Communique from 325 Collective on the Repressive Attack upon International Counter-Information

On 29.03.21 the Dutch police raided the data center that holds the nostate.net server, seizing the server itself as part of a criminal investigation into ‘terrorism’. Nostate.net is a collective that provided a platform for international movement websites from prisoner solidarity groups, multiple campaign collectives, anti-summit pages and international counter-information. Significant sites that used nostate.net as a platform that have been targeted by this repressive attack by the Dutch police are Anarchist Black Cross Berlin, Montreal Counter-Info, Northshore Counter-Info, Act For Freedom Now! (now re-activated on noblogs.org https://actforfree. nostate.net) and 325.

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The chant goes up into the air as the flames of the cop van rise higher and higher, burning away a pressure that has been building for far too long.

The cop station’s windows are kicked in to the roaring joy of the crowd, its raining rocks from above on the riot cops from youths who’ve occupied part of its roof. Repeated attacks on the cop lines are visibly putting the fear into them. Bottles rain down on the cop dog unit’s failed attempt to assault the mob from behind. Riot shields and batons liberated from the cops are used to fight back, a piece of their own medicine. Others are caring for people sprayed with mace, while sound systems ring out. Another cop car is burning round the corner, this is like nothing we have seen before...

The spark this time has been the same as it has before. The Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill in which groups of society, the undesirables are being criminalized, along with the recent killing of a young woman by a cop are only the tip of the iceberg. The repression being meted out not just here but around the world is a sign of worse to come as we inhabit a present where ‘crisis’ is amongst us, whether it be ‘Covid-19’, ‘economic’, even ‘ecological’. It is clear this is all heading in a direction of a prison society more oppressive than it has been before. Only this year Mohamed Mohammed Heisman, a 24-year old died after clearly being beaten by cops in Cardiff Bay cop station, while another 29 year old Moyied Bashir died while in Newport cops hands, who was clearly suffering a medical situation. Thousands might have turned out for the Black Lives Matter protests last year for the killing of George Floyd. Putting the toppling of a statue aside, we didn’t see the same thousands turn out for these two men. Some of us did not forget and never will, this is like nothing we have seen before...

The riot that erupted last night was a continuation of our combative memories, but from seeing so many new young uncontrollables it is the beginning of a new wave. Nothing much has changed on this prison island since 2011, if anything the conditions that led to those days are still with us, more repressive than ever. We’re being pushed over the edge, as the system of control demands either lick the boot or have our way of life extinguished.

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**Burn Baby Burn! Continued…**

to burn last night. No one is allowed to live freely in this new fascist dystopia of Priti Patel (wannabe Thatcher) and Boris Johnson [who plays the clown but is as right wing as they come!], not only does the bill give the power to ‘disturbed citizens’ and the cops to literally move on travelers even of one vehicle at the slightest complaint from the obedient public, but also gives them the ability to take peoples vehicles and possessions. Apart from an attack on van and caravan dwellers this is the racist attack from the Tory government on Roma, Gypsy and Irish Travelers, a group who have always been attacked in the ‘country of apparent toleration’.

In all this, the bigger picture needs to be seen to believe it. With destruction of the planet, ecosystems, extinction of species, the water, the air, even fetuses being polluted by plastic, borders being closed, migrants dying just to get here, too many of our friends in prison just for the colour of their skin or from the housing estates, throwing in the rise of the technological society with its hundreds of machinations designed to control us, from smart cities, to artificial intelligence, to mass surveillance, artificial reality, robots and drones coming at us, its enough to understand there is a monumental shift occurring in our time, that has only begun.

What started last night has been coming for a while. This is not the time to be covering behind curtains, complaining about the common good or fighting Covid, it is the symptom of an already dying planet. Outside this island the world is already burning. Neither the local nor national politicians condemning us will stop us, we have never listened to them! Apparently we’re ‘Unacceptable’, your UNACCEPTABLE! They will never understand our burning rage we have for their nightmare future they promise us.

“Nothing ever burns down by itself, Every fire needs a little bit of help”

Some anarchists, youth, travelers, unknowns, THE EXCLUDED!

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**325 Communiqué continued…**

Our minds cast back to the repression of Indymedia in Germany and Greece, as well as not so long ago the imprisonment of comrades involved in Culmine, ParoleArmata and Croce Nera Anarchica in Italy. Through time the anarchist movement internationally has had its modes of communicating to the people attacked with countless anarchist publications having their premises raided, comrades arrested and even publications being censored, even destroyed, such as in the not too distant past with Alfredo M. Bonnano’s ‘Armed Joy’ in Italy, even Conspiracy of Cells of Fire’s ‘The Sun Still Rises’ in Greece.

It is also no coincidence that this repressive attack occurs now after our recent publication of ‘325 #12 – Against the Fourth and Fifth Industrial Revolutions’. This publication that we feel hits to the core of what the states and capitalism are pushing forward, before and even more so now, under the cover of the Covid-19 pandemic, is a direct threat to their plans of subjugation, of robotosizing and automizing everything. Their attack has momentarily affected our distribution of the publication both online and physically, but it has inevitably failed. The technocrats that want to shape our world into one heaving technological militarized prison society are being exposed, not only by ourselves but by the already growing attacks internationally upon their infrastructure. This is what they fear, that this can grow and this is why they have come after us. From what we know, the police who are trying to hunt us down, they are relying upon tactics from their old repressive book of tricks, attempting to get others to snitch and shutting down counter-information. Ever since their ‘Operation Rhone’ aimed at attacking the anarchist circles in Bristol, they had only caught one person involved in an attack, but not anyone involved in the Informal Anarchist Federation or the other countless anarchist attacks. Clearly they have not repressed any fire of rebellion as the riot, attack on the police station and burning of cop cars last month shows.

It has been silent for too long on this island of conformity, while the world outside starts to burn again, those embers are still glowing and we feel their warmth. More than ever there is an absolute need for co-ordination internationally between comrades, to attack directly this stinking corpse that attempts to resurrect itself, to further imprison us. Counter-information is an integral part of this international co-ordination, to allow those who want to act for freedom in this world to see the signals of complicity in every language possible, to speak the one language of insurrection andarchy. There must be a re-energization of the international counter-information network, to once again become a threat internationally, after the repressive reaction that seeks to isolate anarchists from each other, not just around the world but even locally. The 325 Collective continue to move upon this path we already tred, even now we continue with our publication projects including a new re-print of ‘325 #12’, a new expanded issue of ‘Dark Nights’ and further projects for the future internationally. They will not silence or stop us and we will have our revenge!

About the website, we do not know yet whether it will return, it is very clear to us that if it is resurrected as ‘325’ anywhere else online, that the authorities will immediately target it once again. This also means that we could put at risk any provider in the future, as well as put other counter-information and movement projects at risk of being shut down as happened with the recent repressive attack. Who knows where all this will take us? What we do know is that we are far from backing down, not one step back, in the face of the enemy. Maybe it might be best to revert to the traditional printed word, to see peoples faces, to speak words, to conspire. We will not say never to the site returning, neither to it re-manifesting itself as a new project, only time will tell.

For now, our absolute solidarity with the comrades of nostate.net & Act For Freedom Now! Along with all the other counter-info projects affected.

**NOTHING IS OVER, THE STRUGGLE CONTINUES!**

325 Collective
Greece: Attacks in Response to Dimitris Koufondinas’ Hunger Strike & Covid Repression

Thessaloniki: Claim for an incendiary attack on the home of a cop by ‘Elizaveta Kovalskaya Nucleus - Direct Action Cells

Journalists executioners
Police executioners
Judicial officers executioners
Respectable citizens hangmen
Revenge!

There is no need for further recommendations. The implacable struggle of the revolutionary Dimitris Koufondinas continues on its 64th day and proceeds from the necessity it started off from. A necessity that intensifies and strengthens as the government of Nea Dimokratia persists in and maintains an intransient position, intending to kill him. The State’s brutality, its intransigence, isn’t only aimed at his death but far more at the extermination and definitive disintegration of the revolutionary perspective and combative dignity embodied in the figure of the revolutionary D. Koufondinas.

For a week we’ve been seeing with anger the State’s endless revenge, which changes between alternate declarations at times oozing false optimism and at others the cold brutal intention of extermination. But surprise is a luxury we can’t afford. It is obvious that you are trying to abdicate your responsibilities, but however you try to shake off any liability for an imminent death, the responsibility will be yours alone, it will have your signature. We are sure that from our struggle, here and now, revenge will pour out, while your power will lie among the ruins of the history you have chosen, and for the first time life will triumph over death.

Those who blindly apply the law, those who serve the appetites of power, are co-responsible and complicit in state repression, murder and arbitrariness. From border guards who beat up and persecute migrants to judges and prosecutors who carry out the orders of authority and condemn prisoners to darkness, crushing the basic rights conquered by the struggle, to any policeman who takes power as a manager and violently suppresses those struggling for collective freedom. There are many examples of impunity for policemen, from beatings, torture and kidnapping to the murder of fighters who according to what is reported fired their own weapons, defended themselves while under attack and took their revenge. We are not surprised by the impunity for policemen of course, as the verdicts of “justice” don’t surprise us at all.

AT THIS MOMENT HOPE ENDS AND TACTIC BEGINS

We are here to disturb the sleep of those responsible, of those who build their lives on exploitation and injustice. Because injustice is not anonymous, it has a name and an address. For all these reasons, on the night of Friday February 26, we carried out an arson attack on the cop’s house at 17 Papaionannou Street, in Sykies, and we inform you that this is only the beginning. It is a sample of what will follow in case the fighter D. Koufontinas suffers something worse and irreversible. For a start, we return some of the violence we receive daily from the uniformed bastards and we promise you that the tension will increase.

POWER TO THOSE WHO FIGHT BY ANY MEANS AND EVERY COST AGAINST THE MONOPOLY OF STATE VIOLENCE.

S.: We don’t forget anarchist Lambros Fountas, who fell fighting under the blows of police weapons in March 2010, during a preparatory action of the organization Revolutionary Struggle

NO ONE DIES ON MARCH 10TH,

REBELS ARE BORN ON MARCH 10
ETERNAL HONOUR TO ANARCHIST LAMBROS FOUNTAS
WE DO NOT FORGET, WE DO NOT FORGIVE
THERE IS NO RETURN. WAR IS ONE WAY.

Direct Action Cells 'Elizabeth Kovalskaya Nucleus'

Patras: Molotov and Gas Cannisters Attack on Cops Cars in Patras by Anarchist Cell 'Lambros Fountas'

"The state terrifies, muddies, mocks, disembarks, pretends. Their omnipotence is a myth. Our wrath strengthens us, its alienation does not touch us, we break the windows of power with stones, the chains of the submission, with the flame of rebellion that burns in each heart of the oppressed.

Our eyes are open, our ears capture each sound. Our thought is crystal. Our choice one: Violent uncontrolled, continuous struggle for destruction of the State and power. We are angry, we are revolted, we are your worst nightmares."

That text was written by Lambros Fountas and shared with comrades after his arrest at the Polytechnic in 1995.

In the context of the Hunger Strike from January B of D. Koufontinas, in memory of L. Fountas, at dawn on Wednesday March 10, a group of comrades, accompanied with Molotovs and gas cannisters, coordinated at two points in one of the most heavily guarded areas in Patras, in the open-air parking lot of the police on America Street! There are dozens of their vehicles, all kinds. At the moment of attack by one group, a patrol that waited to prevent potential attack tried to intervene, but accepted the attack by the second group. The result of the coordinated attack was to cause extensive damage to B vehicles and the patrol, frightened in its area, looked on at the flames.

During the particular period we are in, the states have chosen as a method the notorious Lockdown, which for us is nothing else beyond an opportunity to further intensify and redefine socio-political life. Through a strong political and economic crisis, which occurs with the health threat, the power to invent and impose new techniques of discipline, control and fear. It is in the criminalization life outside the state
and the law, while doing everything to fit our lives in 6 codes. The State is very afraid of organization, action and questioning from below. Do not forget that fantastic fines for any breach of the measures are in the thresholds of the minimum wage and share from the “protectors” of health with so much ease in the name of their alleged democracy, which is nothing more than cops, prisons, concentration camps, and daily terrorism from news bulletins.

The State-funded media, thickening during the pandemic, distort the reality, misinterpreting news and facts. In addition, it can be considered fascist propaganda when their journalists talk about a murderous attack on a Patras Police officer, who was allowed to live, when at the same time, there are daily incidents of (police) violence and only by luck, we do not have dead. These journalists are the same who shed crocodile tears for European dead from Covid, while for the dead in concentration camps, borders, prisons, and for everyday victims of capitalism, they do not say half a word, although they themselves "condemn violence from where it comes from."

