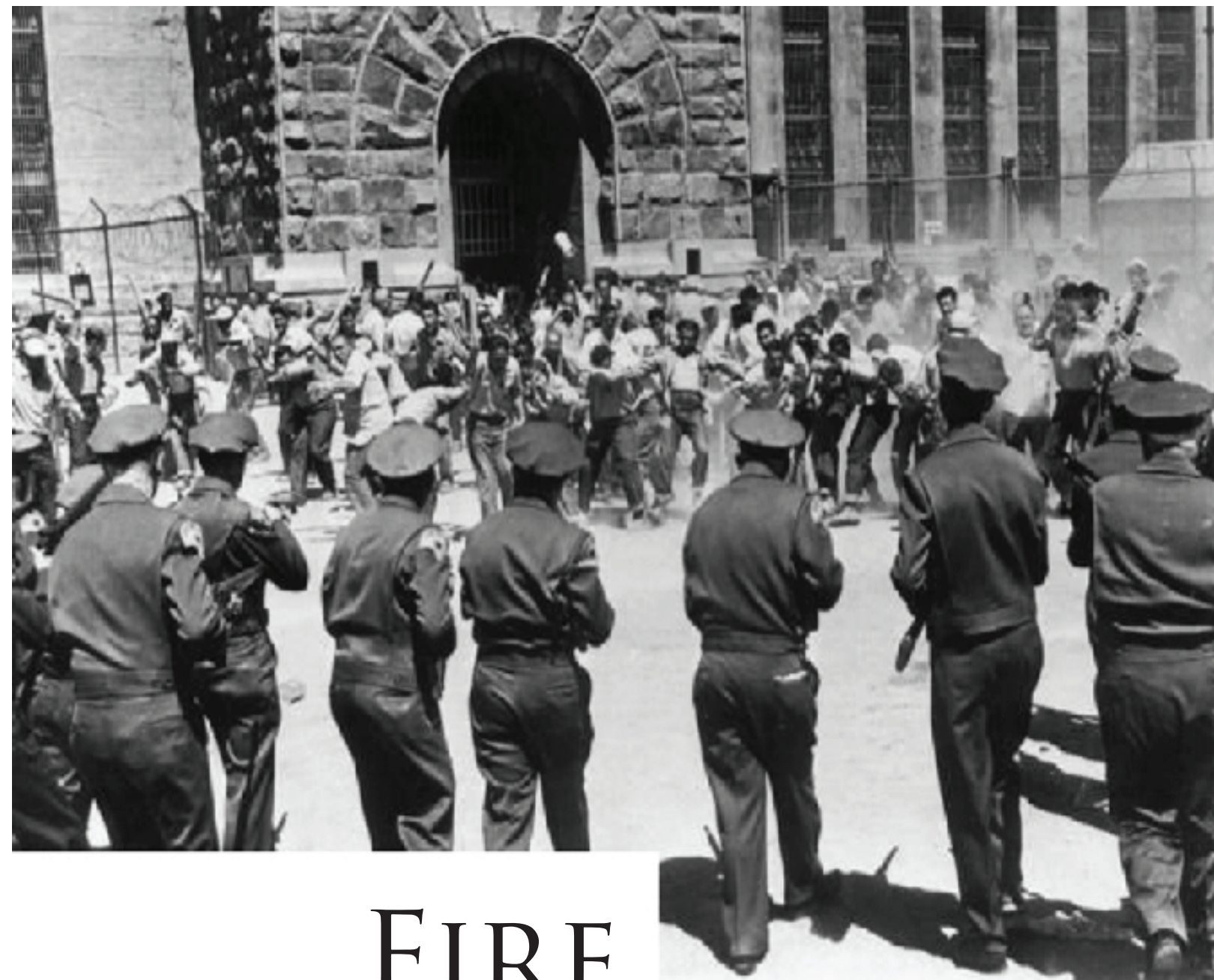


Replacing fear with hatred. Replacing misery with motivation. Replacing blind compliance with militant insubordination.



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How many hours a day do you spend in front of a television screen? A computer screen? Behind an automobile windshield? All three screens combined? What are you being screened from? How much of your life comes at you through a screen, vicariously?

Is watching things as exciting as doing things? Do you have enough time to do all the things that you want to? Do you have enough energy to? Why? And how many hours a day do you sleep? How are you affected by standardized time, designed solely to synchronize your movements with those of millions of other people? How long do you ever go without knowing what time it is? Who or what controls your minutes and hours? The minutes and hours that add up to your life? Are you saving time? Saving it up for what?

Can you put a value on a beautiful day, when the birds are singing and people are walking around together? How many dollars an hour does it take to pay you to stay inside and sell things or file papers? What can you get later that will make up for this day of your life?

How are you affected by being in crowds, by being surrounded by anonymous masses? Do you find yourself blocking your emotional responses to other human beings, non-human beings, and the natural world? And who prepares your meals? How much do you know about what you eat and where it comes from? How much do you trust it? Why do you trust it? How much do you really create for yourself, and how much are you dependent on foreign forces you have no relationship with? If these producing forces were split from your life, what would happen?

What are we deprived of by labor-saving devices? By thought-saving devices? How are you affected by the requirements of efficiency, which place value on the product rather than the process, on the future rather than the present, the present moment that is getting shorter and shorter as we speed faster and faster into the future? What are we speeding towards? Are we saving time? Saving it up for what?

How are you affected by being moved around in prescribed paths, in elevators, buses, subways, escalators, on highways and sidewalks? By moving, working, and living in two and three dimensional grids? How are you affected by being organized, immobilized, and scheduled rather than wandering, roaming freely and spontaneously? Scavenging? How much freedom of movement do you have--freedom to move through space, to move as far as you want, in new and unexplored directions?

And how are you affected by waiting? Waiting in line, waiting in traffic, waiting to eat, waiting for the bus, waiting to urinate--learning to punish and ignore your spontaneous urges? How are you affected by holding back your desires? By sexual repression, by the delay or denial of pleasure, starting in childhood, along with the suppression of everything in you that is spontaneous, everything that evidences your wild nature, your membership in the animal kingdom? Is pleasure dangerous? Is autonomy dangerous? What is dangerous, and why?

Could danger be joyous? Can danger save? Can risks open new doors for the better? Do you ever need to see the sky? (Can you see many stars in it any more?) Do you ever need to see water, leaves, foliage, animals (not just the ones on leashes)? Glinting, glimmering, moving? Is that why you have a pet, an aquarium, houseplants? Or are television and video your glinting, glimmering, moving? How much of your life comes at you through a screen, vicariously? If your life was made into a movie, would you watch it? How do you feel in situations of enforced passivity?

How are you affected by a non-stop assault of symbolic communication--audio, visual, print, billboard, video, radio, robotic voices--as you wander through a forest of signs? What are they urging upon you? Do you ever need solitude, quiet, contemplation? Do you remember it? Thinking on your own, rather than reacting to stimuli? Is it hard to look away?

Is looking away the very thing that is not permitted? Where can you go to find silence and solitude? Not white noise, but pure silence? Not loneliness, but gentle solitude? How often have you stopped to ask yourself questions like these? Do you find yourself committing acts of symbolic violence? Do you ever feel lonely in a way that words cannot even express? Do you sometimes feel yourself ready to LOSE CONTROL?



"We don't die,
 we just retaliate with hate and multiply"
 -2pac

INTRODUCTION

This is the second issue of Fire to the Prisons. The first was intended solely as a newsletter, almost exclusively reporting on misc. political prisoners and their cases. We intend to use this issue to provide much of the same information, but we wanted to expand our issue in depth, providing more detailed descriptions of political prisoner's cases and backgrounds, also furthering articles we feel inspire and are important for encouraging the tactical approach and anti-domination analysis we value. Times for those acting in the name of their beliefs as enemies of all these institutions of control interconnected and determining our everyday life in this society, continue to be rough. The green scare is not a quick attack by the state, it seems to continue growing, and it is clear that the United States is putting pressure internationally on state tolerance of militant liberation struggles. We see this strongly happening in the UK with the dozens of raids pulled this year, or in Denmark in the use of "anti-terror" task forces to remove historical social spaces like Ungdomshuset coincidentally after meetings held between the F. B. I and the Danish government, or in Holland where the government and its media have begun encouraging the public to fear liberation struggles.

With the internet and the constant changing of situations and lack of money to have daily newspaper like updates, newsletters like this one sometimes seem to be a waste of time and resources, but we hope that this falls into the hands of someone who isn't checking misc. online radical blogs daily, or were prior to reading this maybe not aware of an international underground struggle actively acting in the name of feelings they have felt or thoughts they have flirted with but ignored, an international underground momentum posing a significant enough threat as a struggle, that it is sadly complimented by the state's reactionary projects of tragic repression and preposterous punishment in attempting to silence them. But because particularly the articles related to political prisoners are constantly changing, we hope that the included list of links at the end of this issue will provide further direction with discovering not only news sources to stay up to date with issues being discussed here, but also projects actively contributing to the radical discussions or projects posed by anarchist or eco-liberation struggles today.

Fire to the Prisons is the name we gave this periodical, not just cause we wish to see all prisons destroyed and all laws sanctioning them abolished, but we wish for a liquidation of the entire culture of domination responsible for creating prison and law. The same culture which is oblivious to the shit it takes on it's sustenance via its almost bastard-like destructive hatred for its mother earth. The same culture which commodifies life in such a way where non-human animals are looked at in terms of their benefit to humans, and the utter suffering and exploitation posed by human-cen-

tered mass industrial society is overlooked. The same culture responsible for stratifying each other in terms of money, race, technological complexity, national origin, or sex. It is a horrible world, and it is a horrible world that lashes at anything warm or different brought into its cold steel framework. The warmth Fire to the Prisons is trying to share, is the idea that things need to get hot for this cold world, and Fire must be done to its foundation. Modern industrial civilization and its imperial states are a prison pre-determining the destiny of everything, everyday life is only a prison with less bars. So when we say Fire to the Prisons, we mean fire to it all. This is our warmth helping us sustain our sanity, this warmth is our struggle's manifestations of passion and hatred, disapproval and love, introducing the necessities of freedom expressing itself in a world where it is inexistent. Introducing small fires of attack, hoping to provoke a larger fire, a blazing wildfire, becoming through an affinity of hatred for rule, and a love for liberation, the challenging process of fostering liberation when all is against it, and the occasional moments we witness glimpses of its being.

FOR TOTAL DESTRUCTION....

FOR TOTAL LIBERATION....

FIRE TO THE PRISONS!



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AN INTERVIEW WITH A LONGING FOR COLLAPSE PRESS

**INTERVIEW DONE BY AND
ORIGINALLY INTENDED FOR “THE RAT”
(NYC BASED ANARCHIST PERIODICAL)**

**Rat: What are the goals and aims of A
Longing for Collapse Press (ALCP)?**

Longing for Collapse Press: Longing for Collapse Press is an anarchist literature press based out of the northeast. We solely distribute information to anarchists or the generally frustrated, related to anti-authoritarian resistance happening around the world, and ideas motivating it. We act like any other distro, hoping that the content will be re-distributed, for the financial benefit of the anarchist community, and hoping to start other distros that will further the syndication of such feelings and ideas in a decentralized way. Obviously as an anarchist distribution we hope for the elimination of the state, capital, industry, patriarchy, and all symptoms of domination. In the time being though, one of our main goals is to utilize this above ground anarchist project as a way to distribute radical ideas while also benefitting the legal defense or support of political prisoners who have been penalized for defending such ideas, financially. All profits from this project go to benefit the anarchist black cross or to misc. political prisoners we have affinity with.

**Rat: ALCP identifies as anti-civilization,
which is often seen as a controversial
position. What are some of the ideas
behind the anti-civilization position that
make it relevant to the world today?**

Longing for Collapse Press: “Anti-Civilization” has become a prevalent term in contemporary anarchist theory. Yet the term has been claimed and applied to many different factions and perspectives of the anarchist community. Some approach the term civilization coming from a subversive outlook on the theories and discoveries of anthropology. Describing civilization as a type of society built on domination, that is alien to nature, and comes about due to progressions in complexity and population, agricultural societies make possible. By looking at anthropology and the life ways of native communities, the anarcho-primitivist critique believes that with the domestication of plants and animals, and a dependency on foreign resources, “civilized” societies “progressed” and colonized into the global techno-industrial era we experience today.

A non-primitivist anarchist approach to the term generally comes from people who’ve grown frustrated with the single issued or anti-personal nature inherent in more classical or left-wing anarchism.

They approach civilization as a word that encompasses the entire circuitry of authoritarian society. Mostly of an insurrectionary view, non-primitivist anarchists believe that civilization can easily sum up or imply the state, patriarchy, racism, speciesism, industry, capitalism, colonialism, and all things anarchists oppose. Instead of placing faith in anthropology, or using it as a foundation for one’s politics, such anarchists choose to look around at everything sanctioning control in the totalistic fashion that everything they hate, is civilization.

Yet all come to the same conclusion, that if current society, also know as “civilization” was to go to shit, doors will open up for all individuals and communities to exercise their freedom and subjectivity free of disruption. Ice caps are melting, resources are running out, population is growing, bees are dying, the list goes on. Although this system will defend itself, and look for temporary solutions in the first world, like “alternative” energy or “organic” food. It is important to see how so many civilizations of rule have risen and fallen, in this one’s demise, the ideas and resistance proposed by anti-civilization thinking may provide a positive response to such a collapse or crisis.

**Rat: On your website, ALCP states that
it is an anarchist resource for
anonymous direct action and resis-
tance. Why does ALCP think these
types of actions are important for anar-
chists and radicals to take?**

Longing for Collapse Press: ALCP is an insurrectionary anarchist resource. Insurrectionary for one, meaning not advocates of reform. No world completely different from the current one could be brought out through the futile means and games the state provides. It is inherent in insurrectionary struggle to do actions easily reproducible by others socially frustrated or politically radical, intending to syndicate autonomous cells of people actively targeting symbols or infrastructure held vital or sacred to the current system in place. Whether or not each risky action has been a victory per se, direct action acts for one as a front making opposition into a material reality and threat. To sanction struggle and make it clear to its enemies it exists. It provides hope for a struggles imprisoned comrades that their time served provoked further resistance and strengthened solidarity. It is one more way to chip away at its enemies comfort. You can write letters to congressmen, but no congressmen will respond to dissent, especially if its of the radical kind. NGO’s save hundreds, of the millions of acres across earth. But no area, no matter how pristine, or how endangered, is safe if it is inconvenient for industry, profit and efficiency will take priority.

