

### Christodoulos Xiros, member of R.O 17N has escaped from prison-leave and gone underground in Greece

About 17N - Solidarity to Christodoulos Xiros

Revolutionary Organisation 17th November (R.O 17N) was a leftist urban guerilla group, which operated in Greece from 1974 until 2002. It was dismantled after a string of arrests in 2002, which became part of a security crackdown just before the Athens Olympics in 2004. Until its dismantlement, the Marxist-Leninist 17 November was regarded as one of the world's most dangerous revolutionary organisations and impregnable to multiple investigations. The operatives had good access to blackmarket weapons from post-soviet countries and practised very good tradecraft, this meant they remained undetected for a considerable amount of time compared to other radical left-wing revolutionary organisations like Red Army Faction in Germany and the Red Brigades in Italy. 17N used as its "signature weapons" two .45 M1911 semiautomatics in face-to-face assassinations. This early modus operandi was very successful. Later the group began campaigns of low-intensity property destruction and rocket attacks using stolen munitions and expedient materials.

17N were named after the day of the 1973 Athens Polytechnic uprising against the military dictatorship of 1967-74. The uprising was bloodily suppressed by the army. The group's actions included weapon expropriations, 23 executions of cops, judges, journalists, politicians, Turkish, American & British agents, bombings and armed attacks against several capitalist, government and imperialist targets. In addition, 17N supported its operations with at least 11 bank robberies netting



approximately US\$ 3.5 million. Members of 17N kept detailed financial records, found in one of their safe houses in 2002, to document that the stolen money was used for revolutionary purposes.



17N's first attack, on 23 December 1975, was against the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency's station chief in Athens, Richard Welch. Welch was gunned down outside his residence by four assailants, in front of his wife and driver. Other victims included Captain William Nordeen USN, the U.S. defence attaché, whose car was destroyed by a car bomb a few metres from his residence on 28 June 1988, and U.S. Air Force Sergeant Ronald O. Stewart, who was killed by a remotely detonated bomb outside his apartment on 12 March 1991. 17N also killed the military attaché of the British Embassy, Brigadier Stephen Saunders, in Athens on 8 June 2000; Saunders was shot to death in a traffic jam as he drove to work.

On 29 June 2002 Greek authorities captured injured comrade Savvas Xiros, after a failed bombing attempt in Piraeus. A search of Xiros and torturous interrogation on the comrade after he had been severely injured by the explosive device he was carrying, led to the discovery of two safe houses and to the arrests of six more suspects.

A 58-year-old former mathematics student living underground since 1971, Alexandros Giotopoulos, was identified as the group leader and was arrested on 17 July 2002 on the island of Lipsi. On 5 September, Dimitris Koufodinas, identified as the group's chief of operations, surrendered to the authorities after an extensive manhunt by anti-terror cops. In all, nineteen individuals were charged with some 2,500 offences relating to the activities of 17N. The trial of the terrorist suspects commenced in Athens in March 2003. Because of the 20-year statute of limitations, crimes committed before 1984 (such as the killing of CIA station chief Richard Welch) could not be tried by the court. On 8 December, fifteen of the accused, including A. Giotopoulos and D. Koufodinas, were found guilty; another four defendants were acquitted for lack of evidence. The convicted members were sentenced on 17 December 2003. Only five out of 19 members of the group convicted in 2003 are still in jail.

Christodoulos Xiros, 56, is one of the unrepentant imprisoned members of the group. Xiros has been sentenced to six times life sentence, plus 1000 years of prison. On the 6th of January the anti-terrorist unit announced that Christodoulos Xiros violated his

7th temporary permission to exit prison for a few days to visit his family in Halkidiki, and that he had escaped. Under current Greek law, inmates, who are serving life sentences, can be granted short-term leaves from prison after serving at least eight years of their term. Fragiskos Ragousis, Xiros' lawyer, stated Xiros' vanishing was "in line with his political action and his opinions on freedom". Ragousis said he was not in contact with his client but interpreted his disappearance as "a political escape". Anti-terrorist police started an immediate nationwide hunt, finding the car he used in the town of Florina, 200km away, but no further leads.

