There were multiple support gatherings outside the hospital where Marianna was held under guard and when, shortly after her second surgery, she was transferred to Korydallos prison, comrades also gathered there. Kyriakos has been honored with actions, banners, marches, events and memorials, and will remain a beloved comrade forevermore. There has been no "disavowal," no step back.

Since the tragedy in Ambelokipoi state repression against those suspected of being "anarchists" has become more aggressive, although this is consistent with an ongoing trend since the pandemic. What we have seen now are not new tactics but an increase in frequency: police actions such as stopping and searching people around the neighborhood Exarcheia, early-morning "preventative detention" of targeted individuals (people considered politically prominent) on the days of demonstrations and marches, and an increase in surveillance of those the greek state has a grudge against, including by parking unmarked cars with surveillance equipment in front of their homes.

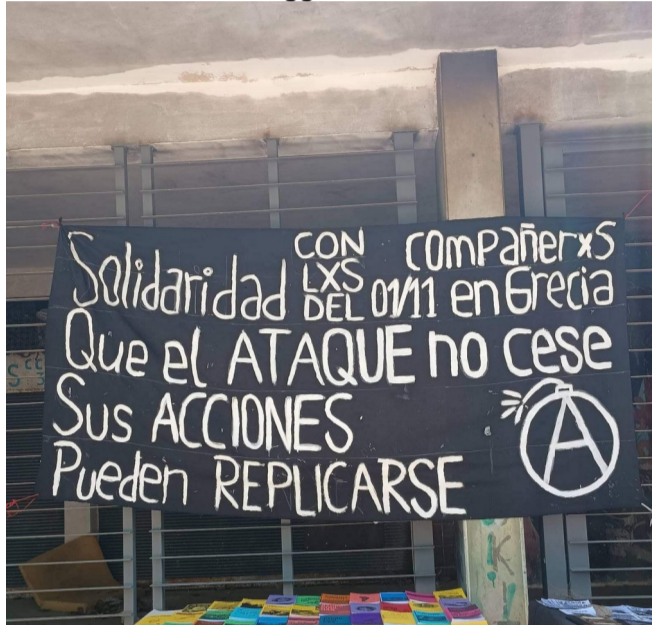
Few people in the anarchist movement here have been under as heavy surveillance, long-term, as the comrade Nikos Romanos. He was a friend of the anarchist Alexis Grigoropoulos, and witnessed Alexis' murder by police on 6 December 2008. Since that time Nikos has been arrested many times and accused of many crimes, along with false accusations of involvement with the direct action group Conspiracy of Cells of Fire.

Because Nikos is a living witness to the shameful conduct of the state, he has been labeled a terrorist by politicians and the mass media many times over. Of their many accusations, however, the only crime the judiciary has ever pinned on him is a bank robbery, for which he served a prison sentence. During the time he was imprisoned, Nikos went on hunger strike for 31 days to (successfully) demand access to education, something he was entitled to under law but which the state had refused him. His steadfastness in this matter inspired solidarity actions throughout Greece and internationally, and is still well remembered.



From the anarchist library Kalabalik in Berlin, Germany.

"Love and strength to Marianna and the others accused in the Athens case. Our friend and comrade Kyriakos will live forever in our hearts and struggles."



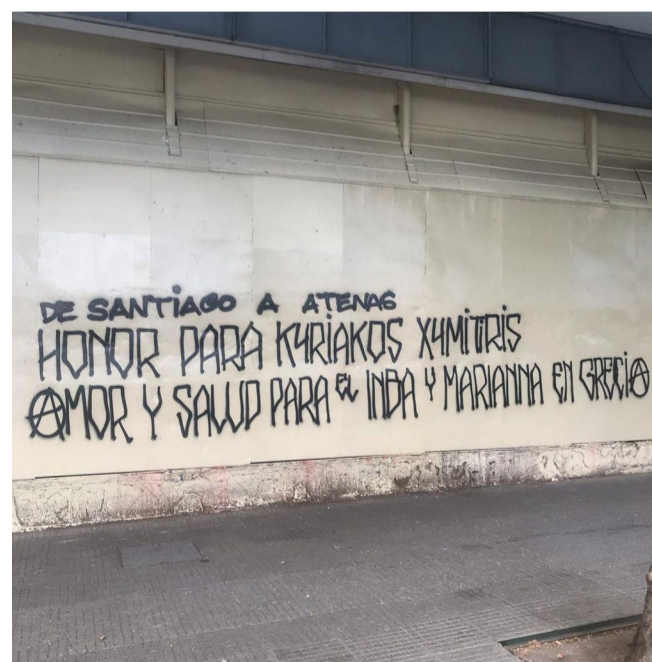
From Montevideo, Uruguay.

"Don't stop the attack! Actions shall show the way"



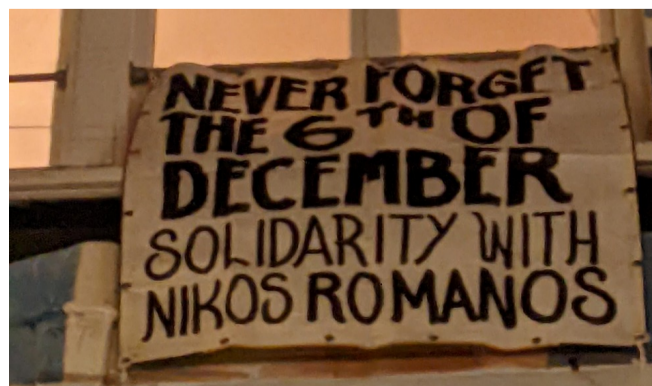
From members of Södr Klubben in Sweden's Malmö.

"Grief + rage + solidarity for the four comrades"



From Chile.

"From Santiago to Athens, honour to Kyriakos Ximitiris. Love and health to INBA and Marianna from Greece."



From the Vrankrijk squat in central Amsterdam, Netherlands.

"Never forget the 6th of December. Solidarity with Nikos Romanos"

24 November, Milan, Italy: Burning barricades and clashes with the police following the death of 19-year-old Ramy Elgaml, who died after falling from his scooter during a police chase. Ramy's death was just the last straw, as in the working-class neighbourhoods where the riots broke out, people are daily harassed by the police.

25 November, L'Oie, Loire, France: Incendiary attack on construction machinery belonging to the Charpentier group due to its involvement in the construction of large-scale irrigation canals, an agro-industrial project harmful to the environment.

The attack led to a temporary halt of the works for the project in the area.

25 November, Wales, United Kingdom: Daniel Andreas San Diego, a long-time fugitive wanted for two bomb attacks on biotechnology company Chiron Inc. in California in 2003, is arrested.

25 November, Athens, Greece: Comrade Nikos Romanos is transferred to Korydallos prison after his pre-trial detention was ordered on 22 November.

From his statement on 5 December:

"...I am not in prison because I made conscious choices that carried risks. On the contrary, my life is sold as a political product, on the shelf of the media supermarket, with the cost of the bag charged to me, waiting for would-be voters to buy piece by piece the merchandise until the next time.

It's truly sad for me (and not only me) that I will have to prove that I am not an elephant..."

The full statement can be found at the-blast.espivblogs.net.

25 November, Lincolnshire, England, United Kingdom: Incendiary attack on two meat trucks outside a slaughterhouse by the Wolf Howling Commando in memory of fighter Eleftheria Hambi and Kyriakos X.

Responsibility claim on page 14.

25 November, Amsterdam, Netherlands: Attack on two vehicles of the telecommunications company KPN. One was set on fire and the other was left with broken windows. The action was taken in response to KPN's funding of NEDS, a report on military industries.

26 November, Kiev, Ukraine: Attempted bombing of police officers. A 43-year-old man rented an apartment, rigged the front door with an F-1 grenade, called the police using a fake female voice with artificial means, and reported a fake domestic violence incident to lure them into the apartment.

According to Russian counter-information source a2day:

"CBY (Security Service of Ukraine) reports that he had been convicted six times for robbery and was recruited by the Russian secret services.

This raises doubts in our minds. Ukrainians have many reasons to hate their own authorities – extreme corruption, raids by the TLK (Regional Recruitment and Social Support Centre) with beatings and humiliations, huge tax hikes, all in a time when external aggression must be repelled. And the police do everything they can to prove their usefulness and not be sent to the front lines."

26 November, Munich, Germany: Arson of two excavators in the Au-Haidhausen area, at a construction site for a bike lane expansion. This is just one of the dozens of incendiary attacks that have taken place in Munich over the past few years against construction projects, telecommunications infrastructure, electric vehicles, and anything else typically targeted by the anti-authoritarian and, more broadly, the radical movements in Central and Western Europe.

26 November, Brem, Germany: Attack with stones and molotov bombs on the headquarters

of OptoPrecision: The reason for the attack was the company's involvement in the development of surveillance technologies for the police, security forces, and the military. The attack was dedicated to the memory of Kyriakos X.

Responsibility claim on page 17.

26 November, Belarus: The court of appeal upheld the decision based on Article 411 of the Penal Code for anarchist prisoner Sergey Romanov, sentencing him to 2 years in prison. Sergey Romanov's trial, under paragraph 2 of Article 411 of the Penal Code, took place at the end of September this year. He was accused of alleged disobedience towards the administration of the prison colony in which he is held.

This is his second conviction under Article 411. Last March, an additional 11 months were added to his 20-year sentence.

Sergey Romanov is an anarchist who has been relentlessly persecuted by the authorities for over a decade due to his anti-authoritarian actions.

28 November, La Bâtie-Rolland, Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes, France: Arson of two sheds belonging to the Soterex company, part of the Poisson group, specialising in public works for quarries. One of the sheds and two trucks were completely destroyed.

28 November, Rome, Italy: Arson attack on a site belonging to Italferr, a subsidiary of the Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane group, resulting in the destruction of 16 cars and a van. The reason for the attack was the company's involvement in military technology development and its cooperation with the Israeli military.

Responsibility claim on page 7.

28 November, Philadelphia, USA: Anonymous anarchists broke into the home of Gavin Kenneally, CEO of Ghost Robotics, and flooded it by placing a hose inside through a hole they made in a glass door.

Kenneally had recently been forced to move out after facing previous attacks, and he is trying to sell the property.

Ghost Robotics develops robotic dogs used in Palestine and at the USA-Mexico border.

28 November, Baltimore, Maryland, USA: Incendiary attack on a municipal vehicle. Around the same time, an arson attack occurred on a police patrol car parked outside the Baltimore Police Department headquarters.

29 November, Athens, Greece: Reoccupation of the Zizania squat, five months after its eviction.

30 November, Barcelona, Catalonia: Riots during a demonstration against the imprisonment of anarchist comrade Abel. The offices of the Esquerra Republicana de Catalunya party and a police union were attacked, while several supermarkets were vandalised and paint and bottles were thrown at police officers.

Abel was imprisoned six months earlier, serving a sentence of 6 years and 9 months for being with someone who pushed a Nazi down the stairs of a metro station.

30 November, Makassar, Sulawesi, Indonesia: Vandalism and arson of Hasanuddin University in response to a sexual harassment incident. While the rector hides, his collaborators imposed restrictions on the students and called the police, who arrested random students, while the perpetrators of the harassment continue to roam freely on campus.

30 November, Drome, France: Two cameras at the entrance of the village of Sainte-Eulalie-en-Royans and one on the facade of the town hall were destroyed by unknown individuals.

1 December, Delémont, Jura, Switzerland: Arson of vehicles belonging to Sitadel Sarl Delémont in protest against the greenwashing of fracking and the environmentally destructive geothermal project being attempted in the area.

Responsibility claim on page 12.

2 December, Berlin, Germany: Multiple arson attacks on vehicles belonging to Cemex and Heidelberg Materials in the industrial

Again, there are few people in Greece as relentlessly surveilled as Nikos, which made it all the more absurd that he was arrested on 18 November and accused of unspecified involvement in the explosion, on the basis of the state claiming to have discovered a single fingerprint from him on a trash bag "found" in the destroyed apartment.

Some or all of the above you may already know. The purpose of this piece is to contextualize the arrest and repression of Nikos in Greece's overall economic collapse and the scandals of the Greek state's ruling party, New Democracy, as well as to condemn those who respond to the greek state's abuse of Nikos with gleeful excitement (because they anticipate spectacular resistance) and those who promote state narratives about Nikos, including the lie— proven to be a lie in court! — that he was involved in the group Conspiracy of Cells of Fire.

Nikos has been put through hell by the state for nearly his entire life, from the horror of watching his childhood friend murdered in front of his eyes to years of repression, intimidation, violence, false accusations and imprisonment. Anyone who repeats the state and state-media slanders about Nikos, using buzzwords like "terrorist" or breathlessly associating him with guerrilla groups he wasn't involved in, is promoting the state's narrative and serving the greek state's agenda.

On 22 November, the state used the flimsy pretext of the fingerprint to imprison Nikos more or less indefinitely, pre-trial, furthering the outrage. Even some of the right-wing TV talking heads were at a loss to explain this, which only provides (additional) evidence that the supposedly impartial judiciary of Greece is no more than a weapon of the ruling class, in this case of Prime Minister Mitsotakis and New Democracy.

Nikos is being held under article 187A, an antiterrorism statute passed by the "progressive" socialist government previous to new democracy. The excuse for 187A at the time was that it was necessary to prosecute Golden Dawn, a neo-fascist organization— but it wasn't

used for that. Instead, we see in the detention of Nikos the penal code's true purpose. All state tools of "anti-extremism," including those that claim to be protection from fascists or to repress the far right, will end up used against anarchists.

Article 187A, which applies to terrorist organizations, states that a terrorist organization must be at least three people. So, we have the martyr Kyriakos, the injured Marianna... and because the state needed a third, like magic, they discover a bag with a fingerprint and kidnap Nikos.

Prime Minister Mitsotakis went and toured the site of the explosion personally, a bizarre and cynical media circus, and then pulled a true Reality TV stunt: he announced that a benevolent construction company (also, of course, owned by one of Greece's ruling families) would be providing free reconstruction of the building to give the other residents homes again.

The recent imprisonment of Nikos is likewise a stunt, but a cruel, barbaric stunt using a man's life and freedom to try and score political points. Not only has New Democracy been delegitimized by scandals— to name just a few: a mass-casualty train crash directly caused by austerity and privatization, deliberate mass drownings of immigrants, and being caught using illegal israeli spyware to monitor political rivals— but the economy of Greece is collapsing. Rent in most cities is unaffordable relative to wages, the healthcare system is being stripped for parts, and the schools are in shambles.

The abduction of Nikos Romanos is a provocation by the ruling party towards the anarchist movement, timed immediately after the anniversary of the Polytechnic uprising and just before the anniversary of the police murder of Alexis. Mitsotakis wants to focus attention on the anarchists, because his coalition of neoliberal austerity privatizers is losing ground to a growing fringe far-right. Arbitrarily imprisoning a high-profile anarchist (and thus perhaps triggering a response) is perfect red meat for the kind of reactionary droolers who have been lately abandoning the

technocratic soft-authoritarianism of new democracy for more overtly fascist political parties.

We can see the heavy hand of the Greek state in not just conventional media, but social media. Shameless, ignorant, parastatal parasitic "extremism" experts parrot the lies of Nikos' involvement in matters he was acquitted of, reactionaries and liberals casually refer to Nikos as a "terrorist," and Facebook auto-bans Nikos' name, much as it did the name of the revolutionary Dimitris Koufontinas during his 2021 prison hunger strike.

There is a parallel to the case of Tasos Theophilou, an anarchist-communist who was sentenced to 25 years in prison for a bank robbery he didn't commit. Tasos also was falsely accused of membership in Conspiracy of Cells of Fire (despite not sharing their ideology), and the state's evidence against him was the anti-terrorism task force claiming they found his DNA on a hat near the bank— although the hat in question wasn't in the list of items collected and photographed at the scene of the robbery.

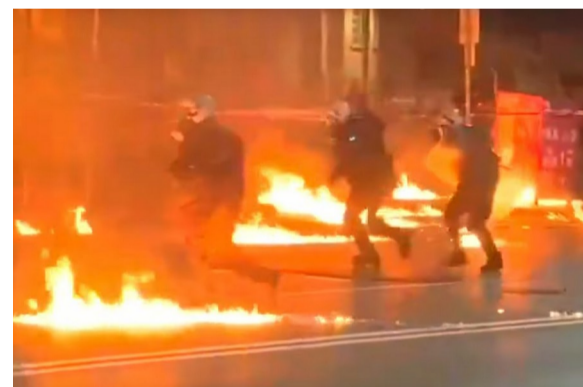
Although Tasos' conviction was eventually overturned and he successfully sued the state for his five years of false imprisonment, the government and its media parrots defamed Tasos for years based on these false accusations. After all, he's an anarchist!