To the Patras Police Inspector Chitsika, who publicly spoke about an open war proclamation, we say that this war has started years ago; it is a war for freedom against a world of repression and power. The cops are unless; they are only a mechanism of self-defense of the rich, powerful and their interests; they will be invited to drown popular rage, the possible rebellion - revolution. Also, they oppose the only expression of legitimate violence, the violence that of anyone who raises a stature for a better world.

We want to break the myth that the attack is not a case of special, super-coached and superior people. There are many methods that can cause damage, reverse fear and return a part of the violence we accept.

We send a signal of solidarity to all those arrested in the events of N. Smyrna.

**THE AIR HAS STARTED TO SMELL OF PETROL.**

**MARCH GIVES BIRTH TO REBELLION.**

**ANARCHIST CELL ‘LAMBROS FOUNTAS’**

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**Greece: Claim of Responsibility for Arson Attack on Cars of Far-Right Politician K. Bogdanos**

**EVERY CRISIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CAPITALISM**

The outbreak of the global health crisis a year ago brought tectonic changes to the lives of millions of people. Chronic and deliberate disintegration of health systems could only result in death, pain and anxiety for the future. However, the purpose of this text is not to analyze the causes of the dissolution of condition as well as the rapid spread of the virus or its non-treatment. We choose to dwell on other points, which we consider to be clearly more crucial to our lives and which did not occur in pandemics in the past.

The management of this crisis in the western world, of which the Greek state is a part, is now known to each of us. We have all experienced the effects of state manipulation and planning in the social field. The freezing of much of the economic activity has led to the suspension of work and redundancies for too many or the over-intensification of the labor force of certain essential sectors. The disintegration of the labor unions continues at a rapid pace, foreshadowing the future: insecurity and its derivatives will be the bait for consent to the conditions of slavery in labor scams.

Health and education are delivered north to the capital that prevails and finds an opportunity due to the conditions to penetrate its teeth even deeper. At the same time, private companies, being a lifelong supporter of every government, are being rewarded for putting their foot down even harder by receiving the price for the support they offer. The “urgency” of the crisis, as it is advertised, freezes the reactions in front of the binery of millions of euros above and below the table for a multitude of benefits (intensive use, high know-how, the well-publicized vaccines, etc.) regarding health. The attack on education by a portion of the business world (and not only) that finances programs, subsidizes scientific research, obviously demands the corresponding rewards. This explains the effort to completely sterilize the schools and the campaign to annihilate the political and social processes within them. They want schools like those that preach bastards like Kalyvas [political scientist Stathis Kalyvas], based on what he said a few days ago in an interview with the "first issue" brochure.

But where the changes are really sweeping and a dystopian present has been created, is our daily life and how it has been molded. Traffic ban and traffic only by sms, full alignment of every movement with the requirements of the state, police with enhanced responsibilities in the role of guardian of our lives and extraordinary sermons are some of the characteristics of the period. The future and how we will behave, if we will obey the orders of the bosses, if we will be quiet and law-abiding, if we will finally learn to live submissively is a key state goal. Now with the virus, in the past with Islamic fundamentalism, tomorrow with some other threat, everything is used as an alibi for the restriction of rights and the violation of freedoms.

**SECURITY AS THE MAXIMUM REQUIREMENT OF THE NEW AGE, THE IRON HEEL OF SUPPRESSION THE MEDICINE FOR ITS SECURITY**

Already last spring, when the exemption treaty intensified even more with no apparent expiration on the horizon, some of the most important state aspirations became clear. With tools in the repressive arsenal of punitive practices such as fines and deportation of the unruly, the target is obedience, persecution and the cessation of all resistance. A design that aims to create a society of self-restraint, without
voice, desires, claims, free communication and socializing. A dark future taken from science fiction books that is becoming our daily routine.

That is why totalitarian logics are diffused through tones of terror in the news bulletins; that is why there are constant sermons of politicians and technocrats with the aim of having only one voice, their own, which of course is presented as the only truth. Thus, the extreme targeting and deportation of the even slightly different in perception or point of view for the management of the health crisis and its results, as conspiracy theories are mobilized.

And because, as is well known, a terrorist campaign alone is not enough, what is disarmed by the norm of the new era is undertaken by the police personnel under the leadership of the beloved politician of the American embassy, M. Chrysochoidis. Once again, safety (for the good and our health, as it is rumored) has been declared an absolute good and the duty of every cop, the sword that will ensure it.

The examples of total repressive policy across the social spectrum are innumerable. From the classic cases of police cowboysing to the various tragic incidents, the common component is the diffusion of fear and discipline.

The youth, having been announced as the main people responsible for the second wave of the virus, are being humiliated in the streets and squares and wherever else they are trying to create new places of communication and socializing. The mass presence of the police controlling everyone’s movements, the announcement of new recruits and the creation of new police forces – in universities, public transport, demonstrations and neighborhoods – are pieces of the new reality or otherwise, products of the crisis that becomes an opportunity...

The ban on all socio-political activities, regardless of the organizer and the theme, has long been a new reality that is coming to stay, as the authorities propagate. At the same time, the internal enemy is constantly expanding and remains high on the agenda of repressive policy.

Evacuations of squatters in every corner of Greece, invasions on every occasion in university institutions – ASOEE [Athens University of Economics and Business], Polytechnic in view of November 17, invasion and dissolution of university dormitories – are some typical examples. At the same time, the classic police tactics continue to be applied against militants, such as in the case of Koukaki [squat], which led to the pre-trial detention of Polykarpos Georgiadis, or in the case of the 8 anarchists of ASOEE for the well-known intervention in the rectory. Consistent and active fighters are treated with extreme revenge, such as the case of the French anarchist Erol who was abducted and deported overnight. And of course the new method of extermination against the communist revolutionary D. Koufontinas. The plight of domestic and international government officials is timeless in this case. Being unrepentant in the period of the “end of history” is not forgiven, which is why they reach the point of his torture, completely indifferent to his health after the hunger strike that started on January 8, claiming his obvious transfer to Korydallos prison.

The attacks on rallies and the bans on demonstrations and rallies, most notably on November 17, the strike on the 28th of the same month and the 6th of December, foreshadow the suffocating condition they want to establish. What they have been building quietly for a long time in prisons and refugee camps is now emphatically reflected in the creation of a plaster society. And if these references still seem excessive to well-meaning people, we leave it to everyone’s judgment how the struggles that are now coming to the fore are dealt with practically and ideologically. The student squatting and the large demonstrations against the presence of the police in the schools were characterized as inciting coronations – a danger of death for the society, the symbolic interventions and demonstrations of health are demonized and receive infamous criticisms or lawsuits for illegal assembly. Rallies in solidarity with the hunger striker D. Koufontinas are banned and the militants who try to find themselves on the street are brutally beaten by the police hordes that have turned the city of Athens into a caricature of the seven-year military dictatorship. Universities, which have been on the reform agenda of all governments for decades and are hostile to them, are shielded against all non-academic activity, expelling the so-called eternal students, filled with cops, and barred from entering accreditation. Also in the state intentions, as it was seen during the consultations of the bill, there is even the possibility of placing cameras within the schools that will record image and sound directly to the offices of the cops in Gada. The new police force, a postmodern security for universities [something that the new education minister, A. Syrigos almost admitted], will undertake, together with willing reactionary students and teachers, the work of repression and complete depoliticization of schools. The vision of capital for its full entry into the halls and spaces of higher education, as well as the state and police desires- of revanchist character – for the so-called end of the change of government in Greek universities, seem to be becoming a reality in the period of emergency we are going through.

The bill to curb the protests is nothing more than a tool to try to put a gravestone in the night of assembly, as whether or not a mobilization will be allowed will be judged by the police, who, according to their superiors, will act accordingly. Thus, non-compliance with sidewalk traffic orders or a total ban will be dealt with by chemicals and motorized cops under full legal coverage. In addition, in order to avoid unpleasant scenes from the glorious work of the murderers of Greece, the photojournalists will be substantially restricted, being in predetermined and controlled places, so that the police can do their job well, as it was said. An almost carbon detail from the corresponding French bill, an aspect of Greek-French cooperation and know-how at every level of security.

So, what bothers them is not the supposedly anti-social demand of everyone to live with dignity, but mainly their move to claim it in practice in every period and on every occasion. The fact that the last ban on gatherings of more than a hundred people, until February 1, was not about commercial activity, just makes it clear to even the most naive what the purpose is and where we are headed.

It is absolutely necessary for everyone to understand that the only “freedoms” they offer us are consumption, unemployment and wageslavery in full force, queuing up to pay taxes and bills, performing the “traditional” religious duties here in the most theocratic regime of the European continent. They show us with their finger raised, that this is the only way we can be next to each other: stacked in the afternoon on the way to the galleys of capitalist profit, scared in the family home, cuddling with the remote control watching the extraordinary sermons concerning our lives.
FOR RESISTANCES IN THE EMERGENCY PERIOD

In these circumstances, cool and courageous decisions are required on the part of society and the movement. Consensus on state checks, whether it concerns the management of national issues, or the Golden Dawn trial, or now the health crisis is great and this cannot be underestimated.

In this difficult time, standing on our own two feet is the only way out. The practical opposition to the bars, the dynamic presence on the street claiming and demonstrating on every occasion – small or large – is a breath of fresh air in the suffocating environment that state and capital build. The support of those in need, either materially or emotionally, since the mental burden of this crisis on an individual level is equally unbearable, must be constant and convincing. Psychological pressure, domestic violence, patriarchal practices unfortunately complement the web that is being woven. Social cannibalism is another derivative of the inhuman condition we are experiencing, which is constantly perpetuated despite the above-mentioned efforts to beautify or counter-present them.

Targeted attacks and sabotage by any appropriate means are a capable factor in disrupting social peace and, of course, renegotiating who ultimately has the right to use violence. The monopoly of this, by the state and bosses will be a good sign of our retreat and in fact with irreversible results.

For our part, and in terms of the dynamic return of part of the violence we receive as militants and proletarians, part of this oppressed and suffocating society, we decided to hit a member of the government staff, who is always in the forefront, the MP of N.D. [New Democracy, the ruling party in Greece] Konstantinos Bogdanos. This bastard is not a self-made political subject and is the offspring of one of the usual fireplaces of the Greek political scene. It is a subject that has emerged, slowly and steadily from a specific extremely neoliberal and fascist reservoir, which is so often found nowadays in Greece and abroad. After graduating from Panteion School, he continued his studies at the Royal College of Physicians in London. After passing through a prominent restructuring neoliberal mechanism, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, he continued in journalism, through which he became more widely known before entering the political arena. There, he made a name for himself because of his extreme, slavish and slimy views. The Free Press and the Flash radio were his first stops in this popular professional space. This was followed by the “recognition” in the journalistic group Alafouzos. This statement would need whole pages to describe what its purposes were. We will simply suffice to say that it was the test tube for the development of worms like himself or B. Papadimitriou, before they officially switched to the ranks of N.D.

His miserable attitudes and statements, usually from the alien space of social media, constantly bring him to the face of ridicule and disapproval of large social groups. We would write a book if we mentioned all of his occasional statements and views. But we will dwell on some key issues. Who can forget the statement about the golden-eyed Roupakias [Golden Dawn member] who was “sad” after the murder of P. Fyssas, his occasional emotive comments about refugees and immigrants and the persuasions for deportations, the hatred for the fighters and the workers. Who can forget the lawsuits against activists and journalists because of the criticism he receives. He who, from morning till night, treats with censorship everything that does not fit his standards. He can defly the free market, while he has no problem receiving state subsidies.

He insults activists of the left and the anarchist space, strikers, trade unionists, squatters, students, he scorches their social and political origins, forgetting quite conveniently who his faction consists of. So if he forgets it, let us remind him: arrogant technocrats, professional snobs like the prime minister’s family, failed celebrities and athletes, fascists and juntas, rapists and pedophiles, unrepentant neoliberals, etc. These are their contents, which they proclaim as… excellence.

He far-right views have at times brought him to the side – this clad fascist – of the racist mob, along with the pure-blooded Nazi bastards like Kasidians [Ilias Kasidians, former spokesman and leader of Golden Dawn], as happened in the events of pl. Victoria [where Bogdanos joined a Golden Dawn demonstration] and the gathering there of indignant housewives and other fascist scum. He supports the Greek police on every occasion, either with words – such as those for the glorious work of evacuating the squatters, to deal with the anarchists, armed militants, etc. – or with works giving the necessary coverage as a government MP, as was done in the recent evacuation of the polytechnic, envying or copying the role of Mizarakis [another New Democracy politician] in the evacuation of the Amalia Villa a few years ago.

For all these reasons, we have chosen to hit a prominent government official to reciprocate a small part of the violence we accept as part of society and the movement. The shy and slimy Bogdanos, after meeting the just rage for his role with kicks and punches years ago in the center of the city, re-entered the focus this time of organized political antibiotic, this so useful and didactic tool on the part of the movement. The smile on the faces of those who have learned about the energy against this bastard, gives us strength to continue.