In the context of the anti-terrorist propaganda, the mainstream media unleashed an attack against the cell of imprisoned members of Conspiracy of Cells of Fire. The anti-terrorist unit had the journalists say that Christodoulos Xiros cooperated in his escape with the imprisoned members of the CCF. They claimed to have specific references that Christodoulos has found shelter at a safe house of unarrested members of CCF. At the same time, after a meeting of the Prime Minister with the Ministers of Public Order and Justice, they announced that there will be no further temporary permissions to leave prison for a few days, this is specifically for "terrorists" who "don't regret their actions", and in future the prison of Domokos will become a high security prison under police control with special forces of police (EKAM) at their disposal. All the political prisoners accused of participation in urban guerilla actions and other prisoners with long terms accused of organized crime will be transferred to Domokos. Large bounties were also announced for the capture of members of Revolutionary Struggle, Nikos Maziotis and Pola Roupa, plus rewards for information on the identities of members of armed groups who carried out an assassination of two members of neo-nazi group Golden Dawn. One hour later from the politicians emergency meeting, anarchist Kostas Sakkas was rearrested in a move widely viewed as an act of political revenge, although at a later date he was released on bail and prosecuted in a new anti-terror charge involving accusation of membership of CCF - which both Sakkas and the CCF deny. Furthermore, the antiterrorist unit called relatives of two comrades-members of CCF, to try to find out what they may know about the escape of Christodoulos Xiros. So far the cops used the situation to raid at least 60 houses of comrades in Athens and Thessaloniki, including members of the assembly of Anarchist Squat Nadir (Thessaloniki).

In the space of five days, panic-stricken authorities launched the biggest manhunt in modern times, placed a 4m Euro bounty on the head of Xiros - dead or alive - and threw a security cordon around the capital not seen since the 2004 Olympics.

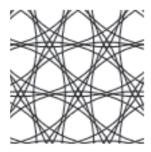
As European justice ministers gathered for a summit in the country that currently holds the EU's rotating presidency, there were police and military sharpshooters on the roofs, sniffer dogs roaming the streets and more than 2,000 riot police outside government offices and hotels.

A widespread panic gripped the national and foreign establishment, financial and security sector.

The U.S. State Department was furious. Anger in Washington added to the pressure on prime minister Antonis Samaras's weak government to capture Xiros. The US State Department still regards 17 November as a proscribed terrorist organisation that was once on the top of its most wanted list before Al-Qaeda appeared. Xiros, to the dismay of authorities in Washington, secured several prison-leaves since 2011. Xiros's ability to elude the authorities has inevitably also focused attention on a failing Greek state apparatus. Anti-terrorist units, like the judiciary, police, prison officers and politicians, have been sapped of morale by the country's ongoing crisis and the defeats inflicted upon them by the new armed urban guerillas.

As the mainstream media were also drinking in the anti-terror hysteria once again, Alexandros Giotopoulos and Dimitris Koufodinas, imprisoned leading members of 17N, clarified with declarations that the 17N organisation had not reactivated with the escape of Xiros. Koufodinas recently released an autobiography with a major publishing company in Greece to much dismay by the establishment. 17N are still viewed favourably by many people in Greece and they are given respect. Western diplomats and business leaders are terrified that Xiros will try to forge a leading role among a new generation of guerrillas linked to a criminal underworld that is thought to be wellarmed and more inclined to internationalist anarchy, hence more unpredictable and nihilist.

For a new wave of global urban war - Solidarity to the unrepentant members of 17N and Chr.Xiros.



### Letter from C. Xiros

The comrade sent this letter and a video (325.nostate.net/?p=9546):

"Better an hour of freedom, than forty years of slavery and prison."

Because the known crocodiles of the mass Media will start to cry about the lost rights, and will, as always, ask for blood in the arena, I have the following to say:

First of all, your democracy died a long time ago and the abortion that has remained is so blatantly fascist that the corners of the swastika protrude.

So do not pretend to be honourers and protectors at the same time as you murder youth for 1.40 euro and don't give a damn. Not for us, you fraudsters of the Media, mouthpieces of the lenders, collaborators of the 4th Reich.

It is natural that my leaving causes panic and terror to you and those you serve!

But not to society and the people.

You are against us, you are lackeys of those who destroyed us and this is now in the conscience of everyone.

You cannot fool us any more.

Nothing can save you, neither the Dachau you are planning, nor the legions of mercenaries. No matter what you do, very soon the river of rage will rise and drown you!