There are many more instances and incidents I could invoke here, but I hope that this helps establish that

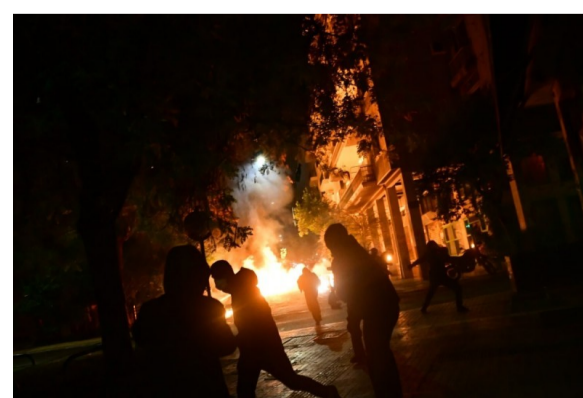
- 1.) the arbitrary imprisonment of Nikos in the wake of an unrelated tragedy is a sick political game by the state, and
- 2.) those who accept and repeat the Greek state's lies about Nikos are de facto agents of state repression.

Let us reject not only the continued abuse of Nikos Romanos and other prisoners by the state, but the state's narratives and slanders.

As has been said elsewhere, "May Athens get the December it deserves"



Thessaloniki, 17 November: Anarchist attack with molotov bombs against MAT (riot police) during the demonstration for the anniversary of the Polytechnic insurrection.



Athens, 6 December: Snapshot from the clashes in Exarcheia during the demonstration for the anniversary of Alexis Grigoropoulos' murder by the police.

Athens, Greece: Solidarity with the imprisoned comrades for the Antifa Ost and Ampelokipi cases

On October 21, antifascist Thomas J (Nanuk) is arrested in Berlin and linked to the case of Antifa Ost in which a group of antifascists have already been convicted on charges of the attack to neo-Nazis and the formation of a terrorist group. On November 8th, antifascist Johann G. is arrested and also linked to the same case. His arrest was made following a request from the German authorities for any information at a price of 10000 euros, the publication of photographs in the media as well as the close monitoring of nearby and relatives. At the same time, the extradition of activist Maja T. in Hungary in correlation with the attack on neo-Nazis in Budapest in February 2023. As always, there is cooperation between states, now between Germany and Hungary, with the aim of suppressing anti-fascist movements. The German state uses Article 129 of its penal code to classify individuals and groups as participants in terrorist organizations to achieve stronger penalties and thus greater repression. The same thing happens here when, after the explosion in Ampelokipoi on October 30, the Greek state is creating schemes once again accusing people based only on their interpersonal relations. These moves of state mechanisms from Greece to Hungary and Germany are usual tactics of repression towards their common enemy, that is everyone who challenges their authority.

These days we hung a banner in Gini occupied building at the Polytechnic as a minimal sign of solidarity with our imprisoned comrades in Greece and Germany. We are full of rage and hatred for the trash that are in positions of power, the values they profess and those in society that embrace them. We are against those who support and reproduce the authority of any form over our bodies and the bodies of non-human animals.

Our comrades who fall fighting will forever be in our hearts. Our comrades behind bars and those who are persecuted either for their militant action or because they chose to exist not in a legal way in this world have our support

and we hope to we give them strength by continuing with our own means the attack on society. We are with everyone that is fighting to fulfill the desire to destroy what oppresses them, regardless of the probability of victory. Only by conflict - whether in the streets, homes and offices of all kinds of authoritarians, or inside ourselves - can we win moments of freedom.

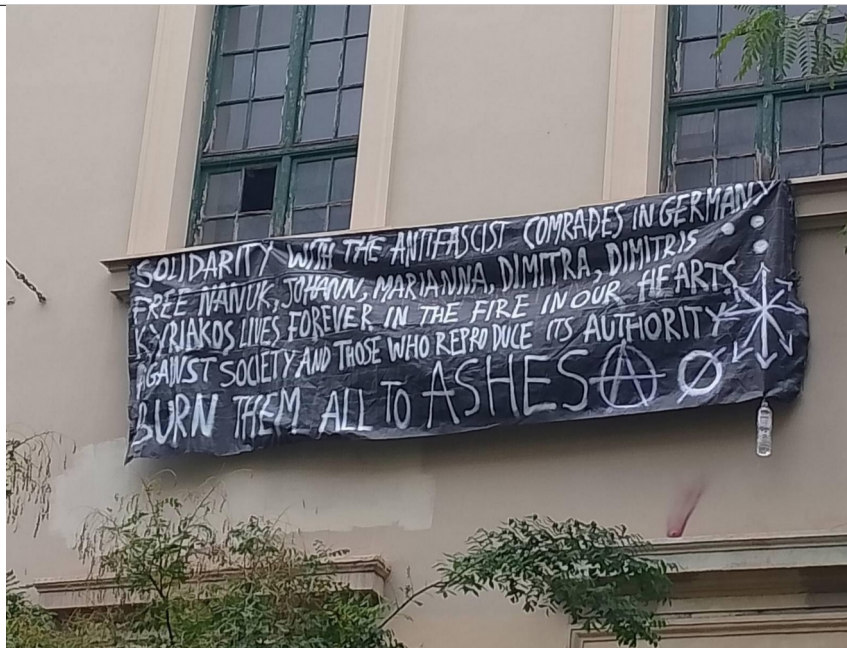
Strength to the imprisoned comrades Marianna, Dimitra, Dimitris, Nanouk, Johann and Nikos

Strength for all 30 injured people in Chile after recent street clashes

Kyriakos will forever remain in the flame we carry in our hearts

The roads of fire do not exist unless we create them

Fat Zeros
15/11/2024



"Solidarity with the antifascist comrades in Germany. Free Nanouk, Johann, Marianna, Dimitra, Dimitris. Kyriakos lives forever in the fire in our hearts. Against society and those who reproduce its authority. Burn them all to ashes."

Athens, Greece: Claim of responsibility for the incendiary attack on the rectorate of the National Metsovian Technical University of Athens

The passion for destruction is a passion for creation

Power signifies the total denial of freedom. Coercion is the primary tool used by those who decide to rule. Therefore, we are speaking of a world built on this fundamental aesthetic choice. This choice of the ruling class calls upon its subjects to enact it. The rectorate of the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA) is yet another cog in the machine, one of the threads in the institutional fabric of the state, whose role, on an ideological level, is to sterilise, to increase productivity, to create an "excellent" specialised worker who does not raise their head except when it concerns better career opportunities. In short, the ideological role of the university in the neoliberal bourgeois state is to present the "governance of science" as the only way societies can organise themselves. The means by which the university carries out this role is through the monopoly on knowledge, or rather the cultivation of the illusion that it truly monopolises knowledge.

In fact, the so-called excellence of NTUA is postgraduate collaboration with TERN, research on military drones, close cooperation with the police for the eviction of squats and arrests, targeting, prosecution, and fines for students. The latest reference point in time, and since they failed to achieve their goal with the repeated eviction operations of 2023-24, is the issuance of an ultimatum to all occupied spaces on 31/10/2024. The state and social cannibals are rushing to suppress any attempt to build a counter-proposal to the prevailing social decay by evicting spaces and intensifying repression, believing that they are terrorising us. But we do not bow our heads, because we know we are right. The early forms of this counter-proposal are the squats, and as long as you refuse to let us build our own reality, we will destroy yours. After all, the goal is not to build on the existing foundations, but on their rubbles. However, destruction does not come on its own.

Fire has always been a weapon of society. So we claim responsibility for the incendiary attack against the NTU administration building in Zografou on Friday 8/11/2024

HONOUR FOREVER TO ANARCHIST FIGHTER KYRIAKOS XYMITIRIS

SOLIDARITY WITH INJURED COMRADE MARIANNA M. AND

TO THE PERSECUTED COMRADES D.Z. AND D.

SOLIDARITY TO COMRADE K.K. FOR THE CASE IN MESOLOGGI

ΕΜΠρηστές

Note: The name of the group, ΕΜΠρηστές, is a wordplay between the words εμπρηστές (arsonists) and ΕΜΠ (NTUA)

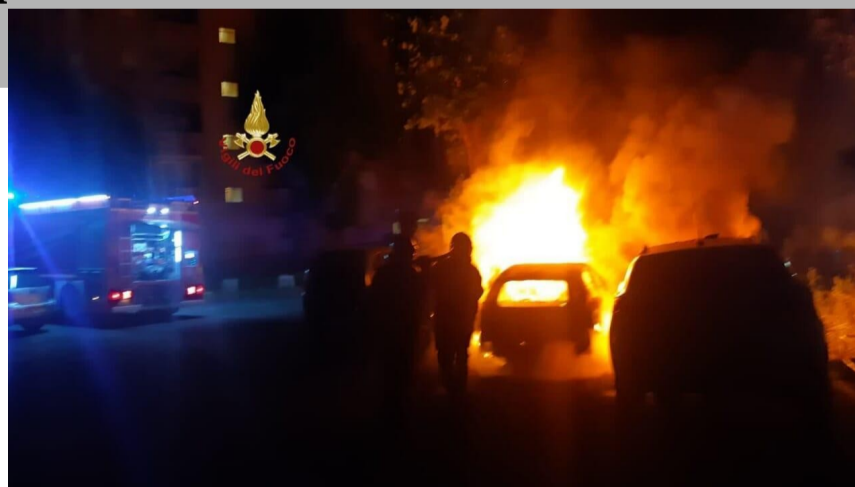


Rome, Italy: Claim of responsibility for incendiary attack against Italferr, militarism and nationalism

We are living in times of integration, where the boundaries that usually separated the various spheres of domination are disappearing. We are in the era of cybernetics, of biotechnologies applied to the body, of transhumanism through which the machine continues its war against the living, trying to merge with the biological.

These are also times of actual war, times when the private sector increasingly supports the public sector in establishing and pursuing the strategic objectives of the State. Capital has entered a new phase of competition, the surplus is struggling to find outlets, and the balance of power between capitalist blocs and their respective spheres of influence is being redefined. And war is always good business.

On 15th April, Leonardo, Italy's leading defence and technology company, and one of the largest in the world by revenue, which is controlled by the Ministry, signed an agreement with RFI, part of the Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane group, also controlled by the Ministry of Finance. This agreement is part of the implementation of the logistics of war required by the changing global geopolitical landscape. The war in Ukraine, along with a broader redefinition of the balance of power between capitalist



blocs, is quickly bringing the military sphere to the forefront of state concerns. The arms race is already underway (+93% increase in arms imports in 2023), military production is becoming the new driving force for the struggling economy, and the entire military apparatus must be The agreement aims to "ensure the movement of military resources, both within and outside Europe," even "on short notice and on a large scale," as stated in the press release presenting the agreement. It operates within the framework of "Military Mobility," an EU initiative aimed at enhancing existing infrastructure and digital capabilities. The declared goal is to create the so-called "military Schengen," the integration of the infrastructure network of individual states to allow for rapid and efficient movement of

areas of Gehrenseestraße and Pyramidenring. Specifically, eight trucks were burned in the first area, and nine in the second. These two cement factories were targeted for the same reason they have been in the past: their involvement in colonial projects and the destruction of nature.

The attack was also dedicated to the memory of comrade Kyriakos X.

Responsibility claim on page 13.

2 December, Genoa, Italy: The Ex Latteria squat was evacuated by carabinieri.

2 December, Toulouse, France: Incendiary attack on three electrical transformers:

"...We carried out the action a day before the annual aerospace and aeronautics exhibition [...] We hope we spoiled their party. Let them know that the rebels haven't said their last word! This city is notorious for the proliferation of death industries, but it has also seen a revival of anti-militarist action in recent years [...] With our action, we tried to cut the lifeblood of part of this 'industrial flagship' (aerospace, armament, technologies) that belongs mainly to the French state.

Against their wars: our camp is the camp of solidarity, struggle, mutual aid, attack, and insurgent love against all states, all industries, all slaughterers of life... and freedom.

We couldn't finish this statement without sending all the warmth of our incendiary night to our comrades in Greece and elsewhere, who are suffering from the harsh loss of Kyriakos. You are in our thoughts. Stay strong..."

3 December, New York, USA: Brian Thompson, CEO of the healthcare company UnitedHealthcare, was murdered by a lone wolf, who was eventually located and arrested on 8 December.

Excerpt from the handwritten manifesto:

Απόσπασμα από το χειρόγραφο μανιφέστο του:

"...I do apologize for any strife of traumas but it had to be done. Frankly, these parasites simply had it coming. A reminder: the US has the #1 most expensive healthcare system in the world, yet we rank roughly #42 in life expectancy. United is the [indecipherable] largest company in the US by market cap, behind only Apple, Google, Walmart. It has grown and grown, but [h]as our life expectancy? No the reality is, these [indecipherable] have simply gotten too powerful, and they continue to abuse our country for immense profit because the American public has allowed them to get away with it..."

3 December, Athens, Greece: Attempted incendiary attack on the ΕΦΚΑ (National Social Security Agency) in Kypseli by the Offensive Solidarity Cells. The incendiary device failed to activate.

Responsibility claim on page 17.

3 December, Berlin, Germany: Vandalism of a military vehicle in the Neukölln area, a working-class district in southern-central Berlin.

"Every ten years, federal officials forget they shouldn't park in Neukölln."

4 December, Toulouse, France: Incendiary attack on a vehicle of the Toulouse Metropolitan and a vehicle belonging to the Toulouse City Hall.

"...The Toulouse metropolis is clearly taking a stand in the ongoing war. Sister city with Tel Aviv and welcoming with open arms a NATO base to be inaugurated in the summer of 2025. The metropolis is becoming a laboratory for new military technologies. Let's take the city back from the arms dealers. We must take a stand. Freedom for Gaza!"

5 December, Santiago, Chile: Masked anarchists erected barricades and clashed with the police, throwing Molotov cocktails outside the José Toribio Medina High School.

In the Nunoa commune. The action was carried out against the political persecution experienced within the school, including harassment and expulsions of students linked to street battles.

Leaflets were also thrown at the scene in memory of anarchist comrades Luciano Pitronello and Belén Navarrete, who died last August, and in solidarity with the imprisoned anarchist comrade Marcelo Villarroel.

The action ended without any arrests.

6 December, Athens, Greece: Clashes with the police involving Molotov cocktails and stones during the demonstration marking the anniversary of the murder of Alexandros Grigoropoulos, with dozens of detentions and arrests.

6 December, Thessaloniki, Greece: During the demonstration for the anniversary of the murder of Alexandros Grigoropoulos, 120 people were detained, 116 of whom were arrested after the police forces did not allow the crowd to disperse at the end of the march, trapping them and chasing them down Tsimiski Street and the surrounding alleys.

6 December, Komotini, Greece: Sixth reoccupation of the Utopia A.D. squat.

7 December, Meyssac, France: Sabotage of a railway line to prevent track restoration work for the nuclear project Cigéo. The responsibility claim is on page 14.

7 December, Villars-sur-Ollon, Vaud, Switzerland: Sabotage of a ski resort. Snow-making machines were found destroyed or disappeared, and wires were cut.

Since 2023, snow-making installations have been targeted in Villars-sur-Ollon, Verbier, and neighbouring France.

8 December, Emeryville, California, USA: Vandalism of the offices of Danish shipping and logistics company Maersk in solidarity with the Palestinian resistance.

"We attacked the Maersk offices in Emeryville because they are death merchants. They send military cargo to the Zionist entity for use in the genocide of Palestinians. This includes components for F-35 aircraft currently bombing Gaza..."

We join workers and activists in Morocco, Spain, Greece, Tunisia, and elsewhere in attacking Maersk. We refuse to become accomplices in genocide. We invite you to join us. The veins of imperialist capitalism are open, fragile, and poorly guarded. The death supply lines can be cut."

9 December, Dortmund, Germany: Arson of five luxury cars at a car dealership location. Three of them were completely destroyed.

9 December, Moscow, Russia: Arson of a construction company director's car.

One of the perpetrators had resigned from the company in late November, and the director had promised to pay his salary but never did. The perpetrator and his accomplices were eventually arrested and face up to five years in prison.

9 December, Isère, France: Sabotage of the Signaroux ski resort in La Motte-d'Aveillans against tourism. Specifically, the electrical panel supplying the resort's only cable car was destroyed, forcing the resort to remain closed for an indefinite period during the winter season as the repairs are extensive.

10 December, Hamburg, Germany: Attack with an incendiary device on the residence of the Minister for the Environment in the Bergen-Dorf area, as part of the Switch off! The system of destruction campaign against the eco-cidal plans of green capitalism.