The idea that a world criminalized, that being freedom, could be brought out complying with the same disempowering and futile laws and rituals of this system is a joke. Such proposals of “non-violence” or “pacifism” is a privilege of only the first world, or honestly, hallow struggles, never really hoping for change. Historically and currently any struggle demanding extreme change never solely resorts to “above-ground” or passive tactic. That is why most student-exclusive, sub-culture oriented, or first world struggles cling to such a anti-direct action attitude. They cling to it because they are not real struggles, they advocate for no real change, that is why the state tolerates them, they pose no real threat, because they are not willing to step outside their privilege or comfort both intellectually and physically. From West Papuan and other South Pacific tribes fighting off technological or cultural modern-

ization, to Western Canadian native communities defending their lands dignity against the western world today, to the battles North America posed against Euro-centric expansion and imperialism only 500 years ago, actions speak louder than words. Mink can't write letters, fresh air can't write letters, freedom has no price, and lobbying is way to expensive.

Rat: Why does ALCP think that anonymous direct actions, in the vein of the Earth and Animal Liberation Fronts, are useful in combating environmental destruction or animal cruelty?

Longing for Collapse Press: The animal and earth liberation front are autonomous cells of people claiming actions against property belonging to particular companies or institutions directly effecting the earth and its inhabitants. It is also the number one most dangerous domestic "terror" threat according to the FBI. Clearly stating that the state protecting such companies and institutions perceives them as a threat.

Insurrectionary anarchist tactics are the informal organization of ALF and ELF. Decentralization, informal solidarity of principle, easily reproducible and efficient direct actions, and the complete refusal of negotiation or compromise with the institutions being targeted. ALF for example has taken many different actions claiming arson to miscellaneous types of vandalism. But one of their most notorious tactics are the literal liberation of enslaved and captive animals, both domesticated and wild. An immediate victory like this, is one of the biggest expressions of direct action's inherent efficiency. No congressmen would ever grant the same type of immediate victory. Nor would they understand the type of compassion required to break into a fur farm, zoo, or laboratory and release animals into their natural habitat, or find safe and loving homes for them. Hence there is an immediate victory, the immediate liberation of an individual life. It's important to repeat the fact that these two groups, who historically and currently have taken all precautions to evade the harm of human life in over 1000 actions, and succeeded in never doing so, are considered the most dangerous domestic terror threat. And although such a label of terror is clearly ridiculous, you can tell the efficiency and significance of one's struggle based on the responses one's enemy is posing.

Rat: A criticism often levied at groups like the ELF and ALF is that anonymous direct action "alienates" average people. What does ALCP think of these charges?

A Longing for Collapse Press: Guess it depends on who you consider to be average. Some might say that average people are those who comply and preserve the status quo, and obviously any new or different idea, or action representing it, is alienating. Stagnancy and futility conserve the first world middle classes that make up the to be concerned about "average world". Why would the opinions of "average" people concern a struggle of dissent, especially if to be average, particularly in the United States generally means to be apathetic and compliant? Non-violent struggles are so infatuated with the perspectives of the

mainstream media and the "average" voting masses of the first world. Average people don't care about the suffering inherent to human domination over non-human species and ecology, average people don't concern themselves about things not in their backyard, average people aren't concerned with passion or compassion, because neither are average.

Who are these average people they refer to, that would be so disappointed if a police station is attacked, or an animal laboratory raided?

Students?! Democrats?! The blind and content middle class?

None of these people want change, at most only bigger cages and longer chains that will not disrupt their everyday lives being comfortable. The poor, the frustrated, the discontent, are not considered average, they are met with psychiatry, prison, drug addiction, and the misery of everyday life. We don't feel like such actions would alienate these people, and these are the people we would hope any anarchist struggle would want to inspire.

Rat: How do these actions fit into the larger context of resistance against capitalism, the state, and authority?

Longing for Collapse Press: Everything in the modern world is interconnected. Capitalism, government, or industry are all symptoms of civilization. ALF and ELF are only one example of a true struggle based purely on affinity that poses a radical threat. Placing faith in the masses to change we feel is childish, and as anarchists we don't wish to create any sort of social program for billions of people. ALF and ELF have no dues, no membership, and no lobbyists. It exists only through action. People who advocate change should learn from ALF and ELF and break away from the obsession of mass demo or protest culture. Actions inspire more actions, and more possibilities and less police exist in the shadows of night.

Institutionalized control of each other, the earth, and other species is only inherent in the human world, and creating a front of defense for the life innocent of such a world is pertinent in fostering freedom.

Anarchism means animal and earth liberation, humans are part of both. Making ALF and ELF another enemy of the totality that is the global world today.



Rat: It would be remiss to not mention the Green Scare in this interview. With the rise of government repression, what does ALCP think of the future of anonymous direct action?

Longing for Collapse Press: The state is removing its curtains of lip service tolerance and conditional rights. Peoples lives are ruined for defending what sustains them as a species on earth. It should imply that the state is scared. The resources being invested should imply a recognized significance of such a struggles resistance. But actions continue to happen all the time, around the world and under the banner of animal and earth liberation. Many of which recently were in response to such repression or in solidarity with victims of it. Its common sense to be aware of the consequences one could face from their actions, and incorporate such a awareness into the preparation one engages in before conducting anonymous direct actions. But this struggle is beyond the states understanding due to its lack of formal organization. People are anonymous, but people have to be smart to remain that way. There is power in simplicity and the shadows of the night, and pride to be seen in the numbers of captured political prisoners verse successful and untraceable direct actions.

The future of anonymous direct action is not in the hands of the state, only the anonymous individuals who choose to conduct them.

Rat: Are there any strategies ALCP feels could resist this new wave of government repression?

Longing for Collapse Press: Hopefully people will learn from fallen comrade's mistakes and grow in frustration with these obstacles the state places before them. But its important to have a community of support for victims of state repression. Our proposal would be to make sure communities of support are available for people who are caught, both emotional and financially. Through letter writing, through benefits, and through public education.

If people know that there is a STRONG community out there to support them, things like snitching or co-operation would be much less existent.

...AND

OF COURSE ACTING IN THE NAME OF
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Political Prisoner Profile



Who is Marco Camenisch?

By Friends & Supporters of Marco Cemenisch

Marco Camenisch was born in 1952 at Schiers and raised in a petit bourgeois environment in Canton Graubünden (Switzerland). Marco started to develop his radical thinking at an early age and in high school Marco began to reject the predictability and authoritarianism of the educational system. He left school to start an apprenticeship as a farmer at "plantahof" school. Here he opposed the notion that fertilizing must be done with chemicals. To escape the society he found so wrong and repulsive, Marco went to the Alps to feel closer with nature and more distant with modernity. From this time, Marco realized that the conditions he opposed would not change as long as people are not actively resisting them.

In the late 1970s, Marco participated in the movement against nuclear power, and teamed up with militants who were taking direct action against nuclear power. Their tactics included cutting down nuclear power pylons, sabotage to power stations, and targeting individuals responsible for the creation of nuclear power. In January 1980, along with others, Marco was arrested, and after a year on remand, the Court of Canton in Chur/Graubünden(Switzerland) found him guilty of using explosives to destroy a pylon and a power station in Bad Ragaz (Switzerland). For this, Marco was sentenced to ten years imprisonment. A co-defendant from the actions was given 7.5 years.

During his trial Marco had refused to cooperate with judicial authority because he didn't acknowledge their legitimacy. Also in court he made a statement in which he linked anti-nuclear direct action with all struggles in defense of nature and against the capitalist social order. The courts hoped that by jailing Marco they'd manage to stop him. However, in December 1981, together with 5 other prisoners, Marco succeeded in escaping from the

prison of Regensdorf near Zurich (Switzerland). During the escape there was a shoot out in which a prison guard died and another was seriously injured. Marco was not part of the group that shot the warden.

Following his escape from prison Marco lived a clandestine existence, for ten years, carrying out several actions on the Italian/Swiss boarder to advance his revolutionary beliefs. In 1989, Swiss Federal Police and the media claimed that Marco was responsible for the killing of a Swiss border police officer at Brusio. Then in November 1992, in the Toscana area of Italy, the Italian police raided the hideout space of Marco. After a shoot out, Marco was unfortunately captured. But rather than extraditing Marco straight back to Switzerland, the Italian authorities put Marco on trial where he was found guilty of destroying several nuclear electricity pylons in Italy. Leading in April 1993 to a sentence of 12 years imprisonment. For the duration of his imprisonment in Italy Marco was kept in a high security prison in solitary confinement.

In April 2002, having served his sentence in Italy, Marco was extradited to Switzerland. Following his extradition, firstly Marco was taken to the high security prison of PfÄffikon near Zurich. Then to the prison in Thorberg near Bern. In January 2003, after a hunger strike against the poor conditions of his imprisonment, and after several direct actions carried out internationally in solidarity of Marco, the authorities transferred him to the prison in Chur and improved the conditions. However the improved conditions were only short lived and the authorities soon re-transferred Marco back to prison in PfÄffikon, where they cancelled all the improvements that Marco had struggled for.

In September 2003 the Italian police carried out 50 raids against suspected eco-activists they accused of carrying out direct actions in Marcos name, such as the destruction of ski resorts, incinerators, mobile phone masts, TV towers, and more. The authorities also raided Marco's Swiss prison cell accusing him of being the mastermind behind all these actions being conducted in solidarity with him, during his imprisonment. It was widely believed at the time that these high profile raids were carried out as an attempt to try and destroy the international solidarity which supported Marco. But rather than weakening Marco's support it merely strengthened the support.

So in November 2003 Marco was moved to yet another prison. In May 2004 Marco was put on trial again, accusing him of both murdering the Swiss boarder guard who died in 1989 and the attempted murder of a prison guard during his escape in 1981. At the end of the trial, in June 2004, Marco was found not guilty of the attempted murder of a prison guard during his escape, but guilty of the Swiss boarder guards murder. He was given an additional 17 year prison sentence (to run consecutively with the ten year sentence issued to him in 1980 for blowing up the pylons). Shortly after his sentencing he was moved to yet another prison, this time in Regensdorf where he remains today. It should be noted that after all the years in prison, Marco, who calls himself an anarchist, has Never let the authorities change his mind about his

political convictions. Instead of betraying his political beliefs, he has stayed a political activist. By means of writing letters, he has organized a far-reaching network of political and personal relations. The bad conditions of imprisonment that Marco has been subjected to is part of the Swiss authorities trying to punish and silence Marco as an anarchist voice and defendant of nature.



The authorities want to break Marco. They hate the fact he has remained steadfast to his political identity and they loath his continued refusal to cooperate with the judicial authority and for this they want to break him both politically and personally.

It is up to the international prisoner support movement to make sure Marco receives all the support he can get and to remind the authorities that the support for Marco is as strong as ever.

(The original version of this article was written by friends and supporters of Marco Camenisch in april 2003. It was revised slightly in March 2007 for clarity in reading.)

A Few of the Many



Solidarity Actions with Marco

25 July 1999 - Novarra, Italy - Demonstration of solidarity outside the prison.

1 August 1999 - Turin, Italy - Explosive device full of red paint is thrown against Swatch shop in via Garibaldi, in an attack against Swiss business interests.

13 September 2002- International day of solidarity with Marco, Demonstrations in Bergamo, Bologna, Florence, Genova, Naples, Triest, and Madrid.

14 September 2002- Turin, Italy - Windows of Credit Suisse broken in via Bertola.

16 September 2002- Pavia, Italy - Fire to a mobile phone antenna in solidarity with Marco and all prisoners in struggle.

December 2002- Rome, Italy - An envelope full of bullets is sent to the Swiss ambassador in Rome with the message: Free Marco, death to the Swiss State and its cops.

12 January 2003- Paris, France - During the night a few boutiques of Swiss bosses were damaged and the surrounding walls filled with writings such as 'Free Marco' 'Switzerland is destroying you, we are gonna destroy it'. The locks of Adia and Adecco (Swiss work agencies) and of Lloyd Continental were blocked with glue.

18 January 2003- Buenos Aires, Argentina - Posters claiming Marco's freedom are put on the walls of the Swiss embassy and Swiss International Air.

18 January 2003- Abetone, Pistoia - The ski lift in this ski resort in Appenines is completely destroyed by fire, causing 6 million euros of damage, sabotaging the tourist industry for the season. The claim 'Fire to the Exploiters, Free Marco'.

20 January 2003- Carrara, Italy - 3 mobile phone transmitters are destroyed by fire in solidarity with Marco.

29 January 2003- Bergamo, Italy - A RAI (Italian national TV) transmitter is set on fire.

1 February 2003 - Barcelona, Catalonia
The locks of the Zurich Insurance Company are blocked with glue and on the glass of the windows is written 'Destroy all Prisons' 'Free Camenisch' 'Stop nuclear power'.

11 February 2003 - Imperia
Fire to Omnitel transmitter. Claimed 'Free Marco'.

May 6, 2004- Sergnano (Italy)
The data transmission booth of a tower belonging to the Snam Gas corporation was set on fire.

A solidarity message for Marco Camenisch

was left at the site. The Snam company manages the Italian gas pipeline network (utilizing advanced telecommunications technology).

September 29th, 2007 Coast Salish Territory (Vancouver), British Columbia- Windows smashed out at the Royal Bank of Canada.

September 29th, 2007 Madrid, Spain
Locks of three real estate agencies were sealed in the neighborhood of Prosperidad.

Prior to this issue of Fire to the Prisons, Marco was on hunger strike to show solidarity with Jose and Gabriel, 2 anarchist political prisoners mentioned throughout this issue. This is just one of the ways Marco remains active today.

Please act in solidarity with Marco. Through writing letters to Marco reminding him he is thought of, by being inspired by Marco's utter dedication and refusal to compromise as a militant anarchist, and most importantly by keeping the movement of direct action and resistance against the current world order alive.

Unfortunately more recent statements from Marco are complicated to get, due to transient support campaigns for Marco and language barriers. The statement below is from Marco, but written in 2003 before further sentencing in Switzerland. Although 4 years have gone, the convictions expressed in his statement still are firmly rooted in his heart. Marco's strength is something to be moved by, especially during these rough times for current direct action movements.

From Marco, 2003:

"To the comrades. To the authority of repression.

On the 18th of April, 2003, I'll have served a sentence of 12 years in Italy and I'll be extradited to Switzerland to be put before various trials with accusations that could lead to life sentences.

I do not recognize any legitimacy to the repressive machine government, consequently I'll exclude any statements in front of this machine and their representatives, except perhaps spontaneously in public/before a court. I warn the government and its media, not to repeat the extorted false statements from my family. Especially from my elderly mother and from my brother, both not able to be interrogated due to health reasons, were, and through pressure and coercion unintended statements were forced out after raids conducted in response to the death of a member of the Swiss Financial Police in 1989, for which I'm charged.