And I warn you:

Do not dare to harass my relatives and my loved ones, do not think that you will repeat what you did in 2002, when you had us all hostage. Now you will receive the answer you descript.

For now I dedicate a lyric from a song of V.Papakostantinou, "Karaiskakis".

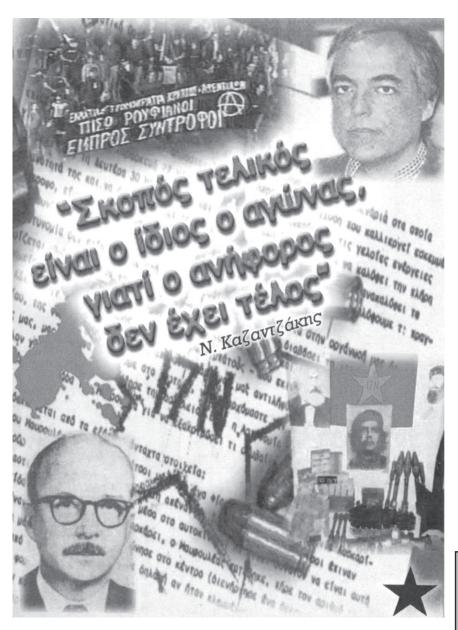
#### "When I return I will fuck you up"

If I managed to convince my captors to grant me leave, I consider it my own personal success and I will answer with the phrase said by Tzavelas when he convinced Ali Pasa to set him free: "I am glad I fooled someone treacherous". An act of course that he paid for with the life of his child, who was a hostage of Ali Pasa.

If you were smart you would have given us not only leave days but also freedom, but of course you are not.

Now in the final hour instead of screaming hysterically, preparing even tougher laws and tougher oppression – which also shows the measure of your democracy – it's better that you prepare your humiliating exit. Because your kingdom has ended and you have not realized yet!

I could have rested on the laurels of my



previous actions and repeat the hit of the time "someone must finally do something". I didn't do that.

My choice to not go back firstly destroys my "course".

But what kind of prospects can one have when they see society collapsing, the country being destroyed and the people becoming enslaved? Until when will we see in the year 2014 people dying from braziers and remain apathetic? Not me anyway!

I took the decision one more time, to fire the guerilla rifle against those who stole our lives and sold our dreams in order to make a profit.

We do not want your benefits, keep them to tip one of your snitches.

We want rights and we will conquer them gun in hand. We do not ask anyone for a favour and especially from you who keep your head down. Next time you see me, which I do not wish (and neither should you) you'd better kill me, because if you take me hostage again I will just leave again to fight you to the end.

I will conclude with a part of the political statement I made instead of an apology at the appeal court, in November 2006:

"In no way am I who you describe, but I am definitely what you fear."

And I will repeat the same line from Promethean Bound

"Hit, chain, tie the body of the slaves of Zeus, the mind – the soul remains free."

#### **Christodoulos Xiros**

Free member of 17 November 14/1/14



## Letter from the CCF about C. Xiros

A WONDERFUL DAY...

The urban guerrilla Cristodoulos Xiros, is now unrepentantly crossing the land of freedom. A land distant for those, who forgot the attack and who were bent by the hope of a change, without putting their own hands into the fire.

A land near to those, who have given so much to the struggle and who still live with the desire to give even more.

There is where life, comradeship and insurrection are born... in negations and in tough decisions.

Take care comrade...

Strength to the unrepentant prisoners of 17th November

#### THE ERA OF ATTACK HAS BEGAN

P.S. Journalists, you crows, your lies will bury you. Keep your forked tongues away from the comrade.

Conspiracy of Cells of Fire – FAI/IRF (Prison Cell)

### **Communism**

All that is good and of human beauty is born in a beautiful moment or from a good spirit. Artists or wise men, working for all and for solidarity in life.

They're communists.

Nothing is for one. And a creator doesn't exist.

It's a principal of morality, Fertile and Hot; in front of a system of political economical inertia.

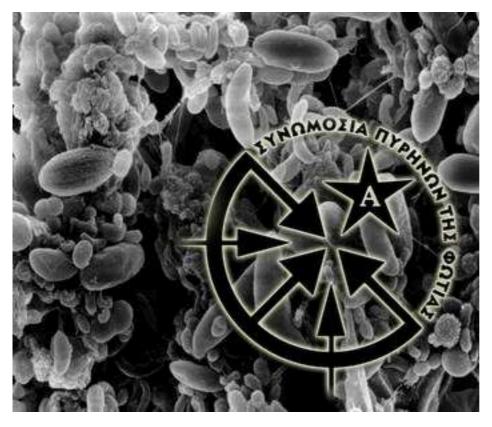
You go to it like when you go to a spirit: A cry to social sympathy.