12 December, Leipzig, Germany: Incendiary attack on the car of Holger Grentzsch, director of Lindenthaler Verwaltungsgesellschaft, due to his support for the far-right Identitarian Movement (Identitäre Bewegung).

"In these times, when anarchists are being pushed back all over the

military materials within Europe. This plan, passed in 2018 by the European Commission, and the only one in the defence sector to receive approval from all member states, commits them to "simplify and standardise the procedures for cross-border military transport" and "to allow the free movement of military personnel and equipment within EU borders" (from the official PESCO website, an EU initiative under the Common Security and Defence Policy aimed at the structural integration of armed forces). Note that this project was proposed by the commander of the United States Army in Europe, General Ben Hodges, to highlight Europe's subjugation to the will of US imperialism. While Europe continues to lock down its borders, and the "free movement of goods and people" becomes a memory, a victim of the whims of individual leaders ready to suspend it at the emergence of new "emergencies," work continues to facilitate the "free" movement of military units and resources by removing bureaucratic barriers and improving infrastructure.

Specifically regarding this agreement, Leonardo will be responsible for providing "its expertise and support in advanced A.I. techniques on several fronts: census and monitoring of dual-use infrastructures, modelling of complex infrastructures and services, simulation and optimisation of complex networks," while RFI will provide the physical infrastructure, its management and maintenance, considering that it consists of a communication network alongside railway tracks that runs through many vectors across the Italian peninsula. It therefore seems that the primary application of this agreement is to provide the company possessing the HPC (High-Performance Computing) Davinci-1, one of the most powerful supercomputers in the world in the aerospace, defence, and security sectors, "with a secure communication infrastructure interoperable with different types of networks (TETRA, LTE, 4G/5G), to ensure high levels of service and security." What is being outlined here, in simpler terms, is the transition of an infrastructure primarily designed for civilian use to one of the most powerful military-industrial sectors in Italy and the world.

Dual-use is no longer the exception, or a tendency, but the norm. What is developed for civilian purposes must be easily reconverted for military use. According to this logic, there is no real distinction between civilian and military; everything (society as a whole, from public institutions such as universities and research centres to infrastructures, from transport to energy networks) can and must be conceived and designed to be mobilised for war purposes. What has been produced by Capital with the false promise of serving the well-being of populations inevitably returns to serve

Capital when it needs to arm itself to secure new and more profitable margins of profit. War is, in fact, intrinsic to the capitalist production system, as it allows Capital to escape periods of stagnation, to relaunch industry and technological innovation through production incentives, to conquer new territories to exploit, and to burn enormous amounts of capital, goods, and surplus labour.

For this reason, on the night of November 28 in Rome, we set up flammable materials and caused a fire that, according to the media, destroyed a total of 16 vehicles and a van belonging to Italferr, a subsidiary of the Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane group.

Italferr is a company that deals with engineering services and design, project management, and supervision of works, conducting tenders and project management activities for major infrastructural investments of the FS group. Being part of the same group, and also for technical reasons, it works closely with RFI.

As a compliant collaborator in the military shift currently underway, we have identified Italferr, as part of the FS group, as a target in our antimilitarist efforts to counter the new war-driven direction of states.

Leonardo, for its part, is, as mentioned above, a leading company in the fields of defence, aerospace, and security. It is the 14th largest arms company in the world and the second largest in the European Union, a position it achieved after decades of acquisitions that allowed it to accumulate a significant body of know-how and cutting-edge research and development centres. It has weathered several scandals linked to corruption investigations, thanks to its strong integration with high levels of politics, guaranteed by the continuous passage of loyal servants of the State to its board of directors (for example, consider the figure of Gianni de Gennaro, a loyal executioner who headed the police during the G8 of Genoa in 2001, rewarded for his servile loyalty with the appointment as president of Leonardo from 2013 to 2020).

Recently, the company has come under scrutiny due to its strong ties to the Israeli military industry. Just to give one example, in 2022 it promoted the acquisition of the Israeli company RADA Electronic Industries Ltd., which specialises in advanced military tactical radar. RADA Electronic Industries is one of the many Israeli arms companies that market their systems as "field-tested", meaning tested on the Palestinian population living under a military occupation and apartheid regime. RADA boasts close collaborations with the Israeli military and major Israeli arms companies such as IAI, Rafael, and Elbit Systems. However, the integration of the Israeli military-industrial system with Leonardo

is long-established: in 2011, a major agreement was signed in which Israel supplied a satellite system to the Italian Army in exchange for Leonardo-made training jets. These trainer jets are commonly used by the Israeli Air Force (IAF) to train their pilots, the same ones who have been bombing the Palestinian population and Gaza for over a year, committing what is increasingly being defined as ethnic cleansing aimed at expelling the Gaza population to seize that territory.

We also note that in recent months Leonardo's profits have risen from 40 million to 459 million, thanks to the huge sales of military systems to Ukraine, Israel, and war regimes around the world.

If this company thinks that its bloody dealings will go unnoticed and that it can continue unpunished with the benevolence of politics and the judiciary, it is gravely mistaken.

For this action, we were inspired by attacks carried out in Europe against the military industry and war, which spread following the call to action at the Balkan anarchist book fair, with whose final declaration we are in agreement.

Our medium-term goal with this action is to target something simple, clear, recognisable, and easily attackable due to its widespread presence across the territory.

Action against what oppresses us is easy and reproducible. We will demolish this system of oppression, piece by piece, gear by gear, with our ideals and our desire for freedom in our hearts.

AGAINST THE STATE AND CAPITAL

AGAINST EVERY WAR, AGAINST MILITARISM AND NATIONALISM: DIRECT ACTION! SABOTAGE!

With this action, we wish to contribute to the international campaign in solidarity with the Palestinian people, against the ongoing genocide and Israel's colonialism. PALESTINE FREE FROM ALL STATES, AUTHORITIES, AND OPPRESSORS!

This fire is a fiery salute to the anarchist Kyriakos, in solidarity with Marianna, Dimitris, Dimitra, and Nikos Romanos, recently arrested by the infamous Greek counter-terrorism units who want to make him pay for his rebellious journey and stance during his prolonged imprisonment: STRENGTH TO THE COMRADES!

Solidarity with Alfredo, Anna, Juan, Paska, Stecco, Giulio, all anarchist prisoners around the world, and with those in flight to defend the beloved freedom.

FOR A WORLD WITHOUT STATES, MASTERS, GODS, OR HUSBANDS

LONG LIVE ANARCHY!

Incendiary anarchists

On the Day of the Deserter in Milan

As the spiral of violence intensifies, from Gaza to Lebanon, from Kursk to Zaporizhzhia, with the spectre of nuclear war looming just a hair's breadth away, the rasputitsa, the autumnal swamp, invades the trenches along the NATO-Russia frontline, where hundreds of thousands of men refuse to fight or "flee into the woods" to avoid being conscripted into a war that only benefits the exploited, and whose industrial base is also found here in Italy, the "ammunition factory" of Ukraine.

The principles of a military ethos founded on the spirit of sacrifice, where death is made desirable, today find legitimacy

in the hegemonic informational grammar, in the face of a widespread popular rejection of the war which is being suppressed. With our memories directed towards the millions of deserters, mutineers, and draft doggers who, on all fronts of the First World War, refused to obey, kill, and die for their respective homelands; recalling those who, from Gorizia to Mount Rombon, found support and protection in flight from the working classes, or formed armed bands to avoid becoming cannon fodder; evoking the unknown decimated soldier buried beneath the Altar of the Fatherland; some individuals decided to come together in solidarity with the State's "traitors" in front of the Ukrainian Consulate in Milan on 4 November, the

day when the Italian Republic celebrates with a civic holiday the Armed Forces and the massacre of 600,000 people.

In an era where the ideological rise of democracy and pacifism justifies military intervention by rehabilitating the grammar of just war without calling it such, the courage to rebel — which is increasingly being recorded against both the Ukrainian and Russian States, and even against the existential and permanent mobilisation of the Zionist state — the “refuseniks” — must be supported and defended. Not only for very valid ethical reasons, but also because it could materially lead to the

collapse of the frontlines and thus hinder the march towards total massacre.

With the awareness that general mobilisation today increasingly passes through biometric digital identities designed to surveil, enlist, or eliminate us, of which the systems of authorisation and checkpoints implemented during the COVID pandemic are an example, we expressed our defeatist and internationalist stance in front of the Ukrainian Consulate in Milan, which refuses to renew documents for those who do not register on the electronic enlistment database “Oberih”, a system analogous to that

implemented in Russia, “Gosuslugi”.

Despite the massive deployment of Carabinieri, Police, and Army blocking the entire perimeter of the Consulate, the speeches at the microphone and the leaflets distributed attracted the interest of those there to complete bureaucratic procedures. More than one conversation was exchanged with people angered by their loved ones being abducted by the State to go to the front: “the poor are sacrificed.” If the war starts here, and it is here we can hinder it, the 4th of November action marked a significant step in identifying another of its material nodes.



Venetia, Italy: “We sabotage the war”

Text from the announcement for a march against Leonardo SPA on December 19 and for the organisation of an open assembly on 21 December.

In these early days of December, the ongoing world war has taken a sharp acceleration. In just a few days, the advance of the “rebels” has led to the collapse of Assad’s regime, with all of the West applauding as they quickly rehabilitate a breakaway faction of Al-Qaeda (from “terrorist cutthroats” to “moderate Islamists” and political interlocutors). Meanwhile, the Zionist army invades Syrian territory and proceeds to destroy its military infrastructure. This is a rapidly evolving scenario, still difficult to untangle, but it marks a further expansion of the conflict in the Middle East. And while a fragile ceasefire continues in Lebanon, in Gaza, Zionist bombs continue to massacre entire families.

In Europe, as Ukraine’s defeat becomes ever more evident – to the point where even mainstream media are beginning to speak of the widespread desertion – anti-war parties are scoring significant electoral successes but find their path blocked, as is happening in Romania and Georgia, while central Europe plunges into a political (and economic) crisis marked by the recent collapse of the German and French governments.

In the United States, the last-ditch efforts of the Biden administration seem to clarify the neoconservative intention to respond to the collapse of their hegemony by dragging the entire world into an increasingly irreversible conflict, ever closer to the nuclear threshold. And while hostility to the Biden-Harris policies was made glaringly clear by the overwhelming victory of the somewhat less war-hungry Trump, the ever more exploited working class in the US hails Luigi Mangione, the alleged killer of the CEO of a multinational healthcare insurance company, as a vengeful hero. The temperature in the heart of the empire is rising.

As the vortex of global war expands, the various global and regional powers are forced to drop their masks. The field is cleared: exploited against exploiters. The oppressed are left with only one road, however steep: to transform the chaos recklessly sown by the USA (and not only...) into a possibility for revolt and revolution.

Mobilising to hinder the war plans of our local masters is the first step. That is why, on 19 December, we will be in Tessera (Venice), at the demonstration against the Leonardo SPA factory, which produces war helicopters, and on 21 December, we will meet in Venice for a public assembly to discuss these issues.

Genoa, Italy: Let’s get back to the streets against the 41 bis regime, in solidarity with Alfredo and against Bill 1660

Back on the Streets Against the 41-Bis Regime, in Solidarity with Alfredo and Against Bill 1660 (Genoa, 17 December 2024)

On 4 May 2022, the then Minister of Justice, Marta Cartabia, signed the decree imposing the 41-bis regime on anarchist comrade Alfredo Cospito. In October 2022,

Alfredo began a hunger strike against the 41-bis regime and the life sentence without the possibility of parole, which lasted for 6 months, seriously endangering his life.

During those 182 days, thousands of people took to the streets alongside Alfredo, demanding not only that our comrade be freed from this regime of torture, but also

the abolition of 41-bis and the end of the life sentence without parole.

Despite protests and our fight, the government, represented by Minister Nordio, confirmed Marta Cartabia’s decision, sentencing Cospito to death. However, in April of the same year, Alfredo resumed eating, saving his life.

Rome, Italy: Claim of responsibility for the attack on a Carrefour store

WITH OUR PALESTINIAN SISTERS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST HETERO-CIS-PATRIARCHY AND THE ZIONIST OCCUPATION

On 23 November, during the national NUDM (Non Una di Meno) march in Rome, as women, queers, and non-conforming individuals, we decided to reclaim violence by targeting the Carrefour on Via Labicana.

“Sister, destroy and burn everything” will not remain an empty slogan, and for that reason, we must put it into practice. Breaking a window and setting a fire is an expression of our rage and our refusal of the feminisation of passivity.

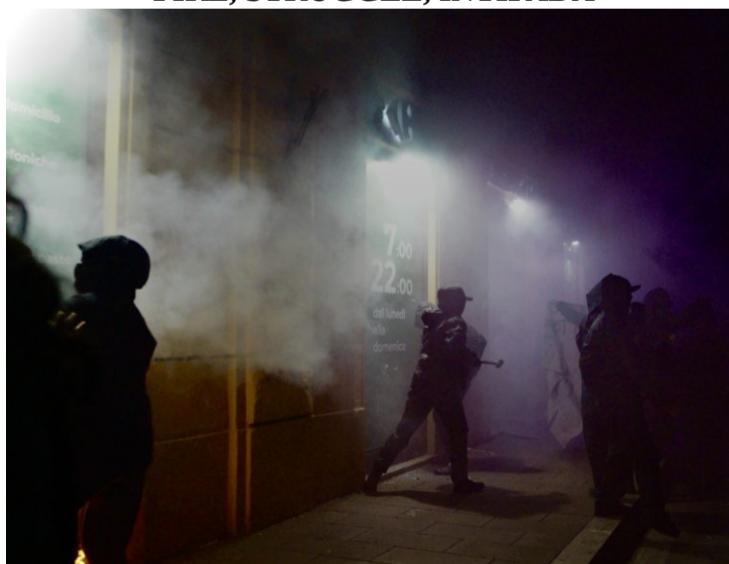
We reject the system that seeks to control how we express dissent.

In this square, as in all others, we will not settle for the forms of protest authorised by the authorities.

Against the Zionist occupation supported by the government, and the increasing control and repression, our anger is now unstoppable. We saw it on 5 October in Rome, and we are seeing it in Corvetto on the streets.

With this same rage, we will gather in the square on 30 November in Rome, in solidarity with the Palestinian people.

FIRE, STRUGGLE, INTIFADA



world and fascist movements increase, we believe it is necessary to make known the economic foundations of the right and to attack the financial bases of the sponsors.”

12 December, Estantens, Occitania, France: Arson at a timber briquette production site. The fire affected all machinery, causing damage estimated at €500,000.

13 December, Santiago, Chile: Masked anarchists attacked the police with Molotov cocktails outside the 1st Javiera Carrera High School, following a memorial event for the fallen comrades in the social war.

13 December, Bandung, West Java, Indonesia: Incendiary attack on a police station in solidarity with imprisoned comrades Nikos Romanos and Sidiq, and all imprisoned anarchists. The action was claimed by the Free Union of Autonomous Fire. The responsibility claim is on page 11.

13 December, Athens, Greece: Incendiary attack on three ELTA (Hellenic Post) vans in Kallithea by the Incendiary Elves, a tribute to the fallen comrade Kyriakos X. The responsibility claim is on page 3.

13 December, Dresden, Germany: Vandalism of a police station with paint and spray.

13 December, Melbourne, Australia: Vandalism of the Victoria Police memorial.

“...They honour their dead while continuing to murder people in custody, on the streets, and in our communities.

We will not let them mourn. We will never stop fighting...”

13 December, Tenerife, Canary Islands: Arrest of a man accused of causing at least 25 arson attacks on various telecommunications infrastructures, photovoltaic installations, and wind turbines, which severely affected several municipalities in the southern part of Tenerife.

13 December, Toulouse, France: Arson of three vans belonging to the Toulouse metropolitan area, in opposition to the city’s involvement in the military-industrial complex, the opening of a NATO base in the region, and the city’s twinning with Tel Aviv.

14 December, Athens, Greece: Vandalism of the façades of the Alter Athens hotel and the Deklaro clothing store in Exarchia by anonymous anarchists, against the gentrification of the area and in the name of the fallen comrade Kyriakos X.

“Exarchia has been transformed into a sterilised, lifeless zone for tourist entertainment, dominated by consumerist culture and alienated, superficial relationships. Hipster shops, posh hotels, and flashy Airbnb properties now flood the neighbourhood, turning it into a glossy showcase for apolitical, numbed spectators who muse over its rebellious characteristics. Against this condition they are trying to impose on us, we keep our political ideals alive and unchanged, reaffirming the prospects of true camaraderie. Recently, Exarchia had been marked by a regime of stillness, which was broken on December 6th with widespread clashes and chants for our fallen comrade Kyriakos X. In this spirit, on Saturday 14/12 we carried out a symbolic strike, smashing the façades of the Alter Athens hotel and the Deklaro clothing store on Zoodoxou Pigis Street. We advocate for multifaceted action until our resistance messages evolve into a real threat, until sparks of revolt and the expropriation of space and time emerge everywhere.