Due to personal reasons like being too old, health and social responsibilities are needs, it would not be possible nor reasonable for me, to take up arms and go underground again in the name of the anti-authoritarian struggle. But I continue to revenge the necessity of a radical anti-authoritarian struggle against rule and exploitation. Rule and exploitation now sanctioned by a technological capitalism and total war against individuals, societies,

cultures, and environments of the Earth community. I remain in defense of ANOTHER NECESSARY WORLD, necessarily based on solidarity and anti-authoritarian relationships among all individuals and communities of earth both human and not."

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Some of the more consistent resources
for updates on Marco are:

www.spiritoffreedom.org.uk
www.325collective.com

The Aachen2: Igniting a Blaze of Revolutionary Solidarity



On June, 28 2004, four people were arrested in Aachen, Germany which lies at the Dutch/German border, during a routine drug traffic stop. 3 of which were active anarchists, and 2 of which were fugitives. When the police attempted to search the car, one of the 4 were forced into pulling a gun out on the officer in an attempt to continue onward away from prison. 3 of the 4 Jose Fernandez Delgado, Bart De Geeter, and Gabriel Pombo da

Silva were able to escape, while the 4th Begona Pomboda da Silva was immediately taken into police custody. Unfortunately the 3 that escaped were captured after a car chase that involved gun fire.

Gabriel is a Spanish anarchist who has spent 20 years in prison, 14 of them under the notorious FIES isolation unit, in 2003 he escaped from prison. Jose, also an anarchist, was also an underground prison escapee avoiding recapture. Bart was actively involved with the Anarchist Black Cross in Gent, Belgium. The courts could not sustain their alleged "attempted murder" charges against Jose and Gabriel, but the three men were convicted of charges related to alleged "hostage taking" when changing vehicles in their attempt to escape. Bart's charges were far less than Jose and Gabriel's, as there was no evidence to Bart being aware of the gun or actively participating in what happened. Other than the "hostage taking" charge, Jose was also convicted of bank robbery prior to his capture, and Begona was accused of receiving stolen goods. The final sentences were 14 years for Jose, 13 years for Gabriel, 3 years and 6 months for Bart, and probation for Begonia.

On January 9th of 2007 Bart was released after serving 2/3 of his sentence. The Spanish state has attempted extraditing Jose back to the country hoping to further punish him for his escape, and for him to serve the remaining 2 years of his 24 year sentence. He is trying to discourage the speedy extradition of this due to his flee being provoked by even worse prison conditions.

Jose and Gabriel remain behind bars. Their attempts of escape, and their rebellious spirits have provoked actions of attack and solidarity across the world. September 29th, 2007 was a day declared by international anarchist black cross chapters and anti-prison groups as a day of solidarity with Jose and Gabriel. Demonstrations, social events and actions in solidarity with Jose and Gabriel took place in the United Kingdom, Belgium, Germany, Spain, Canada, Uruguay and Argentina. We felt that it would be important to include a list of these actions, the solidarity extended to Jose and Gabriel are the type of gestures we hope become more prevalent in the international strengthening of our movement before the state's attempts to intimidate us.

This article is dedicated to Jose and Gabriel during this rough time. Feel for them, think of them, these actions are letters of comfort for them extending beyond any bars...

September 28th:

Uruguay: Solidarity with Jose and Gabriel

(Translated from uruguay.indymedia.org, October 2, 2007)

On the night of Friday, September 28, the locks of the Goethe institute and Iberia were sealed in Montevideo. On the side was written "solidarity with Jose and Gabriel" and a circle A.

A little gesture to greet the companions who made the call for solidarity with our imprisoned companions. ("Iberia" is the name of a Spanish airline that operates in Montevideo and a hotel in the same city. The Goethe institute is an official German cultural institution in Montevideo.)

September 28th:

Basque: Demonstration in front of the honorary German consulate in Euskal Herriak. On September 28, 2007, a demonstration was held in Bilbao (Basque country, unrecognized territory

considered part of Spain) in front of the honorary German consulate in solidarity with anarchist prisoners Gabriel Pombo da Silva and José Fernandez. Pamphlets were handed out and a group entered the consulate to demand that a fax be sent to the German ambassador in Madrid and the German Department of the Exterior.

September 29th: Belgium

On September 29, 2007, in the city of Ghent in Belgium, some 80 people demonstrated in solidarity with Jose and Gabriel.

In the city of Leuven in Belgium, statues were adorned with prison uniforms in solidarity with Jose and Gabriel.

http://ovl.indymedia.org/uploads/2007/10/img_0309.jpg

http://ovl.indymedia.org/uploads/2007/10/img_0312.jpg

In Brussels Belgium, "Death to prison and its world" and "Burn the prisons" were painted on the outside of structures such as the Palace of Justice in Brussels on September 29, 2007, in solidarity with prisoners in struggle and with Gabriel Pombo da Silva and José Fernandez.

For Pictures:

<http://www.cemab.be/uploads/2007/09/dsc00497.jpg>

<http://www.cemab.be/uploads/2007/09/dsc00516.jpg>

<http://www.cemab.be/uploads/2007/09/dsc00522.jpg>

<http://www.cemab.be/uploads/2007/09/dsc00523.jpg>

September 29th: Germany

In Germany, on September 29, about 60 to 70 people from Switzerland, the Netherlands, Belgium, France, Spain and Germany demonstrated outside the prisons of Aachen and Rheinbach where Jose and Gabriel are imprisoned. Tennis balls with messages were thrown over the walls and prisoners shouted back in approval.

For Pictures:

<http://media.de.indymedia.org/images/2007/10/195865.jpg>

<http://media.de.indymedia.org/images/2007/10/195866.jpg>

<http://media.de.indymedia.org/images/2007/10/195867.jpg>

<http://media.de.indymedia.org/images/2007/10/195868.jpg>

September 29: A demonstration in solidarity with Jose, Gabriel and anarchist prisoner Marco Camenisch, was held in Zurich, Switzerland.

Saturday 29: UK

Report from Anarchist Black Cross & 325 Benefit event in Brighton.

"On September 29th, The Havok, Terra Audio and 325 crew put on an illegal rave in an empty supermarket which they occupied for the purpose. The event was timed to coincide with the International Day of Solidarity with Gabriel Pombo Da Silva and Jose Fernandez Delgado ('Aachen 4' prisoners*) and all prisoners in struggle around the world. It was in a central part of town and had a high profile due to the many people who were able to come because it was on the high street. Over 400 people partied until after dawn and hundreds of pounds were raised for the Anarchist Black Cross prisoner support organization and 325 magazine. There were radical films shown and information distributed about the anarchist and anti-prison struggle. Havok sound system destroyed the dance floor and blew the minds of the crowd with heavy Drum & Bass, Jungle and Tek breaks.

The first venue for the event had been busted by police after they had received a tip off. This was just before the sound system arrived to the building late in the evening, and this action threatened to disrupt the party. So after being thrown out from our intended venue, another disused building was immediately broken into and turned into an autonomous space and secured from further police action. The new venue was even closer to the central consumer district and was much larger, meaning that more people could come and dance. It was the last weekend of the month, a time when many people have been paid and it was also the last weekend of the free party summer season. It was a major victory to pull off an illegal rave in the city despite a police operation to stop us.

Big thanks go to all those who made it possible and all those who came together to party in defiance of Brighton police and the council. We haven't forgotten that the Sainsburys supermarket that we squatted is the same business which pushed for the gentrification of the local area which was opposed by local people for the last 7 years and more. Shouts also go out to all those putting on and attending non-commercial, conscious events around the country despite police repression - You might stop the party but you can't stop the future!"

September 29th:

Solidarity with Gabriel, Jose and Marco in Madrid, Spain

* Translated from Spanish posting to klinamen.org, October 2, 2007 *

"This past Saturday, September 29th, the locks of three real estate agencies were sealed in the neighborhood of Prosperidad, as it is considered that these three businesses are symbols and supports of the shit of the world in which we live.

This show of solidarity was carried out with the prisoners Gabriel and Jose and Marco and the rest of the prisoners in struggle. Viva la Anarquía!"

September 29th: Anarchists Rock the Royal Bank of Canada Coast Salish Territory (Vancouver), British Columbia

"Windows of the Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) at Hastings and Nanaimo were relieved of their structural integrity by a small group of anarchists in the late evening with the help of fist-sized stones. This action was done in solidarity with anarchists Gabriel Pommo da Silva, Jose Fernandez Delgado, and Marco Camenisch, who were on hunger strike in European prisons. As well as to contribute to the actions taking place worldwide on this international day of action.

RBC was hit because it is a bank. A fundamental institution which reproduces Capital. The very system (at the service and profit of a bunch of vultures) that exploits people world-wide and destroys life in general; as it simultaneously creates spectacular events of repression. Such as the 2010 Olympics, which is conveniently sponsored by RBC. Capitalism, with its prisons and banks, like RBC, exist worldwide.

Let the road to the Olympics be littered with the wreckage we leave in their place!
Anarchists."

September 29th:

Bilbao, Spain: there was a concentration in front of the German

Consulate in Spain, 30 people gathered and passed flyers out to people. After the demonstration they did the same at a meeting where Azcuna and other political figures from Bilbao had gathered.

A group of people also entered the Consulate to ask that the Consulate mail a fax explaining why this day of mobilization was taking place and its objectives to the German ambassador in Madrid and the German Foreign Minister.

To Stay Up to Date with Jose and Gabriel:
Please Visit the Following Site
www.escapeintorebellion.info

Animal Rights Militia:



Back from the Dead

The animal rights militia was a UK based militant animal liberation group that did not agree with the Animal Liberation Front's guideline about violence against people. They broke away as an autonomous underground group, and started letter bomb campaigns in the early nineties targeting key figures and representatives of those responsible for animal suffering.

The group is a name, a name acting as a banner to animal liberation actions conducted advocating or using political violence as a tactic. Although actions since the 80s have been very sporadic and inconsistent the group claimed 2 actions this year in the UK and France.

The following two communiqués were actions claimed by the Animal Rights Militia anonymously provided to Bite Back's www.directaction.info blog.

August 28, 2007 - UK: ANIMAL RIGHTS MILITIA CLAIM TAMPERING OF NOVARTIS PRODUCTS

"Over the last 5 days over 250 tubes and bottles of Novartis's Anti-Septic product Savlon have been tampered with in the North of England in stores such as Superdrug, Boots and other well known stores. We don't want to kill living beings like Novartis but the side effects and the inevitable hospital stay will give people an idea of what Novartis pays for inside Huntingdon Life Sciences. The message is clear

and uncompromising Vasella, you must stop killing animals inside Huntingdon Life Sciences or this will only be the beginning of our campaign.
Animal Rights Militia."

August 25-27th: FRANCE ARM STRIKES AGAIN

"On August 25-27, 85 bottles of 'Solo Care, Aqua' made at Novartis were infected across France. We infected in: Vision Originale, Atol, Kryss, Optical Center and Optique Jardin. Each bottle was added hydrogen peroxide with small needle. CIBA Vision and Novartis must feel the pain of the animals they kill at HLS until they break contracts.
Animal Rights Militia"

(Both actions force both companies to remove all products from all distributors. Causing a major profit loss.)

A BRIEF RANT...

ANIMAL LIBERATION VERSE ANIMAL RIGHTS AN ARGUMENT OF SEMANTICS WORTH ARGUING

Liberation and rights, two words meaning two different things. Liberation literally means to set free one group from an external force responsible for controlling that group. A struggle that aims at liberation looks to eliminate that which is responsible for control, creating a world where freedom for the liberated becomes what is.

Rights are choices provided within a institutionalized framework of control that an external authority creates for that which it is controlling. Those aiming for the rights* of animals generally look to soften up the exploitation of them, and look to put a smiling face on the behavior of human domination, advocating nicer techniques for the practices of industrial animal agriculture, zoos, circuses, vivisection and so on. The contradiction exists in the viewing of this framework, its not that animals should have more choices determined by a human-centered order, its that such a framework needs to be rid of, for animals to experience real freedom for human domination to end.

Animal liberation movements seek the full elimination of all altars of human domination, adopting a zero-tolerance policy of its presence, and seeking tactics that reflect a struggle of no compromise before animal suffering. Unlike animal rights movements, animal liberation struggles seek unlawful means to achieve political goals and spread awareness, being aware that animal suffering is inherent of this entire modern system of industry, state, and capital, and no laws, could provide means for sincere animal liberation. Because no society of law would be without the same domination determining human rule over non-human species and the earth.

A diversity of tactics in any struggle is important, but its important to be clear with ourselves about who is who and what is what. Whether or not we will see this in our lifetimes, our compassionate dreams for the victims of anthropocentrism must be pushed to the extreme, for animal suffering is conducted to the extreme, this calling for extreme tactics, and extreme goals.



Free Range Means Nothing! Organic Means Nothing! Bigger Cages Mean Nothing! The same society for suffering cant grant liberation.

Animal liberation implies human liberation, it also implies earth liberation, domination is an interconnected set of institutions, all need to fall, not one. Total liberation calls for total destruction of that impeding its occurrence, total liberation implies a tactical refusal of all negotiation, or any acceptance of our enemies control, especially in the smallest step of our dreams and goals. Either way, people who want the lives of the entire non-human animal kingdom completely determined within a human context of controlling them, believe animals are inferior to humans. and such stupidity should not be dignified.

Set free our struggles from the pathetic and dis-empowering goal of rights!

*Not necessarily in all cases when the term rights is used by animal defense groups is it representing a liberal goal by the group. Due to the common association the term rights has with the animal defense movement, groups still aiming for liberation type goals have used the term before the media or public intending to evade confusing the public's perspective of their political intentions. Apparently in such a limiting and repressive world, liberation may be a word the public does not understand.

Act in Solidarity with Santa Cruz Forests

On November 13th in Santa Cruz, CA, about 250 people conducted a demonstration against University of California Santa Cruz's development plan. The development plan intends to destroy 120 acres of pristine forest to make space for a new campus bio-medical lab (a bio-medical lab that will be used for animal testing, and furthering the study of military, nano, and bio technology). After the original demonstration, there was a break away anarchist contingent that began to march through the streets of the UCSC campus. Earlier that morning several tree sitters set up lines and platforms in the trees. The march's intention was to go deliver food and resources to the tree sit. When they reached the tree sit, they were confronted with about 25 police, a newly constructed fence, and barricades. But within minutes, large parts of the fence were torn down, and barricades moved, as the police were forced to retreat from the area, giving opportunity for resources and food to be provided to the sit. After food was delivered, people refused to disperse, handing out the campaigns newsletter "Long Range Resistance", and giving medical aid to people who were assaulted by police. This campaign continues, and the forest and all life in it remains threatened. Act in solidarity with this campaign by defending your bio-region against similar threats.

Destroy Long Range Development.