#### That's it.

But I will let it be known to our Market man: That bread isn't ours. Our wheat is from other crops. Ours grow from love and companionship. Not like the rest. This is our real wage.

Because we are communists.

From "Carteles", by Rodolfo Gonzalez Pacheco (1882-1949). Translated by anarchist prisoner Rafael "Jon-Bala" Martinez Zea in Spanish prisons.



# Letter of Christos Tsakalos of the Conspiracy of Cells of Fire - FAI/IRF

A contribution by the CCF member, Christos Tsakalos, to the Nihilistic March zine and the counter-information blog Parabellum.

#### "The direct urgency of attack"

Part two

(continuing the conversation, started by Italian comrade Nicola Gai\*)

i) The miracle workers of social salvation

We live in a dull, predictable and mechanical age. We live in the dictatorship of numbers of the financial crisis, of unemployment statistics, stock market analysis and of generalized social fear.

At the same time, the humanist merchants of "progressive" ideologies are seeking new clients. The wandering miracle workers advertise their ideological merchandise and promise social cure. Alternative energy sources, "green" industrial growth, fair taxation, respect for the workers' rights, medical insurance, social state...

All these are followed by various "anarchist" charlatans, who advertise more libertarian quackeries for the coming of utopia. Social justice, self-management of the means of production, direct democracy, workers' councils...

But even the "anarchist" remedies for social salvation, although they promise to liberate our lives, the only thing they do, is reprogramming the social apparatus by using a more libertarian manual. A cat, even if one paints it black and red, is still a cat.

But why is there such a need within the anarchist circles, for some to pretend to be the doctors of the social syphilis? Anarchy is not a social painkiller, it's a poison. It doesn't soothe the pain, nor does it lull with future promises of a "just" society but on the contrary, it poisons thinking and acting, aiming at the destruction of the existent and the creation of unexplored passions and tensions, that have nothing to do with the old world.

Unfortunately, today we have been taught to value life as an object. We no longer live our life, we are buying it in small doses. We buy objects to become happy, we buy ideals to believe in, we buy relationships to communicate, we buy time to enjoy ourselves.

All the remedies, that suggest a vague future revolution, don't say a word about the destruction of the civilization of Power. In their more "anarchist" version, they are satisfied with suggesting the destruction of some of the material infrastructure (prisons, ministries etc.) of the old world. This means, in a few words, that the rest of the spoils of war will be saved. Technology, work, civilization, the power of majority will haunt the new utopia of our existence.

But for us, the new anarchist guerrilla is not just the blow-up of some human targets and buildings, but the blow-up of all social relationships. For us, the political suggestions of social movements, which simply want a more just, more equal, but equally predictable and dull, world, are not enough.

We don't want to be slaves of the possible, of numbers and analysis once again. That is why we don't seek premade revolutionary programs and the answers to everything. What value would life have, if it runs out of questions?

We read time after time the analysis, the suggestions, the programs even anarchist texts full of definitions, with complicated terms and an unending bibliography, which try to explain their utopia, to give solution, to persuade people for their validity. They serve us stale Marxism and exercises of intellectual potency. Too many words are written, to display their knowledge. Some know very well the games of words and admire themselves...

But in the end, the most interesting question is, how are we going to attack today and how are we going to live now in a more dangerous and free way.

#### ii) Attack, attack, attack

This why I want to continue the conversation, initiated by comrade Nicola Gai from prison in Italy, about the direct urgency of attack.

So, speaking about anarchist continuous attack, we consider conscience to be its starting point. But because all too often, excuses for the suspension of attack, steal the most beautiful words, it is necessary to define what we mean by the words anarchist conscience.

Conscience for us is not an analysis after another, the display of dusty historical knowledge, academic assemblies with political speeches, unending monologues and dull economic researches. We don't need neither flashy speeches nor expressive ornaments in order to convince an audience or to strengthen the myth of the romantic, dreaming and conscious "revolutionary" who sacrifices himself for the sake of others. We don't care about massiveness or acceptance.