Unwavering solidarity with our heavily injured comrade Marianna M. and all the other imprisoned comrades in the Ampelokipi case...”

15 December, Thessaloniki, Greece: Attack on the offices of the multinational insurance company Allianz by the Anti-Imperialist Alliance for the solidarity of peoples, smashing the façade and security systems. The action was carried out in solidarity with the Palestinian resistance, as Allianz collaborates

with Elbit Systems, the Israeli company that supplies Israel with military equipment.

“This collaboration is part of the imperialist onslaught in the Middle East, based on the exploitation of natural resources, the imposition of political control through military power, and the spread of capital. Multinational companies like Allianz do not simply serve the interests of the bourgeoisie; they are fundamental players in the implementation of imperialist expansion [...]

...Every voice and every action against occupation, oppression, and imperialist alliances strengthens the struggle for liberation and justice in Palestine and throughout the world...”

16 December, Dyck, Martinique, Caribbean: Destruction of fibre optic cabinets. The sabotage significantly affected the areas of Grande Savane and Durivage.

16 December, Amsterdam, Netherlands: Incendiary attack on a van belonging to the telecommunications company KPN. The responsibility claim is on page 14.

17 December, Tasikmalaya, Indonesia: Incendiary attack on a police station by the Free Union of Autonomous Fire in solidarity with Nikos Romanos, Alfredo Cospito, and all imprisoned members of the FAI/IRF worldwide. The responsibility claim is on page 11.

18 December, Paris, France: Comrade Gino, arrested on 12 November 2024 in relation to the Antifa Ost case (see page 6), appeared before the Paris Court of Appeal.

The court rejected the defence’s request to place Gino under judicial supervision, citing the presumed risk of flight.

The hearing is set for 15 January 2025, with two potential outcomes: either the initiation of immediate deportation proceedings for Gino to Hungary, or – as requested by the defence – the need for further information about the case before a decision is made on the execution of the arrest warrant.

18 December, Racangua, Chile: The gendarmerie raided the cell of anarchist comrade Aldo Hernández to seize a research file regarding his case that he had in his possession. The reason for the seizure was that the documents contained personal data of the Carabineros who were injured in the bomb attack for which the comrade is accused.

18-19 December, Athens, Greece: A spree of vandalism targeting supermarkets and ATMs in various Athens neighbourhoods by the “Sledgehammers from the Neighbourhood Next Door.”

19 December, Caen, Normandy, France: An anonymous individual took responsibility for vandalising eight advertising billboards. The responsibility claim is on page 17.

21 December, New York, USA: Anonymous individuals took responsibility for the sabotage of 18 police vehicles, destroying their tyres, in solidarity with those who suffer police violence and abuses.

“...As Luigi Mangione showed, stop being helpless in the face of your problems. Instead, take action...”

21 December, France: Trial of nine individuals accused of the attack on Lafarge last December. Five individuals were acquitted, while the remaining four were sentenced to six and ten months in prison, suspended, respectively. The charges included criminal organisation and the kidnapping of a guard.

23 December, Bordeaux, New Aquitaine, France: A cell of the GIEC, signing as Geste Intrépide des Equipes Cyborg, took responsibility for sabotaging a high-speed railway construction site by placing cables intended for the new tracks onto a functioning railway, causing them to be severed by the first morning train of the line.

24 December, Melbourne, Australia: Antifascists took responsibility for the attack on the headquarters of the fascist group National Workers Alliance.

What happened during those six months demonstrated how the Italian democratic state uses torture and political persecution against its enemies without any moral hesitation. The interests of the state triumph over any guarantee of rights. The 41-bis is a regime of sensory deprivation, psychological and physical torture from which one can only escape by renouncing oneself or betraying someone else. It became starkly evident that eliminating one’s enemies—whether real or potential—is more than just an option.

And in that “clear” state framework of response and a unified stance on how to treat the enemy, revealing the torturer and killer face of the state itself, since February 2022, the conflict in Ukraine continued to rage, shifting the world, as we knew it, into a state of war.

This historic event further clarifies that the case of “an anarchist in 41-bis” was not an exceptional incident, but rather a step in a model of discipline and repression, increasingly useful to a state at war. The

underlying message seemed to be: any possibility of acting against the state, any chance to resist or fight, is banned by the Italian state.

Without overcomplicating things, we can see a clear continuity between this left-wing-initiated measure signed by Cartabia and Bill 1660 (formerly 1236 in the Senate), signed by Nordio, Crosetto, and Piantedosi, the so-called “Security Package”, which aims to regulate dissent and struggle, pushing any form of opposition outside the realm of the “permissible”.

In the context of the global and generalised war we are living through, the centralisation of economic, political, military, and propaganda power, alongside global competition, is leading to the necessity of erasing class struggle. This shift is qualitative, not just quantitative: the workforce must be obedient and underpaid, with the very real risk of ending up in dilapidated, militarised prisons and places of death. The prospect of change, even if

not radical, must be forgotten. Pacification must reign supreme.

And in Italy, to guarantee control over class struggle, power is increasingly centralised in the government, specifically the executive. This is true in Cospito’s case, as it seems to be in the case of the outsourcing of prisons to Albania, and as confirmed by the Bill. It is a clear declaration of war against the “outcasts,” the excluded, whether voluntary or not.

To the recipe they are preparing for us—batons on the inside, bombs on the outside—the best response can only be to open new spaces of struggle, conflict, solidarity, and mutual support, starting from the forms of resistance they wish to strip from us.

Against 41-bis and life sentences without parole, no to Bill 1660.

Against the state of war.

For social conflict.

Statement from the Anarchist Union of Sudan

Sudan has witnessed a brutal war that has now entered its second year, with millions of Sudanese displaced both internally and abroad.

Millions of people are homeless and unemployed, struggling to meet even their most basic needs, and millions of children are deprived of education. The devastation continues to ravage the vulnerable and ordinary people of Sudan.

Today, we strongly condemn the massacres perpetrated by the Janjaweed militia against innocent farmers in the Gezira state, an act that amounts to genocide. The militia carried out atrocities against unarmed civilians, women, and children in the villages of Saraiha, Azraq, Tambul, and Al Hilaliya. They took civilians captive, raped women, and attacked the elderly.

This criminal militia has long served as an arm of the state, employing the same brutal tactics against anyone resisting oppression and tyranny.

This is a revolutionary and humanitarian call to all anarchists to expose the crimes committed by the Janjaweed and the urgent need for the perpetrators to be stopped and held accountable. It is also a call for solidarity to support our people in their moment of weakness, so they may rise again.

Long live peace, not war!

Anarchist Union of Sudan

Anarchism in the Indonesia of 2024: An overview

Anarchism is flourishing within the turbulent socio-political landscape of Indonesia, despite increased anti-anarchist repression and media smear campaigns. Almost thirty years after the fall of Suharto’s authoritarian regime, which marked the beginning of the Reformasi – the current transitional period of the Indonesian state – the futility of reformism has become ever more apparent, and the need for radical approaches is becoming increasingly urgent. In this context, alongside the fact that the left has never really managed to regain its footing in the country after the anti-communist purges of 1965–66, it is clear why Indonesia has such a strong anarchist presence compared to other Asian countries.

The uprisings that erupted across the archipelago in August 2024, sparked by President Jokowi’s (Joko Widodo) attempts to amend the electoral law in order to secure his political legacy, are the latest evidence of the anger and frustration bred in this part of the world by corruption, nepotism, poverty, unemployment, evictions, grabbing of customary land, and environmental destruction. Of course, among all of this, the violence, abuses, and mafia-like actions of the police are also part of the picture.

Now, with Jokowi’s succession by war criminal Prabowo Subianto, many fear that the Indonesian state will take a more authoritarian and militaristic turn, as indicated by recent moves in occupied West Papua, where thousands of indigenous people have been forced to flee their villages by the Indonesian military¹.

This grim reality is a call to show our internationalist solidarity with those brave hearts who resist it.

The images are snapshots from the period of the uprisings, specifically from Bandung in Java, one of the key centres of anarchism in Indonesia.

¹<https://abolitionmedia.noblogs.org/13324/>



Solidarity with anarchist prisoner Sidiq in Indonesia



Sidiq is 22 years old. Here is a translation into British English with the necessary corrections for accuracy, naturalness, and context: He is an anarchist illegalist and individualist. On 12th July 2024, the authorities arrested him for using cannabis for medicinal purposes and also for possessing kilos of cannabis. He has been transferred to Kebon Waru prison in Bandung, West Java, where he is awaiting the verdict of the court. Sidiq contributes to anarchist publications and street libraries, participates in a football hooligan group, engages in clashes at protests, and has a passion for writing poetry. Sidiq faces a potential prison sentence of 10 years. One of his poems:

•PENGAR / Hangover•
*As long as power stands tall
and threatens the freedom of life,
I will not stop presenting rebellion,
like a robber making chaos incarnate,
like pirates along the sea.
Until the rotten colonialists of civilisation
find no more loopholes.
Until everything is razed to the ground!*

You can write to Sidiq:
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East Java, Indonesia: Claim of responsibility for incendiary attack on a campus building in solidarity with anarchist prisoners

A few days ago, specifically on the 22nd of November, I, as an individual unaffiliated with any affinity group, wish to issue this communiqué.

There was an arson attack on a building at one of the leading universities on the southern coast of East Java. I want to claim responsibility for this action.

The bitterness towards a world that is increasingly chaotic and heading towards total dystopia is overwhelming. I am aware that this place is a breeding ground for the creation of monsters that destroy everything in their path. Apart from my frustration, what I have done is purely an act of solidarity with faraway comrades I have never met face to face. Specifically, with Nikos Romanos, Der Enzig, and all other anarchist prisoners. This is a total revenge against the institution that spawns disaster — the university.

I am isolated and unconnected.

Academic nonsense and activists will not bring an end to our suffering.

The university and all its cronies have failed to provide a proper investigation of the crime scene, attributing it to an electrical short circuit and a cigarette butt. But as an individualist, I claim this action as my own. With just a small spark, everything can burn.

**FIRE TO THE PRISON!
BURN CIVILIZATION!**



24 December, Racangua, Chile: A raid by the gendarmerie took place at the cell of anarchist comrade Aldo Hernández, during which they seized his television and cooking pot, before transferring him to the second high-security unit. Anarchist comrade Francisco Solar is also housed in this complex, specifically in unit 1, where he has been held for 4 years, still fighting to be released from solitary confinement.

Since it is the right of any defendant to keep the research file in their cell, the gendarmerie carried out this move to place Aldo in high-security conditions, which include 21 hours of isolation and many other restrictions, highlighting the obvious tightening of control in prisons generally, and the brutality specifically directed at our anarchist comrades. These actions reveal the fear and vulnerability of the prison institution.

Let us make our ideas a real threat.

27 December, Portland, Oregon, USA: Incendiary attack on a truck belonging to Rapid Response Bioclean.

The company is responsible for sweeping homeless camps in the area, stealing their belongings and leaving them to freeze in the cold.

30 December, Cenes, Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes, France: Incendiary attack on a telecommunications tower.

31 December, Berlin, Germany: Incendiary attack on a Siemens vehicle in the Berlin-Baumschulenweg area in response to the call for action in memory of Kyriakos X. and in solidarity with those persecuted in the Ambelokipi case.

The responsibility claim is on page 18.

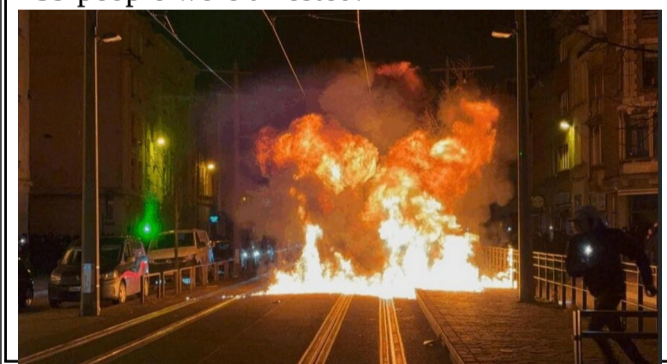
31 December, France: In Paris, despite the presence of 10,000 police officers and Carabineros, around 984 vehicles were set on fire, including two police vehicles. There were 420 arrests.

In Alsace, approximately one hundred cars were set on fire, with 70 others burned in the previous days.

In the metropolitan area of Lyon, about 90 vehicles were set ablaze, while in the Parisian region around 200.

The tradition of burning vehicles on New Year's Eve in France has been a recurring event every year since riots broke out in several cities in 2005.

31 December, Brussels, Belgium: A chaotic outburst in the Belgian capital on New Year's Eve, with burning barricades, Molotov cocktail attacks on the police, stone-throwing, incendiary attacks on around sixty vehicles, and sabotage of 11 trams and 4 buses. 159 people were arrested.



Bandung, Indonesia: Claim of responsibility for the incendiary attack on a police post

We claim that the attack and arson of a police post in Bandung, West Java on December 13, 2024 coincided with World Anti-Police Day. This attack and arson is in solidarity with our imprisoned comrade Nikos Romanos, as well as Sidiq and all imprisoned anarchists. This attack is also in solidarity with the victims of police brutality who have lost their lives all over the world and in this fascist country. Police agencies will never disintegrate on their own just like the state, they must be destroyed!

Until all are free!
Until all prisons are destroyed!
Fire on the prisons!

Free Association of Autonomous Fire

Tasikmalaya, Indonesia: Claim of responsibility for the incendiary attack on a police post in solidarity with Nikos Romanos, Alfredo Cospito and all imprisoned members of FAI/IRF

"I have dreamed of a world in flames, rolling in the infinite and hurling red-hot meteors and sparks through the starry spaces."

~ Bruno Filippi

We again claim the action of attacking a police post, on December 17, 2024 in the area of Tasikmalaya, West Java. We are a small revolutionary cell formed from the consciousness of resistance, a fusion of collectives and free individuals! There will be more attacks to destroy the state and its instruments! This communiqué is addressed to Nikos Romanos, Alfredo Cospito and all imprisoned FAI/IRF members around the world. You are not alone!

Because no one deserves to be imprisoned!
Until all are free!
Fire to the prison!!!

Free Association of Autonomous Fire



Switch off! The system of destruction: International call of action against *Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau* in solidarity with the struggle of the residents of Poco Leok in Indonesia

"We're very angry and upset with the ongoing natural exploitation and human oppression done by the state and corporations, backed up by military forces!"

These are the words with which our Indonesian comrades described the situation in their country. Of course, in a Global South country, the Western hand cannot fail to play a prominent role in such a situation. One such example is the struggle being waged for over two years by the indigenous people of Poco Leok in East Nusa Tenggara (ANT) against a geothermal project by PT PLN (the state electricity company), largely supported by the German state development bank Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW), which escalated in October 2024 with reports of human rights violations.

Regarding the geothermal project

The proposed expansion of the Ulumbu Geothermal Plant continues to expand the energy sector under the guise of sustainability. Behind the narrative of providing clean energy and promises of prosperity for the local population, there lie numerous investment interests that have little to do with improving community welfare. According to data from WALHI, ANT is currently surrounded by 309 mining and coal extraction licences (IUP), tourism industries, monoculture plantations, food estates, and many national strategic projects (PSN). These industrial interests are the main drivers behind the expansion of the Ulumbu Geothermal Plant, which is set to increase its capacity from 20 MW to 40 MW, with plans to construct units 5 and 6 in the Poco Leok area. During this process, PT PLN and local authorities have employed deceitful practices, disregarding customary law. This is evident in their approach to the population, which was neither inclusive nor transparent, as well as in the unauthorised certification and funding of customary lands without the knowledge or consent of the community. Private and customary lands were fenced off without the approval of their owners, bypassing local customary agreements. This also led to internal conflicts within the community, creating tensions between the indigenous people and members of the diaspora. This investment project aims to acquire 22.29 hectares of land, most of which consists of traditional land managed and maintained by the local community for centuries. Poco Leok is not merely a vacant land awaiting exploitation. It is a vital living space for the local community, deeply connected to their historical existence, providing sustenance while maintaining the balance of nature.