In Santa Cruz, and Everywhere!
To find out more about this campaign visit:
<http://lrdpresistance.org>

Animal Liberation Political Prisoner Darius Fullmer of SHAC7 Released

Darius Fullmer of the SHAC7 defendants was the first to be released of the 6 on September 28th, 2007. There was a big get out jail party held for Darius held in NJ.

Below is a quote from him shortly before his release.

"Hope can not grow in the shadow of fear. Perhaps this case was meant to teach me a lesson, but what I learned is not what they intended. I learned to never fear them again. I Have seen the worst that they can do to us, afraid."

But Darius's co-defendants remain in prison. The SHAC7 are 6 activists and an organization, Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty USA Inc., that have been found guilty of multiple federal felonies for their alleged role in simply campaigning to close down the notorious animal testing lab, Huntingdon Life Sciences. 5 of the individuals are still serving 3-6 year sentences in federal prison. They are not accused of actually smashing windows, liberating animals or even attending demonstrations, rather reporting on and encouraging others to engage in legal demonstrations and supporting the ideology of direct action.

Please Visit Their Support Site Below
for Details and Updates on Their Case
www.shac7.com

2 Anti-Vivisection Activists In Need of Legal Defense Funds

Two activists from Philadelphia have been charged with acts of sabotage against HLS (Huntingdon Life Sciences) targets in New Jersey. One of the two activists, Nick Cooney, faces a mandatory minimum of 3 years if convicted. Funds are needed to provide competent legal defense. Please do what you can to help these dedicated activists avoid prison.

A full statement from Nick is below.

All paypal donations can be made to:
usababylon@hotmail.com

Money orders made out to Nick Cooney can be sent to:
720 North 38th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104

From Nick:

"In July of 2005 my friend Janice and I were arrested and charged with a variety of charges in connections with two vandalisms in New Jersey. The alleged actions were in relation to the HLS campaign. For reasons unknown to us, the case has sat for about two years but now is proceeding forward. Janice and I were indicted last week (meaning, a grand jury in NJ [not the scary kind of grand jury] found there to be enough evidence that we should be put on trial), so there will be upcoming appearance dates and court dates relatively soon. If this goes to trial and I'm found guilty of the main charge (3rd degree criminal mischief), there's a 3 year mandatory minimum for me because of my prior convictions (6 1/2 year max for all charges, for both of us). Janice's situation isn't quite as bad in that there's no mandatory minimum, but both of us are facing jail time and desperately need money for our attorneys ASAP. We need to raise about \$3,500 each for the case, and very quickly. After being released on bail back in 2005, we never set up any support websites or put out calls for assistance since the SHAC7 trial was going on and support was much needed there; and, because our case was for some reason not going forward. Now, we really are in need of help from the animal rights community to help us fight these

charges with competent counsel.

If anyone can help out in any way - organizing fundraisers, donating yourself, or letting any well-off animal rights supporters know, it would be very much appreciated.

Unfortunately, I have just found out that any donations for legal defense can NOT be made to Hugs for Puppies as this could potentially jeopardize our 501(c)3 status, so any donations would have to be made out to me personally and would not be tax-deductible. I apologize for the mistake, and it is unfortunate that this is the case. But please contact me if you are able to help! Thanks,
Nick
nick@hugsforpuppies.org

500 animals die every day inside of Huntingdon Life Sciences animal testing labs.

THAT IS 500 ANIMALS EVERY SINGLE DAY!

To learn more about one of the most efficient anti-vivisection campaigns in animal rights history please visit.

www.insidehls.com
www.closehls.com



Just A Few Solidarity Actions

Solidarity Action with Greek Anarchist Political Prisoner Giannis Dimitrakis in Argentina. The following action was submitted anonymously to the Argentinian indymedia.

"On the morning of September 22, a branch of the Arkis real estate chain (of Greek ownership), located in the Buenos Aires neighborhood of San Telmo, was painted with symbols in solidarity with Giannis Dimitrakis, an anarchist companion imprisoned by the Greek state.

Giannis Dimitrakis to the street! Down with the walls of all the prisons!"

(Solidarity actions continued...)

November 5th:

In solidarity with prison uprisings that happened throughout Greece in April and with anarchist political prisoner Giannis Dimitrakis. (info available at: indymedia.org/features.php?id=463) anarchists around Greece held solidarity protests outside 8 prisons. Namely Athens, Thessaloniki, Patra, Heraklion Crete, Larisa, Volos, Ioannina and Komotini, to show that prisoners are not alone in their struggle for better living conditions and to express their ideas against prisons as a notion and an institution. In Athens the riot police attacked the demo of 800-1.000 anarchists, which resulted in clashes and tear gas.

November 19: Thessaloniki

15 anonymous Anarchists are suspected of attacking the municipal offices of the Triandra region police headquarters, throwing rocks and misc. objects through windows, and allegedly attacking a police car parked outside. Leaflets were scattered as the demonstrators dispersed, calling for the release of two suspected anarchists currently in police custody.

Solidarity Action with Murdered Journalist Brad Will

Two days before His death's anniversary early morning on Friday, October 26th, 2 makeshift explosive devices were thrown at the Mexican consulate on 27 E. 39th St. in midtown Manhattan, NYC, shattering the front interior's windows. The action happened 2 days before the anniversary of Brad Will's death. Brad Will was a radical journalist, environmentalist, and anarchist, whom traveled the world recording people's struggles. He was murdered by state sanctioned death squads, while recording demonstrations of the Popular Assembly of the People of Oaxaca (APPD), which has been disrupting the governing forces comfort of this Mexican region for some time now. Through mass strikes, riots, occupations of buildings and media, there is a real struggle in Oaxaca, and Brad was among it.

Oaxaca's authorities tried and continue to try and blame the murder on the same demonstrators Brad was among. But all with any common sense or familiarity with the case are aware that this was a state sanctioned murder intending to eliminate Oaxaca's popular struggle from reaching foreign solidarity through courageous journalists like Brad. Brad's death provoked many demonstrations, internationally acting in solidarity with the lively memory of Brad, and the struggles still existing in Oaxaca.

Avenge Brad's Death! 2 makeshift bombs make Brad's Memory Burn On!

Act in solidarity with the people of Oaxaca. Brad's life goes beyond the grave!



(pic of Brad...)

Learn More About Brad Will.
www.friendsofbradwill.org

Oaxaca Solidarity Film and News Archive
<http://elenemigocomun.net>

En Espanol
www.asambleapopulardeoxaca.com/appo

Solidarity Action with Eco-Prisoner Jeff "Free" Luers

Communique received anonymously on Bite Back's directaction.info blog. Amsterdam (NL), August 2007:

"In the night of Sunday the 19th and on Monday the 20th, 23 cars (most sport utility vehicles) got damaged by putting building foam inside the door handle, the cars were also vandalized on the outside saying "Free Jeff". This action is in solidarity with Jeff "free" Luers, condemned by the Oregon courts. He was sent to prison for 23 years. He is a victim of the green scare and we want to support him and tell him he's not alone!"

Brief Description of Jeff Luers:

In June 2001, 23 year-old eco-activist and anarchist Jeffrey "Free" Luers was sentenced to 22 years and 8 months in federal prison for the burning of three Sport Utility Vehicles (SUV's) in Eugene, Oregon. This sentence acting as one of the first draconian-American sentences marking the dawn of the "green scare". Jeff still suffers in prison awaiting an appeal and re-sentence. Although there is hope for this re-sentence, Jeff needs crucial support at this time, please visit his site, write to Jeff, donate to his legal fee, and let him know the momentum of support for him, will not die down.

You Can Stay Up to date with Jeff by Visiting:
<http://freefreenow.org/>

You can write to Jeff at:

Jeffrey Luers # 1306729
Lane County Adult Corrections
101 West 5th Ave
Eugene, OR 97401-2695

Monster in the Media. Hero on the Streets.



Brief Background on Kevin Johnson from his Support Page:

In July 2005, Kevin's younger, Joseph "Bam Bam" Long, collapsed in his home in Meacham Park, in St. Louis County. Bam Bam's grandma ran outside to ask the police - who were already at the scene messing with Kevin's car - to help. At first they did nothing, and continued running the car's information. Eventually, though, they did make their way inside, where they divided their time between standing around with their arms folded waiting for paramedics to arrive, and searching the house for Kevin, who had a warrant for a misdemeanor charge. Kevin watched from the house next-door as police repeatedly step over his dying brother as they walked around searching the house. When Officer McEntee arrived he was asked to remove Bam Bam's hysterical mother - an act that the county prosecutor, Robert McCulloch, has tried to portray as a kind and loving act, involving the two sitting on the porch with

McEntee comforting Bam Bam's mother and holding her hand. Those at the scene recall something different: McEntee repeatedly pushing her out of the house and physically restraining her. This madness went on for close to twenty minutes and was ended on by the loading of Bam Bam into the ambulance. Most of the family followed the ambulance to hospital, but before Bam Bam and Kevin's grandma could leave she was approached by Officers McEntee and Nelson who asked about Kevin. While talking to her, McEntee glanced next door at the window Kevin was in. When their eyes met McEntee smiled at him. He nudged Nelson, pointed to the window and they both smiled and then left. After a half hour, Kevin's grandma returned with the sad news. When Kevin found out Bam Bam was dead, he was furious: he kicked his bedroom door off its hinges. He tried calming down some and decided to take a walk to try and cool down more, to try and sort through the overwhelming and confusing feelings he had. At some point, Kevin encountered a Kirkwood police car. Kevin tried walking by without provoking a scene, but did glance over at the car. Sitting inside was Officer William McEntee, once again smiling at Kevin. This is where Kevin lost it. He turned to the car, pulled out his gun and unloaded seven rounds into McEntee's car. "This's what you get! This's for Bam Bam!" he yelled as he pulled the trigger. McEntee put the car in gear and accelerated up the street, while Kevin took off running. At the intersection at the base of the street, he encountered a large crowd of people that his mother was in. She asked him what he'd done and what was going to happen to Kevin's two-year old daughter, Cori. Kevin took off in a dead sprint to see Cori one last time. He ran down a path between two houses that would let him out right next to his daughter's house. But when Kevin exited the gangway, he didn't see the usual look of the front yards. Instead he stumbled upon the scene of McEntee struggling to get away from his crashed car. Kevin lost it again and shot McEntee once more.

Since that day in 2005, Kevin has had two trials for the murder of McEntee. The first was in March and ended in a hung jury: 10 for Murder in the Second Degree, 2 for Murder in the First. An account of the first and second trial are available in the blog section of Kevin's support myspace, which can be visited at:

www.myspace.com/freekevinjohnson.

The State is the real heartless killer. The State is one with premeditation. The State is the ever-present hitman. The State is the one continually and repeatedly killing people. The State is the mass murderer. The State is the real killer.

The least we can do is see how Kevin is doing from time to time by writing him and by attending his appeals proceedings - letting him know he's not alone and showing the court that Kevin is part of a community and not a menace to everyone. The most we can do is make it as difficult as possible for the State to function: Its taken one of the rabble and we're gonna fight like hell to get him back.

Fire to the Prisons.

Free Kevin Johnson.



Kevin Johnson is a name less prevalent in the anarchist community. That's because Kevin Johnson was never a self-proclaimed anarchist, or activist of any sorts. But he was one of the frustrated. One of the ones tired of the everyday life tragedy that is the modern world. Kevin is currently facing the death penalty for a crime of passion which ended up with the death of a St. Louis police officer. The same police officer that was the smiling representation of his brother's death, the same police officer that represents the state sanctioning the same prison his father was sent to when he was 4. Kevin may have not been motivated by a political sub-culture or a radical book, but the feelings of passion that motivated Kevin are feelings any enemy of the current order would be sympathetic to. They were feelings of an instinctual frustration, and the "murdered" officer William McEntee was the target of this frustration. Trial started on November 5th and lasted until November 10th. The prosecution throughout this time was advocating murder 1 and the death penalty, while Kevin's defense was hoping for murder 2, placing faith in the shooting being a crime of passion, where Kevin had no sense of control due to the extreme emotional distress brought out from Kevin's brother Bam Bam's death. On day 5 though the jury convicted Kevin of the death penalty. This news is heartbreaking. The official sentencing is, as of now, set for January 4 2008. Kevin and his family would appreciate any support before and at that time. Kevin's mailing address is listed below, all mail needs a return address and it is good to put his name and address on any letters you send as well as the envelope. Kevin has requested mystery or horror-themed books, books that take place in urban settings, and books by black authors. He can only receive three books at a time and they must be sent from a publisher or a book store.

"I dream a lot when I read books,
they take me places." --KJ

Mailing Address:

Kevin Johnson (98460)
PO BOX 16060
Clayton, MO 63105

In Solidarity with Kevin,

and for the Murder of the Muderous State.

DEATH TO THE HERO!



For An Inspiring Memory of Renzo Novatore

We've included texts from the author Renzo Novatore's "Toward the Creative Nothing" piece, whose words never waited to be materialized. His writing and life acted both as an inspiration to the Fire to the Prisons collective. Unfortunately it is complicated to find that much information on Renzo, not surprising due to the time period and his complete refusal to participate in the same system that determines what makes history. But this man Renzo Novatore or Abele Rizieri Ferrari is an inspiration for what he felt and what he did. Solidarity extends beyond all walls, borders, bars, and graves. It exists in our ability to keep struggle fertile, in our actions, and in the remembrance of those who have acted before.

Who was Renzo Novatore?

Renzo Novatore is the pen-name of Abele Rizieri Ferrari who was born in Arcola, Italy (a village of La Spezia) on May 12, 1890 to a poor peasant family. Unwilling to adapt to scholastic discipline, he only attended a few months of the first grade of grammar school and then left school forever. Though his father forced him to work on the farm, his strong will and thirst for knowledge led him to become a self-taught poet and philosopher. Exploring these matters outside the limits imposed by the educational system, he began reading Stirner, Nietzsche, Wilde,

Ibsen, Baudelaire, Schopenhauer and many others with a critical mind and at an early age. From 1908 on, he considered himself an anarchist. In 1910, he was charged with the burning of a local church and spent three months in prison.

A year later, he went underground for several months because the police wanted him for theft and robbery. On September 30, 1911, the police arrested him for vandalism. In 1914, he began to write for anarchist papers throughout Italy. He was drafted during the first World War. He deserted his regiment on April 26, 1918 and was sentenced to death by a military tribunal for desertion and high treason on October 31. He left his village and went underground again, propagating the armed uprising against the state. On June 30, 1919, a farmer ratted him out to the police after an uprising in La Spezia. He was sentenced to ten years in prison, but was released in a general amnesty a few months later. He regained his relationship with the anarchist movement and took part in various insurrectionary endeavors. In 1920, the police arrested him again for an armed assault on an arms depository at the naval barracks in Val di Fornola. Several months later, he was free, and participated in another insurrectionary endeavor that failed because of a snitch. In the summer of 1922, three trucks full of fascists stopped in front of his home, where he lived with his wife and two sons. The fascists surrounded the house, but Novatore used grenades against them and was able to escape. He went underground one more time.