It was certain that this bastard would try to distort the purposes of the energy and gossip about its results. We are not surprised. But we have the following to say. The only goal of the action was the two cars that belong to him and of course not his family home. Besides, the ethos of those who invade houses is known in Greece, as in the case of Koukaki. If we wanted to hit the house, it would be quite easy for us. But collateral losses, in our logic do not exist. That is why the mechanisms we installed were of low dynamics, so that a passer-by or a neighbor would not be endangered, although we had already ensured that this would not happen. Finally, his statement about a small house and not a villa, etc. caused only laughter. His maisonette at 12 lous Street, just beyond Kefalario Square in Kifissia, is certainly not compared to houses like the apartments in Gyzi, the roofs in Kalithea, or the sunless basements at Larissa station.

The pleasure given by the devastating practices of attacking the oppressive class, in these desperate times, comes not only from the potential beauty and confidence they give to the actors, but mainly from their essence as another Present. What must find its special forms of expression, in order to ultimately be the guide for the liberation of our lives and the throwing in the basket of the History of the dictatorship of capital, of the circulation of goods and of every state order.

Any setback from the path of the Struggle, whether in the form of pointless umbilical
WE ACT
WE DO NOT GIVE UP – WE DO NOT CRY – WE ACT

WE BREAK THE SILENCE – WE BREAK THE SUPREME TRUTH
WE ARE ATTACKING WHAT IS CONSIDERED NECESSARY
TO STRENGTHEN SOCIAL SOLIDARITY
FOR Practical Disobedience to STATE PROHIBITIONS
PERMANENT AND UNBREAKABLE PRESENCE
IN THE FIELDS OF SOCIAL AND CLASS WAR
FOR THE SOCIAL REVOLUTION
FOR THE WORLD OF FREEDOM REQUIRED BY TIMES
FOR COLLECTIVE AND INDIVIDUAL RELEASE
WAR BY ANY MEANS
Revolutionary Rupture Team

P.S. Needless to say, what will happen if the hunger striker D. Koufontinas suffers the slightest due to the vengeful manipulations by political, judicial and police personnel. Weigh the consequences you will have and act accordingly, as we will do in case of possible deterioration of the whole situation...

P.S. 2 Remember that possible forced feeding is torture and the nursing staff should not be involved in it, even if unwittingly, with the warning from above.

Thessaloniki: Incendiary Attacks on Those who Sign the Death of the Revolutionary Dimitris Koufontinas

The hard fight of the comrade Dimitris reaches the last end, once you have decided to take on the political, economic and military costs bearing responsibility for the murder of the first hunger striker in our country. And with him, at the end, our patience arrives. Staying from the early moments on the side of the comrade Dimitris, we are clearly declaring our intentions.

If you do not respect life, why do you deserve it?

We know years now that we contrast a powerful system that has made a law and rule of obscenity and injustice. We have accepted that we are small and few in front of your omnipotence. You know everything about us, you record our moves, steel breaths and moments of freedom without a trace of shame. We know that you have no sensitivity, condemning millions of lives to poverty. But despite your supervision and power, the condition and balances change step to step.

We know everything about you. Your homes, your offices, your cars and your fortunes. We record their full movements. Your quiet evenings, breakfast routes to your work and back, the Sunday rides with your family. And if we were not separated from you by this huge feature called revolutionary morality – a qualitative and moral weight, we would have deprived you of every beautiful moment you enjoy. But our war has a structured targeting and direction towards the hinterland of misery. The blood of our comrades is worth that of all the world. So if their blood is dropped, the world will be flooded with it.

In the end, only the rage remains. That is why we take responsibility for the incendiary barrage with low-power mechanisms on political, judicial and military objectives in the city of Thessaloniki:

The dawn of Sunday February 28, we attacked the house of President of the Association of Police Officials of Thessaloniki, Demetrios Padeis, on Pelopidas 5 in Sykies. Padoris and the rest of the assassins of murderers are responsible for thousands of tortures, arrests and imprisonments, abuses and murders of locals and migrants, youth, students, etc. They are the military armor of state totalitarianism in the war with the inner enemy. Resistance to state terrorism can only have an open collision front with security bodies.

On the evening of Tuesday March 2, we attacked the home of former President of Court of Appeals, Antonios Tsalpora, on Distoros 12 in Charialou. The priesthood of the judicial mafia, illustratively ignores the partner of Dimitris, bruises the vindication of the request for switching to the underground wing in Korydallos. With the same ease that the documents are signed by condemning millions of lives to despair, they sign the death of the first hunger striker.
On Wednesday, March 3rd, we attacked the house of the New Democracy politician, Aphrodite Latinopoulou at Episkopou Ktouso Nikolau 1, in the heart of the city. This garbage, through the security of digital reality, drips hate and bile for life and our comrade’s struggle, for the class struggle. Our attack a few meters away from the student’s struggle is a minimum message of solidarity for the struggle against the degeneration of education and freedom within universities.

The planned murder of the comrade Dimitris is not a simple matter. It is a historic bend that accelerates the sharpening of the revolutionary war through the bridging of social resistance. The truth is in front of us and stares us urgently in the eyes: If we abandon the fight for life and dignity, we will kill the companion before the enemy does. A battle does not end when the bullets are finished, but the determination. That is why we must fight, as long as Dimitris, who does not bend not 50 and 60 days, continues to struggle.

"... In this long struggle, you do not have to fall if you find another hand to continue. The streets change, the times change, the ways change, but the purpose is the same."

Dimitris Koufontinas

We make an open call to society. If the American Government and Mitsotakis execute the revolutionary Dimitris Koufontinas, the whole city will be destroyed. And in this, we need everyone and all of us. Because life and dignity must with nails and teeth remain values collectively defending against the authoritarianism of a cleanser that haunts in the darkest paths. A class of classification. At the place where the story is written with pavement debris, fighters are not murderers, but those who organize and cobble together the revolutionary memory. From now on, everyone chooses conscious camps. Errors, negligence and inconsistency are not forgiven.

For all comrades that give real life battles, for all our imprisoned brothers and sisters, for Lambros Fountas, who 11 years later insists, "Do not give up the fight," but above all for this great comrade in the fight and free man who is called Dimitris Koufontinas. The end is in front of us. Let’s look at it. Comrades, do not bend. Let’s make them pay for everything.

COPS OUT OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD - Open Assembly of Residents

All our forces on the side of Dimitris

Direct Action Cells - Organization of Anarchist Action

Thessaloniki: Incendiary Attack on Military Residence by ‘Direct Action Cells’

"the prison... to be opened, broken open, and its pieces scattered through the streets of the sleeping state, to wake it up and tear away the veil of ignorance that had been the witch’s veil of honesty! Other than the chains of this life I knew nothing else."

A year ago (and a bit), we were faced with a new threat, the Covid-19 virus, and through this rapidly occurring condition, once again two worlds came to a new unprecedented rupture. State and capital recognized through their mechanisms two positions which they were obliged to consolidate in order to ensure their survival. On the one hand, the necessity of protecting industrial-technological and consumer sources of profitability was presented. On the other, the consolidation of social lull and, where possible, the imposition of new operational plans to suppress any socialized tendency to oppose it, as well as the finessing of the edges of the means of subjugation, surveillance and monitoring for a – perhaps not so – future activation of them.

At the same time, the social base, as well as its radical parts, were faced with a situation where the multiple affected fields of influence, not enough structured automation, were returned to a relative previous 'equilibrium' as the rhetoric and biopolitical strategy of the capitalist apparatus was, if not in a way new, then certainly recalibrated. Nonetheless, localized resistances were born throughout this time, all over the globe, not of course spatially and temporally isolated, but as a natural continuation of struggles and choices, collective and individual, made by social, class and political formations over a long period of time.

On the local scale within so-called Greece, there has of course been no exception in terms of the general strategy on the part of the state and capital, apart from logical variations due to different social, historical and spatial conditions. Part of these differentiations was the strategic choice of harsh repression and the corresponding supply of the repressive mechanisms. This choice was by no means accidental, but based mainly on the recent history of the 2008 uprising, but also on the general historicity of the resistances consistently given since the post-independence period. Moreover, the choice of the harshness of the repression and the unrelenting attitude of this government, is not only the continuation of strategies of complicity with previous governments, but also a personal bet due to electoral promises and the awareness of the symbols that permeate, and are necessary, in terms of the discourse of sovereignty. These symbols are pervasive from the "axiom" of the omnipotence of state institutions, to the value of currencies [etc.], and on the other side of the coin, the view that moments, signs or even persons of the antagonistic movement are also only symbols.

Dimitris Koufontinas is undoubtedly a symbol of the armed anti-state, anti-capitalist and anti-imperialist movement, but he is also so much more than that, which any kind of ruler and any kind of petty bourgeois will never be able to understand. It is the living and imaginary link between the eras of resistance and struggle. He
comrades but to every moment that state, and this applies not only to our specific
capital and all kinds of oppressors choose
to step on the people of our own camp, on
the rest of the animals, on the natural
world. The moment they reach out to grab
and step on, we are there to cut them off
at the root.

So, on 24/2 we chose to attack, by placing
an incendiary device, at the military
residences at 2 Velissariou Street, as a
gesture of fiery solidarity with
D.Koufontinas, striking one of the most
“powerful” and important institutions of the
power complex, the army. This particular
target was chosen not only for its role
under “normal” conditions as a tool for the
realization of imperialist appetites, as a
symbol of prestige and a lever for the
satisfaction of geopolitical interests, or as
a machine for the death of so many migrants at the borders, but also for the
role it has taken within the pandemic. The
belligerent climate built through the use of
military terminology on the part of the
state has very specific purposes. The
militarisation of social surveillance, the
consolidation of a war within the urban
landscape, the reference to invisible
enemies, define such conditions of fear
and a sense of danger in society and give
the image of a rescue state in a crisis that
concerns everyone, under the pretext of
the pandemic. By means of a relative
abstraction on the definition of the subject
humanity as subject, define such conditions of fear
and a sense of danger in society and give
the image of a rescue state in a crisis that
concerns everyone, under the pretext of
the pandemic. By means of a relative
abstraction on the definition of the subject
hostile to society and by proposing as an
emergency solution the mobilisation of its
most rigid and, at the same time, its most
specialised procedures, the State finds
fertile ground for totalitarianism through
the military apparatus. When the state
itself chooses as its enemy in the sanitary
– and health – battle in the body of the
struggling society, through this whole
narrative, it possibly indirectly legitimizes the use of the army as a last resort of
repression. Even as we have seen in
isolated instances, what if the army is on
the streets to enforce order, since we are
in an emergency and it is happening for
the sanitary protection of citizens? Even if
militarism, through moves like these,
struggles to become normal, even if the
state believes that through all its methods
inertia will be established, through inertia
and passivity, determination and energy will
spill out more aggressively than ever
before.

We are the unseen poison in your death
feasts.

“I will tell you: I see this society of
theirs as a robbery, a killing, and the more
the wounds will consume me, the more my
rage will grow fiercer, harder. For what man after such a
humiliation as this will be inflicted on him,
will want to live in peace? Who? At the
moment when all the plagues groan and
reap and ask to tear me whole, when a
little bit I silence it and do not wash away
the very hatred they have filled me with.”

NOTHING IS OVER, EVERYTHING IS NOW
BEING JUDGED.

A CONTINUOUS, MULTIFORM WAR
AGAINST EVERY POWER.

SOLIDARITY TO DIMITRIS KOUFONTINAS

Direct Action Cells

Below: 09/03 A cop from the ‘Delta’
Motorcycle Unit (Full of fascists and
responsible for violent attacks) is left beaten
during the riots sparked by the beating of
local people in a square of the neighbour-
hood Nea Smyrni, Athens, by the same
unit of ‘Delta’ cops during a ‘Covid Control’.
NEUROCAPITALISM: 'GHOST IN THE SHELL' COMES ONE STEP CLOSER

"Imagine as soon as you are born, an AI device called the "jewel" is inserted in your brain which constantly monitors your brain's activity in order to learn how to mimic your thoughts and behaviors. By the time you are an adult, the device has perfectly "backed up" your brain and can think and behave just like you. Then, you have your original brain surgically removed and let the "jewel" be your "new brain." At that point, which is the real you—your biological brain or the "jewel"? 

- Scientist describing the potential use of Neuralink

Recently we described in our article ['Automation, Robotics & Labour in the 4th & 5th Industrial Revolutions'] about how the 4th Industrial Revolution could lead to the 'Ghost In The Shell' scenario becoming a reality through Transhumanism and the Technological Singularity, the combining of Biotechnology and Artificial Intelligence. Now it seems that this reality has come one step closer with the recent release on the Internet of a video promoting Elon Musk's neurotechnology startup 'Neuralink', showing an implantable 'brain chip' or as the techno-maniac, owner of SpaceX and Tesla, calls it a 'fit bit for the brain.' The video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iSutodqZ774) horrifyingly shows us a scene of a nine-year old male macaque, named Pager, already tortured by surgically having the device implanted in both sides of its brain. Neuralink has already been developing Bluetooth-enabled implantable chips that can communicate with computers via a small receiver, and has previously demonstrated the technology in pigs, which it claims is 'proof the procedure is safe'.