Conscience starts with a simple thought, a direct reflection, an individual revolt.

Conscience is the way we understand our self and its uniqueness, the way we build relationships and communicate with others, the way we live our life, not as a granted and predictable situation, but as a sequence of conflicts from which we discover new values, experiences and emotions... The anarchist conscience is the way we laugh, we fall in love, we enjoy ourselves, we dream...

These things cannot be found only in books and in the political speeches, that want to analyze everything. Besides, we are at war, not in some economic conference or literary contest.

In the situation of the armed encounter with power, it is the one who transforms his words into action that counts and not the one who speaks with beautiful words.

So, our attack is the result of our conscience and our desire not only to escape from the rules and the compromises of the social apparatus, but also to destroy it.

The attack against the system, explosions, robberies, executions, sabotage, fire are not just the tools of an invisible struggle, but the struggle itself, our own way to live free here and now. This is not about an armed fetish of means, but rather a different approach to the "variety" of the struggle, which strikes the theoretical brakes and abolishes the experts of violence.

An anarchist bank robbery or the execution of a cop is not a cut off, spectacular image as the media represent it, like a detective novel. It is a whole procedure between comrades who think, talk, suggest, decide, plan and transform their words into action. It is a live situation in which relationships, strength and emotions are being put to the test...

It is a desire in motion. It is the undertaking of risk, besides there is no life without risk. All the working hours of academic conversations can't compare to a single moment of direct action.

Anarchy meets its live experience, only when one decides to arm himself, to put his hood on and terminate the programmed clock of his life once and for all.

### iii) The sad lie of the intermediate social struggles

Naturally, we know that throughout history, only minorities of individuals were ready to live and die for what they believed in. But, this decreases neither the value nor the pleasure of battle.

Besides, the timeless phantasy of preparing the large masses as a perquisite for the attack against authority can only result in suspensions.

For us, anarchy is first of all an individual choice which results in the sharpening of the struggle for collective revolt. It is a choice that we experience here and now, using with full force and audacity all the means of attack in our disposal.

On the other hand, "civil" anarchists look desperately for a conscious proletarian class, which will transform into the vanguard of "social revolution", with only a friendly nudge. In this way, the veterans of theory hide themselves behind timeless suspensions, wating for the mature objective circumstances.

At the same time they express intense criticism and launch furious attacks

against any comrade who crosses the line of what is socially acceptable, of the logic of measure and mediocrity. For example, all "socialist" anarchists, are willing to accept small symbolic attacks, as long as they are covered behind the participation of many (so if something goes wrong, everyone can think that he is not the one who is going to be caught) as long as there are no serious penal consequences (prison terrorizes the assumed tomorrow's destroyers of the existent) and of course as long as they don't scare people away (you don't have to be an election candidate to be a politician).

This is how a safe routine of "anarchist militancy" is created, which spends itself in small doses by taking part in meaningless street fights, every now and then, during public protests. I don't want to be misunderstood here, I consider every launch of a Molotov bomb, as a breath of insurrection inside the metropolitan prison. Besides, all of us have had our first insurrectional experiences in such street fights, between tear gases, fires and cop chases.

But using these peaceful public protests as an opportunity for sabotage and attack is one thing and considering these conflicts of opportunity as the **acceptable limit** and the only possibility of "social insurrection" is another.

Nothing and no one can make us restrict our desires and acts of attack in the name of what is socially acceptable.

A society that is not frightened by slavery ethics, the dictatorship of money, the coldness of technology, the destruction of nature and is frightened by the fact that some cops or government officials may trip over the Kalashnikov shots of anarchist urban guerrillas, is of no importance and hostile to us.

At this point, I think that it is necessary to talk about class references and intermediate struggles. Unfortunately, many insurrectional anarchist comrades still carry the social heritage of traditional anarchists. We can read about "the need to connect with society", in many anarchist texts. The complex of feeling guilty for being different, hides inside this phrase. Why should we connect with society? We are part of society, since we were born in it and since we were taught its rules. But now, as anarchists, we refuse it and we fight against it, because the only thing it

can offer is compromise, oppression and boredom. Why then should we return back to the womb and connect with everything we have already refused? The notion of connecting with the "fighting" parts of society as a necessary perquisite in order to promote subversion and insurrection isn't much different from what communist parties want, which is leading the masses to social revolution. We don't believe in vanguards, nor do we wait the idle mass to learn how to breathe freely.