On November 29, 1922, Novatore and his comrade, Sante Pollastro, went into a tavern in Teglia. Three carabinieri (Italian military police) followed them inside. When the two anarchists tried to leave, the carabinieri began shooting. The warrant officer killed Novatore, but was then killed by Pollastro. One carabinieri ran away, and the last begged Pollastro for mercy. The anarchist escaped without shooting him, unfortunately Renzo did not. Renzo Novatore wrote for many anarchist papers (Cronaca Libertaria, Il Libertario, Iconoclasta!, Gli Scamicciati, Nichilismo, Pagine Libere) where he debated with other anarchists (among them Camillo Berneri). He published a magazine, Vertice, that has unfortunately been lost. In 1924, an individualist anarchist group published two pamphlets of his writings: *Al Disopra dell'Arco* and *Verso il Nulla Creatore*.

"TOWARD THE CREATIVE NOTHING"

(Selections...)

The war against the human individual was begun by Christ in the name of god, was developed by democracy in the name of society and threatens to complete itself in socialism in the name of humanity.

If we do not know in time how to destroy these three absurd as well as dangerous phantoms, the individual will be inexorably lost. It is necessary that the revolt of the "I" expands itself, broadens itself, generalizes itself! We the forerunners of the time have already

lit the beacons!

We have lit the torches of thought. We have brandished the ax of action. And we have smashed. And we have unhinged.

But our individual "crimes" must be the fatal announcement of a great social storm. The great and dreadful storm that will smash all the structures of the conventional lies, that will unhinge the walls of all hypocrisy, that will reduce the old world to a heap of ruins and smoking rubble!

Because it is from these ruins of god, of society, of family and of Humanity that the new human mind could be born flourishing and festive, that new human mind which on the rubble of all the past will sing the birth of the liberated man: the free and great "I".



Only the great vagabonds of the idea can and must be the luminous spiritual fulcrum of the tempestuous revolution, which advances in gloom upon the world.

Blood requires blood. That is ancient history!

It can turn back no more. To attempt to turn back as socialism does would be a useless and vain crime. We must leap into the abyss.

We must answer the voice of the dead.

Of those dead who have fallen with immense stars of gold in their pupils. It is necessary to cultivate the soil. To free the blood from underground. Because it wants to rise to the stars. It wants to burn its good sisters, luminous and distant, who have seen them die. The dead, our dead, speak:

"We have died with stars in our eyes.

We have died with rays of the sun in our pupils.

We have died with hearts swollen with dreams.

We have died with the song of the most beautiful hope in our mind. We have died with the fire of an idea in our brain. We have died"

How sad death must be as the others died, not ours, without all this in the brain, in the mind, in the heart, in the eyes, in the pupils! Oh dead, oh dead! Oh our dead!

Oh luminous torches! Oh burning beacons! Oh crackling pyres! Oh dead. Here it is, we are at twilight.

The tragic celebration of the great social dusk draws near. Our great mind already opens toward the great subterranean light, oh dead! Because we too have the stars in our eyes, the sun in our pupils, the dream in our heart, the song of hope in our mind and, in our brain, an idea.

Yes, we too, we too!

Oh dead, oh dead! Oh our dead! Oh torches! Oh beacons! Oh pyres!

We have heard you speak in the solemn silence of our deep nights.

You said:

"We wanted to ascend in the sky of the free sun We wanted to ascend in the sky of the free life We wanted to ascend up there where once the penetrating eyes of the "heathen" poet gazed:

Where the great thoughts arise and stand as inviolable oaks among the people; where beauty descends, invoked by the pure poets, and stands serene among the people; where love creates life and breathes joy! Up above where life exults and expands in full harmony of splendor And for this, for this dream we struggled, for this great dream we died And our struggle was called crime. But our crime' must only be considered as titanic valor, as an indispensable effort for liberation. Because we are the enemies of all material domination and all spiritual leveling. Because, beyond all slavery and every dogma, we saw life dance, free and naked. And our death must teach you the beauty of the heroic life!"

Oh dead, oh dead! Oh our dead!

We have heard your voice. We have heard it speak this way in the solemn silence of our deep nights.

Deep, deep, deep!

Because we are sensitives.

Our heart is a torch, our mind is a beacon, our brain is a pyre! We are the soul of life! We are the pre-dawn ones who drink the dew from the chalice of flowers. But the flowers have glowing roots attached in the darkness of the earth. In that earth which has drunk your blood.

Oh dead! Oh our dead!

This, your blood that cries, that roars, that wants to be freed from its prison to hurl itself toward the sky and conquer the stars! Those, your remote and luminous sisters who have seen you die.

And we the vagabonds of the spirit, the solitaries of the idea, want our mind, free and great, to open its wings wide in the sun.

We want to celebrate the social dusk in this twilight of bourgeois society so that the final black night is made vermilion with blood.

Because the children of the dawn must be born of blood. Because the monsters of the darkness must be killed by dawn. Because the new individual ideas must be born through social tragedies.

Because the new people must be forged in the fire!

And only from tragedy, from fire and from blood will the true, the profound free individual of humanity and of thought be born.

The true child of the earth and the sun.

The anarchist must be born of the smoking ruins of revolution and enliven the children of the new dawn. Because the anarchist is the one who comes from the abyss rise beyond every boundary. He is the strong-willed enemy of crystallization, of pre-establishment, of conservation!

He is the one who will drive the human race through mysterious cavern of the unknown to the perennial unveiling of new sources of life and of thought.

And we the free spirits, the atheists of solitude, the "demons", the desert without witness have ourselves already pushed ourselves toward the most extreme peaks.

Because with us everything must be pushed to its maximum consequences.

Even Hatred. Even violence. Even crime! Because Hatred gives strength.

Violence unhinges. Crime renews. Passionate revenge creates.

And we want to unhinge, to renew, to create!

Because everything that is dwarfed vulgarity must be overcome.

Because all that lives must be great.

Because all that is great belongs to beauty! And life must be beautiful!

And finally, because we are tired of our human carcasses incapable of peace and of war. Inferior to hatred and to love.

We are tired and disgusted.

Yes, quite tired: quite disgusted!

And then that voice of the dead. Of our dead!

The voice of the blood that cries from underground! Of the blood that wants to free itself from its prison to hurl itself toward the sky and conquer the stars! Those stars that blessing them sparkled in their pupils at in the final moment of death, transforming their dreamy eyes into vast discs of gold.

Because the eyes of the dead, of our dead are discs of gold. They are luminous meteors that wander the infinite to point out the way to us.

The way without end that is the pathway to eternity.

The eyes of our dead tell us the "why" of life, showing us the secret fire that burns in our mystery. In that our secret mystery that nobody has sung up to now. But today the twilight is red.

The sunset is covered with blood.

We are close to the tragic celebration of the great social dusk. Already, on the bells of history, time has struck the first predawn strokes of a new day.

Enough, enough, enough! It is the hour of the social tragedy! We will destroy laughing. We will set fires laughing. We will kill laughing. We will expropriate laughing. And society will fall. The fatherland will fall.

The family will fall. All will fall after the free man is born. The one is born who has learned the Dionysian art of joy and laughter through tears and sorrow.

The hour has come to drown the enemy in blood.

The hour has come to wash our minds in blood.

Enough, enough, enough!

As the poet transforms his lyre into a dagger! As the philosopher transforms his probe into a bomb! As the fisherman transforms his oar into a formidable ax.

As the miner comes up from the unbearable caves of the dark mines armed with his shining iron.

As the farmer transforms her fruitful spade into a war lance. As the laborer transforms her hammer into a scythe and cleaver. And forward, forward, forward. It is time, it is time it is time! And society will fall. The fatherland will fall. The family will fall. All will fall after the Free Man is born. Forward, forward, forward, oh joyful destroyers.

Beneath the black edge of death we will conquer Life! Laughing! And we will make it our slave! Laughing! And we will love it laughing! Since the only serious people are those who know how to be actively engaged laughing. And our hatred laughs. Red laughter. Forward! Forward, for the destruction of the lie and of the phantoms! Forward, for the complete conquest of individuality and of Life!



Change has a lot of faces:

Not All Are Pretty

A
Brief
Examination
of Crisis
by the
Do or Die
Collective



The following article is taken from the pamphlet *Down with the Empire, Up with the Spring!* It was originally part of a now defunct annual book called *Do or Die*. The article was written in the last issue of *Do or Die* in 2003. It was directed to a British audience, but can apply to all international struggles. Humanity is walking the thin ice between stability and collapse, as it continues to advance and progress as an industrial civilization. The article talks about the possibilities such a collapse could pose, and exposes some of the realities of insurrection and general crisis all liberation struggles may face. The 5 numbers appearing through the text are links to further descriptions of words or statements used. The links appear at the end of the article.

“Down with the Empire, Up with the Spring!
can be viewed online at:
www.anti-politics/distro

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Preparing for Crisis

We must have the ability to defend ourselves, survive, and exploit crises in society including capitalist attempts to destroy us. The divided and industrial nature of today’s society has already determined the instability of tomorrow.

“It is difficult for the British with their tradition of stability to imagine disorders arising beyond the powers of the police to handle, but already there are indications that such a situation could arise, and this at a time of apparently unrivalled affluence.

If a genuine and serious grievance arose, such as might result from a significant drop in the standard of living, all those who now dissipate their protest over a wide variety of causes might concentrate their efforts and produce a situation which was beyond the power of the police to handle. Should this happen the army would be required to restore the position rapidly. Fumbling at this juncture might have grave consequences even to the extent of undermining confidence in the whole system of government.”

- General Sir Frank Kitson , ex-Commander-in-Chief of UK Land Forces.

“Imagine having no running water to drink. Chemicals contaminate the pipes leading to your sink. Just think, if the grocery stores close their doors, and they saturate the streets with tanks and start martial law. Would you be ready for civil war?”
- dead prez.

The Living Earth in Crisis

The crisis we’ve known are likely to look pretty minor compared to what’s on the horizon. Climate change and biological meltdown are already kicking off serious crisis, killing hundreds of thousands and the ride hasn’t even got going yet. The extremes of ecological instability are most visible at the ecological extremes - the Tropical, Arctic and Antarctic zones. However the evolving global crisis WILL reach us in the Temperate zone. Things are gonna go a bit fucking weird. There is no way out of it; the ecological effects of yesterday’s industry have already decided the ecological instability of tomorrow.

If the climate and life support systems of the earth destabilize, you can guarantee that society will also.

The Megamachine in Crisis

Economic crisis, though connected to crisis arising from class struggle and ecological destabilization, are capable of creating chaos in their own right. In the last five years of the twentieth century a wave of economic crisis crashed whole economies; Albania, Russia, the Asian Tiger countries. In a globalized system the collapse of one economy can create a domino effect. For those assimilated into these fragile economies living standards get worse. Many people simply cannot afford to let things continue as they are. The Indonesian uprising which ousted Suharto and the 1997 insurrection in Albania[2] show what happens to regimes when their economies collapse. So, unfortunately, does the depression era rise of the Nazis.

Thanks to heavy economic manoeuvring West European societies have not experienced the destabilization that has swept East Asia and the Second World in the last decade. Their economies are inherently less robust than those of the core capitalist countries, but that does not mean that the core capitalist countries are ‘untouchable’. Listen hard - you can hear the crash before the impact.

The Flesh in Crisis

The mass nature of industrialism - a society evolved to consolidate oppressor order - itself produces mass ‘personal’

disorders in the oppressed. Incremental changes in mental and physical health can seem trivial until a threshold is reached. Under certain circumstances these personal disorders can seriously re-order civilization [3].

With herd medicine and transport systems turning humanity ever more into a mono-culture, we can expect future epidemics to reap an unparalleled harvest of heads. In the mean time a divided society will continue to create divisions, not just between people but within people. Despite the glossy charade, such a fractured society is always on the edge of implosion. As in the past, it is just a matter of time and chance how soon it will be before the personal becomes political in a cataclysmic fashion.



(Picture from most recent riots in the suburbs of Paris...)

Crisis Breeds Change

For all the reasons stated above it is highly likely that modern society will be hit by serious crisis within our lifetime. Any movement that does not take this into consideration is unlikely to survive. Crisis by their very nature contain truckloads of both danger and possibility. Crisis are moments of the extreme and when the shit hits the fan people look for extreme solutions.

Times of sudden revolutionary possibility often arise out of war, chaos and social collapse. The period after both world wars saw massive revolutionary waves. The First World War brought us the Russian revolution as well as workers and peasant uprisings across much of Europe. The Second World War seriously damaged much of the social fabric of empire leading the way to insurgencies across the Third World. In turn the horror of the Vietnam War opened up fault lines across American society.

While insurrections have often arisen out of crisis, crisis may not be fertile ground for harmonious social revolution. Though people look for extreme solutions, there are no 'pre-ordained' reasons why they will turn to anarchist ideas rather than authoritarian ones. In fact libertarian tendencies in the people are likely to be heavily curtailed when confronted with the inter-webbed complexity of industrial society, peoples alienation from their own food and the scale of modern warfare.

Hope for the Best - Prepare For the Worst

Once again this is where I depart from what I've earlier called the 'It'll be all right on the night' tendency. Two factors that are likely to in part decide what happens in a crisis are:

1) How well known are anti-authoritarian ideas?

In crisis peoples perception of the possible widens. Ideas, which under normal circumstances are rejected out of hand, in moments of crisis can be judged and seen to be sensible. However, they can only be judged if they have been put forward in the past. Thus anti-authoritarian educational work to the non-aligned[4] majority today, can influence decisions over aims and forms of organization they make in crisis tomorrow.

2) How experienced and organized libertarian groups are.

In any crisis in British society today the main course of events will primarily be determined by the elite and the previously non-aligned. However, history has shown that relatively small groups can have a decisive effect in moments of crisis. Spain in the 1920s and 1936, Northern Ireland, the Ukraine in 1919 and the French resistance provide some examples.

I am not advocating organizing an armed vanguard force to lead the people to revolution in times of crisis. I'll leave these ridiculous notions to the Leninists. I am saying that as groups which understand what might be coming and have the ability in part to affect it, we may intervene in times of crisis. It's our role as anarchists to stop authoritarian organizations - right wing or left wing - gaining ground in times of crisis. Or at least attempt to do so.