In another video a pig called 'Gertrude' is shown to have the same torture done to her, with a device that records neural spikes that were detected by more than 1,000 electrodes in the implant, whenever an action was performed by her. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iSutodqZ774]

Going back to Pager, the narrator's enthusiastic but harrowing voice announces "He's learned to interact with a computer for a tasty banana smoothie delivered through a straw" as Pager moves an onscreen cursor using a joystick. The two Neuralink devices record brain activity via more than 2,000 tiny electrodes implanted in Pager's motor cortex, which controls hand and arm movements. The chips feed the information from the monkey's neurons into a decoder, which can then be used to predict Pager's intended hand movements and model the relationship between brain activity and joystick movements.

After a short calibration period, the output from the decoder can be used to move the cursor, instead of Pager playing with the joystick. Then the joystick is disconnected and Pager is shown moving the cursor using only his brain.

As we have mentioned before in a previous article on the 4th & 5th Industrial Revolution, new technologies such as this brain chip are marketed already with positive campaigns, where it can be used by those seeking a memory boost or by stroke victims, cancer patients, quadriplegics or others with congenital defects. Of course this is to bring in the socially moralistic techno savvy consumer, that this device could never have any damaging or controlling aspect to it. As has been shown by any so called technological and scientific advance in the past, they are more than likely going to bring untold damage to living beings [the suffering of a macaque, a pig and countless more over centuries all for the advancement of civilization!], human beings and the Earth.

Elon Musk has already proudly announced that the brain chip will be able to link up to a smart phone that the user can control. The devices will be installed by a robot built by the startup. The robot when operated by a surgeon, will drill 2 millimeter holes in a person's skull. The chip part of the device will plug the hole in the patient's skull, in a procedure that could become as common as laser eye surgery. Imagine how you see the drone humans whatsapp-ing with their fingers and instead to see them able to perform it with their brain. The mind quite literally breaks at thinking of the possibilities of what machines could be controlled and what tasks could be performed by Neuralink's chip, from being able to use machines to perform a task at work or access the Internet to order a takeaway or order an automated vehicle to come give you a lift or as Musk claims even telepathy is a real possibility, with lucky 'included' people able to send messages instantly between them!

Neuralink are not the only players on the neurotechnology mind control scene. Google has already announced 'Google Brain Chip' that would enable a user to think of something and be connected instantly to 'Google search engine' resulting in the subject being found instantaneously, pushing forward the idea of constant connectivity online.

Last year Facebook claimed it is working on a new neural wristband that can read the electrical signals sent to your hands and send them to an augmented reality interface. It is a bracelet that lets you type without a keyboard, without even moving your fingers or control something on soon-to-be-released AR glasses. Alongside this device Facebook claim to be also developing 'optical neuro-imaging systems' that would enable users to type using their brain.

It seems as if Facebook, after years of harvesting data on your marketing possibilities, is finally starting to be able to directly read your mind? Not content with just gaining data usage from smart phones or computers the future of data information will involve capitalist entities and governments literally mining the data from your mind, for sure they do not care for a person's privacy, for constant surveillance of populations, so why would
they care when access is given to the mind?

"Nothing was your own except the few cubic centimeters inside your skull."

- George Orwell, 1984

The other part of all this repressive technology planned by the new insane technocrat elites that will affect us even more will be to further divide populations into a world of those ‘included’ who accept the chip from those ‘excluded’ who refuse or are not permitted, whether they are undesirable or unable to afford it. This world of techno-class division, where technological enhancements give advantage to those who have them, has been predicted in a dystopian fashion in the manga graphic novels series ‘Ghost In The Shell’, where not only those who are poor cannot afford the devices but also new refugee arrivals to the futuristic version of Japan. People are constantly trying to do each other economically as they do now in capitalism but in order to upgrade themselves. Its not hard to imagine how those who cannot afford the technological devices would be excluded from society, as the ‘Ghost In The Shell’ predicts, whole ghettos and areas of cities are cut off from the technological society. Soon even those who resist, even rebel against such a system would be able to be detected because they have chosen not to be hardwired into the new ‘Neurocapitalism’ that is being erected around them. Even now the idea of an individual not owning a smartphone is deemed as backward or even suspicious, even having a standard mobile phone not connected to the Internet is considered to be used more by ‘criminal elements’.

In order to resist the coming Technological Singularity and 4th Industrial Revolution that ‘Neurocapitalism’ represents, bringing it a stage closer, it must be realised that such a system becomes more complicated as it is built, herein lies the mistake of the authorities, that such technological systems are vulnerable, that the communication network that these new devices will require has been and is further being erected around us. As the attacks upon installation of 5G phone towers have shown, any Leviathan is exposed, we only have to open our eyes and add a bit of fire to the situation, light up the darkness of the night along with it.

The technologies that are coming at us, the so called saviours of human kind from the vulnerability of our bodies and minds to something as natural as a virus or disease is not what it seems. Civilization is a lie that has taken us century after century away from superstition but also a million miles away from the natural world which we are part of. Instead we destroy it, even destroy ourselves, willing to give up those last centimetres of our brains, our autonomy, our individuality to those who would rather manipulate, control and imprison us in a concept of ‘smart’ that is no where near to it, an ‘intelligence’ that leads to more mindlessness than we can imagine and a false sense of reality, when we are so far from the one that exists in front of our own two eyes.

Not everyone is going to want to ‘unplug from the Matrix’, so scared of the ‘unknown’, of liberating themselves from what we have become addicted to. There must be a chance taken because the alternative of our life further from our control, where we are more a machine than a living breathing natural being does not worth bare thinking about. It starts with identifying the enemy amongst our midst, rejecting the prosthetics we have become attached to, daring to live a reality of our own making, leaving the techno prison a waste behind us.

LET STRIKE DOWN ‘NEUROCAPITALISM’ & THE TECHNO-PRISON WORLD BEFORE IT HAS A CHANCE!

The Uncivilized

How to Destroy Cell Phone Towers

Recipe: Standard size cell phone tower, used by two or three cell carriers. Usually on the front of the installation there will be a sign noting the companies.

Ingredients:
- 2-3 comrades
- Entry tools (Boltcroppers, Wirenips, etc) Gloves, Mask, Clean Clothes, Hat, Cap or Hood (for DNA traces)
- Fuel (500ml, White Spirit or Kerosene preferred instead of Benzine/Petrol)
- Incendiary
- A pre-made timed evidence and do not set yourself on fire. If you are using a pre-made timed incendiary device place it inside the tyre and set it. Climb down.

Stage 4. Light the fire using a pole or stick wrapped with fuel-soaked rags, Benzine is better here as the wind can get very strong where these mast are located usually. Light the rags inside the tyre from a distance, getting as far back as possible. If the tyre is small, then the fire is smaller, and detection is lessened. Practice operating in windy environments to get used to using fire at altitude and in difficult circumstances. Leave immediately.

Security: Dispose of all materials used in the sabotage action and do not return to the site. Police scientific teams will extensively search the target’s area, entry and exit points, and routes to and from, for any trace of material they can use as evidence.

This recipe is open to be adapted and developed for use wherever it is needed, larger and more complex targets and systems need more developed plans of attack. Trial and error are the guide.

Fuel (100ml of Benzine/Petrol)
Firelighters, Several Lighters, Long Pole or Stick (up to 15ft)
Thick Rags/Towelling (to absorb the fuel)
Small Tyre which is easy to fit in a rucksack (from Wheelbarrow, Quad Bike, Moto etc)

Stage 1. Recon the target. Locate the weak point in the installation, which is where the network cables depart from the mast vertical and enter horizontally or similar into the electrical source, which is usually either a small reinforced building or box. The exposed cables may be located at ground level or up to 15ft up the mast for example. Note estimated timings, entry and exit points, security cameras, motion sensors, lighting etc. Aim to execute the action within 15 mins.

Stage 2. Check and enter the site, climb the mast if needed, cut the cable ties that bunch the wires together at the weak point you located earlier. Wedge the wire between the cables securely and stuff the tyre with rags and wrap some rags around the cables climbing up the mast from that point. Soak the rags inside the tyre and up the mast with fuel. Take care not to cover yourself with fuel traces, prevent unneeded forensic evidence and do not set yourself on fire. If you are using a pre-made timed incendiary device place it inside the tyre and set it. Climb down.

Stage 3. If using a timed device, leave the site immediately. If not, check the site and your exit points quickly. This second check is to prevent any detection, unnecessary injuries or death due to the extended nature of the action.

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Against 5G & the world which needs it
Chile: Second Public Communiqué on the 32nd day of the Hunger Strike

To the peoples, individuals, communities and territories in struggle and resistance.
To those who rebel against this present of oppression and misery.

To our herds, families, friends, complices, comrades and loves around the world.
To all!

The anarchist prisoners and subversives of the social war Mónica Caballero Sepúlveda in the female prison of San Miguel, Marcelo Villarreal Sepúlveda, Juan Flores Riquelme and Joaquín García Chanks in the high security prison, Francisco Solar Domínguez in the Maximum Security Section and Pablo Bahamondes Ortiz in Module 2 of the prison company of Santiago 1 and Juan Aliste Vega in the female prison of San Miguel, bonds of insurrectional complicity from the isolation of the high security prison of Terni, Italy, on April 12, the Spanish anarchist comrade Juan Sorroche Fernandez undertakes a hunger strike in solidarity with our demands, making tangible the beauty of that internationalist anti-authoritarian brotherhood.

We embrace his complicit gesture and make it our own, inviting him to travel these territories of struggle and resistance.

The path traced in this intense time of struggle is the crystallization of the word made action.

From the Chilean prisons our shouts of war once again travel the world making our subversive and anarchic call universal.

In the course of this new time of struggle, which is crossed by the repressive use of the pandemic all over the planet, and in spite of all the limitations and control, we have seen and accompanied each and every one of the multiple and beautiful gestures of solidarity action that are expressed at every moment in every place and where we find ourselves with brothers, sisters, comrades and allies activating in the same pulse of the conflict:

- Words, flyers, sprayings, posters, texts, banners, flags, stickers, audios and live broadcasts and long-lasting radio broadcasting (cadenazos radiales), forums, meetings, barricades, conspiracy, fire and attack, solidarity, music, cycling and constant creativity to show solidarity are part of the many gestures and acts that unite us with all those who today accompany us along this path.

Likewise, the joint action of the different networks, coordinators, collectives and spaces organized in the present anti-prison struggle has allowed the correct and necessary amplification of the imprisoned voice and its emphasis, turning it into the urgencies that guide many of us today. Gathering and dusting off the rusty experiences of the political prison of bygone days, making visible the situation of all cases of today’s permanent revolt and giving a clear and unambiguous account of our subversive and anarchic autonomous resistance in the prisons of the Chilean democracy during the last 12 years in an uninterrupted manner.

Today it is understood with more force and clarity that political imprisonment in Chile never ceased to exist as a real and possible consequence within a subversive, rebellious and insurrectionary option of struggle.

Likewise, the need to widen the active and complicit anti-prison fringe with those who struggle in this critical moment of state repression is evident.

From 1990 to the present day, political imprisonment continues to imprison those who rebel against the existing order and move from words to action through a variety of illegal practices. First there were the armed leftist groups, then autonomous and informal groups of action and anarchic personalities as well as the dignified Mapuche Resistance to reach the so-called prisoners of the Revolt for whom there have always been special laws, flawed trials, differentiated legal penitentiary and police journalistic treatments. A whole framework prepared to punish those who go on the offensive and hold them hostage under reason of state.

The notion of kidnapping becomes tangible in our cases when, through time and in a systematic way, the State, above its own legality, keeps us locked up with processes full of irregularities and with the manifest animosity of all its apparatus; altering our sentences, falsifying dates and documents, criminalizing our families and children, sustaining a special follow-up of punishment.
and public demonization seeking the extermination of our practices and histories of struggle, but they have not been able to do so.

“Freedom will flourish on the ruins of prisons”.

Our outcry today is loud and clear!!!

- Repeal of art.9
And Restitution of art.1
Of the decree law 321 !!!!

Simply put, there should be no regressive modification of the law regulating "provision".

And that this return to being an acquired right of the prisoner and not a benefit.

- Marcelo Villarroel to the street!

His legal situation does not stand up to analysis.

High sentences that at present amount to 46 years issued by the military prosecutors’ offices for events that occurred 29 years ago. Alteration of the postulation times by the modification of DL 321, extending them for more than 16 years. He has lived more than 25 years of confinement in 3 periods. His legal and political situation crystallizes the elements of a state kidnapping, to whom is considered an enemy because of his clear and radical anti-authoritarian and anti-state position.