As R. Novatore wrote "You are waiting for the revolution! Let it be! Mine has started a long time ago!"

Besides, if we want to talk about class struggle, we have to admit, that the cohesion of the working class is based solely on coercive economic conditions, experienced by the oppressed and not on some affinity of perceptions, choices, values and practices. This means, that the social order is more a coercive norm of power rather than a conscious community of people.

We do not seek alliances within the coercions, but through each one's options.

We are not satisfied by ephemeral "partnerships" with those, with who we may at some point find ourselves on the road or behind a barricade, because their salary was reduced or because they were fired from their jobs, without them having doubted or negated the ethics of labor for even a single moment. In short, the stones thrown in order for the masses to acquire the right to work, a good salary and the security of a pension, are not the same with ours. We refuse to work and the world of owners.

This is why we don't seek those, who want to regain the favor of labor rights, of the lost welfare State, but those who are willing to lose everything, in order to regain their lives from scratch. Besides, among the first one will find the biggest traitors, who will be the first to abandon him, sell him out or even turn against him, when standing in front of the lure of a promise, that will financially relieve them.

On the contrary, among the latter, one will discover some of his most authentic and close friends and comrades.

This does not mean, that we stay neutral in the name of some ideological purity, when an intermediate social struggle is in progress. Instead, we seize the opportunity to strike again and again. But we do not get lost in the mass of workers and popular assemblies in order for us to convince or get convinced.

We map the city and carry the war everywhere we want. When the cops are busy with downtown street fights, some of us do not need to be there to contribute by throwing another molotov cocktail. We take advantage of the military absence of cops from other parts of the city and we raid police precincts, banks, luxury malls, carrying the chaos of anarchist insurrection everywhere.

We like to gamble our lives away from the defensive struggles.

iv) FAI-IRF The network of cells

FAI-IRF's proposal satisfies this very desire of ours and converts the direct urgency of attack into a practical experience here and now.

FAI-IRF does not follow the clock of social struggles. The indicators of its own clock are nailed on here and now.

Through practical theory all of us, anarchonihilists, anti-civ anarchists, chaotics create our own international network of conspiracy and direct action and we attack first.

We make small flexible cells, diffused into the transparent social prison of the metropolises, striking in a surprising and coordinated way. In this way, FAI and CCF weave their own web, which aims to poison the system's function. There are no protocols or statutes, in order for anyone to participate in the adventure of the new anarchist urban guerrilla. Each individual can team up with his closest comrades and create a FAI cell, in order to participate in the international revolt of the Black International of Anarchists of Praxis.

In this way, cells are created, which, without knowing each other, develop affinity relationships between them and promote direct action, the antisocial tendency and international solidarity. These are the three keys, that make up FAI. This doesn't mean, that FAI-IRF is a centralized organization, which absorbs any differences in the name of uniformity. On the contrary, FAI cells discover their agreements and their productive disagreements through their actions. In this way, through different communiques, starts a meaningful dialog, whose aim is not to discover the one and only truth, but to promote the evolution of practical theory.

Only through disagreement and dialectics among comrades, comes the evolution of the individual and the sharpening of the intensity of life.

We, the comrades participating in FAI-IRF project, come from different countries, but also belong in different anarchist tensions. Among us, we find anarcho-nihilists, chaotics, anti-socialists, anti-civ anarchists, anti-speciecists, who discover our affinity through our actions. Because, as it has been written before "words often bring us apart, but our actions make us meet again". So, FAI doesn't wear ideological labels nor does it tolerate ideological dogmas, but recognizes its diversity and tensions and promotes continous anarchist insurrection.

**Texts like** "The direct urgency of attack"\*, written by comrade Nicola Gai, offer us the ground to talk and know each other better. So it is important for this dialogue to continue with texts, prisoners' letters and direct action communiques.

FAI grows stronger everyday, new anarchy spreads in places, where the Black International was only a rumor until yesterday. Australia, Russia, Belarus, Brazil, Ecuador, Peru, Finland, Bolivia are added to the countries already "contaminated" by FAI like Italy, Indonesia, Greece, United Kingdom, Chile, Mexico, Spain...

Now the bet grows stronger. Direct action of anarchists of praxis kills the inhibitions and the cowardice of traditional anarchists, who are afraid of risking, so that they won't lose their illusions about the eternal moment of massive rebellion.