The geothermal project poses significant risks to local agricultural productivity, water resources, and raises concerns about landslides due to the hilly geography of the area. The experiences of neighbouring communities with geothermal projects have strengthened the resolve of the people of Poco Leok. In Mataloko, another geothermal project led to the destruction of crops due to heat emissions, while in the Sorik Marapi region of North Sumatra, deaths were caused by hydrogen sulphide (H₂S) gas leaks. In Poco Leok, there are fears of similar outcomes, as water and air quality checks carried out by Jatam in April 2024 detected pollutants in the river water and H₂S contamination around the Ulumbu drilling sites. This toxic exposure presents serious health risks to the community, which depends on these natural resources.

Since 2022, the local communities of Poco Leok, consisting of three villages and 13 gendang (indigenous tribal communities), have organised various protests to express their concerns about environmental damage, land deprivation, and threats to their livelihoods and traditional way of life. They have carried out at least 26 acts of resistance, which often led to violent interventions by the police and military forces.

The escalation of the conflict dates back to 2023, particularly after 8th February 2023, when representatives from PLN, accompanied by military and police forces, began visiting the three villages of Poco Leok almost daily. This culminated in the events of 2nd October 2024, when four villagers and a journalist were arrested.

The arrests

This incident began with a public consultation held from 3rd to 4th September 2024, followed by a dialogue with representatives of the German development bank KfW through the independent group Monkey Forest Consulting (MFC) on 6th September 2024. Prior to this, the people of Poco Leok had sent letters to the German Ambassador to Indonesia, Ina Lepel, and to the Director of the Indonesian KfW, Burkhard Hinz, in Jakarta. Through this letter, the residents expressed their strong opposition to the planned expansion of units 5-6 in Poco Leok.

The meeting between the investors and the community ended with the investors' representatives promising to convey the community's clear rejection of the geothermal expansion project. However, on 2nd October, PLN, with the support of hundreds of police, military forces, and Satpol PP (municipal police units), attempted to unilaterally survey the area in search of road access and drilling points. This invasion led to violent clashes with the locals, resulting in injuries and four arbitrary arrests. Among the arrested was a journalist from the independent news platform floresa.co, despite the fact that journalistic work is supposed to be protected from government or other entities' interference under Article 40 of the 1999 Press Law. Thus, this issue takes on further dimensions, as if such repressive acts go unanswered, it paves the way for further attacks on press freedom by the state.

KfW and the call to action

KfW provides capital to PT PLN through unsecured loans, with a commitment of 150 million euros for the expansion of Ulumbu. Without the involvement of the German bank, this project would not be feasible.

KfW, headquartered in Frankfurt with CEO Stefan Wintels, has been the largest national development bank in the world since 2014. Together with its subsidiaries, DEG, KfW IPEX-Bank, and FuB, it forms the KfW Bankengruppe banking group. KfW finances "green development" investments in developing countries, following the UN Agenda 2030, and is therefore on the front lines of the attack launched by green capitalism against nature, people, and indigenous ways of life.

KfW and its subsidiaries have branches in over 8 cities in Europe, Asia, Africa, and North and South America. The list of locations can be found at the following link: <https://www.kfw.de/About-KfW/Arbeitsweise-und-Unternehmensführung/KfW-Standorte-und-Außenbüros/> (Visit the link via Tor if you plan to take any action against them.)

We therefore call on our comrades in Germany, and anywhere else where KfW Bankengruppe operates, to take aggressive action against KfW and its interests, in solidarity with the people of Poco Leok and against the greenwashing of capitalism, as part of the campaign "Switch off! The system of destruction."

After all, simply being a bank is reason enough for attacking.

AGAINST THE TECHNO-INDUSTRIAL LEVIATHAN

SWITCH OFF! THE SYSTEM OF DESTRUCTION

Delémont, Switzerland: Claim of responsibility for incendiary attack on vehicles against the geothermal project in Glovelier.



Everything is becoming electric. Our usage keeps increasing. From toothbrushes to smart homes, cars, bikes, scooters, and recently, even electric trousers are supposed to help us climb the mountain. So, more comfort and more consumption.

Now we find ourselves in a tricky situation – clean energy is needed. But where is it supposed to come from? For GeoEnergieSuisse and the Swiss government, apparently from the fracking project in the Swiss Jura. It's called "petrothermal deep geothermal energy": drill kilometres deep into the earth, pump vast amounts of water and chemicals into the hole to generate electricity for 10-15 years, until the hole cools down. And then? Another drill?

The Earth is not Emmental cheese! But the government and the rest of the political establishment are stubborn. Their only interest is profit and ensuring that everything continues as before. All of this, on a short-term basis, even with risks, if necessary. To hell with the environment and people's health.

But we stand against it! For us, it is clear that a change is urgently needed. The question is not how we can keep going when the consumption of goods and resources continues to spiral out of control. Our question is: **When will it stop?** Our consumption habits, the absurd overproduction, as well as the current electricity consumption, need to change. And the answer cannot be some greenwashed FRACKING!

So, a visit was paid to "Sitadel Sarl Delémont", which ended with a few of their cars burning. On the one hand, to defend ourselves, on the other, as a call to all those who are also fed up with the insane geothermal project in Glovelier. Resist, protest, and sabotage! The population has long said they do not want "petrothermal deep geothermal energy" and all legal means of opposing it have been exhausted. The state is pushing the project through regardless. So, there is nothing left to do but take action ourselves.

This attack was directed at the planning office of the geothermal project, but they are not the only ones involved. There are countless ways to resist and countless companies to sabotage, because they all have names and addresses.

With that said, enjoy yourselves and take care!

Let's be the sand in the gears and block them!

An anarchist reflection on the flood in Levante

At late October 2024, Valencia and the wider Levante region in Iberia were hit by a monstrous flood that brought down 20 months' worth of rainfall in just 8 hours. The phenomenon was so devastating that, compounded by the state's inadequate response, it resulted in over 200 deaths. This text, written a few days later by an anarchist group from Madrid, brings to the forefront the true culprit of this tragedy: the techno-industrial capitalist system.

"Progress and catastrophe are the one and the other side of the same coin."

~H. Arendt

Another catastrophe? Or is it the very functioning of techno-industrial society that constitutes a catastrophe¹ itself. Undoubtedly, since its inception, industrialisation has produced an ecocidal and freedom-reducing society, the consequences of which are an industrially devastated world. Seas, land, and air contaminated with thousands of chemicals, making the world uninhabitable, sick, and on the brink of the abyss. From the polluted skies of London, full of hunger and misery, during the First Industrial Revolution, to the present day, where industrial devastation reaches every corner of the planet.



Residents of Valencia throw mud at the king, the queen, and the prime minister of Spain.

What happened last week on the Iberian Levante is the result of the devastation of the land by capitalism and its repulsive technocratic managers. We say it loud and clear: they are murderers. They extend their military wars into a war against all life, with the disastrous consequences of each catastrophe that threatens our lives. They have programmed a mechanistic and artificial world where absolutely everything is reduced to economic interests, resulting in the dire living conditions we are subjected to. Both ancient and modern knowledge knew how to prevent floods, knew not to build next to riverbeds, knew not to deforest large areas of land, knew that devastating the earth and burying it under concrete would not stop nature – on the contrary, it would provoke great disasters. But the disastrous ideology of progress cannot be stopped.

How many more times will we believe the tale that it was a natural disaster? How many more times will we ask for explanations from those who manage our lives? We have nothing to ask from the institutions because obviously, we do not believe they were unprepared for the flood. We do not think they are useless; they simply defend interests – they defend progress and life reduced to economics. They defend a world that causes wars, misery, and catastrophes. We will never play their game, which reduces everything to political and economic interests, where the lives of people and all living things mean nothing to them. Have we ever heard the left or right call for an end to urban development on the Iberian Levante? Have we ever heard that the destruction of soil, irrigation channels, and forests would lead to catastrophes? For whom are mega hotel complexes,

intensive farming, sprawling shopping centres, and large infrastructures that facilitate the movement of goods and data useful? Only for the political and business class, and the technocrats who design our lives. Those who continuously alter the world to ensure nothing changes, so they do not lose their privileges.

In the coming days, politicians, businesspeople, and technocrats will start the great media circus. They will throw around bravado, insults, and threats, crocodile tears will flow, they will find "solutions" only to end up throwing mud at each other so that nothing changes. They will use pretty words of nonsense, and under the disguise of neolanguage, a new sustainable and inclusive project will calm the waters, and the best of all possible worlds will continue to function.

UNDER THE MANTRA OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Media terrorism has found a great ally: climate change. Today, every disaster has an excuse. The child didn't do his homework: climate change. Floods: climate change. Inflation: climate change... and to tackle climate change, what better than to artificialise every aspect of life, digitalise and computerise everything so that it remains under constant surveillance, and that resources or the management and administration of poor citizens are concentrated in fewer and fewer hands. Something smells rotten. Under the pretext of climate change, a new form of domination is being created, one that is increasingly totalitarian.

However, what happened is a typical meteorological phenomenon for this time of year in Levante: polar maritime air with easterly winds that bring torrential rains. It is the "cold drop" (gota fría) that has been occurring for decades, which now the mass indoctrination media call 'Dana'.

EVERYTHING UNDER CONTROL

The media and political machinery has already been set in motion. Talking about anything but the cause of the problem is the mantra to follow. The left claims it is the fault of the right, thus avoiding discussing a problem for which they themselves are responsible. If we add to this the media appearance of a group of Nazis, the job is excellently done. The flood is the fault of the Nazis and climate change. End of story. As for the right, it's the same but the other way around; everything is the fault of the left and radical left-wing groups. Meanwhile, thousands of people suffer in

miserable conditions. Politicians, businesspeople, and technocrats prepare their next attack on life in order to maximise profits.

We have seen, in repeated catastrophes, that the army and the police are in charge of rationalising everyday life. They are the authority in command. Thus, nothing can ever be out of control. An absolute control of space and time is imposed. Under the orders of technocrats, military personnel, and police, mutual aid and solidarity impulses between neighbours and outsiders have been denied. Repression multiplies in times of catastrophe and emergency, and we have seen people sent to prison after looting. These are people who had nothing to eat or drink. For those who like democracy, here are two full cups. Similarly, help from other provinces, both from "volunteers" and material resources and food, has been denied; everything must be perfectly controlled, mapped, and monitored, with nothing left outside of their management. On the other hand, accepting self-management, mutual aid, and solidarity would be to expose them, as many people would likely realise that they do not need the State, Capital, or its miserable life mediated by economics and technology to live. We must be prepared for future catastrophes and understand all the movements of our enemies, which will help us reflect on and project ideas and practices beyond the limits and channels of democracy.

We insist, in this short text written in haste, that these are not "natural disasters"; it is capitalism and the devastation of the land and pre-capitalist ways of life that cause these catastrophes. Only the destruction of capitalism and the techno-industrial system will end these and other catastrophes.

For Anarchy.

'When we speak of the world as a catastrophe, our goal is not to frighten those who read us, but simply to analyse reality in order to act upon it. The management of fear is what the media and its owners seek. They, in real-time, thanks to new communication technologies, are able to synchronise the feelings and emotions of millions of people, creating an opinion based on the "evidence" of their information, emotions that are transformed into a silent scream from the population, stupefied, as they watch the catastrophe unfold on their screens.'

Chimpazees of the future,

Madrid,

November 2024

chimpancesdelfuturo.blackblogs.org

Switch off! The system of destruction:

Berlin, Germany: Claim of responsibility for incendiary attack on machinery and vehicles belonging to CEMEX and Heidelberg Materials

The flames once again illuminated the dark and cold nights of Berlin. By the morning of December 2nd, all that remained of the machines and vehicles of the concrete giants Cemex and HeidelbergMaterials was rubble and ashes. This is not the first time these companies have faced well-deserved attacks. Back in the winter of 2023/24¹, several trucks and a conveyor belt belonging to Cemex were completely destroyed by fire, and multiple trucks used by HeidelbergMaterials to transport concrete for the A100 motorway were burned down. The accompanying statements claimed responsibility and highlighted the companies' involvement in projects of environmental destruction and colonialism. Now, the concrete industry has suffered another blow.

There is no need to explain why these two companies were targeted again. We see this act as part of a continuous series of attacks on concrete giants worldwide, an offensive against those responsible for ecocide, which is already a reality in many territories. These companies actively participate in neo-colonial policies and profit from war, exploitation, and genocide in the regions where they operate.

Concrete plays a significant role in today's world. Countless metropolises have been built, resembling cages for humans, where one can only breathe in exhaust fumes and misery. They are places of alienation, where the awe-inspiring beauty of wild nature can no longer be seen, and faceless towers block the sunlight as human folly attempts to scrape the sky by constructing ever-taller buildings. But they forget that there will always be a little plant that finds a crack in the concrete, takes root, and grows. This splash of color amid the dreary grey is living

proof that wild nature can resist the oppressive concrete. Likewise, we are fortunate, and they are unfortunate, that there are people everywhere who want to destroy their world of concrete. It inspires us and brings a smile to our faces every time we hear that companies devastating the earth are met with rage and fire elsewhere.

As our comrades from the "Insurgent Cell for Maipo / New Subversion" in Chile wrote: *"Let this fire be an embrace for the comrades who have carried out actions in other parts of the world... for we know that the attack must be immediate and everywhere the facilities and resources of those responsible for the planet's destruction are located. Through direct and confrontational action, we contribute to the dialogue, with no hope in institutional processes or saviors."*²

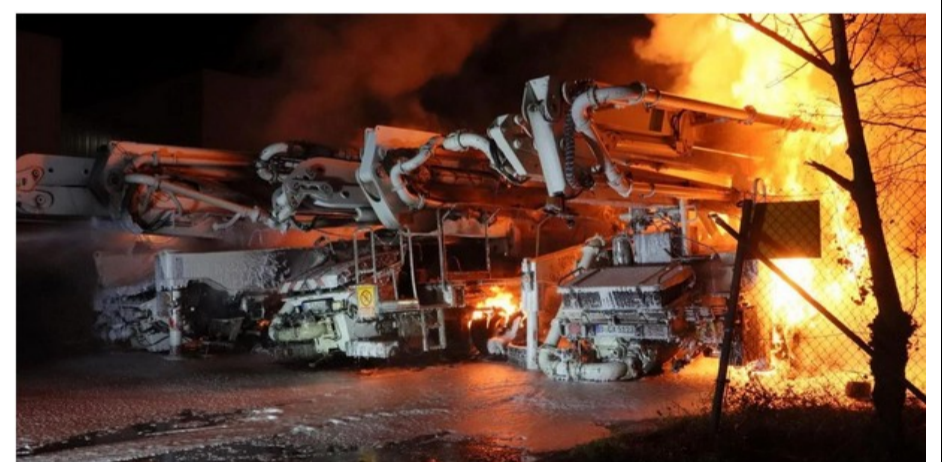
May the heat of the fire warm the hearts of Marianna, Dimitra, Dimitris, and Nikos, who are imprisoned in Koridallos Prison in Athens.

For the revolutionary memory our comrade Kyriakos and all those who have died fighting.

Freedom and happiness for Nanuk, Maja, Hanna, and all other prisoners in the jails, and to all those who have gone underground in the vastness of nowhere.

¹Blessed Is The Flame, Issue 1, p. 8

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Lincolnshire, England, United Kingdom: Claim of responsibility for incendiary attack on two meat trucks by the Howling Wolf Commando

25th November, Lincolnshire, United Kingdom.

On the night of the anniversary of the death of Lobo, Eleftheria Hambi, we set alight two meat trucks parked on the road next to a slaughterhouse in Lincolnshire. We placed a small bottle of gasoline next to the front tyre and used fire starter paste to create a quick fuse that would allow us to monitor the safety of the operation. With no buildings or people around, the operation was successful and nobody risked being hurt.

We remember through fire, with the hope that from the ashes we can build a world all our martyrs would be proud of.

Lobo never forgotten.

Kyriakos Ximitiris always present.

Howling Wolf Commando

Editorial note: Lobo, known in Rojava as Eleftheria Hambi, was known for her actions in Europe, particularly in the fronts of anti-fascism and total liberation. In 2018, she went to fight in Rojava, where she died a year later.

Amsterdam, Netherlands: Claim of responsibility for incendiary attack on a KPN van

At the night of 16th to 17th December an electric van of KPN was torched in the Amsterdam neighbourhood Nieuw-West.

Method:

Firestarters (the white non-bio ones)

Create a break line in the middle and don't take out of plastic

Place whole pack on either front tire

Light with storm lighter through plastic packaging

Enjoy your bbq from a safe distance

Against kpn and its network of control and surveillance, its AI war technology and everything it does and stands for

Editorial note: KPN is one of the main telecommunication operators in the Netherlands.

Meuse, Lorraine, France: Sabotage of a railway track against nuclear project Cigéo

In late November, while the police continued their harassment in Bure and the surrounding areas, we decided to slip away one night for a little nocturnal escapade along the old railway under the starry sky.