- For the extension of active solidarity with the subversive, anarchist, anarchist prisoners of the revolt and for the Mapuche liberation!
- For the end of preventive detention as a tool of punishment!
- We support the Mapuche demand for the application of ILO Convention 169 for the situation of the Pehuí and Lámmgen prisoners for struggle.
- For the end of the sentences of the military justice against Juan and Marcelo!

Here are expressed the highlights that guide us in the day to day of prison confinement.

Common concerns of comrades in struggle and resistance from the different prison labyrinths.

Likewise, simultaneously in different prisons of this territory, several hunger strikes with different demands and scopes are being carried out. We greet all those who have the decision to break with the dead time of confinement and activate from within in order to make their situations visible.

We also express our constant concern about the precariousness of life, the military-police use of the pandemic in a context of permanent repression and the generalized deterioration of the lives of the oppressed and exploited while the powerful get richer by suffocating all life for their huge profits. That is the reason for the righteousness of overflow and protest, of organizing and fighting, of direct action for total liberation.

“I am a supporter of violence! I am absolutely in favor of violence. Otherwise they are going to take us out again and kill us again and lock us up again and make us disappear again”. Luisa Toledo Sepúlveda

In a deep connection with diverse territories in war and conflict for the liberation of the land and against capital.

Greeting all those who demonstrated on Saturday April 17 through propaganda, agitation and multiform action.

Strengthening the insurrectionary bond with all the brothers and sisters of the planet who with different idioms speak the same language of revolutionary internationalist fraternity.

With our dead in our memory!
With the decision of eternal struggle!
As long as there is misery there will be rebellion!
Death to the state and long live anarchy!
Weaving nets, multiplying complicity, the insurrectionary and subversive offensive advances!
Neither guilty nor innocent, permanent insurrection!
Against all authority: self-defense and solidarity!
For the extension of solidarity with the prisoners of the social war, of the revolt and the Mapuche liberation!
Let the prisons burst!

- Repeal of art.9
And Restitution of art.1
Of the decree law 321 !!!!

Marcelo Villarroel and all the subversive, anarchist, anarchist prisoners of the Mapuche revolt and liberation: to the street!

Mónica Caballero Sepúlveda
Marcelo Villarroel Sepúlveda
Joaquin Garcia Chanks
Juan Flores Riquelme
Francisco Solar Domínguez
Pablo Bahamondes Ortiz
Juan Aliste Vega

Until the last bastion of prison society is destroyed!
Until total liberation!

Buscando la calle
Thursday, April 22, 2021
Santiago de Chile.

Explosive Attack against BancoEstado in Las Condes, Chile

The night of May 3, 2021, after more than 42 days of hunger strike by our comrades Mónica Caballero, Francisco Solar, Joaquín García, Pablo Bahamondez, Juan Flores and Marcelo Villarroel. A few minutes before the start of the curfew, we headed for the neighborhoods... inhabited by those who, despite the pandemic situation, have enormously increased their wealth, while in other parts of the territory dominated by the Chilean state, hunger and misery are the daily lot of many people.

We attacked this symbol of money and capital, a bank branch located on Avenida Apoquindo, at the corner of Avenida Manquehue, in Las Condes [municipality in the upscale suburb of Santiago - BancoEstado is a bank that belongs to the Chilean State; NdAtt.]. This in solidarity with the compas on hunger strike since March 22 for the repeal of the amendments to Legislative Decree no. 321. They use their body as the only trench, in their gesture of defiance of the prison structure and its judicial apparatus.

We are launching an urgent appeal for solidarity with the comrades behind bars, so that not a single prisoner is left alone,
so that solidarity is not just a written word. With a little ingenuity, we can thwart their control mechanisms and prolong the offensive. May our dreams be their worst nightmares, may the quarantines of the rich tremble and the permanent revolt explode in their faces.

No pacts, no crumbs, uncompromising war against prison society and the capital-state. Freedom for Subversive Prisoners and Anarchists on Hunger Strike. Fire and explosions for the state and its prisons.

Free Marcelo Villarroel now!

This attack is also a gesture for the living memory of the anarchist comrade Mauricio Morales. May the explosions resonate in the memory of punky Mauri, may the month of May turn black...

P.S. Fraternal hugs to the comrades that continue to conspire, day after day, each offensive gesture is a knowing smile...

Anticapitalist Cell Simon Radowitzky*

Anti-Prison Faction

*Simón Radowitzky was a militant Argentine worker and anarchist. He was best-known for the assassination of Ramón Lorenzo Falcón, a head of police responsible for the brutal repression of the Red Week in 1909 in Buenos Aires.

**Thessaloniki, Greece: Solidarity Attack Claim by Arsonist Troublemakers Groups**

Technology has always been a strong ally of domination. Today, however, one could say that it is one of its most important weapons. So technology has flooded every corner of our daily lives. “Smart phones”, “Smart watches”, “Smart homes”, even “Smart cities”. Everything ready and arranged for our convenience. Behind this apparent convenience we have been given, there is huge business. A massive collection of information on each individual. Mobile phone companies clearly have their place of honour in this situation. Always available to hand over conversations, messages and any other information they have, they have proved their good cooperation with the institutions of power many times.

One of these times was the dystopian period 2020-2021. At the first warning of “mass imprisonment”, these companies hurried to comfort the people with packages of offers to glit the pill of each person, who had to stay home at all costs. Still, they have been and are one of the most basic means of social control, as movement is allowed mainly by sms, while at any time the civil protection have the ability to send out messages, with ridiculous sirens blaring.

Beyond this social context and the pandemic situation, we are well aware that these companies provide the “desired” information to the cops when they want to file new lawsuits and open new rounds of prosecution. Interceptions of telephone conversations, surveillance of people through cell phone spots, have often been elements of indictments of fighters / slaves, cut and sewn to the preferences of state security. In every corner of the globe, this cooperation has helped the current power to locate its enemies, imprison them and try to exterminate them in every way. Our hatred for this rotten world is tearing your borders apart, tearing down your antennas and leaving only smoke, sending our solidarity signals. So, on Sunday, April 25, we set fire to a COSMOTE car (TELEFONE COMUNICATIONS COMPANY), on 25th of March Street in Triandria.

We dedicate the action to the comrades Monica, Marcelo, Joaquin, Juan, Pablo, Jose, Tomas, Gonzalez who started a hunger strike on March 22 in the infernal prisons of Chile with demands: – The repeal of Article 9 and the restoration of Article 1 of Decree 321, which regulates “conditional release (conditional release of a prisoner)”, turning the right into a privilege –

The release of comrade Marcelo, who has been imprisoned for more than 25 years, for actions against the state and capital.

The end of the pre-trial detention of the accused for actions in the context of the uprising that lasts until the conviction. -The rejection of the convictions for Marcelo and Juan, which were based on torture, without having the right to defend themselves.

We see the enemy worldwide constantly upgrading its means, for targeting individuals and for repression. So let us not turn our backs on thinking that it is far from our own reality. So let's organize, arm our thoughts and desires, so that we become this dangerous flame that will be feared will burn at some point by those trying in every way to extinguish it.

**FOR ANARCHY**

SOLIDARITY WITH THE ABOVE COMRADES IN CHILE

FIRE TO THE STATE CELLS

WE DO NOT FORGET EMILIA WHO WAS KILLED BY SECURITY

FREEDOM TO VANGELIS STATHOPOULOS

Arsonist Troublemakers Groups
COVID-19: Anarchy in Times of Pandemic - Gustavo Rodríguez

From the Introduction to the zine 'Covid-19: Anarchy in times of pandemic'.


For our dear Gabriel Pombo Da Silva [1] and all our comrades who have been kidnapped by the State in these days of the plague

"...using freedom or, if you want, abusing it, is the only way to liberate us"

Rodolfo González Pacheco

"Fire can arise from the plague. And with fire freedom may come [...] we want to avoid that this moment of crisis leads to a restructuring of the current system; because that could only happen in a much more authoritarian direction [...]"

The Plague and the Fire

"...the vitality of anarchy [which is also for sale today] lies precisely in ceasing to be a digestible product and be the opposite, i.e.: a sharp, stabbing blow to the system;"

Maunicio Morales

We are witnessing the disappearance of the world: the world as we know it. Definitely, the pandemic caused by the new coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) has accelerated its decline, consolidating a multifactoral "crisis" of "terrifying proportions", caused by the abrupt alteration in the continuity of the flow of goods -even of inputs and raw materials- and the consequent paralysis of the "moments"-Marx dict- of production; which has unleashed a perfect storm in the heart of the global economy with immediate effects on the dynamics of capital expansion and accumulation. In the face of this open secret, an atmosphere of global panic is being fostered that has been increasing thanks to the daily shrinking of the world, hand in hand with the speed, complexity and intensity of planetary interconnectedness.

In this context, the information pandemic (much more viral than SARS-CoV-2), which always fluctuates between disinformation and the induction of collective fear, has also done its part, causing voluntary servitude -regulated by panic and uncertainty- to prepare itself to assume the role for which it has been domesticated for centuries. Evidently, the big "push" of the last three decades of Postindustrialism, with the imposition and socialization of new technologies [more than 4 billion people connected!], has been decisive in the entrenchment of cyberlevianism with a multitude of subjects much more submissive than the Minions.

In other words, this group of "conscious citizens" who suffer from idolaters of happiness and hope, prodigious children of positivity and performance, capable to impose an indefinite sentence of house arrest on themselves in the name of the "common", sacrificing -for "security reasons"- the little individual autonomy in which they exist.

However, without minimizing the speed of transmission and the mortality rate of the new coronavirus and, beyond the growing paranoia and its conspiracy theories [present even in our circles], I believe that many of these conclusions about the alleged "capitalist paralysis" is actually being induced with the premeditated intention to sell us the flying motorcycle. Just take a look at the massive increase in sales on Amazon or; the iPhone 12 promotion [with 5G connectivity and ready in September!] and the release of the iPhone SE in the midst of the pandemic, to confirm that the production line never stopped. Similarly, it is notorious that the fall of oil prices was a consequence of the collapse in demand as the oil industry continued to work around the clock in all parts of the world. [2] There is no longer any question who threw the Jumani ["jumani" is a Zulu word meaning "many effects," dice: in recent days viral videos of endangered species [for the past 240 years] being seen on "social networks" have multiplied and the return of wildlife to their ancestral habitats now invaded by asphalt and concrete has been documented, showing the largest drop in the history of emissions of the main greenhouse gas – carbon dioxide (CO2) – with a decrease of 2 billion tons, according to the most conservative predictions. What is contradictory in this story is that according to the Mauna Loa Observatory in Hawaii, last May 3 (2020) the highest concentration of CO2 in history was reached [in the midst of the vaunted "capitalist paralysis"] and also, the extinction of countless species is registered daily.

The deliberate distortion and manipulation of emotions and thoughts for the purpose of influencing social opinions and attitudes is a method traditionally used by authority to impose periodic "reality changes" through domestication technologies that facilitate the introduction of new laws and policies to manage human life. Or, to say it with Foucault, to generate a new biopolitical paradigm. In this way, new limitations and new prohibitions are instructed in the name of the "common good", "sovereignty" and "security" for the sake of increasing [and improving] social control. As post-modern fascism was imposed in the entire West after September 11, 2001 through "self-control" and acceptance of restrictions as a political solution to the "terrorist threat", resulting of a cluster of induced inferences.

The dynamics of the "simulation process", developed by transdisciplinary researchers [sociologists, psychologists, psychiatrists, neurologists and geneticists] from the Theory of Mind (ToM) [3], enunciated by primatologists David Premack and Guy Woodruff in the late 1970s, fits perfectly with these objectives. According to Heal [4], the whole simulation exercise starts, to a greater or lesser degree, from premises of similarity and parity between the organisms that simulate each other. The emotional element, added to the level of automatism and the integration of the social group's parameters, "make simulationism a more plausible alternative than any other theoretic approach, in as much as it is more economical and direct" [5]. For the simulationists, taking into account the parameters of the social group are essential to the certainty of the mental states of people in various situations, recognizing the elements integrated in the simulation as context-dependent variables.

Are we getting a preview of Ridley Scott's next film, with original script by Jeremy Rifkin and Klaus Schwab? The narrative...
and the whole communication strategy around the story of the pandemic, indicates that yes: the next post-pandemic movie premiere could well be titled “Intelligent Universe”, narrating the benefits of the “new normal” that we are already getting prescribed and, the arrival (on a global scale) of hypertechnological capitalism, marked by the convergence of digital technologies [software, sensors, information technologies and communication], biological [neurotechnologies, nanotechnology and genetic engineering] and, physics [radio astronomy, quantum cryptography and quantum entanglement], with the consequent expansion of “smart homes”, “smart cars”, “smart factories”, “smart schools”, “smart infrastructure”, “smart prisons”, “smart cities” and, a big etcetera of “smart domination” [6] by the hand of cyberphysical systems fully operated by artificial intelligence. Without a doubt, we are moving towards a new form of biopolitics or, “necropolitics”, in the words of post-Manuel Achille Mberne, arguing the contemporary forms of “submission of life to the power of death [politics of death].” [7]

Gustavo Rodriguez,
Planeta Tierra, May 22, 2020

[with Mauri in the heart!]