If a group is to have any effect it must:

1. Have an intimate knowledge of its local area.
2. Have a range of basic skills and resources available from those needed for fighting to medicine, printing and the use of communication equipment.
3. Consist of members who through previous struggle have pushed back their fear barriers and extended their creative operational vision of the possible.
4. Have an understanding of what actions authoritarian organizations are likely to carry out in moments of crisis.
5. Have a number of members entirely unknown to the state as 'subversives'.

Visualize Industrial Collapse!

The above sub-header is an often used North American radical environmental slogan. Ecologically this civilization (unfortunately probably not civilization itself) is doomed - maybe not today, maybe not tomorrow but within the lifetime of our children's children, our children or possibly even ourselves. We should not mourn for the death of this tyrannical, earth destroying culture but we should prepare for its end.

For the second time in this pamphlet I'm emphasizing the need - in times of crisis, in times of stability - **TO KNOW HOW TO FEED YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS AND COMRADES!** We will not always be able to rely on the destruction and imperialism of industrial agribusiness to feed us like babies; nor should we!

George Bradford of the American anarchist magazine *Fifth Estate* is instructive in his essay 'We All Live In Bhopal'. In the aftermath of the 1984 chemical explosion in Bhopal in India (which killed, and continues to kill, thousands), the population fled:

"The New York Times quoted one man, who said, 'They are not believing the scientists or the state or anybody. They only want to save their lives... All the public has gone to the village.' the reporter explained that 'going to the village' is what Indians do when trouble comes. A wise and age old strategy for survival by which little communities always renewed themselves when bronze, iron and golden empires with clay feet fell to their ruin. But subsistence has been and is everywhere being destroyed, and with it, culture. What are we to do when there is no village to go to?..."

"The corporate vampires are guilty of greed, plunder, murder, slavery, extermination and devastation. We should avoid any pangs of sentimentalism when the time comes for them to pay for their crimes against humanity and the natural world. But we will have to go beyond them, to ourselves: subsistence... We must find our way back to the village, or as the North American natives said, 'back to the blanket', and we must do this not by trying to save an industrial civilization that is doomed, but in the renewal of life which must take place in the ruin."

Until recently people were adept at subsistence even in Britain - birth place of industry. For most people it is only a few generations that separate their fingers from the soil. One does not need to go back to the times of the peasantry to see this connection. On an allotment site anywhere in Britain you'll find elderly working class people who know both the satisfaction and the personal and political reasons for growing.



Subsistence skills can be learnt by us all, and passed on to our children. Non-industrial medicine must also be strengthened. In preparing for 'collapse' we also build our autonomy and reconnect with living systems. There are few things more satisfying, and sensible, than sitting down to eat a meal grown by the combined powers of nature and one's own hands. Let us rebuild the generational connection with the land now. And as Bradford says, "Let us do so soon before we are crushed."

Counter-Revolution? - We should be so lucky

In this section I have been talking about how we should prepare for a number of types of crisis. I have not mentioned counter revolution which I have largely dealt with in Task I: Growing Counter-Cultures. To many it may seem strange that I have separated 'preparing for crisis' and 'preparing for counter-revolution' - surely a type of crisis?

My answer is that in this section I have been talking about what preparation our existing movement can make in anticipation of crisis that are likely to be coming. On the other hand, discussions of counter-revolution presume a revolution worth countering - a class movement of vast scale. I have argued that in Western Europe only a significant working class counter-culture can seriously threaten the elite. That does not exist in Britain and no doubt is unlikely to in the immediate to medium term - if at all. In other words, preparations to defeat counter revolution could only be made by a movement as yet not in existence in anticipation of crisis that without its existence are unlikely to come.

As I argued earlier in Task 1, only a combination of military disaffection and an armed people has any hope of successfully defeating a counter-revolution - 'winning' a civil war. I also argued that rebellions such as France in '68 will remain only temporary when they are not products of past struggles and a strong counter-culture that can not only propel a vision of the future but field considerable armed class strength.

Task Conclusion: Don't Call Up Blood

It is worth here underlining the point that we should not look forward to these moments of cataclysm with relish. Anarchist history is brim-full with stories of social crisis leading to uprisings which have in turn lead to the extermination of libertarians.

All power mongers are our foes and as a result anarchists have a tendency to get it in the neck. While harmony can be born of crisis, the child is more often horror.

However, an understanding that crisis are likely in our lifetime shows that being in a sorted counter-culture rooted in the land yet with an ability to act in conflict is in our own interest.

Radical groupings are essentially gangs and gangs are what you need to survive and prosper in times of crisis.



Foot Notes:



1) The 1970s crisis and the secret state destabilization of a succession of Labor governments is a rarely mentioned but extremely important part of recent British history: "A substantial section of the British Secret state and its allies in the Conservative party, business and the media believed, or found it useful to pretend to believe - the distinction is difficult to make - that British democracy, the state, and even the capitalist system itself was under threat from a resurgent left, spearhead by the trade unions and manipulated by the British Communist Party under instruction from Moscow..." - from *Lobster Magazine* No. 34, p.32.

Radical Right militias led by intelligence and military men were formed. Newspapers openly discussed the right circumstances for Army intervention in Britain while M15 orchestrated black propaganda against the Labour Cabinet and trade union leaders. Joint military and police operations were carried out at Heathrow Airport without government sanction. Plans were advanced to install an unelected government of 'National Unity' lead by Lord Mountbatten. No unsubstantiated conspiracy theory, this was first exposed in an autobiography by an ex-Daily Mirror executive who was actually at a meeting with some of the conspirators and a long time M15 agent. Similar manoeuvres within the military continued through to the mid '70s. The parapolitical background to the '70s crisis is essential to any understanding of the death of the post-war consensus and the triumph of the Thatcherite radical right. It's amazing to realize how near to the brink Britain really was! See *Who Framed Colin Wallace?* by Paul Foot, (Macmillan, 1988) and, *Smear: Wilson and the Secret State* by Stephen Dorill and Robin Ramsay, (Fourth Estate). These are still the best and most fully documented accounts of the Wilson plot.

2) After the collapse of the state-backed pyramid scheme much of the Albanian population were left destitute. As a result in 1997, "Albania experienced one of the most profound proletarian revolutions of the Twentieth Century. Virtually the entire armed forces mutinied whilst workers formed revolutionary councils and seized 80% of the country... the Albanian Government was not going to extinguish the Albanian revolution because there was no longer a government. The revolution had extinguished the Albanian state. The world's investors began to panic. It took the armies of ten countries to crush the Albanian revolution and it was a close call..." 'Kissing goodbye to their Koreas', *Black Flag* No. 213, p.22.

3) Blatantly crazy millenarian revolts and the pro-peasant social reorganization following the Black Death, are examples of the positive effects of past social ruptures, themselves arising from mass explosions of personal physical and mental health problems. On a similar but more depressing note we can look at the global rise of the West, enabled in large part by the mass deaths that Western disease brought to indigenous peoples.

4) I'm talking here about crisis as opposed to counter-revolutions. Counter-revolutions are essentially attempts by elites to counter and destroy the self-organization of peasants and the working class - Roll back revolution. While counter-revolutions by their nature presume the existence of large movements of the politically aligned, crisis can break out when the majority of people are 'non-aligned'. I do NOT use the phrase non-aligned to mean apathetic. Most people today in Britain would not align themselves to any group of 'politicos' for a whole host of very sensible reasons.

5) Here I am talking about those who really lived inside the activist cultures of squatting, animal liberation, ecological direct action etc. In fact the sum total of all those involved peripherally over this period would probably run to over 100,000. Anyone who doubts this should note that despite most people who went to anti-road protests not being arrested there were 1,000+ arrests at Newbury alone! Similarly J18 was just below 10,000, while smaller RTSs have happened all over Britain. In the same period every weekend 'in the season' dozens of hunt sabotage groups were out in the field. At the turn of the '90s heyday of travelling tens of thousands were on the road at any given time. A high proportion of all those people would see themselves as anarchists.

Uprising in Russian Youth Prison: Resulting in 2 Murdered Youth Prisoners, and 1 Dead Guard



On Tuesday October 23rd, three people were killed and 13 injured after a revolt at a Russian youth detention center, according to Russia's Interfax news. Two youth prisoners were killed during an attempted prison break late on Tuesday in Kirovgrad in the Sverdlovsk region of the Ural mountains. A prison guard also died in the hospital from injuries sustained during the fighting, the Russian news claimed the following day. The guards fired directly at prisoners after coming under attack in the wake of an escape attempt, Eduard Petrukhin, deputy director of the federal prison service said. Other youth prisoners joined the uprising after, setting several buildings on fire and breaking windows. According to Eduard Petrukhin, eventually 250 people, nearly half the youth prison's inmates, took part in the uprising.

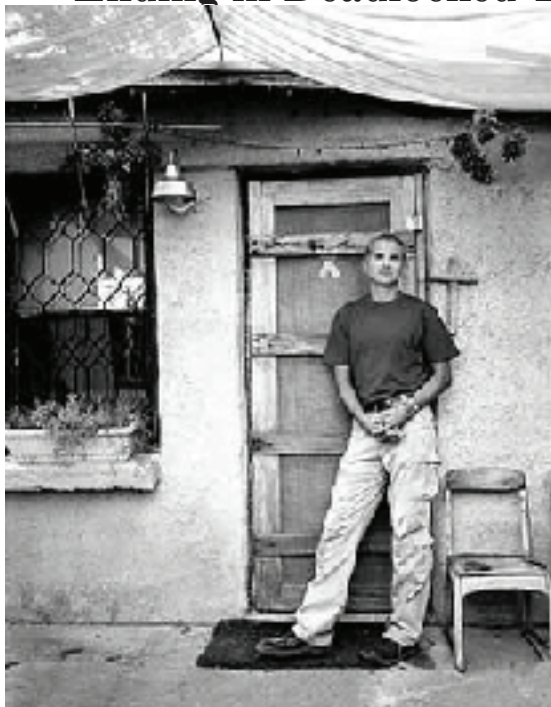
Earlier on Wednesday, the RIA-Novosti news agency quoted Yelena Tishchenko, a regional prison service spokeswoman, as saying that one prisoner was killed when a guard fired at inmates trying to break through the fence. The uprising lasted for approximately four hours but was subdued on Wednesday morning. Eduard Rossel, governor of the Sverdlovsk region, said riot police had prevented dangerous prisoners from escaping. Twenty prisoners escaped during the rioting, but were later tracked down, according to television reports. Alexander Savenkov, Russia's deputy justice minister, said the escape attempt had probably been planned in advance since it occurred when women were guarding the compound. An 18-year-old inmate had led the distur-

(Russian youth prison riot article continued....)

bance since he was due to be transferred from his current facility for adolescents to another populated by adults. Alison Gill, of the Moscow office of Human Rights Watch, said that poor sanitation and overcrowding were problems in Russian prisons. "The key problem with youth facilities is lack of access to education opportunities and other rehabilitation opportunities," she said. Gill said that there was no regular system of prison inspection in Russia which would limit the ill-treatment of prison inmates. "In Russia, there is no prison spokes- person for youths who are institutionalized or contained," she said. "There is not a good complaint system and there is not a system of random inspections for youth facilities." Lev Ponomorev, head of a Russian human rights group, said the conditions in Russian youth detention centres had deteriorated. "The situation in these prisons is getting worse and we think this is a national problem," Ponomorev said. "There are about 40 prisons in Russia where human rights are abused with impunity. The officials settle every issue with violence."

WITH LESS THEN 18 YEARS OF LIFE, THESE YOUTH CHOSE LIFE OVER CAPTIVITY. WE HOPE THE TWO MURDERED SOULS R.I.P., AND LIVE ON THROUGH THE UPMOST HATRED WE FEEL FOR AUTHORITY AND ITS PRISON CAGES. IN SOLIDARITY WITH ALL MURDERED BY PRISONS. IN SOLIDARITY WITH ALL COURAGEOUS AND LIFE-LOVING ENOUGH TO TRY AND ESCAPE THEM!

Rod Coronado Speech Case: Ending in Deadlocked Trial



Rod Coronado is of Pasqua Yaqui heritage and lives in Tucson, Arizona. He has been a committed animal liberationist, eco-warrior, and indigenous anarchist activist for over the last 15 years. Author of *Flaming Arrows* and the *Strong Heart Zine Series*, he is been one of the more inspiring voices of his time. Rod was arrested in 1995 in connection with an arson attack on animal-research facilities at Michigan State University. The action caused \$125,000 worth of damage and destroyed 32 years of research data. It was part of the Animal Liberation Front's "Operation Bite Back," a series of attacks on animal-testing and fur facilities in the United States during the 1990s. For the MSU action he was sentenced to 57 months in Federal Prison. Since his release he has remained active as a voice of the earth, and all life that remain true and native to it. He has also been victim to years of harassment and surveillance conducted by the state against him (misc. raids, hunt saboteur accusations, and bomb-instructing accusations being 2 examples).

The article below was released by his support team. Although this update is a few months old, the conclusion to his most recent case (that being alleged bomb-instructing with a potential 25 year sentence, during a San Diego speech describing actions he was previously penalized for) remains the same.

From: info@supportrod.org

"As you may know, there was a status hearing held yesterday, Friday, September 28, to determine courses of action, if any, following the mistrial declared on September 19. On that day, the jury informed the judge in the case, Judge Jeffrey Miller that they were hopelessly deadlocked, and could not reach unanimity on a verdict. We later learned from the jurors that their votes were leaning in favor of acquittal. It was hoped the government would then see that this was a case they could not win, and walk away from it. Unfortunately, the government prosecutors have not yet decided to drop their pursuit of the charges despite the jury's majority vote to acquit, and despite the fact that essential parts of their case unravelled in the September trial They expressed they intend to pursue another trial pending lack of settlement agreements, but there is no certainty yet when or how or even if that will happen. Another status conference on the case will be held November 5 in San Diego."

Below is a quote taken from an interview with Rod, called *Fire with Fire* by Claudette Vaughan,

The full interview can be viewed at:

http://www.abolitionist-online.com/interview_rod.coronado.shtml.

"My views have changed only in the sense than I have even less faith in our governments than ever before. The results are in and the worlds' governments have voted resoundingly for continuing their war on the natural world. There's no more time to work within the system. That strategy has been tried over 30 years now and we need to know when its time to try a different approach. For me, it is no longer about milestones or "movement victories", it's about making every day an act of

(Rod quote and article continued...)

uncompromising resistance in our daily lives. It's about having faith in the power on our side, the earth, and recognizing that we can never lose if we stand true to her and those countless nations of beings allegiant to her. I don't care if I die tomorrow, I only care that people know that I stand on the side of the trees and animals in my moment of judgment, not on the side of the Invader. To those who know in their hearts what they must do to honor their beliefs, but yet are afraid, I can only say that what the earth, animal people and our ancestors have to offer when we remember them as our brothers and sisters is the only weapon we need against anything the Invader can throw at us. No bullet or prison cell can ever stop this sacred resistance. And if you still can't summon up the courage to act, then for the earth's sake, find those that can and support them wholeheartedly."