To prevent the rehabilitation of the track as part of the Cigéo project, we bent a rail between Nançois and Gondrecourt-le-Château using a bottle jack.

Here's how to do it:

Equip yourself with a hydraulic jack (for tractors or trucks) with a minimum capacity of 12 tonnes (or more for easier handling).

Slightly dig out the ballast beneath the ground to slide the jack in.

Operate the jack to lift the rail and the attached sleepers.

Enjoy the moment and the sound of the ballast trickling beneath the sleepers.

Gradually place wedges under the nearest sleeper where it crosses the rail.

Lower the jack so the rail rests on the wedges.

Raise the jack with additional wedges and repeat the process as many times as needed.

Precautions to take:

Do not let any part of your body linger under the sleepers or rail in case it falls suddenly (due to unstable jacks or wedges, rotten sleepers, etc.).

Ensure the jack is positioned vertically under the centre of the rail to avoid slipping.

The jack or wedges may sink into the ballast under pressure. If this happens, increase the support area with larger wedges.

Do not use this technique on an active railway line!!!

We carried out this sabotage on a disused track to complicate its rehabilitation, opposing the burial of radioactive waste in Bure or elsewhere.

The nuclear industry is driving us towards disaster—let's block its path!



Instituto Nacional, Santiago: Barricades and clashes with the carabineros in solidarity with political prisoner Ayekan



Liceo 7 José Toribio Medina, Ñuñoa, Santiago: Barricades and clashes with the carabineros against the persecution of student fighters.



Juan Gómez Millas campus, Ñuñoa, Santiago: Barricades and clashes with the carabineros in solidarity with the INBA comrades who got seriously injured by a fire during a preparation for a street action.

Chile: Nine years after the arrest of comrades Kevin Garrido and Joaquín García

Memory and solidarity with those who attack power.

In the early hours of November 19, 2015, comrade Kevin Garrido, aged 18, set off on his bicycle towards the vicinity of the San Bernardo Gendarmerie School, armed with a homemade bomb, a knife, and a lighter. After choosing the location for the bomb, the comrade activated it. The device, which he had crafted himself, consisted of a fire extinguisher filled with over 2 kilograms of black powder, shrapnel, and a fuse.

After the explosion at one of the entrances to the prison officers' school, the comrade was quickly pursued and captured by an undercover car from the vile Chilean police, who had been following his steps since he had placed another explosive device at the 12th police station in San Miguel on October 29, 2015. This was claimed by the "International Conspiracy for Revenge – Gerasimos Tsakalos Deflagrating Cell" (a comrade from the CCF imprisoned in Greece).

That same night, an arrest warrant was issued for anarchist comrade Joaquín García Chancks, who was deemed an accomplice for the attack at the 12th police station, along with Kevin. The following morning, both comrades were exposed across all TV channels as trophies for the Chilean police state: "They sat me in one of their showrooms for over six hours, listening to the words spewed by a prosecutor with a repulsive stench. In the face of the judges' and prosecutors' speeches accusing me and my comrade and threatening us with dozens of years in prison, they expected faces of sadness or concern, not realising we would laugh and insult them to their faces." (Kevin Garrido, November 2016).

After their formal charges, the comrades were placed in preventive detention in the maximum security section of the CAS. In

June 2016, after spending seven months in this regime of punishment and isolation, Kevin requested a transfer to the Santiago 1 prison/industrial complex, where he was sent to different modules for repeat offenders, without going through the usual 'first-time' modules, violating protocol and clearly acting out of vengeance by the gendarmerie. Still, Kevin never asked for special treatment from his wretched jailers, nor did he walk in fear within the prison. On the contrary, Kevin faced incarceration with the same resolve he practiced in the streets, and for this reason, he was always well-received by fellow inmates in the modules he lived in.

In July 2016, comrade Joaquín was granted house arrest, which he violated just a few days later. In September 2016, after being underground for more than two months, Joaquín was recaptured by the PDI, carrying a revolver and ammunition.

After 3 years and 7 months of imprisonment, a lengthy trial was held for both comrades. They were found guilty of the attack on the 12th police station in San Miguel, and Kevin was also found guilty of the attack on the gendarmerie school, while Joaquín was convicted for carrying a firearm and ammunition at the time of his recapture. On September 5, 2018, Kevin and Joaquín were sentenced to 17 and 13 years in prison, respectively.

On the morning of Friday, November 2, 2018, after the morning roll call, comrade Kevin Garrido was involved in a conflict with an authoritarian prison inmate, who cowardly and dishonorably attacked him from behind while Kevin was going to retrieve his weapon to confront him. After this cowardly attack, Kevin was left severely injured, without receiving the necessary medical assistance, waiting for the ambulance for 1 hour and 15 minutes. He was then transferred to Barros Luco hospital, where he died after a high-risk operation.

On Sunday, November 5, a large funeral was held, which proceeded from San Bernardo to the La Victoria neighbourhood, where he was received by comrades and affinities, who accompanied the funeral procession with chants, leaflets, banners, fire, fireworks, and lead. All of this took place under a heavy police siege, which included helicopters, GOPE, police vans, wounded people, and clashes.

Comrade Kevin Garrido never saw himself as a victim of the prison system; on the contrary, he faced it with dignity, declaring war on all expressions of the vile authoritarianism that made it up—whether jailers, authoritarian prisoners, judges, or prosecutors.

The insurrectionary path that Kevin began at a young age, we reclaim every year by bringing him to the street struggle, in various forms of propaganda and in direct actions that attack authority, prisons, and the infrastructure of progress.

Currently, comrade Joaquín García is imprisoned in the La Gonzalina prison/industrial complex in Rancagua, sentenced until November 2028.

"Who can say they are the first to walk this path, always full of multiple ways? We inherit, perhaps unwillingly, the tools and the drive that others have left behind. Some have given up, others have gone, and a few still stand there, facing the struggle. But what has never ceased to exist is the fertile ground, the antagonistic space where violence can be exercised, projected, matured, and differentiated." (Joaquín García, December 2018)

Black November in memory of comrade Kevin Garrido and all our fallen comrades.

Freedom for comrade Joaquín García!



4 November: Incendiary attack on a Red del Transantiago bus in La Victoria 6 years after the death of comrade Kevin Garrido. At the scene were found leaflets with the phrases:

“War to the death against every bastard power!”

“Comrade Kevin Garrido present!”

“Let solidarity not be just a worn-out word, let it be an angry deed that will inject strength and energy into the heart of every captive brother.”

“For the destruction of all prisons! Freedom to comrades Joaquin Garcia, Aldo, Lucas, to the imprisoned of the 6 July case and to every comrade in prison.”

“With our dead in memory and in action, Kevin Garrido, Freddy Muñoz, Alonso Verdejo, Lupi, Belen, Bau, Mauricio Morales, Sebastian Oversluij, Luciano and every murdered comrade present! Solidarity with the INBA comrades”.



Within the context of the call for a Black November in memory of comrade Kevin Garrido, a group of young anarchists/nihilists set up barricades and clashed with the police near a secondary school in Chile during the first weeks of November. At the site, they distributed propaganda in memory of our fallen comrades, in solidarity with the prisoners of the social war, and in support of the comrades from the "INBA" who were affected by a fire while making Molotov cocktails in a bathroom at a secondary school in Santiago, Chile. The leaflet also included a call for solidarity with comrade Marianna M and in memory of comrade Kyriakos Xymitris.

The propaganda reads:

“MEMORY AND REVENGE FOR OUR DEAD!

Black November for Kevin Garrido

Down with the cages of civilized society

Freedom for our imprisoned comrades in Chile and around the world

Joaquín García, prisoners of the '6th of July' case, Monica and Francisco, Aldo and Lukas, Ayekan, and every prisoner at war—onto the streets!

Solidarity with the comrades of INBA, action and mutual support!

Solidarity and action with comrade Marianna M, hospitalized in Athens.

Kevin Garrido, Kyriakos Xymitris and each of our fallen – present!>

Marcelo Villarroel: Words from the prison after 16 years 9 months of confinement

To all those who remain present and active in the anti-authoritarian struggle, a fraternal, subversive anarchist greeting from within the prison walls where we resist daily the continuous assaults of power, the passage of time, the shifts of history, and continue with fists raised high.

I speak in the plural because my resistance is not merely individual but is the practical evidence of a collective struggle that has persisted unceasingly, both inside prison and in the streets, alongside a myriad of groups confronting and resisting the society built upon the hierarchies that uphold the state, prison, and capital.

It has now been 16 years and 9 months of imprisonment in this current period. On December 16th, it marked 15 years since we were expelled from Neuquén, Argentina, and handed over to the Chilean authorities to be tried and condemned in processes rife with irregularities, where we are held as hostages of the state, subject to the whims of its corrupt judicial power.

In my case, I was sentenced to 14 years for two bank robberies. I have reiterated this countless times, but as long as I remain imprisoned, I will not be silent about what I endure, especially when this sentence was fully served on December 16th of last year. In other words, I should have been released over a year ago.

They keep me imprisoned after all these years because of a clear act of vengeance by the authorities, an evident kidnapping that would not withstand a rigorous review of its own legality, sanctioned by the entire institutional framework as a unified body defending the current state of affairs, always in service of their privileges.

Without pause, our current struggle in recent years has been

for the annulment of the sentences imposed by the military justice of the dictatorship, which remain in effect. These are the sentences the authorities use as an excuse to keep me imprisoned.

They validate filthy sentences filled with the vile dust of Pinochet's justice, and at this moment, the Frente Amplio alongside the Communist Party, central to the current government, endorse and justify them with the ever-sinister "Reason of State," thus becoming active accomplices within the most nefarious legal framework in the country's history.

In my case, we see the use of enemy criminal law, typical of counterinsurgency, expressed across all political, legal, police, and penitentiary spheres of domination.

The call is to amplify the permanent agitation to eradicate this dreadful legacy of the dictatorship that still operates and, in doing so, extend active solidarity and insurgent complicity with those of us resisting daily within the prison walls.

On another note, as an indestructible bond with the black subversive, anarchic, and antagonistic memory, words are insufficient to express the immense pain of the physical loss, a few months ago, of Luciano Tortuga and Belén Navarrete, who for me represent towering individuals and comrades transcending all, and for whom I am grateful to have had strong bonds of brotherhood and camaraderie that will never be erased.

A powerful salute to the memory of Angry, who fell 11 years ago, whose life is linked by the anarcho-vegan insurrectionist bond with Tortu and Belén... An unwavering commitment to total liberation.

A salute to the rebels who populate the prisons of the world, aiming their struggle towards the total destruction of the

prison society. In the Iberian Peninsula, to Toni Chavero and his hunger strikes in solidarity with our struggle. To Jaime Jiménez Arbe and his dignified resistance to imprisonment. In Mexico, to Miguel Peralta for his recent words of support and solidarity. In Greece, in memory of anarchist comrade Kyriakos Xymitris and in solidarity with the accused in the Ampelokipoi case—Dimitra Z, Dimitris, Nikos Romanos, and A.K.

To all the comrades in prison who resist with dignity in the cells of power. To all comrades, allies, accomplices, and loved ones who remain steadfast on this path and demonstrated in different territories during the recent week of internationalist agitation for my release to the streets. In my case, 2025 is a year of significant legal decisions, and therefore, it is crucial to continue expanding solidarity agitation to strengthen our demand for release to the streets.

Health and long life to all who dare and take the offensive against power!!

For the extension of active solidarity in the fight for the annulment of the military justice sentences from Pinochet's era!!

For total liberation!!

Memory, Resistance, Subversion!!

As long as there is misery, there will be rebellion!!

Anarchist, Subversive, and Mapuche prisoners out of the prisons now!!

Marcelo Villarroel Sepúlveda

La Gonzalina Prison Enterprise – Chile

Late Dec. 2024

Some reflections 11 years after the death of comrade Sebastián Oversluij, Pelao Angry

«Throw yourself into freedom, that's my proposal!»

The knife and the word, Pelao Angry, Writing / song

On December 11th, 2013, during an action/expropriation at a Banco Estado branch in the Pudahuel district, comrade Sebastián Oversluij Seguel, "Pelao Angry," was gunned down by a guard of capital. Throughout his life,

he engaged in various anti-authoritarian projects and initiatives, including editorial projects, music, libraries, action groups, and propaganda. Since his death, he has been remembered for his creative expression of anarchist ideas through music, drawing, writing, conflict, and the constant tension of aligning words with actions. From an anti-speciesist, anti-civilisation, and nihilist perspective, he was an advocate for propaganda of the deed and direct action.

Eleven years have passed since his departure, and from our current struggles, we remember the comrade, not merely as an act of remembrance but by connecting with Pelao Angry through the ongoing relevance of expropriation as a form of struggle against the capitalist system. Historically, the act of expropriating the wealth of the powerful has been a means by which the exploited have reclaimed autonomy, throwing themselves into

freedom to move towards an individual and collective existence outside the logic of wage exploitation.

The history of social movements, revolutionary organisations, anarchist groups, and conscious exploited individuals is filled with countless examples where assault, expropriation, theft, and recovery allowed access to what the political and corporate elite have denied us. Whether as a claim to the right to leisure, a fight against accumulation, or a means to sustain revolutionary projects and processes, it has been an act accompanying the struggle against the commodification of all forms of life: human, animal, and the Earth. In this territory, the recent past bears witness to actions distributing goods and wealth from the powerful in communities, land occupations, universities, schools, and rural areas.

Taking from the rich and giving to the exploited as an act of subverting power relations. However, our anarchist history links Pelao Angry with the recoveries and assaults carried out by comrades in different times: Durruti with the solidarios, Rosigna, Di Giovanni, Tamayo Gavilan, Jacob, among many others. We do not fetishise or romanticise one

political practice over another; we emphasise that within the multiformity of our acts and actions, expropriation is one among many, where the anarchist revolutionary proposal comes alive.

Eleven years after the death of comrade Sebastián Oversluj Seguel, we know that the conditions of power established by the State, its defenders, and perpetrators are upheld and reproduced daily, making it all the more necessary to implement anarchist revolutionary projects. In this, we also connect with Pelao Angry, as the commodification of life, the exploitation of some over others, the destruction of the Earth, and non-human life forms intensify, deepen, and reproduce without equal, narrowing the horizons of living an existence outside the logic of power and capital. In short, nothing has changed, and if it has, it has only been to maintain this criminal and murderous social order.

The uprising of 2019 made it clear that the institutional path to change and the capitalist model are not options for living freely. The constituent processes that emerged from the pact of the Chilean political class are merely a reconfiguration of the ways the powerful maintain their privileges at the cost of

submission, death, misery, debt, and repression.

We do not seek to impose a singular truth, nor a single way of remembering. As anarchist collectives and individuals, we are aware of our connections with the ideas Angry upheld in life. For us, bringing him into the present is to open dialogue, tension, and the act of rethinking that the anarchist proposal of self-organisation and struggle is not only possible but necessary, that it remains alive, and that despite the death and imprisonment of comrades, they are part of our political proposal for an anarchism without adjectives, which nonetheless bets on constant revolt and conflict against all forms of domination and power.

Against the debt and misery imposed by banks

THEFT IS JUSTIFIED!

Self-organisation, struggle, and direct action

Network of Struggle and Propaganda

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Francisco Solar: Considerations on freedom

Freedom is undoubtedly a fundamental principle within the various anarchist discourses and tendencies. It serves as a central axis from which proposals, projects, and practices are developed, based on the premise that the existence of centralised power determines the different oppressions affecting communities and individuals. It is the State or any other form of power that ultimately creates and strengthens this system of exploitation and all its consequences. The tentacles, reach, and manifestations of this power extend in multiple directions—becoming increasingly imperceptible—encompassing virtually all aspects of people's lives.

Understanding freedom as a continuous process of gradually reclaiming our lives, where we strive to eliminate any vestige of authority that seeks to coerce us, as well as those present in our own behaviours, it does not constitute a final destination to aspire to. Therefore, it is likely that freedom as an established entity, as the culmination of a journey, does not exist—it may be nothing more than a dream. Thus, I believe our focus should not be there, but rather on the process of struggle that the concept entails. As Don Quixote said, "the journey is more important than the inn." The construction of relationships aiming to be free and the destruction of every expression of authority should be the core of our concerns and actions, as it is through daily practice and its deepening that we seize moments of freedom.

This does not mean that deciding to walk this path makes us free or that we have achieved the coveted freedom; it merely represents a choice to struggle in the quest to rid ourselves of authority. Hence, we are not free, and we do not know if we ever will be, which, frankly, does not concern us.