This is why, when FAI and CCF practice anarchist action here and now, the devotees of the anarchist movement react with fear, defense and slander when it comes to actions which go beyond their pseudo-anarchist rhetoric.

We're done with the excuses of cowards.

The lie of the mature objective conditions, the anticipation for society's awareness and the alibi of small symbolic actions in order for everyone to use these means of struggle, became all too boring.

We create the conditions ourselves, we don't wait the masses in order to go on the offensive and clash with authority and certainly no violence's specialist is needed to create an incendiary device or to pull the trigger of a gun. Anarchist conscience and the desire for the direct urgency of attack is all what is needed.

FAI and CCF, together with all the anarchists of praxis, attack the peace of the many and create the possibilities for the realization of a free and anarchic life.

"If you came to this world only to count your days and leave, you have nothing to fear. The quiet man is never hurt. It's just that the ugliness of this world has been built by the quiet men. Because quiet men with their apathy helped ugliness to become worse."

WE CREATE 10, 100,1000 FAI-IRF CELLS

LONG LIVE THE BLACK INTERNATIONAL OF ANARCHISTS OF PRAXIS

NOTHING LESS THAN EVERYTHING

#### **Christos Tsakalos**

Member of CCF-FAI/IRF

Korydallos prison, September 2013

# Update on the CCF trial (sessions 89-98)

#### 98th session

The procedure of the examination of the photos has been completed.

#### 97th session

In this session, the question of what is the meaning of the claim of responsibility by the comrades, who are members of CCF has been re-opened and more generally what means in legal terms for one to be a member of CCF

Two comrades from CCF responded to the courts preposterous allegations by clearly declaring that members of CCF are only the people who claim responsibility for it and no one else.

Olga also intervened and said that based on such legal allegations, the cops and judges label anyone, who has friendly relationships with the members of CCF, as a member of the organization.

Afterwards, another comrade talked about a photo which has circulated while he was wanted and which depicted an irrelevant and unknown person as if it was him.

This proves, he said, the way that antiterrorism agency tries to impress the public by involving as many people they can with the CCF case.

#### 96th session

The examination of the photos continued.

#### 95th session

The examination of thousands of photos continued. On the occasion of the examination of some photos, which show several jockey hats of the port and municipal police, which were found in one of the CCF's hideouts, a comrade made a short statement.

A few days ago in another trial, about a bank robbery allegedly made by CCF and the execution of a hero-citizen, who tried to stop the robbers, the only aggravating fact against the defendant was a hat, which fell from one of the perpetrators during the fight.

The comrade wanted to make clear with his statement the fact, that mobile objects (like a hat) can be found in places, where their possible owner has never been. He used the cops' hats, which where expropriated by the comrades of CCF and where found in the organization's hideout, as an example.

#### 94th session

The examination of thousands of photos from the anti-terrorism agency's findings from the CCF's hideouts but also from the houses of the comrades' families initiated.

Among the photos, there is one showing a car, owned by a port police cop, which was expropriated by the comrades of CCF in Volos.

One of the comrades said, that in the photos, which show the vehicle's fake license plates, the data have been falsified. This fact was also acknowledged by the judges, while examining the photos. The comrade went on, clarifying that data falsification is not legally important for the comrades (as they don't recognize the law or any other authority) but it is important to stress this fact, in order to show the methods, which are used by the police when it comes to cases of "high interest".

#### 93th session

The reading of hundreds of the case file's documents has been completed.

#### 92th session

In this session, documents concerning the firearms, found on individuals arrested in Nea Smyrni and Pireus, were read. These prisoners have repeatedly refused any association with the Conspiracy of Cells of Fire. However, the judges insist on accusing them of being members of the organization and on labeling CCF members as the "directors" of that cell.

Once again the comrades of CCF stated, that these people neither had nor could have anything to do with CCF.

#### 91st session

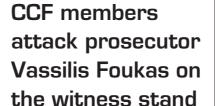
The reading of documents continued.

#### 90th session

The trial continued with the judges reading several documents.

#### 89th session

The session was interrupted, as one of the comrades was hospitalized for a scheduled operation and the other defendants didn't appear in court and sent a statement in solidarity with Savas Ksiros, about his application concerning the interruption of his sentence.