Flaming arrows is a book that was compiled and originally printed by the Institute for Experimental Freedom out of North Carolina, and re-printed by Eberhardt Press. It was made as a financial benefit for Rod's legal defense. Flaming arrows is an anthology of texts written by Rod, truly catching the inherent inspiration of his vital voice. You can purchase flaming arrows at the link listed below:



To Order: <http://flamingarrows.mountainrebel.net/>

Donations to Rod can be made via paypal to:
info@supportrod.org

"We use fire to cleanse ourselves, and when we address buildings and institutions that have no other purpose but to destroy life, fire is the only way to stop them. When people ask if someday someone might get hurt by one of our actions, I ask them why they don't get so concerned about the people who are killing animals for a living. That is what the terrorism in this society is. Destroying property to protect life is the most sacred thing we can do."

-Rod Coronado

WHATS UP WITH ERIC MCDAVID?



A RE-CAP OF THE LAST FEW MONTHS...

Since the last fire to the prisons, Eric McDavid, one of the more notorious "green scare" defendants, facing up to 20 years for a conspiracy charge, has been through a lot. Trial began since last issue, revealing the depths the F. B. I. is willing to go to assault and disrupt any comfort anarchists in North America may have as a community. Also revealing the true sides of Eric's ex-co-defendants, Zachery Jensen and Lauren Weiner, hopefully eliminating any sympathy from any remaining snitch apologists. Eric's support campaign has done a great job keeping people up to date with Eric's case, and making sure he does not feel alone at this very troubling time in his case and life. Its hard to be up to date because things are constantly changing and popping up, as with any Political Prisoner case. But below is a re-cap of things that have happened since the last issue of fire to the prisons. Eric although convicted, he was originally supposed to be sentenced on December 6th, but Eric's defense is desperately trying to call for a re-trial due to warped evidence and contradictions from the prosecution. Please continue to stay up to date with Eric after reading this article by visiting the sites listed for his support below. Please also donate to Eric, write him letters, and act in solidarity with him. He has acted courageously before the claws of the state. Not backing down even before betrayal from his defendants. He has chosen the anarchist community for support, not the state. We must live up to that expectation, and he must know that we are out here for him.

Eric currently just got over a 2 week hunger strike demanding vegan food and medical care for a heart condition. From the attention Eric received, the prison complied with his request for

a medical examination, but is still slacking on vegan food and follow up medical care for his heart condition.

Quick background from Eric's Case.

Eric identifies as an anarchist, and firm believer in animal and earth liberation. He along with 3 friends, one of which was a government informant under the identity of Anna Davies, met through crimethinc's annual convergence about 3 years ago. It is discovered that she was 17 when she began her undercover investigation of the North American anarchist scene. It is also discovered that she was confronted by the F. B. I to do this investigation because of a school project she did, where she was a 17 year old sophomore at a Florida community college, and took upon herself to do an undercover infiltration of people preparing for the upcoming Miami FTAA protests (what a repulsive human being, she probably has no friends!). Eric, Anna, and the now 2 snitch defendants Lauren Weiner and Zachery Jensen moved collectively to California. Where they were put up in a cabin payed for by Anna, with the intention to survey and record all activity and conversations for the F.B.I.. At this time, Anna was pressuring them to act as an autonomous underground cell, allegedly intending to target misc. infrastructure such as electrical sub-stations, a damn, and bio-medical research facilities. To even flirt with such ideas verbally, when under surveillance, becomes a potential trial leading to a possible 20 years in federal prison. Eric has been in pre-trial or now pre-sentence incarceration since the arrests on January 13, 2006. The trial began September 9th. The prosecution began the trial recognizing Anna as their most vital form of evidence.

Taken from the court notes of the prosecutions opening arguments as to how they can convict someone of conspiracy:

- 1)that there is an agreement between two or more people to do something that the law forbids
- 2)became a member of the conspiracy knowing its object and intending to accomplish them
- 3)that there was an overt act in furtherance of the conspiracy

The U.S. prosecution talked about fake bomb making experiments Anna provided for them to experiment with. Implying that preparation was enough evidence. They used the Anna quoted "threats" from Eric like "I'll kill you if you're a cop" as ways to demonize Eric before the jury. They also revealed the depths of surveillance Anna provided them with. Basically making a space for at what at the time was 3 angry anarchists talking, a direct sound route for the F.B.I. Since the crime was never conducted, and all evidence is purely verbal, with the exception of these supposed futile bomb making recipes, they also discussed a burn book presented to the group by Anna. Where the idea was to write down misc. things related to the alleged planned actions, and burn the book once the action is complete. Although we choose to never dignify the government's words with a grain of salt. We hope that some of these mistakes will be learned from by other anarchists, especially those intending to work on projects via affinity group. For one, Eric and his 2 turned snitch defendants did not know Anna to the degree required to risk something with her. If one is to ever work with another per-

son via illegal means, a deep relationship of trust, and more importantly, an actual history in the relationship is indispensable. Not only Anna is a good example of the consequences of this underestimated importance, but clearly the quickness of co-operation and snitching on the parts of his co-defendants Zach and Lauren is another implication that there was not a deep enough relationship there, either wise selfishly co-operating at the expense of Eric would not have been as quick and easy for them. The people you work with, should care about you and the action your doing enough, that their own selfish comfort is not of concern if caught! Also, the idea of comfortably talking about something as extreme and risky as arson (especially if its against federally sanctioned infrastructure) in a place of rest is a dangerous idea. Deep in the woods or not. Be on the move, and never shit where you eat, whether via words or actual crime. Also, clearly the burn book idea was recommended by Anna intending to have more evidence for the F.B.I.'s prosecution, but it does expose the fact, that writing things down, emailing things, materializing intellectual details of any possible crime, especially a political oriented one, is not worth the extra time you could memorize. The action should not exist other then when it happens. Anything else is evidence. Its important to minimize your writing if you need to do it all, or coordinate it in such a way, where it could not be deciphered by foreign impeding forces. That is just one other possibility of the state getting the evidence they need, to lock you up.



Direct Action.
is risky.
Learn from
where
others
failed and shut
the fuck up,
you never
know
whose
listening.

The government brought in several different F.B.I. officials during the case. Most of which were in contact with Anna, or were there when the cabin was raided, or when Eric, Lauren, and Zach were arrested outside Wal-Mart allegedly getting resources to make fake bomb recipes. Throughout the trial Eric was not being given money, also the jail was slacking on his vegan diet. Clearly trying to intensify Eric's suffering.

While Eric is still suffering due to his refusal to recognize any state legitimacy. His two at one time co-defendants still chose to take the stand, furthering the possibility of a guilty

conviction for Eric. We want to include court notes from the testimonies of Zach and Lauren, making it clear to any friends of Lauren or Zach who consider themselves anarchists, that their apologies for their snitch friends, are utter bullshit. No debate necessary, fuck you, their 75 percent sentence reduction is apparently worth more than Eric's well being, and the entire community they at one time represented!

Notes from Zach's Opening Statements.

Zach stated that he was arrested at the G8 in Brunswick, Georgia and that he started using the nickname Ollie. He stated that he has been cited for marijuana possession several times and used to smoke marijuana heavily. He testified about the conditions of his pretrial release and his job as a pizza delivery boy in Washington. He also claimed that he has been allowed the use of a computer (without internet access) so he can work on a book he is writing about his travels. He testified that he is no longer an anarchist "because anarchist politics pales in comparison to the higher experiences of life". He stated that he ran into Anna on the way to court and has no harsh feelings towards her. That the terms of his plea agreement require him to testify and that if he is not truthful he can have his original charges reinstated, be charged with perjury or obstruction of justice and all the information he gave the government can be used against him. He said that he hopes the government gives him a good recommendation when it is time for sentencing. Zach testified that he met with the USA four times for three hour sessions to prepare for his testimony. When the government attorney asked Zach what the Number 1 rule of testifying was he replied "Tell the truth." He stated that the four of them talked about burning buildings and creating explosives. He said he met Anna at G8 and Eric at the crimethinc convergence in Des Moines in 2004. He described Eric at that time as "pretty friendly," "good energy," "charismatic," and "magnetic." At this point the government attorney began questioning Zach about Eric's current partner, who was also in attendance at the Crimethinc convergence and the RNC. Zach claimed that the two stayed in touch during this time and that she had a way of contacting Eric that he did not (cell phone). This is a curious statement in light of the fact that Eric's lack of a cell phone seemed to be of serious concern to the judge during Eric's bail hearing. Zach said that later he met up with Eric at the Republican National Convention protest and that they discussed Molotov cocktails. She asked him who's idea it was and he said he didn't remember. At that point the court adjourned for the day.

Notes from Lauren Weiner's Opening Statement.

Lauren's direct examination was done by United States Attorney (USA) Steve Lapham. The USA asked her if she was getting anything in exchange for her testimony and she said that she was getting a deal with a 5 year maximum. She testified that she planned using explosives on different sites and that she conspired with Eric and Zach to do so. She discussed how she met Zach and Eric at a biotech protest in Philadelphia in June of 2005. She stated that she wanted to start a house, do banner drops and graffiti. She stated that at the time she felt protesting was not working but she wanted to make change. She testified that Eric told her that he and Anna discussed direct action and that she

should contact Anna. Lauren stated that she and Anna talked a lot and that she was a "good friend". She said that when she talked with Zach and Eric they discussed "boom". The USA asked her what "boom" was and she said it was explosives. The USA asked her why she didn't use the word explosives and she said "it's a scary word".

The Full Court Notes of Lauren and Zach's

Testimony as well as the Whole Trial are Available at:
<http://supporteric.org/court.htm>

The trial lasted an overall 18 days. Unfortunately after 11 hours over the last two days of trial, a federal court jury found Eric McDavid guilty of conspiring to attack government, science, and utility infrastructure, as part of an "eco-terror" plot. All evidence bringing about this conclusion relied on the testimonies of Zach, Lauren, and of course the extensive work done by undercover F. B. I informant "Anna". The motion for a new trial can be read at <http://supporteric.org/motion.pdf>. Of course we place no faith in this system providing any sympathy for an enemy of it, such as Eric. But we hope that the blatant entrapment and bullshit evidence is recognized by whomever is determining Eric's future, in this case, and in his life. Fire to the Prisons extends the upmost solidarity with Eric. We hope you have become more familiar with Eric and his case due to this article. But more importantly, we hope you can feel for Eric, be inspired by his ideas and strength, and show your support for him at this crucial time.

It's a horrible world...

We are in defense of nature.

We are exhumed by hate for all that impede such defense.



In solidarity with Eric, and all political prisoners.

Please visit and Donate to Eric:
www.supporteric.org

You Can Write to Eric at:
Eric McDavid X-2972521 4E231A,
Sacramento County Main Jail, 651 "I" Street,
Sacramento, CA 95814



Addresses of Operation Backfire Prisoners

Since the last Fire to the Prisons, more Green Scare defendants have began their prison sentences. Please become familiar with the cases of those who have fallen victim to the F. B. I's "operation backfire" mission directed at eco-activists. "Operation Backfire" is the name given by the F. B. I to the ten year old investigation and indictment of fifteen individuals accused of several arsons in the Pacific Northwest between 1996 and 2001 claimed by the Earth Liberation Front (ELF) or the Animal Liberation Front (ALF).

The next two sites act as good consistent and up to date resources for "operation backfire" defendants, and other fallen comrades who are being targeted at this time by the state and its appendages. WRITE THEM!

Green Scare
www.greenscare.org

North American Earth Liberation Prisoners Support Network
www.ecoprisoners.org

Nathan Block #36359-086, FCI Lompoc, Federal Correctional Institution, 3600 Guard Road, Lompoc, CA 93436.
 Plead guilty and sentenced to seven years and eight months for involvement in two incidents of direct actions that occurred in Oregon in 2001.
solidaritywithsadieandexile@gmail.com

Jonathan Paul #07167-085, FCI Phoenix, Federal Correctional Institution, 37910 N 45th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85086.
 Plead guilty and sentenced to 51 months for involvement in a direct action that occurred in Oregon in 1997.
friendsofjonathanpaul@yahoo.com

Daniel McGowan #63794-053, FCI Sandstone, Federal Correctional Institution, PO Box 1000, Sandstone, MN 55072.
 Plead guilty and sentenced to seven years for two incidents of direct action that occurred in Oregon in 2001.
www.supportdaniel.org
 For consistent email announcements:
http://lists.riseup.net/www/info/supportdaniel_announce

Joyanna Zacher #36360-086, FCI Dublin, Federal Correctional Institution, 5701 8th St - Camp Parks- Unit E, Dublin, CA 94568. Plead guilty and sentenced to seven years and eight months for involvement in two incidents of direct actions that occurred in Oregon in 2001.
solidaritywithsadieandexile@gmail.com

Support the San Francisco 8

Eight former Black Panthers were arrested January 23rd 2007 in California, New York and Florida on charges related to the 1971 killing of a San Francisco police officer. Similar charges were thrown out after it was revealed that police used torture to extract confessions when some of these same men were arrested in New Orleans in 1973. Richard Brown, Richard O'Neal, Ray Boudreaux, and Hank Jones were arrested in California. Francisco Torres was arrested in Queens, New York. Harold Taylor was arrested in Florida. Two men charged Herman Bell and Jalil Muntaqim have been held as political prisoners for over 30 years in New York State prisons. A ninth man -- Ronald Stanley Bridgeforth is still being sought. The men were charged with the murder of Sgt. John Young and conspiracy that encompasses numerous acts between 1968 and 1973. Harold Taylor and John Bowman (recently deceased) as well as Ruben Scott (thought to be a government witness) were first charged in 1975. But a judge tossed out the charges, finding that Taylor and his two co-defendants made statements after police in New Orleans tortured them for several days employing electric shock, cattle prods, beatings, sensory deprivation, plastic bags and hot, wet blankets for asphyxiation. Such "evidence" is neither credible nor legal.

* Learn more. Join the e-mail list. Write the defendants. Donate. Distribute flyers. Host a house party. Organize a video showing. Come to court.

For Updates, Further Information and Donation Please Visit
<http://www.freethesf8.org/>

Support the NJ4

On August 18, 2006, seven young African American lesbians traveled to the West Village from their homes in Newark for a regular night out. When walking down the street, a male bystander assaulted them with sexist and homophobic comments. The women tried to defend themselves, and a fight broke out. Thus began the women's nightmare for a year and counting. Three of the women accepted plea offers. On June 14th, 2007 Venice Brown (19), Terrain Dandridge (20), Patreese Johnson (20), and Renata Hill (24) received sentences ranging from 3 1/2 to 11 years in prison. This outcome illustrates an egregious lack of justice, with homophobia, sexism, racism, and classism as powerful culprits.