At this point, it is pertinent to briefly refer to the distinction made by the irreverent Albert Libertad in his 1907 article "Freedom" between the terms "anarchist" and "libertarian." The former "does not make freedom the cause, but rather the goal of the evolution of their individuality. They do not say, even in their smallest gestures, 'I am free,' but 'I want to be free.'" Meanwhile, the libertarian understands freedom as "the beginning and end of all things... They declare themselves free of movement while hereditary, atavistic, and surrounding determinism makes them slaves..."

The anarchist would be clear that it is essential to fight for freedom, constituting a daily confrontation against authority. In contrast, the libertarian feels and believes they are free and must defend that conquered freedom. They do not see, or do not want to see, the many oppressions they are subjected to, largely derived from Power.

Albert Libertad's characterisation of libertarians can be seen today, for example, in spaces that self-define as "safe," with the idea of constructing "bubbles of freedom" supposedly free from any form of authority. These spaces, according to their defenders, are separate from the many nocivities of the "outside," focusing much of their efforts on avoiding—supposedly and naively—the intrusion of "harmful behaviours" into their internal dynamics.

Understanding freedom this way, aside from being an illusion, poses a risk to any confrontational stance as it conceives and proposes the existence of free experiences within a framework of complete and absolute domination.

THE RISKS OF AN ILLUSION

Power, in its various forms, is present in virtually all our behaviours, making us, consciously or unconsciously, reproducers of it, which is undeniable. For those of us who

aspire to a life without chains, this evidently represents a contradiction that we must be clear about and always keep in mind. It involves, among other things, a permanent questioning, which constitutes a fundamental part of our struggle against authority on this endless path pursued both individually and collectively. However, the illusion of considering ourselves "free," detached from oppression, has become a powerful argument to justify behaviours that certainly weaken us and diminish, to a greater or lesser extent, our seriousness.

A practice that has characterised anarchists throughout history is the uncompromising commitment to their word, recognised and valued by all revolutionary tendencies, even by our enemies. This characteristic has imbued us with a particular ethic related to doing what we say, striving by all means to be consistent with our statements. Lacking and opposing rigid statutes that establish behavioural norms, our word gives us identity and strength, continuity and credibility. Yet, this rich heritage is wiped away with the surprising argument of "respect for individual freedom."

Commitments made would often be seen as obstacles to the development of supposed individual freedom, based on the notion that absolute priority is given to personal interest and desire. What is striking is that these commitments are not the result of obligation; on the contrary, they stem from personal will and initiative. Thus, this way of understanding individual freedom makes us question: What solidity can our collective projects have? What seriousness can our pledged word hold if it is subject to our changing emotional state?

"I have the freedom to do what I see fit, even to the point of breaking commitments made." Such is the argument wielded under this unfortunate conception of individual freedom, which is nothing more than a childish justification of irresponsibility. This not only renders any joint initiative unfeasible, as it sows distrust, but also undermines the coherence that is the result of the historical work of comrades who preceded us, valued as part of our theoretical-practical arsenal distinguishing us from other revolutionary tendencies.

Similarly, as some spaces feel safe and detached from all forms of authoritarianism and exploitation, the individual who believes they are free thinks they have achieved a conquest that must be protected. Hence, they view struggle as unnecessary and senseless. Inaction, therefore, goes hand in hand with this way of understanding freedom, encouraging peaceful coexistence with oppression. Thus, confrontation against power is denied and even criticised, as it is perceived as lacking purpose and often seen as a threat to the freedom achieved.

Another risk of this libertarian illusion pertains to the adoption of behaviours fundamentally opposed to ours. Under the excuse of "individual freedom," choices have occasionally been made that are historically contrary to anarchist practices. I think of comrades who decided to vote for social democracy out of fear of the advance of fascism or those who, even when repressed, collaborated with the police and betrayed comrades.

Such extremes have been reached using this argument in a disastrous, self-serving, and opportunistic way of understanding freedom. Astonishingly, "freedom" is invoked to maintain and reinforce the chains of domination.

FREEDOM AS A DRIVER FOR CONFRONTATION

Albert Libertad aptly points out that "human beings are not



free to act or refrain from acting by their own will. They learn to act or refrain from acting when they have exercised their judgment, illuminated their ignorance, or destroyed the obstacles that hindered them."

Based on this, freedom is not something conquered but, as mentioned, a path pursued both individually and collectively in a process of permanent questioning aimed at eliminating all forms of authority. This path entails confrontation and struggle, contrary to all passivity and inaction. Understanding that one is not free, living under various oppressions, invites an anarchist to rebellion, to break each chain. It also represents an effort to identify and attempt to overcome our contradictions, recognising that we are shaped by a framework of domination that must be destroyed. Although it is clear that we are subject to multiple aspects of authority, this does not prevent us from attempting to establish relationships distant and contrary to all forms of coercion. The struggle to eliminate authority from our relationships and behaviours is here and now, as is the confrontation against Power. From this, we opt for informality to organise for and in confrontation, as the flexibility and dynamism it entails prevent coercion from prevailing.

"We fight to be free," is the basis of the argument placing freedom as a driving force of struggle, pushing anarchists to throw themselves into combat with all their might, a notion more relevant today than ever.

For a constellation of individuals and affinity groups for combat!

Francisco Solar

La Gonzalina Prison, Racangua - Chile

December 2024

Caen, Normandy, France: “A Christmass tale” – Responsibility claim for the vandalism of advertising billboards

Once upon a time, there was an exploited elf, worn out by the labour in the gift factory, outraged by this world of spectacles and cages. He was a prisoner of the Christmas factory. One December evening, the elf escaped, he made his way to the city in the darkness of the night. No more exploitation, down with the production, one word on his lips: revolution. But as he revelled in his newfound freedom, his attention was suddenly caught on the street: there, there, and there again, advertising billboards... his anger and rage soon caught up with him. "Grrr, grrr," said the elf, "Out of my sight with these glaring horrors, out of my life with these slanderous images! I'm sick of your society, and to fight it, it's not just words that we need. These billboards are made of glass? Enough talking! I'm putting all my heart into the work now!" So, on Boulevard Leroy that night, the elf broke 8 billboards in the cold. And he sang: "When the glass rains, it feels much better, when the glass breaks, Christmas dies."

The legend says that the elf's adventure is not an isolated story. Others would sometimes, on foggy nights, manage to leave the factory road and take paths of freedom, with advertising billboards paying the price.

Caen, December 2024



Melbourne, Australia: Snapshot of the attack on the headquarters of National Workers Alliance. The door was broken and the interior of the office was vandalised.

Albert Libertad: A wish

Ah! Ah! It's New Year's Day!

The clear voice of the child and the broken voice of the old man sing the same ballad: the ballad of wishes and greetings.

The worker to his master, the debtor to his creditor, the tenant to his landlord—they all recite the refrain of a good and happy year.

The poor man and the poor woman wander the streets singing the lament of long life.

Ah! Ah! It's New Year's Day!

We must laugh! We must rejoice. Let every face wear a festive air. Let every lip utter the best wishes. Let every visage display the grimace of joy.

It is the day of official lies, social hypocrisy, and Pharisaic charity.

It's the day of the fake and the false, the day of varnish and convention.

Faces light up and houses glow! But stomachs are empty and homes are hollow. All is show, all is facade, all is a sham, all is deceit! The hand that shakes yours is a claw or a paw. The smile that greets you is a sneer or a grimace. The wish you receive is a blasphemy or a mockery.

In the harsh scramble of appetites, it's a truce, an armistice. In the harsh scramble of battles, it's New Year's Day.

The echo repeats the voice of the cannon and the factory whistle. The machine gun still smokes, the boiler still lets off steam. The ambulance overflows with the wounded, and the hospital turns away the sick. The shell has ripped open this belly, and the machine has severed this arm. The cries of mothers, the tears of children resound in our ears—the ghastly melody of pain, always the same.

The white flag flies: it's a truce, an armistice. And for an hour, for a day, hands are extended, faces smile, lips stammer words of friendship—sneers

of hypocrisy and lies.

Good life to you, landlord, who will throw me onto the street, indifferent to the cold or rain?

Good life to you, boss, who cut my wages recently because my body weakened after the harsh illness I contracted in your service?

Good life, good year to you all, bakers, grocers, shopkeepers who tightened the noose of your shameful tolls around my misery and profited from every one of my needs, every one of my desires!

And good life and health to you, men and women let loose across civilisation; good life to you, honest worker, to you, regular pimp; to you, respectable wife, to you, listed in the police registers; to all of you whose every gesture, every step is a gesture and a step against my freedom, against my individuality?

Ah! Ah! Good life and good health?

You want wishes? Here they are.

May the landlord die who holds the place where I stretch my limbs and sells me the air I breathe!

May the boss die who ploughs the furrow of his demands over the field of my body for long hours!

May those ravenous wolves die who levy a tithe on my sleep, my rest, my needs, deceiving my mind and poisoning my body!

May those of all sexes die who trade in human desires, which are only satisfied with promises, loyalties, money, or sycophancies!

May the officer die who commands murder, and the soldier who obeys him; may the deputy who makes the law die, and the voter who elects the deputy.

May the rich man die who hoards such a large share of social loot, but above all, may that fool die who prepares his feast.

Ah! Ah! It's New Year's Day!

Look around you. You feel more vividly than ever the social lie. The simplest among you perceives the slimy hypocrisy of social relations everywhere. The falsehood appears at every step. This day is a repetition of all the other days of the year. The current life is nothing but lies and deceit. Men are in perpetual battle. The poor wander from the concierge's smile to the bartender's grimace, and the rich from the lackey's obsequiousness to the courtesan's flattery. Clean-shaven faces and masks of joy.

The caress of the prostitute is equivalent to the smile of the married woman. And the pimp's defence is akin to the husband's protection. Trickery and interests.

For us to one day sing life in truth, we must, let us say it loudly, abandon convention and make a harsh wish: May the old world die with its hypocrisy, its morals, its prejudices that poison the air and stifle our breath.

May men suddenly decide to speak their minds. Let us have a New Year's Day where no false wishes or greetings are exchanged, but instead, where we openly express our thoughts to all.

On that day, men will realise it is truly impossible to live in such an atmosphere of conflict and antagonism. They will seek to live differently. They will want to know the ideas, the things, and the people that prevent them from attaining greater happiness. Property, the Nation, the Gods, Honour will risk being thrown into the sewer along with those who thrive on these stench-ridden relics.

And this wish, which seems so cruel but is filled with sweetness, will become universal: *May the old world die!*

Albert Libertad,

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Athens, Greece: Responsibility claim by the Cells of Offensive Solidarity for the placement of an incendiary device at Kypseli's ΕΦΚΑ (National Social Insurance Agency)

We take responsibility for the placement of a low-powered incendiary device in the early hours of 03/12 at the ΕΦΚΑ office in Kypseli, located on Kefallinias Street. Although the device, fortunately for you, did not ignite, the message remains the same. Rest assured that with the same operational ease, we can target any location of our choosing at any time, with a similar device.

The reason we selected this specific target, among the many offered by the metropolis, is that it is a key structure of the state mechanism, one that promotes destitution, subjugation, and consequently, the manipulation of the majority of society. The Social Insurance Agency (ΕΦΚΑ) operates under the supervision of the Ministry of Labour, which in capitalist terms means it acts as an executive organ of the ideological orientation promoted by the current government.

To clarify, ΕΦΚΑ is responsible for distributing pensions of a mere €426.17, withholding contributions from workers, freelancers, and farmers, and combating tax evasion. Taxes for farmers exceed 50%, and for freelancers, they surpass 75%. In summary, ΕΦΚΑ serves as the state's tax collector, playing a pivotal role in financing its political agenda and legitimizing its existence. But when words fail, numbers speak.

Revenues for the years 2024 and 2025 (approximately) amounted to about €51 billion, while expenses for social security funds were around €50 million. This means only 0.1% of the revenue is returned to society.

ΕΦΚΑ is the hand that gives a pittance to the beggar's outstretched hand—a currency whose value is dictated by the state and government, within the predefined trajectory imposed on the modern wage slave, who defines themselves based on how productive and disciplined they have been within the capitalist machine, perpetually chasing class advancement and social status validation. Moving beyond the confines of sterile class analysis, which solely blames the state and capital while ignoring the responsibility of those consciously trapped in a condemned life—a life determined by others from birth, bound by servitude, shackled, and surrounded by the glitter of capitalist showcases.

In opposition to the world of social consent and submission, complacency, inertia, and defeatism, against any logic of delegation and waiting, we choose the path of direct action, responding with attacks on the world of power, navigating through the flames of its total destruction. Every call for attack is a proposal for social disengagement, a rupture with all forms of authority, a call for the destruction of the existing order.

With armed hands and words, with a broken heart, and the name of a street etched in memory, we carried out this attack in memory of the armed revolutionary Kyriakos Ximitiris and in solidarity with the anarchist comrade Marianna M., who is held captive in the dungeons of bourgeois democracy. Walking the path of insubordination, dispute, and attack—a path stained with the blood of those who, unrepentant, chose frontal assault on the state and power—every step we take remains unwavering in its purpose. For every comrade who bore the heavy cost of revolutionary prospects and insurgent action, we promise that with each passing day, as long as our feet tread this earth, we will cut off the heads of our oppressors and dismantle everything they have built with their filthy hands. **Comrade, may you have good incursions in the valley of eternal silence.**

Strength to imprisoned comrade K.K., accused of arson on a police service van in Mesolongi.

Solidarity to all those prosecuted in the Ambelokipi case.

Freedom for the revolutionary Nikos Maziotis, member of Revolutionary Struggle

IMAGINATION – OPTIMISM – RISK

Cells of Offensive Solidarity

Berlin, Germany: Responsibility claim for the incendiary attack on a Siemens vehicle in solidarity with the Ampelokipi case



On the morning of December 31, 2024, we responded to the call for days of action in memory of Kyriakos X and in solidarity with those persecuted in the Ampelokipi case and destroyed a Siemens vehicle in Berlin-Baumschulenweg with a time-delayed incendiary device. Unfortunately, other vehicles also caught fire in the course of this, which is regrettable.

Siemens has been trying to improve its image in recent years. Withdrawing from some of its armaments sectors and investing in the renewable energy sector was intended to give the company a clean, green and politically correct face.

While food prices around the world, especially in the Global South, have risen by more than one hundred percent in recent years, wages, including those paid by Siemens, have remained the same. In fiscal year 2024, Siemens achieved a historic high in profit.

The Mobility and Smart Infrastructure sectors in particular contributed to this growth. These sectors are investing massively in Israel's public infrastructure in occupied Palestine.

While Israel continues to bomb in Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Syria and Yemen, Siemens is profiting directly from the genocide and oppression of the Palestinian population. For example, Israel uses Siemens security systems in the notorious Gilboa prison, and traffic control systems are installed in the West Bank - on roads that only Israeli citizens are allowed to use.

The intercontinental Euro-Asia submarine cable project is intended to bring the Israeli apartheid state even closer to Europe and its Western allies.

Siemens is therefore a piece in the geopolitical mosaic of Western domination. While states assert their influence by force, companies like Siemens stand ready to establish it and profit from the suffering of others.

Like many people in solidarity before us, all over the world, we want to show solidarity with the persecuted in the Ampelokipi case with this attack and continue the commemoration of the fallen comrade Kyriakos Xymitiris.

We support and continue the struggles of the comrades and act in resistance against the dominant conditions. Greek and German cops are working hand in hand to imprison our comrades, to persecute them and to paint a picture of what they call terror. It is the violence of those in power that is terrorist and not the resistance against it.

In thoughts side by side with Kyriakos, with rage against the murderous wars of capitalism and in solidarity with the imprisoned and oppressed of this world.

Bremen, Germany: Responsibility claim for the attack in OptoPrecision's headquarters



FIRE AND FLAMES FOR THE PROFITEERS OF FEAR

On the night of 26.11.2024, we attacked OptoPrecision's headquarters in Bremen-Horn with incendiary devices. We set fire to two parts of the building. To help us were stones, Molotov cocktails and several liters of flammable mixture.

OptoPrecision GmbH is a company based in Bremen. In the Security Systems division, the company develops surveillance technologies for the police, security authorities and the armed forces. The product catalog ranges from various laser and LED light sources to customized complete systems for complex observation and surveillance tasks on land and at sea. The company caught our attention thanks to its close cooperation with the Saxony police. Together with the Görlitz Police Department, OptoPrecision has developed a mobile camera system to ensure reliable, daylight-independent images for the identification of people and vehicles. This year, the use of the PerIS personal identification system has made the rounds in the press. The system, thanks to administrative support, has been tested in Saxony and also used at least in Lower Saxony, Berlin, North Rhine-Westphalia, Brandenburg and Baden-Württemberg.