Notes

[1] This dear comrade -accomplice and friend- committed to anarchist practice and the dissemination of anarchist illegality, has been deported to the Spanish State after his arrest (with a search and arrest warrant) in Portugal, putting an end to his clandestinity. At the moment he is in “Mandatory quarantine” in the prison of Badajoz, Extremadura, pending a possible transfer.

[2] The oil industry is the sector responsible for the highest emission of greenhouse gases, followed by the textile industry.

[3] The “Theory of the Mind” is defined as “the human capacity that allows us to perform mental activity, that is, to attribute beliefs, desires, emotions, intentions to others and to ourselves” [Valdez, N., Special Educational Needs in Developmental Disorders, Aigue Grupa Editor, Buenos Aires, 2007, p. 13]. Revealing that human actions are the result of interpretations that we constantly internalize, giving meaning to behavior and avoiding, of “chaotic” and “dark” behaviors. This makes it possible to interpret, explain and predict the behavior of people through a “mental look” at desires, thoughts and beliefs. Or as psychologist Simon Baron-Cohen calls it, a “mindreading” that allows you to poke around and “program” the forms of communication and deception, encouraging relationships both cooperatives as competitive [Baron-Cohen, S., The Empathizing System; a revision of the 1994 model of the Mindreading System, In B. Ellis & D. Bjorklund (Eds.), Origins of the Social Mind, Guilford Publications, London, 2005, pp. 483-492].


In early 2019 images were published of the software Ring makes available to authorities. Without a warrant, cops can demand any user – sometimes with financial incentives – within 400 meters of a suspected crime to access video surveillance footage from their connected doorbell. Up to 12 hours of recording can be collected by the police and kept without time limit.

If the network of cameras made available to the American cops is for the moment much smaller than the Chinese surveillance system, it already incorporates many devices, in fact financed by the Americans themselves – Ring connected doorbells are sold in France from 99 euros. The American scum mainstream media quotes a study by the technocrats of MIT that mentions the figure of three million active Ring cameras in the United States.

It is estimated that 47 French cities with more than 90,000 inhabitants had a total of 11,400 surveillance cameras in early 2020. In the United States, Amazon distinguishes itself from Google, which offers competing products – via its Nest range – but without working with the police [should we take their word for it?] In France, no such partnership has been announced between Ring and the authorities. A collaboration that could be complex to implement because of European law, which is more protective of privacy.

We include this text even though it is referring to Ring in a French context it is important for a UK context because of the increased use of the door cameras which are not subject to EU law anymore and could or are already being used in the same way as in the US.

Ring: Amazon’s connected police bells

Connected doorbells from Amazon-owned Ring are a big hit. But they are also helping to build a nationwide video surveillance system, funded by the citizens themselves.

Will the United States soon rival China in video surveillance? While the Beijing government has installed 600 million cameras across the country, the U.S. authorities can rely on the citizens themselves. In three years, the company Ring, an Amazon subsidiary specializing in the sale of connected doorbells equipped with cameras, has considerably increased the amount of video data available to the police.

According to the scum media (owned by Jeff Bezos, overlord of Amazon), more than 9,000 local police and fire departments have partnered with Ring in the United States. The number of partnerships stood at 703 in 2019, and only 60 in 2018. Estimates make that Amazon is now forging two new partnerships every day.

How Amazon is helping the U.S. police build a huge video surveillance network

Screenshot of the platform Ring created for law enforcement

Incendiary sabotage of a crane on the building site of an Amazon logistics center, Achim, Germany, July 2020.
Text of Alfredo Cospito from Ferrara prison: A Contribution About the “Proposal For a New Anarchist Manifesto”

Let me preface this by saying that living in a “bubble” (a high security section) it was only today, April 2021, that I received the “Reflections on the contemporary informal, insurrectional and internationalist anarchist substrate. For a new anarchist manifesto”, written back in February–April 2020.

Although I don’t know how this has evolved, I would still like to have my say, by giving my contribution on what I believe is the real and concrete essence of what is sometimes called “the new anarchy”, sometimes “the black international”. I would like this writing of mine to circulate as much as possible outside the Italian borders and so I hope that some comrade will translate these words of mine into the various languages. My intention is simply to clarify a few points, I hope I’m not stepping on anyone’s toes, mine are just slightly different points of view... The first thing I noticed in this document is that the Federazione Anarchica Informale – Fronte Rivoluzionario Internazionale (Informal Anarchist Federation – International Revolutionary Front) and the Conspiracy of Cells of Fire are never mentioned. This lack from my point of view is quite surprising and indicative because we are talking about experiences of armed struggle that, with all their limitations, gave the start to two experiences with all their limitations, gave the start to experiences of armed struggle that, and indicative because we are talking from my point of view is quite surprising Cells of Fire are never mentioned. This lack from my point of view is quite surprising and indicative because we are talking about experiences of armed struggle that, with all their limitations, gave the start to two experiences that were never mentioned. These two experiences have bequeathed to us a concreteness that we only dreamed of before, a concreteness that was the product of a real “international”. An international that has allowed anarchists to communicate through actions without organizations and coordination of any kind. A force that has made itself recognizable by presenting itself to the world through acronyms.

Acronyms behind which there were nothing but anarchists of action who related to each other through the words that followed the actions. Comrades who had only one aim in that specific field: the concrete and factual destruction of the existing and not recognition or self-representation within an assembly. In your writing (which, if I understand correctly, would have among many other beneficial purpose to “mitigate the discrepancies” between the so-called “social” and “anti-social” struggles) the real essence of this “new” anarchy is brought back on the tracks of traditional insurrectionalism. I say this because basic concepts that are foundational to this “new” anarchy in your words are distorted if not overturned. Words that would seem an attempt to give an organic, a structure to a phenomenon that by its nature is ethereal, unstructured and that finds its strength precisely in its intangibility and unpredictability.

In Europe in past years, among more or less informal anarchists, attempts similar to yours were tried. Attempts of more or less successful international assemblies. Attempts that beyond the initial intentions did not lead to anything but books, documents prepared in common and various posters, reducing in fact to the usual scene for the usual known comrades. At this point I must reiterate what are (according to my lonely point of view) the founding concepts at the base of the new informal anarchist practices:

- Overcoming the assembly “instrument”, only the actions speak, only the anarchists who risk their lives by striking hard, communication takes place through the claims.

- Exclusion of any kind of organisation, even of coordinations; the writings that follow the actions in some way invite the other groups to act accordingly; there is no need to know each other because this would give rise to leaders or coordinations.

- Exclusion of pure theorists, who have no say in the matter, I am talking about those comrades who through their “lucidity” and theoretical ability manage (even though they do not want it to happen) to impose themselves in the assemblies.

These, in my opinion, are the founding characteristics of all those myriad actions that have communicated around the world in recent years, often bouncing from one continent to another, giving rise to campaigns of struggle. It does not matter whether the actions are accompanied by an acronym or not, the important thing is the communication that takes place through the claim texts*.

In your analysis you support the opposite of what (in my opinion) transpires clearly and with all evidence from the concrete and real dynamics of the so-called “anarchist, insurrectional and internationalist contemporaneity”. In several places you state that we should not limit ourselves to destructive action because this would not be enough to bring down the whole system, then adumbrate the risk that limiting oneself to destructive action would lead to the birth of “groups of specialists of action”; in short, the usual boogeyman of the vanguard. Arriving then, from logic to logic, at the surprising affirmation that this “new” anarchy should not be limited to those who carry out the actions. All respectable concepts but that distort the true essence of this phenomenon, taking us back to the much more concrete and timely risk of creating specialists in theory (not action) who, giving “power” to the assemblies, impose (although not wanting this to happen) their strategy because they are better at writing and speaking and perhaps because they are charismatic comrades and better known to others. In your paper you speak of “organizational informality” and “permanent insurrectional praxis”, this vision of yours does not seem to me to fully reflect the “contemporaneity” of anarchism of action. At this point, I venture to assert, in brief, the “genesis” of this new way of understanding insurrectionalism, at least as far as Italy is concerned. Here in Italy, everything started as a criticism of the social insurrectionalism and its assembly dynamics. At the assemblies it was always
the usual ones who spoke because they had more experience, because they had clearer ideas. It was a pity that the ideas, being the product of the enlightened few, remained stagnant. The words of those who spoke better, wrote better and perhaps had more charisma carried more weight than those of the others who, intimidated, remained silent. The majority followed suit, sometimes someone tried to intervene, but their words carried little weight. In short, the usual, I fear inevitable, assembly dynamics. Let it be clear that I am not blaming anyone, simply that one enters certain social mechanisms without even realising it, we all fall into them sooner or later. It was a short step from criticising more experienced comrades to experimenting with “new” paths. It started with the questioning of the coordination of the assembly dynamics, and then came the questioning of some “dogmas”. One dogma in particular was that the only valid actions were those with “reproducibility” (the “small” actions). A formula that demonised as “spectacular” and “vanguardist” any action whose violence could go a little further. I allow myself to say that in your writing this “dogma” risks being resurrected when you make the distinction between the right targets to hit, “bases of the system”, and obsolet targets, “symbols of the system”. The words change but the gist remains the same. Who should decide which are the right targets to hit? This simple question is enough to highlight the contradictions of such an approach. In time, the last “taboo” to be broken was that of claims and acronyms, and there was general panic, also because of the repressive consequences that such a practice would have entailed, and indeed did entail. For some years, the majority of the Italian-speaking anarchist insurrectional movement ignored these “new” practices. But the increased impact, also in the media, caused by increasingly violent actions made any attitude of snobbery and superiority laughable. Then, with the propagation of the FAI-FRI throughout the world, it became crazy to insist with that attitude. In a critical or hypercritical manner, with due distinctions, all or almost all took note that something new had been born.

Now, I have the impression that the moment of “recovery” has arrived and, once again, coordinations, assemblies, manifestos emerge. I am sure of your good will, but I fear that with these presuppositions, what will be born will only be able to trace (and I say this without any irony) the “old” and glorious social insurrectionalism. In my opinion, it is the methodology you have used that is wrong. It should be the groups and the anarchist individualities, through their actions, to talk about it. Only from their analyses, conveyed through actions, the new anarchist perspective can be strengthened. Only in this way we can make the necessary and indispensable selection that can exclude a priori the “professional idealists”, those who do not act in the real world and therefore do not have the sharp tools and a concrete and realistic vision to affect reality. This is not an accusation, I am sure that there are no “professional idealists” among you, it is simply a question of method. It is the method that makes the difference between the different visions of anarchy. In this kind of context, strategic analyses cannot fall from above. However elaborate and well-written they may be, words must be conveyed by action, otherwise the analysis will inevitably lack realism and concreteness. Having said that, mine is only a point of view. The point of view of an imprisoned comrade who has a limited view of reality.

Precisely because of the speech just made, my opinion is worth what it is worth, very little. Mine is only a contribution, and I hope very much that my criticisms turn out to be constructive.

Alfredo Cospito
April 19, 2021

* It must be noted, however, that claimed actions have a disadvantage over unclaimed actions: they involve a greater risk from the point of view of repression. On the other hand, unclaimed actions also have a drawback: invisibility and dispersion. The message that (from a social point of view) unclaimed actions would like to convey often does not arrive or is greatly obscured or distorted.

You can find the “Reflections on the contemporary informal, insurrectional and internationalist anarchist substrate. For a new anarchist manifesto”, on the “Corrispondenze Anarchiche” site [https://corrispondenzeanarchiche.wordpress.com], the PDF of the manifesto here [https://corrispondenzeanarchiche.files.wordpress.com/2020/11/manifesto-inglese.pdf]

Rome: Fire at the entrance of the National Institute of Health

One day not too far from March 8, the entrance door of the ISS* was set on fire. Because I decide about my body. Because the responsibility of the state murders in the prisons, in March 2020, must be sought also in this. Because medicine is an oppressive institution, one of the many pillars on which the system of patriarchal and techno-industrial domination is founded. Because it was the last day before reconfinement and it was okay for us to spend it having fun. And above all, why not?

Solidarity with those who struggle in prisons, against them and against any form of cage.

A thought to the oppressed viruses all over the world.

* The state agency that collects and manages the data regarding Covid-19.

Two Parcel Bombs for the President of Confindustria Brescia and the Prison Guard’s Union

We sent two parcel bombs to the president of Confindustria Brescia, Giuseppe Pasini and SAPPE of Modena.