In the summer of 2006, seven young women from New Jersey, Venice Brown, Khamysha Coates, Terrain Dandridge, Lania Daniels, Renata Hill, Patreese Johnson, and Chenese Loyal, were spending some of their leisure time in New York City's West Village when Dwayne Buckle, a man selling DVDs on the street, sexually propositioned Patreese Johnson. Refusing to take no for an answer, he followed the young women down the street, insulting them and yelling threats. He spat in Renata's face and threw his lit cigarette at her, then he yanked another's hair, pulling her towards him, and then he began strangling Renata. A fight broke out, during which Patreese Johnson, 4 feet 11 inches tall and 95 pounds, produced a small knife from her bag to stop Buckle from choking her friend. Two male onlookers, one of whom had a knife, ran over to physically deal with Buckle in order to help the women. Buckle, who ended up hospitalized for five days with stomach and liver lacerations, initially reported on at least two occasions that the men not the women had attacked him. What's more, Patreese's knife was never tested for DNA, the men who beat Buckle were never questioned by police, and the whole incident was documented on surveillance video.

The women ended up on trial for attempted murder, throughout which the judge, Edward J. McLaughlin, ridiculed and expressed open contempt for the women in front of the jury. As a result, four of

the women ended up being convicted and sentenced in June 2007 to jail terms ranging from 3 1/2 to 11 years.

It is difficult to justify these women being brought to trial for anything, much less murder, and almost impossible to credibly explain the sentences brought down on them.

The women and their families now call on our communities for support. Their emotional and financial burdens have already been immense. These hardships will only continue as the women begin their prison terms and the process of appeal.

For more info on their case visit:
www.myspace.com/isupportthenj4

Support the Morristown 3

The Morristown 3 were arrested on July 28th, 2007, at a counter-protest of a racist anti-immigrant rally called by non other than the mayor of Morristown, New Jersey, Donald Cresitello. Cresitello wants to allow Morristown police officers to check into the immigration status of anyone pulled over for a traffic infraction or minor crime. While the mayor enjoyed the support of racists and white supremacists like the international "Stormfront" network, anti-racists and other allies showed up in support of those targeted by the mayor and his white power friends.

They were arrested after the protest ended, for defending themselves from an attack by Erick Weigel, a member of Stormfront. Weigel is an active white supremacist in New Jersey, and attacked the three with a knife and later a baseball bat he pulled out of his truck. He was, unsurprisingly, not arrested by Morristown police.

Two are being charged with assault, and one is facing felony weapons charges. Our comrades are facing severe financial hardship because of their legal situation. Together they had to post over \$5500 in bail, and now need to come up with \$5000 dollars to pay for their initial legal expenses. We understand that in these times, there are many activists and radicals under legal fire who are also in need of funds. Our comrades are no different in this way, but as they went to Morristown in solidarity with communities targeted by the systemic racism of power and it's allies, we are asking you to be in solidarity with the Morristown 3.

Please help with legal costs! We have a long way to go!

Donations for Legal Defense can be payed via paypal or well, concealed cash sent to the adress below. Paypal is preferd.

For Paypal:
tothebarricadesx@gmail.com

For Mailing Well Concealed Cash:
 Legal Support
 PO Box 250-159
 Columbia University Station
 New York, NY 10025

Support the LOVE PARK 4

Rumors spread through Philadelphia starting Friday July 20th that the Ku Klux Klan was supposed to show up for an 11AM rally on Monday at Love Park. While anti-fascists were present in the area starting at 10:30AM, no racists showed up for the rally until noon when two men wearing what appeared to be neo-Nazi t-shirts showed up in the area. Anti-fascists approached the men, confirmed they were neo-Nazis and told them to leave. Words were exchanged between the Klansmen and the anti-fascists, and then the neo-Nazis said they were leaving. The anti-fascists then followed behind them to make sure that they kept their

promise.

Strangely, Civil Affairs cops remained on the other side of the park the entire time and made no efforts to follow the group even when they were out of their sight. The boneheads got into an SUV around the corner and were driven away. As they attempted to drive off, conveniently blocked by traffic, a verbal confrontation ensued with the anti-fascists lasting several minutes before a window of the SUV was smashed. The driver – who could have flashed his badge at anytime to disperse the crowd - then ordered four of the anti-fascists up against the wall.

While the arresting officer was a Philadelphia Police Department detective, the SUV was, according to paperwork received by the arrestees, the vehicle of FBI Special Agent Sean Brennan, also present during the arrests. What an FBI agent was doing escorting neo-Nazis away from the park remains a total mystery.

After the arrests, all four of the anti-fascists were transported to the 9th Police Precinct where they remained for approximately 27 hours awaiting notice of their charges and bail amounts.

Initially, the arrestees were informed that for some odd reason, Internal Affairs was investigating their case and that they would be facing 10 charges - 4 felonies and 6 misdemeanors. In the end, however, all of the felonies were dropped, leaving the arrestees with 8 misdemeanor charges of varying degrees upon being bailed out. The fact that the charges were dropped so quickly proves just how trumped up these charges are.

However there's still a lot at stake for The Love Park 4. Currently, everyone is facing the same 8 charges - Possession of an Instrument of Crime With Intent, Criminal Conspiracy Engaging with Possession of Instrument of Crime with Intent, Institutional Vandalism/Illegal Possession, Reckless Endangering Another Person, Resisting Arrest, Criminal Mischief, Harassment - Subject Other to Physical Contact, and Disorderly Conduct/Grading.

At this point, everyone is out of jail, doing fine and just taking some time to relax for a few days before what could be a lengthy and expensive legal ordeal.

We are confident that with the right resources, all of the anti-fascists arrested will be able to defeat these outrageous charges which could result in tens of thousands of dollars in fines and years of jail time

But we sure can't go it alone

We need the resources to win this legal battle and you can help right now!

For Paypal Donation:
cyndipitt@gmail.com

For Money Order or Check Donation MADE OUT
 to "The Love Park 4" or "Jared Schultz":
 Heartsville Community Space
 PO Box 5917
 Philadelphia, PA 19137.

Escaping the Restraints on our Political Imagination: Just a Few Selections from the Rantings of Feral Faun.

All Feral Faun's Writings Can be Viewed at
www.anti-politics.net/feralfaun

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(From the "Abolition of Society"...)

Free-spirited individuals have no interest in seriously relating as social roles. Predictable, predetermined relationships bore us and we have no desire to continue to reproduce them. It is true that they offer some security, stability and (luke) warmth... but at such expense! Rather, we want freedom to relate in terms of our unrepressed desires, the opening of all possibilities, the raging fire of our passions unbound. And such a life lies outside any system of predictable, predetermined relationships.

Society offers safety, but it does so by eradicating the risk that is essential to free play and adventure. It offers us survival- in exchange for our lives. For the survival it offers us is survival as social individuals- as beings who are composites of social roles, alienated from their passions and desires- involved in social relationships to which we are addicted, but which never satisfy.

Society is not a neutral force. Social relationships only exist by the suppression of the real desires and passions of individuals, by the repression of all that makes free relating possible. Society is domestication, the transformation of individuals into use value and of free play into work. Free relating among individuals who refuse and resist their domestication undermines all society, and opens all possibilities. And to those who feel that they can achieve freedom through a merely social revolution, lend with these words of Renzo Navatore:

"You are waiting for the revolution? Let it be! My own began a long time ago! When you will be ready... I won't mind going along with you for a while. But when you'll stop, I shall continue on my insane and triumphant way toward the great and sublime conquest of the nothing!"



(From "Insurgent Ferocity"...)

"I do not dream of a gentle revolution. My passion runs to the violence of supersession, the ferocity of a life that renounces nothing."

-Raoul Vaneigem

Those of us who are fighting for the freedom to create our lives for ourselves need to reject both sides of the choice society offers between pacifism and systematic violence, because this choice is an attempt to socialize our rebellion. Instead we

can create our own options, developing a playful and passionate chaos of action and relating which may express itself at times with intense and ferocious violence, at times with the gentlest tenderness, or whatever way our passions and whims move us in the particular moment. Both the rejection of violence and the systemization of violence are an attack on our passions and uniqueness.

If what we want is a world in which each of us can create our own lives free of constraints, relating with each other as we desire rather than in accordance with socially defined roles, we have to recognize that, at times, violence will flare and that there is nothing wrong with that. Fullness of the passions includes full and expansive expressions of hatred and rage - and these are violent emotions. Though this violence can be used tactically it will not be systematic. Though it can be intelligent, it will not be rationalized. And under no circumstances is it self-perpetuating, because it is individual and temporary, spending itself fully in its free, passionate expression. Neither moralistic non-violence nor the systematic violence of military struggle can break down authority since both require some form of authority. Only the expansive and passionate violence of insurgent individuals playing alone or with each other has any chance of destroying this society...



(From "Feral Revolution"...)

Feral: To Go Wild From a Prior State of Domestication.

In a very general way, we know what we want. We want to live as wild, free beings in a world of wild, free beings. The humiliation of having to follow rules, of having to sell our lives away to buy survival, of seeing our usurped desires transformed into abstractions and images in order to sell us commodities fills us with rage. How long will we put up with this misery? We want to make this world into a place where our desires can be immediately realized, not just sporadically, but normally.

Feral revolution is an adventure. It is the daring exploration of going wild. It takes us into unknown territories for which no maps exist. We can only come to know these territories if we dare to explore them actively. We must dare to destroy whatever destroys our wildness and to act on our instincts and desires. We must dare to trust in ourselves, our experiences and our passions. Then we will not let ourselves be chained or penned in. We will not allow ourselves to be tamed. Our feral energy will rip civilization to shreds and create a life of wild freedom and a real independence for all life.

LINKS



General contact information for more projects and groups we share affinity with.

In Solidarity...

For an Informal, Insurrectionary,
and Borderless Struggle!

Misc. Anarchist, Political Prisoner, and Direct Action News Sites

Infoshop
www.infoshop.org
 Longing for Collapse Blog
www.myspace.com/alongingforcollapsepress
 (Blog accessible to all, including non-myspace users!)
 Bombs and Shields
www.bombsandshields.blogspot.com
 Bite Back: Militant Animal Liberation Direct Action Blog and Magazine
www.directaction.info
 325 Blog
www.325collective.com
 Mostly Water
www.mostlywater.org
 Multi-Lingual Anarchist-Info Resource
www.ainfos.ca/EN
 Break the Chains
www.breakthechains.info

Anarchist Distros and Periodicals

Longing for Collapse Press and Fire to the Prisons
www.myspace.com/alongingforcollapsepress
 Quiver Distro
www.anti-politics.net/distro
 A Murder of Crows Magazine
www.geocities.com/amurderofcrows1
 Black and Green Distro and Species Traitor Book
www.myspace.com/blackandgreendistro
 Green Anarchy Magazine and Distro
www.greenanarchy.org
 Eberhardt Press: Autonomous Anarchist Book Publisher
www.eberhardtpress.org
 Rolling Thunder: An Anarchist Journal of Dangerous Living
www.crimethinc.com/RT
 Liberation Projects/Total Destruction Zine
www.impassionedinsurrection.info
 Tarantula Distro
www.socialwar.net
 Elephant Editions
www.alphabettthreat.co.uk/elephanteditions
 Institute for Experimental Freedom
www.geocities.com/ashira_collective
 Modesto Anarcho
www.myspace.com/modanarcho

Online Radical Text Archives

Do or Die: Voices from the Ecological Resistance.
Excerpts from the now defunct periodical.
www.eco-action.org/dod
Quiver Zine PDF Archive and Feral Faun Reading Library
www.anti-politics.net/distro
www.anti-politics.net/feral-faun
Green Anarchist Infoshop
www.greenanarchy.info
People's History
www.libcom.org/history
Insurrectionary Anarchist of the Coast Salish Territory
http://geocities.com/insurrectionary_anarchists
Crimethinc Reading Library
www.crimethinc.com/texts

Prisoner Support and Anti-Prison Projects

North American Earth Liberation Prisoner Support
www.ecoprisoners.org
Earth Liberation Prisoner Support (UK)
www.spiritoffreedom.org.uk
Anarchist Black Cross Network
www.anarchistblackcross.org
Prison Activist Resource Center
www.prisonactivist.org
Writing Prisoners: How To
<http://anti-politics.net/distro/download/writingprisonersflyer.pdf>
NYC Jericho Movement
www.thejerichomovement.com
Green Scare
www.greenscare.org
Brighton Anarchist Black Cross
www.brightonabc.org.uk
Shoelacetown Anarchist Black Cross
P.O. Box 8085
Paramus, NJ07652 USA
Boston Anarchist Black Cross
P.O. Box 230182
Boston, MA 02123-0182 USA
Chicago Anarchist Black Cross
P.O. Box 1544
Chiacgo, IL 60690 USA
Houston Anarchist Black Cross
P.O. Box 667614
Houston, TX 77266-7614 USA
Arawak City Anarchist Black Cross
P.O. Box 4627
Columbus, OH 43210 USA
New York City Anarchist Black Cross
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North American Indigenous Solidarity

Friends of Grassy Narrows: Indigenous Solidarity Blog
www.friendsofgrassynarrows.com
NO 2010 Olympics on Stolen Land!
www.no2010.com

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Six Nations Reclamation
www.reclamationinfo.com
Black Mesa Indigenous Support
www.blackmesais.org
Save the Peaks Coalition
www.savethepeaks.org
Native Youth Media/Redwire Magazine
www.redwiremag.com
Support Sutikalh!
www.sutikalh.resist.ca
South Pacific Indigenous Solidarity (out of date, but good information)
www.eco-action.org/ssp

Security Resources and Legal Advice

Just Cause Law Collective
www.lawcollective.org
Security, Privacy, and Anonymity for Autonomy
<http://security.resist.ca/>
Midnight Special Law Collective
www.midnightspecial.net
National Lawyers Guild: Legal Resources Available throughout Site
www.nlg.org
Civil Liberties Defense Center
www.cldc.org
Anonymous Internet Communication System
www.torproject.org
Scroogle: Anonymous Searching
www.scroogle.org
Hack this Site
www.hackthissite.org

En Espanol

Incendio
www.anti-politics.net/incendio
Crimethinc
www.crimethinc.com/espanol
Llavor D'Anarquia
www.gratisweb.com/llavor





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AGAINST WHAT DESTROYS YOU
TO GIVE OUR FRUSTRATION LIFE

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OF A FREE WORLD REPRESSED BY THE CURRENT



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