Specialized technology for undercover investigations

The cops are always intent on snooping and meddling in our private lives. OptoPrecision provides the technology for this. The company offers infrared laser illumination systems specifically intended for undercover investigations by repressive authorities, designed to allow clear images to be obtained from hundreds of meters in poor visibility conditions. Periodically we learn that the cops have been watching comrades for months or years. OptoPrecision willingly accepts the orders of the repressive authorities. The company is therefore jointly responsible for the psychological terror, the sleepless nights, the isolation, the fear of house searches and also for the fact that the comrades are in prison. We therefore consider our attack as a concrete contribution to the fight against repression. A fiery greeting to our comrades in prison and fugitives!

Surveillance technology has always been an important tool of the repressive apparatus. The digitalisation of society and the ever-new technical horizons will allow the state to expand its public order powers more and more in the future. Even now, the radical left, the anti-racist and anti-authoritarian movement are too often threatened by this development. A pessimistic view of the future must presuppose that the right-wing governments and authorities of tomorrow are being armed today. Ultimately, this will not only affect those who struggle but all people who deviate from a state standard, who have a "wrong" background and/or who are in a precarious economic situation. It is therefore not surprising that OptoPrecision not only accepts commissions from cops, but is also involved in the bloody business of European borders. The company's website features technologies for so-called "border protection". The following excerpt from their webpage reveals the image the company has of humanity: "The tasks of border protection include monitoring national borders and areas close to borders on land, at sea and from the air. The challenge of defending borders is to monitor people and objects over long distances in different weather and light conditions."

OptoPrecision's technology is used to control, hunt and ultimately kill people.

Anonymity instead of law and order!

OptoPrecision also offers surveillance technologies for public spaces and thus benefits from the "smart" city, where people are constantly monitored. A development that we must stop. In total surveillance, everything must be measured and any abnormal behavior must be immediately prevented, so that it can be directly criminalized. Even the last niches of self-determination are destined to become a relic of the past. The streets and squares of Bremen are being equipped with more and more high-resolution cameras in the name of security: the railway station district, Hillmannplatz or Gröpelingen. Wherever liberal Bremen suspects that there is something uncomfortable, there is monitoring. At the same time, social structures are being shut down and drug addicts are being treated like savages. In urban areas there is no place for an anonymous and dignified life.

Those who want to get to the top, can fall down

The founder, managing director and owner of OptoPrecision is Dr. Martin Nägele. He runs the company as a kind of patriarch and is responsible for business decisions. The private address known to us of Nägele is a villa in Bremen-Oberneuland, H.C.-Junge-Weg 15, but we don't want to limit ourselves to Nägele and OptoPrecision. There are several companies operating in the same industry. Take for example T-Systems which, thanks to Burning Ideas, was recently attacked in Berlin. Our attack is also a warning to all others who profit from surveillance and repression. It will be difficult to prevent them from turning this society into a progressive dystopia of profit and surveillance. It will be equally difficult for them to prevent their smart infrastructures from burning down from time to time.

It also depends on us whether the situation will remain as it is. Let's take responsibility for fighting for an anti-authoritarian world. Let's set fire to the system of surveillance, marginalization and isolation!

In memory of Kyriakos Xymitiris

France: The 8/12 case, 4 years of repression and the upcoming appeal

On December 8, 2020, a nationwide "anti-terrorist" judicial and police operation unfolded across various locations in France. As the anniversary of this date approaches, we wanted to provide a quick update and share some news.

This operation was triggered by the systematic surveillance by the DGSI¹ of individuals returning from a stay in areas

deemed "dangerous" by the intelligence services. An investigating judge from the National Anti-Terrorist Prosecutor's Office (PNAT) took up these surveillance reports and, through the DGSI, conducted an investigation into individuals associated with a comrade who had recently returned from a stay in Rojava. This investigation, resulting in

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an 1,800-page dossier, culminated in a wave of arrests on December 8, 2020, followed by the repercussions we have been dealing with for the past four years, which we will briefly outline here.

Following the arrests, 14 locations were raided. After 96 hours in DSGI custody, under psychological pressure, drug-induced interrogations, and the use of falsified or out-of-context evidence, seven individuals were charged. They were then brought before the investigating judge, and five of them were placed in pre-trial detention.

The case also affected many others. In total, 12 people spent four days in DSGI custody, with additional arrests occurring in February and September 2021. A total of 29 summonses were issued, often as a threat to obtain prison visit permits. Furthermore, numerous personal and electronic items seized during the raids have not yet been returned.

To date, the accused have collectively spent 47 months in prison, endured solitary confinement, strip searches, endless interrogations, denial of medical care, and difficulties accessing packages, canteen, and correspondence during the investigation.

Releases have been gradual, with the PNAT appealing one release and another individual managing to secure release after a 36-day hunger strike, transitioning from solitary confinement to six months under house arrest with an electronic bracelet.

In total, they have endured 277 months under judicial control, which includes regular check-ins, geographical movement restrictions, residency requirements, work obligations, and meetings with a support "duo" (educator and psychologist) as well as the Probation and Reintegration Service (SPIP).

The financial toll amounts to nearly €150,000, covering legal fees, prison packages (clothing, magazines, books), canteen funds, and travel expenses for supporters. This excludes the incalculable physical and psychological scars, the contempt, threats, pressures, and the lasting impact on relationships and ongoing surveillance.

The trial spanned 16 afternoons, approximately one month, with the verdict delivered two months later and the judge's reasoning provided nine months after that. All were found guilty of "terrorist criminal association," and three were additionally convicted of "refusing to provide decryption keys."

In the first instance, they were sentenced to prison terms ranging from two to five years, with 15 to 30 months suspended on probation, which entails strict medical and social controls: SPIP meetings, addiction and psychological follow-ups, residency and work obligations, with the threat of the suspended sentence being enforced for any breaches.

For six of them, this includes registration in the FIJAIT (File of Terrorist Offenders), which involves restrictions on foreign travel, regular check-ins, proof of residence every three months, and a ban on working in certain sectors (healthcare, public service, education).

Communication remains prohibited, except for two of them.

Of the seven convicted, six have decided to appeal the verdict, with the hearing scheduled for November 2025.

Beyond contesting the verdict for the six accused, it is crucial to prevent this decision from setting a precedent that would allow the state to further repress our struggles and ways of life more harshly.

The anti-terrorist tool, with its so-called exceptional legislation (which is becoming less and less exceptional), remains extremely useful for the state. As with other cases, the investigative methods employed here have provided a snapshot of relationships within militant, anarchist, and anti-authoritarian groups. Regardless of the actual or imagined culpability, the justice system's goal is to maintain fear and occupy people with legal defence work. This enables the state to observe how groups operate and refine its tools for maintaining order, all supported by limitless surveillance capabilities.

Meanwhile, the judicial sword of Damocles still hangs over the heads of the accused. We encourage you to check out the blogs documenting the history of this case, the actions undertaken, trial reports, and various analytical texts. Future developments will also be shared there—stay tuned!

We urge anyone who has faced the justice system to share their experiences, whether through brochures or other means. Sharing how the justice system operates helps us better navigate it when caught in its net. Reflecting on strategic defence errors can help others avoid them. Discussing our experiences with legal proceedings, trials, relations with lawyers, imprisonment, and judicial control better prepares us for these eventualities—not as inevitabilities, but as potential occurrences.

Supporting each other in these situations strengthens us and prevents isolation in the face of the justice system's relentless pressure.

Let's stay united!

The blogs of the committees

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From paris-lutes.info,

8 December 2024

¹DSGI: General Directorate for Internal Security

To the International Anarchist Movement: Three Security Proposals

This text is addressed to the international anarchist movement, which we'll define as the sum of individuals fighting for anarchist ideas around the world. This movement is in conflict with its natural enemies — the State, fascist groups, and so on — and must protect itself if it is to survive in this conflict. In this text, we make three proposals for the international anarchist movement to consider in the coming years in order to allow anarchists to continue attacking while limiting their chances of getting caught.

1. Share knowledge internationally

Our enemies organize internationally through cooperation between police and intelligence agencies and new developments in science and technology — the increasing precision of DNA forensics and the proliferation of drones being just two examples. This means that a repressive technique used in one country may soon appear in another where it is not yet being used. It also means that an effective countermeasure used by anarchists in one country may be effective in another. **We should therefore share knowledge of repressive techniques and countermeasures on an international level.**

Ideally, any experience of repression or experimentation with countermeasures that might be of interest to other anarchists should be written up, translated into several languages, and made public. When anarchists are arrested and brought to trial, we can often obtain court documents that reveal how they were caught: we should exploit this and publish analyses of such documents, bearing in mind that information obtained in this way may be

partial or distorted. We should experiment with new countermeasures and write and publish reports on these experiments (except in cases where the State might adapt and weaken the countermeasure by reading the report). We should try to collect information at the source: read police training manuals, steal police files, analyze data leaks from police servers.

A specific feature of the international anarchist movement is its decentralization. We see this not as a weakness but as a strength: in addition to preventing the hierarchies inherent in centralized organizations, it makes it harder for our enemies to target us because they cannot topple the whole movement by disrupting one part of it. However, this decentralization also makes it harder for us to share knowledge across borders. To overcome this, we see two options: developing informal bonds with other anarchists by meeting at international book fairs and other events, and using the Internet. We propose using the No Trace Project as an international platform to share the knowledge that is suited for sharing on the Internet, not as a replacement for informal bonds but as a useful supplement to spread information beyond existing informal networks.

2. Establish a security baseline

Anarchists who carry out direct actions should analyze the risks associated with their actions and take appropriate precautions: dress anonymously,

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be mindful of video surveillance and DNA traces, and so on. However, this is not enough. If only those who carry out actions take precautions, it is easier for our enemies to target these individuals. This is, firstly, because they stand out: if only a handful of comrades always leave their phones at home, for example, this could be an obvious starting point for an investigation with no other specific leads. And secondly, because our enemies can get information about them through their friends who do not carry out actions: if someone doesn't use social media but is mentioned on their friends' social media, for example, an investigation could query their friends' social media to get information about them. **We should therefore establish a security baseline that everyone in anarchist networks agrees to follow, including those who have never carried out direct actions and have no intention of doing so.**

We can't say what this baseline should be, as it will depend on each local context, but we can give some ideas. As a bare minimum, everyone should help hide information from our enemies by not speculating about who is involved in an action, not bragging about one's own participation in an action, not talking to the police, and encrypting any computer or phone used for conversations with other anarchists using a strong password. Discuss sensitive matters exclusively outdoors and without electronic devices, and don't make it obvious to your social environment who you are having sensitive conversations with (e.g. don't ask someone to "go for a walk" in front of people who aren't involved in the project being discussed). In addition, we think everyone should

stop using social media (and definitely stop posting photos of other anarchists, even with their consent, because this helps the State map anarchist networks) and leave their phones at home at all times (not just during actions). Carrying your phone with you has security implications for everyone you interact with.

It can be difficult to convince people to follow such a security baseline, especially if they think they have no personal interest in following it. If someone is reluctant, we should remind them that it's not just their security that's at stake, but also the security of other anarchists around them who may be carrying out or planning to carry out direct actions. Everyone who wants actions to happen has an interest in making anarchist networks as difficult as possible for the authorities to repress.

3. Explore new horizons

Our enemies evolve over time as they refine their strategies and techniques. We should prepare not for the battles that already took place, but for those yet to come. **We should therefore go beyond our current security practices, anticipate the evolution of our enemies, and develop new countermeasures.**

Here are three issues we think the international anarchist movement should explore in the coming years.

Drones

Aerial surveillance is rapidly becoming cheaper and more efficient. How should we react to the presence of police drones at riots, anarchist events, and so on? How can we detect or take down

drones? Should we prepare for the risk of drones being used for routine aerial patrols, and if so, how?

Facial recognition technologies

In 2023, a journalist tracked down German left-wing militant Daniela Klette, who had been in clandestinity for decades, by using facial recognition technology to match a decades-old photo of her with a recent photo from Facebook taken during a dance class. What can we do against this threat? How can we prepare for the increasing integration of facial recognition technology into public video surveillance systems?

Lack of insight into police activity

Until a few years ago, radio scanners were used by anarchists to monitor police frequencies, for example to learn about nearby police activity while carrying out a direct action. In most contexts, this is now impossible because police communications are encrypted. Can we develop new techniques to functionally replace radio scanners or, more generally, to gain insight into police activity in a given area?

About the authors

We're the No Trace Project. For the past three years, we've been building tools to help anarchists understand the capabilities of their enemies, undermine surveillance efforts, and ultimately act without getting caught. We plan to continue in the years to come. We welcome feedback. You can visit our website at notrace.how, and contact us at notrace@autistici.org.

Serbia: New Year message from an anarchist

I wish you happy new year and more and more successful fights against the ruling class in your region.

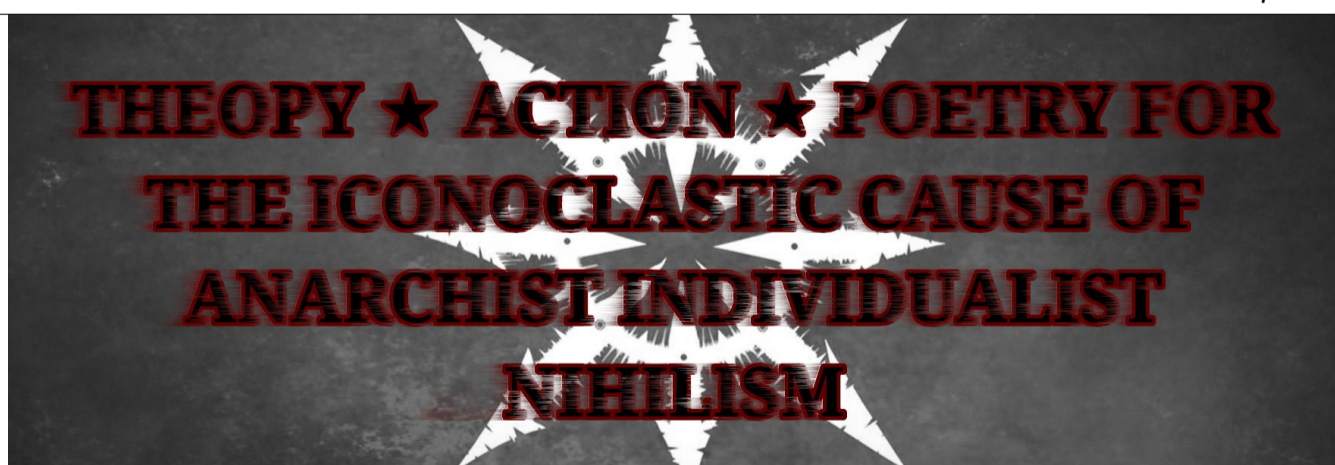
There are not so many anarchists in my country, I spent New Year's Eve with students and other people who organized protest, several thousand people came to support students this night. They have plenums where they decide about protest together, they have no leaders, they blocked 50 faculties for one month and gathered 50000 people at protest. Therefore spies follow them and photograph them, send them messages on the phone to stop to protest or they will be beaten, call them for informative talk all the time and their parents, some are arrested and one student was 30 days in custody but they continue to fight. They get experience, they learn that state departments are enemies.

Anarchists in new york gathered beside prison to make noise, anarchists in Berlin had their gathering, I hope you also spent this night in the way that make you happy.

Our fight continues our whole life, the ruling class will not give up their privileges,

Write letters to some anarchist prisoner,

An anarchist from East Europe



The present newspaper is the printed form of the project **Blessed Is The Flame**, which will be irregularly issued. The purpose of this project is not only to disseminate black-flag anarchy, but more generally to disseminate the radical theory, praxis and criticism that stems from the act of insurrectionary armed desire, recognising that the social situation we are in, and which we did not choose, leads our lives to bankruptcy, to the alienation of our Egos.

We do not attempt to persuade anyone, we do not wish to bet on the mass mobilisation of a robotised society. What we are trying to do is contribute in building a communication bridge between those who have chosen to revolt here and now and those who want to revolt. We are what we are because we got courage and inspiration from the rebels who show us what is possible. We do not postpone the insurrectionary and revolutionary action for an indeterminate future because we are liberated from the bonds of hope. We are not nihilists because we are simply pessimists. No, we are nihilists because the situations around us do not allow us to think of future utopias, because we do not wait for freedom to come, but we bring freedom each time we act with defiance and without compromise against society, state, capital, and any other aspect of civilisation. This is the most immediate realisation of anarchy.

**Long live direct, anarchist and guerrilla action
No resignation, no truce, no peace**



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