We hit the unions of the bosses and their minions. We hit the corporate and prison slauthters in the first days of the proclamation of the state of emergency. In front of the images of the bodies taken away by military means we understood: Your death, my death.

Capitalism is a rotting corpse: Let’s bury it.

* No faith in investigations, but nihilistic revenge against master politicians and minions.

No judgment can stop the Informal Anarchist Federation.

We have not forgotten the action of our brother Mikhail Zhlobitsky. Beyond the generations of virtual alienation, Mikhail is the youth of the world. This action is dedicated to him.

Mikhail Zhlobitsky Cell,
Informal Anarchist Federation,
International Revolutionary Front
A letter from Danilo, accused of setting fire to a police van in Barcelona

In February, the imprisonment of the rapper Pablo Hasél and the riots in Linares, in Andalusia, following the beating of a man and his daughter by plainclothes cops sparked a brief moment of revolt in the Iberian territory, especially in Cataluña. The reasons go beyond freedom of expression: hatred of the police, refusal of the curfew, the economic and social situation, etc. On Saturday February 27th, a riot broke out in the centre of Barcelona: banks and shops were burned, ATMs burnt, clashes against the cops, and slight burning of a police van. At the repressive level, many were wounded, there were about one hundred arrests, and a dozen people were imprisoned, among whom eight comrades arrested on February 27 and March 1st for the burning of the van. For more info: presxs27febrer.noblogs.org

Hi everyone!

I'm Danilo, one of those arrested after the demo of 27th February. As many already know, I am writing from Brians 1 (Martaoreilles). It is one month today since we were arrested and I wanted to publish something earlier but I had to get a better idea of what was going to happen, both for myself and for the others, also get news from outside, etc.

That said, I want to start by thanking the very many gestures of solidarity we have received; many people have implicated themselves in that, giving a lot, be it materially with letters, money, postcards, clothes, etc. or practically with demos, initiatives, etc. Each of these contributions helps us a lot to keep up our morale and feel supported which is very important here, really thank you!

To sum up, for anyone who doesn’t know, we are accused of attempted homicide, attack on authority, public disorder, continued offense of degradation and belonging to a criminal group. Recently the comrade accused of having set fire to the urbana [Barcelona city cops’ van] has been released on bail. Which is great in and of itself, and we also think that perhaps this is a signal that the case is starting to fall apart.

However, it is always very complicated to predict anything, given the absurd pathetic media circus, in addition to the seriousness of certain charges, which is why I personally prefer to get used to the idea that it’s going to take a relatively long time to get out of here. It’s not that I don’t like the idea, I just prefer to have good surprises rather than disappointments, not start worrying about time, etc., so far that has worked for me, and I can say that in spite of everything I am calm!

About our arrest, I must admit I hallucinated that we weren’t badly beaten up—it’s something I anticipated when we were handcuffed in the street; I thought it was ordinary protocol in these situations (I still think so), or maybe it is the exception that confirms the norm. In truth, I am perplexed, and finally I reached the non-conclusion that perhaps the fact that the media had been talking for days about “disproportionate interventions,” as they called them, by the mossos (Catalan cops), or that they wanted to avoid new “martyrs” who could give strength to the demonstrations… I really have no idea, but all the better for us! Insults and threats, we got. “We’ll see you in the street in Mataró when you’re outside, pig, let’s see if you stone us!” a cop told me at the Mataró comico, before they took Luca, Albo, Hernan and me, handcuffed, to the very shabby theatre, which they did to search Nabat, a squat where some of us lived, with the anti-riots posing in front of journalists in the middle of the road, before bringing us back to the cell, pff!

Along with Sara’s release, something else very positive, and that I wasn’t expecting, is that we are all here at Brians 1, in three different modules. Those of us in the same module see each other every day outside in the yard (6 hours a day, 4 in the morning, 2 in the afternoon) while we write to each other from one module to another and the letters “only” take some three days to arrive, in addition to being able to have communications, internal visits, etc. This is all very good; we support each other and that really helps.

Module 4, where Albo, Luca and I are, is the quietest, as they say, “the schoolyard,” a “respect module” for civil servants. Most of them are here for stup (trafficking), theft and bullshit, then there are some that in other modules would not last a day (sexual offenses) and a lot of snitches; that’s why this module is so quiet, some prisoners are more guards than the guards, even more than in other modules; at the slightest thing you are sent to the special [section] and afterwards to a conflictual module. In the end, luckily we also met some good people; things could be much worse.

Something else, before finishing, I want to express my utter contempt for the disinformation media of the regime; once again, they are at the top in their efforts to manipulate public opinion with their lies, sensationalism and bullshit, supporting the repression, servile scavengers who take advantage of the ill-being of others, is that a job? Always offering a medium on which the repressive apparatuses can then build their retaliation.

Each time they are threatened, they try to sell the same story: behind the diffuse social malaise and the revolts there is only a group of conspirators, in order to be able to apply exemplary punishment, two for the price of one: on the one hand they strike those who disturb with their struggles and demands and on the other, they try to frighten those who think of going out in the streets to protest. They claim to be surprised when a crowd of young people explode in rage, identifying those responsible (cops, journalists, banks, multinationals, large businesses) for increasingly precarious and miserable living
conditions and for more and more suffocating social control systems. They pretend to be victims, like the worst executioners do, wolves in sheep’s clothing! I wanted to make it clear to those supporting us that this is what I think, I think it matters. Fuck the repressive apparatuses and their states! I will not give up my ideas for fear they will be criminalized.

Anyway, sorry if it’s too long, but there was a lot to say about this month and I didn’t want to do it in a boring telegram or communique style.

A huge hug to everyone! Hope I can get back to you soon! And once again, thank you for everything!

Much strength and solidarity also for the others repressed in prisons all over the world!

Freedom for all! Down the prison walls And long live anarchy!

Danilo

To write:

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Up until now our letters have only been opened in our presence, without being read.

An Incomplete Chronology of Direct Actions from around Planet Earth

January 13, Brussels, Belgium
Several hundred people gathered in front of the Gare du Nord police station in Brussels, responding to calls made on social networks by the relatives of Ibrahima, 23, who died after being arrested by the police. Baton blows, water cannons and flash-ball shots from the police were answered with stones, molotov cocktails and fireworks shots from the demonstrators. The car of the Belgian King, recognizable by its license plate, was targeted as it passed the demo. The police station on Liedts Square and at least one police car were set on fire.

January 15, Buenos Aires, Argentina
Arson attack on police vehicle by Antagonist Nucleus of Anger in solidarity with Francisco Solar and Monica Caballero.

January 18, San Francisco, USA
30+ anti-racists attacked the Immigration and Customs Enforcement office. They thoroughly painted the walls, smashed the windows, and breached the building to wreak havoc inside. Claimed in solidarity to the migrant caravan in Central America, imprisoned migrants and in memory of William Van Sprossen. [an anarchist killed by police on July 13, 2019, after attacking a Washington federal immigration center armed with a gun and setting vehicles on fire.]

January 26, Tacoma, Washington, USA
After a pig drove through a crowd of people with a police vehicle, militants set flaming barricades and smashed windows of Pierce County Corrections jail. Protesters also called for justice for Manuel Ellis, a Black man who was murdered by police in Tacoma last March. Buildings and cars were attacked by militants who moved through downtown Tacoma. Trash was set ablaze in the street.

February 8, Panguipulli, Chile
A police station, municipality building, and other government buildings were set on fire by rioters in response to the police murder of street juggler Francisco Martínez in Panguipulli on February 5.

February 9, Rojas, Argentina
Following the horrific femicide of eighteen-year-old Úrsula Bahillo, the people of Rojas stormed their local police station. The crowd broke windows and tore off metal blinds to use in an effort to break into the station. When the State employed tear gas to suppress the rebellion, the people responded by throwing stones and bricks. A patrol car was set on fire.

February 25, Palembang, Indonesia
Molotov attack on police post claimed by individualist anarchists in solidarity with Dimitris Koufontinas, Toby Shone, Monica Caballero, Francisco Solar, and others.

February 28, Barcelona, Spain
Nine nights of riots after the detention and imprisonment of the communist rapper Pablo Hasél, who was charged with prison for the political themes of his songs. Shopping districts are looted, police stations attacked, hundreds of containers burned, and motorbikes and cars were in flames, one police van was burned by molotov cocktails and a big hotel in the Rambla was vandalized.

February 28, Château-Arnoux-Saint-Auban, France
The offices and a 4×4 of the telecom company GMS [a subsidiary of Scopelécal] were burned down. GMS is the main 5G installer in the region. A little message is left: 3, 4, 5G... BOOM!

March 4, Patras, Greece
Anarchists attack two passing motorcycle police with molotovs only 50m from the cop station, two hitting the vehicles and one hitting a cop in the head. Claimed in solidarity with Koufontinas’ hunger strike.

March 8, Mexico & Colombia
In Mexico, clashes took place in Mexico City, Oaxaca, Puebla and Cuernavaca (Morelos). In the capital, at least 20,000 demonstrators protested against femicides (endemic phenomenon in the country), protesters managed to knock down the metal fences protecting the national palace. The anti-riot police then used their shields to prevent protesters from entering the palace. Militant feminists set fire to police shields guarding the National Palace. In Cuernavaca groups of hooded protesters attacked public buildings.
March 13, Liege, Belgium
The headquarters of the judiciary was attacked with molotov cocktail, while the windows of the government’s palace were broken. A church is also attacked. Oaxaca de Juárez, the feminists attacked a church, as well as a building of the Ministry of Health.

In Colombia a group of feminists set fire to a church, the main door of the temple was set in flames. Two Transmilenio buses, the Las Nieves and San Diego stations, a SITP bus and the Palace of Justice were also vandalized during the demonstration.

March 8, Portland, USA
Chase banks throughout the city were attacked in solidarity with the fight against the Line 3 Pipeline expansion, a project being funded by Chase. Line 3 would further the poisoning of the land, water, and atmosphere and violates the Anishinaabe people.

March 9, Athens, Greece
A Greek Delta cop was pulled off his bike and beaten to a bloody mess as riots broke out at a protest made up 5,000 people in the Nea Smyni neighborhood against cop violence. Some were holding banners which read “cops out of our neighbourhoods” and “parks are for laughing, not for hearing the words I’m in pain.” The latter was a reference to the video footage showing a young man shouting “I’m in pain” as he was beaten Sunday at the square. Clashes broke out after a group of around 200 masked protesters headed towards the cop station. The demonstrators threw rocks and molotov cocktails at a cop station and the assassins responded with tear gas and water cannon. Journalist and photographer scum at the scene also came under attack by the protesters. Undercover cops even attacked some people with molotovs.

March 12, Athens, Greece
ATM’s, an OTE (Greek Telecommunications Company) vehicle & a cop motorbike are set ablaze in a barrage of arsons attacks in solidarity with Kaouftinas and in memory of Lambros Fountas.

March 13, Liege, Belgium
An uprising against police racism breaks out after a violet arrest of a black woman by cops. Fast food restaurants and stores were also looted during the uprising. 36 total cops were injured. 200 clash with police, throwing stones at the central police station and the vehicles. A McDonalds was also ransacked. Several windows of city hall were smashed.

March 14, Berlin, Germany
Riot against re-instated Covid 8pm curfew, cop vehicles attacked, running battles fought with riot cops, flaming barricades and many corporate entities have their windows smashed, as well as looted.

April 14, Berlin, Germany
Arson attack upon 20 SUV vehicles at a Nissan base. Nissan are responsible for supplying vehicles to numerous military, security and police forces including the Hellenic police, especially special units of the DPKE.

April 17, Komotini, Greece
“There are people who are bullets for weapons that have disappeared or have not yet been discovered. Others are knives and recognize as a sheath only the heart. And others are flowers that bloom in cement. The rest could and do not exist.” Anarchist Conspiracy for Diffusion of Revolt “Sebastian Oversluïj Seguel” showing their solidarity with Chilean anarchist comrades, burn a state vehicle of the Region of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace and a security vehicle.

April 27, Bristol, UK
Slogans spray painted and windows smashed of local offices of Kier, a construction company responsible for prisons (especially the building of new mega prisons), wivection, HS2, armed forces, as well as being against unions and letting workers die, as well as being injured working for them.

May 1, Montreal, Canada
Artificial Intelligence HQ attacked by protesters on the annual May Day demo, as they are able to break free from the cops after deploying smoke bombs, crows feet (metal spikes thrown on the floor to burst vehicle tyres) and by throwing obstacles in the road as they go.

May 8, Bremen, Germany
An unmarked cop car burnt in the city center, in response to the recent Covid curfew and the death of a youth while in police custody, in the city of Delmenhorst.
AFTER LOCKDOWN, LET’S LOOK AT THE SITUATION WE’RE FINDING AROUND US

The pandemic has been the starting gun of a huge project of capitalist restructuring in which we are rapidly getting lost. London is already well within the bounds of being a ‘smart city’ — this means that every molecule in this seething metropole is in the process (or already) brought into one great artificial network: capitalism certainly, but largely virtual, nearly autonomous, diffused into everything around us, and into ourselves, into our bodies, into our minds.

Right now we are in the middle of a vast labyrinth. A spotless, serene dreamworld is being constructed. Total efficiency, total interconnection, total isolation. The world is being rapidly shrunk into the shape of what can be calculated, predicted and processed by Artificial Intelligence, Augmented Reality and the Internet of Things. The last vestiges of vital and human connection are being flushed away, replaced by the management of this routine of ruthless exploitation and utter despair.

All the while the living earth is being incinerated — it’s already too late to stop this. We are already in the middle of the mass-extinction catastrophe. No worries. Capital will be here to transition from the ‘destructive’ practices of fossil fuel extraction to rare earth mineral mining (used for solar panels, wind turbines as well as all the smart technology their world is now predicated on), they’re already using slave-labour excavation in Guinea and the Congo. And the masses in our former colonial outposts fleeing death and chaos from the resultant shortages and resource wars? Well, the Napier Barracks Concentration Camp, the thousands washing up on the shores of the Med, the militarised border and detention system, gives you a taste of how they’ll deal with that scenario.

All the while markets drive into permanent instability, as familiar patterns fall away, ‘productive’ industry continues to be abandoned and speculative finance reasserts its domination over the world economy: there will be (and already are) massive crashes and crises. Not a problem. We remember the last decade of punishing austerity, the hurling of swathes of the exploited onto a scrapheap, the wiring of every aspect of our existence into a rapacious so called ‘gig economy’ at the same time as Victorian-style slum conditions increase at the margins, masses of this city can’t afford food, unemployment exceeds 1981 levels: the playbook here is very well established.

All the while surveillance technology — London already bristling with cameras, but supplemented by GPS, by our ‘devices’, by the very world we trudge through — is going into overdrive. Drones can be thrown into the mix too, and soon will be as common a sign of our ongoing occupation as patrol cars. Oh well. We know exactly how this will all be used. The same way that this country has built a sprawling carceral system to tag, bag and warehouse anyone who falls through the cracks of this megamachine — not to speak of the brutal treatment reserved for anyone with the audacity to stand and fight it. This ‘bill’ gives us an idea of which direction we’re heading in on that front.

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So we’re losing our grip on things; the world is changing very quickly and we hardly know what to do with ourselves. Any form of struggle which has as its basis performative activist gestures, ‘community organising’ (whatever that means), ‘raising awareness’, enlisting more members to a party, issuing demands for reform: these are not just quantitative and reactionary, they correspond to a world which no longer exists. The way that capitalism is going (and has been for a while) is to actually realise Thatcher’s dictum, to get rid of ‘society’. In this neo-feudalism there simply are no ‘politics’, no ‘rights’, no ‘democracy’, no ‘community’, not even in name — there is nothing to even pretend to be able to influence. Just a churning vortex in which we are destined splinter and lose ourselves, wind out our time ‘waiting’ for something to break us out of this nightmare that will never come. Without dignity— without passion, numbed, smothered, empty.

But we still have one thing that is really dangerous. We have an idea. An idea worth taking risks for, worth wagering what’s left of our lives on. If we can gain the courage of our convictions we can set off on an adventure to assert, proudly and without fear, a reality — a way of being which can explode the contours of the future that’s been laid out for us, of the grave that’s already been dug, and is beckoning for us. Because this is exactly what power lacks. It can’t even comprehend it. When it looks at the instability and chaos of our day it can only see something to be managed. It only sees the path of reintegration. But we can just about make out, if we try, something very different: a whole series of vulnerabilities, both material and mental (the terrain of battle is now everywhere), on the basis of which we can map out a plan of attack. Because once we smash the illusion of inevitability, once we assert the beauty and strength of our idea against this world, everything about it can be reinterpreted. There is no longer a population to be watched, tracked and managed. There is an area of contained individuals any one of whom may have the same anger, the same dreams, as we do. There is no longer an economy to sacrifice to. There is an exploited ready to fight alongside against exploiters whose power is fragile and whose claims to legitimacy are long gone. There is no longer an encroaching technology. There are so many nodes of an infrastructure, weak points ready to be targeted. Crucially there is no more inertia, there is an old world to be dispatched with, and a present moment, so long occulted and put off, ready to be
seized back together, to be experimented with, to be lived to the full.

But what does this really mean? Do we just wait around for the next riot? What do we even do in a situation of mass insurrection? Are we to just be spectators, cheering on the ghettoised and excluded? Maybe contributing our own stone? And what happens the day after? The truth is that, at the moment, everything 'goes back to normal'. We need to take stock: we are already in a situation where they can't keep control of the streets, in this new climate of 'managed' instability. Just look around this burning earth today, even this country can't escape that trend, a quick glance to the west will satisfy you of that. In order to have a true, qualitative shift, we must break out of every routine, including those adorned in 'violent' trappings. We want to diffuse amongst ourselves and express to the world a vision of insurrection and social war which goes beyond fights with the cops — because contrary to anarchism the police are not the real enemy, they are simply in the way. The real enemy to confront with violence is our own reduced conception of what is possible, of what it means to live. To strip the mask off power, to see this system as the weak and frail thing it is, we must see what in us, despite all appearances, is really strong, and this is our capacity to begin an infinite, limitless, revolt, to breaks open our reduced imaginations—to wager our lives on that which cannot be represented, mediated or modelled. Against that, the courts, police stations, parliaments, boardrooms, the military, silicon valley, the chamber of commerce, the NATO/G8/G20/COP-?, the 'anti-terror command' centres, become what they really are — just so many absurd spectacles, with so many hammy actors, waiting to be charged off the stage, when the audience no longer has it in them to watch and cower in the dark a second longer.

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Earth’s Lament - Everyday Revolution

Once I was wild. Once countless creatures crept, crawled, wriggled and ran over me. Flowers and trees shot up wherever they pleased. Sometimes they competed for space, but just as often they cooperated to live together in harmony. The same was true of the animals: they preyed upon one another only as they hungered. They knew nothing of murder or genocide. The law of the jungle was take what you need, and no more.

In those golden days, the thin-haired apes who call themselves people were just another tribe among my laughing, playful children. They foraged and hunted as their hungered dictated. They fornicated and procreated as their passions moved them. They built simple, efficient structures to protect themselves from the elements, and spent most of their time in play.

Some might say that they did nothing but play. They had no time clocks, bosses, or rigid work ethic. Maybe you could argue that those early people were really engaged in productive work only when they weaved, sculpted, cooked, or hunted, while their dancing or storytelling were unproductive leisure and play. But this distinction would come as a surprise to the happy, hairless apes themselves. All their activities were voluntary, and all fulfilled essential human needs — to these uncivilized humans, gaiety and camaraderie seemed just as essential as food and shelter.

Unfortunately, somewhere, at some time, some of these hairless apes decided that they constituted the center of the universe. They decided that the lives of those in their tribe were more important than the lives of all the other creatures around them in the community of life. They decided that they possessed the knowledge of who should live and who should die, and the sole power to save or destroy the world. Misled by these delusions, some human tribes decided that they could remake the entire world to fit their purposes. To this end they began to tamper with the intricate systems of life that had spread across my body during billions of years of chaotic interactions.

Because of the egotism of a few hairless apes, these infinitely complex systems, in which every organism’s independent actions served the interests of the community of life as a whole, were rapidly replaced. The apes constructed simplified systems meant to serve only the interests of a few human masters. Wetlands, forests, and prairies filled with diverse life gave way to geometrical rows of plants and subdued herds of animals, completely dependent upon human care for survival, and bred only to service humans’ material needs and designs.

Maintaining fields and herds required much more time and effort than living off what naturally grew up from my body. The domesticating humans fought a constant battle to defend their ordered gardens from the vital, natural chaos around them. One threat came from other human tribes, who still lived wild and free off my plenty. This way of life, without respect for property or boundaries, was incompatible with that of the domesticated tribes.

In fact, everything wild seemed incompatible with human-made systems: one of the biggest threats to life came from the dangerously unpredictable behavior of birds, deer, insects, and even other plants. All seemed set on consuming the crops that these tribes had sown, or upon taking advantage of the growing conditions in their fields. These relatives of the hairless ape did not understand that the new domesticated lands were not meant to exist as free space in a wild garden, where every thing was provided for your consumption through the larger design of a chaotic system.

To stop the wilderness threatening their controlled design, the civilized apes took up arms against their wild relations, conquering and enslaving all that they could. Free plants and animals were domesticated. Free humans became servants or slaves — or were simply assimilated as fellow farmers enslaved to a plot of land that they must constantly maintain and guard. Those humans, animals, and plants who would not be pacified, and therefore threatened the new human-designed world order, were exterminated. In this way murder and genocide came to be.

As these brutal apes imposed a hierarchy on the community of life, where they decided what people and other organisms outside of their own tribe would be allowed to live or die, the internal organization of their tribes also came to reflect this unequal power dynamic. The new, domesticated human societies were invariably formed in a hierarchy. A few bullying tyrants or self-important individuals would go about making decisions for other people based upon
their own needs and whims, just as they made decisions for the entire living world based upon the interests of their tribe.

Despite many successful crusades to kill off all that was wild and free, these early human leaders were constantly thwarted in their attempts to rule the world. Slaves rebelled, free tribes continued to raid their herds and gardens, and pestilences continued to destroy their crops. The community of life, in all its glorious chaos, was constantly showing how impossible it was for any humans to rule over me.

Yet these early rulers did not step back to question the source of their constant insecurity. Or, if they did, they were too blinded with self-importance to assess what was really happening. Perhaps a few thoughtful storytellers were getting at this when they created tales about a lost Garden of Eden, where life had been all easy play. But these stories explained humanity’s fall from paradise in terms of punishment from an all-powerful supreme being. This explanation obscured the voluntary choice humans had made to accept authority and domestication, and made obedience to powerful authorities seem inescapable.

Neither the human leaders nor their bullied followers comprehended their mistakes early on, when they had just begun to betray my trust and love by killing and enslaving my other children. Instead of abandoning their brutal ways, they began a full-scale attack against my body itself. They tried to make my soil barren through their wasteful, ill-conceived agricultural enterprises. They pitted my body with mines and quarries in order to build huge structures, temples to their self-importance, or in order to burn the prizes they had dug up and send up clouds of smoke to blight my breath.

Human societies began to move faster and faster, working to gobble up all that was wild and turn it into factory farmland, or piles of slag and debris, or massive stone and metal monuments to the brutal apes’ self obsession and complete estrangement from the community of life. Even in those few spots, those few nature preserves set aside for creatures not of immediate use in the human-made system, constant efforts were made to police, regulate and control my other children, so that they could never become strong and plentiful enough to leave the sanctuary and reclaim the blighted human world.

I grow old, I grow old… this refrain comes from a poem by T.S. Eliot, one particularly adroit wordsmith among the most privileged classes of the brutal apes. Eliot also wrote a poem characterizing the modern human society in which he lived as a barren wasteland. These observations are important. They tell me that, through their constant insistence that slave-master relations are the only interactions possible, humanity’s leaders have not just deprived other creatures of their joy, play and freedom. Even those at the top of the human-designed social system can sense that, without the ability to interact with all living things as brothers, they have lost all chance for beautiful, full lives. They have lost the chance to live in a world that is beautiful because it is out of their control.

But even though they know that they are empty, only a handful of these humans have ever tried to let go, and restore the world to its previous, chaotic order. Most take the easy way out, trying to fill up their emptiness through redoubled efforts to impose human-made order at every level of life. T.S. Eliot joined the Anglican Church in order to find meaning in its rituals, and he was not alone in this. Over their brief history, the vast majority of humans seeking escape from the brutality of their social order have become trapped in ritual, religion, superstition, philosophy or science. In fact, the efforts of some humans to return to wild freedom and the community of life have even been used to create new religions or philosophies, and thereby increase the weight of their chains and the severity of my injuries.

With each passing moment, I lose hope that the thin-haired apes will make any kind of peaceful, voluntary return to a state of free play, mutual respect, and wild nature. Once I wished for this possibility in every moment, and looked constantly for signs that it was coming. Now it is only a very misty deep dream. Instead of wishing for the best I find myself hoping that the absolute worst does not come to be.

Perhaps these misguided ape children of mine, guided by their egotistic leaders, will destroy me completely in one final blast of egotism. Or perhaps they will only annihilate themselves and the majority of life, and I will be able to enter a long, deep sleep of healing and rejuvenation. But what I most fear is that they will find a way, using their technology, to prolong my life and their own, keeping us alive indefinitely in a tame, debilitated state — just as they string out the mutilated lives of their own elderly with painkillers and hospital respirators. I would rather that they kill me in a bright blaze than that they keep me alive as the single flickering flame of vital life in a cold world of stone temples and sickly slave farms. But the choice is not mine...

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