During the 36th session of the trial for the CCF attacks, Vassilis Foukas was among the inculpatory witnesses. Vassilis Foukas was one of the main members (an official) of the judicial mafia. He served as deputy chairman of the Court of Appeal for the 17N case and as an Investigator for the cases of 17N, ELA, 1 May, for the case of Michalis Prekas' assassination and for the case of the Gyzi armed clash where Christos Tsoutsouvis and 3 cops died.

Foukas showed up looking pretty cool in the court room since he was familiar with the environment. CCF comrades are being accused of an arson attack at his house in 2009. After he testified -during his examination by the judgesthat he was terrified by the attack, and that if it hadn't been for him, his wife would have been dead, it was the CCF comrades' turn to ask questions. It was then when his old investigative capacity woke up... Since the questions proved that he abused his judicial power (by accessing witnesses' testimonies etc) he was visibly annoyed by this and started being rowdy through his answers. At some point when he felt that he was being "cornered" he broke off his testimony and started leaving the court room before the questions were over. Then the CCF comrades attacked him.

One of them jumped over the court benches towards him and cut-off his path and another one gave him a strong slap. Before the other comrades jump in, the cops managed to help him escape.

Before that, the ex-prosecutor had

"I don't have to answer anything!" just to get the response by a comrade "Asshole we burned your house, now we will bomb it...".

The court adjourned and decided that the witness should be called again so that the questions can be completed.



### Spanish prisons: Short interview by Contra Info with anarchist prisoner Claudio Lavazza

Contra Info interview with Claudio Lavazza, a compa who has been imprisoned in the cells of the Spanish State since 1996; the interview was presented in the event in solidarity with long-term anarchist prisoners that took place on January 11, 2014, at La Gatonera, a squatted social centre in Madrid.

In your quest for total freedom, you opted to attack the world of Power with all means available to you. What were the primary motives that pushed you to follow this path of armed rebellion?

The motives that led me to undertake a path of rebellion were a collection of circumstances beginning with the attempted coup d'état in Italy; the strategy of tension (terrorist attacks with explosives in public spaces) that was employed by the extreme right with the assistance of the secret services; attacks on the part of political parties of the constitutional arc, and predominantly the Christian Democracy party, who were particularly active in pointing to the revolutionary left and the anarchists as being responsible for the grave attacks. Finally, I was pushed by the injustices and maltreatment of the working class by the authorities - the same ones who applauded the fascist government of Benito Mussolini and Italy's entry into the second world war on the side of the German Nazis.

In your book "Autobiography of an Implacable" (original title: "Autobiografía de un irreductible"; Italian title: "Pestifera la mia vita"), you tell of how in 1981 you participated in the assault on the Frosinone prison (in Italy's Lazio region), with the goal of freeing a compa who was imprisoned there. Today, more than thirty years afterwards, de facto solidarity with prisoners of the social war rarely reaches this point. How can the prospect of immediate liberation of our brothers and sisters be put on the table again?

Starting to think about the immediate liberation of our imprisoned brothers and sisters is just as much a fundamental objective in today's social war as it was in the past... But here, while the system has made progress in infrastructure and means of repression, we have stayed in prehistory, without advancing our military and technological preparation to confront the imposing super-prisons. These constructions, far

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away from towns and cities, are nearly impossible to attack in the way that we did in 1981 in Italy, when we eventually freed two prisoners. When we speak of attacks on the system, although we don't fancy terms like military and technological preparation, it's evident that we are talking about war and confrontation. To succeed, it's necessary to be up to speed with the technological advances imposed by the system of repression. I don't mean that it's impossible to attack structures like the super-prisons, but as we are today, it's an unrealizable dream to free the men and women prisoners within them.

In your long trajectory of polymorphous struggle, we assume that you were involved in various types of organization that waged counterattacks against the establishment. What experiences did you take with you in terms of real self-organization in combat, without leaders or followers?

My experiences with self-organization in combat, without leaders or followers, matured little by little during 16 years underground. No one is born a master, and we all have to learn from others - from those who are more prepared and experienced. Among anarchists, we have a few simple principles that allow us to advance rapidly with self-organization in combat: Once the group is formed, everyone has tasks which everyone must respect. For example, if I'm an expert in attack tactics, the others will have to listen to me, but without seeing me as a leader and without feeling like they are being directed. Obviously everyone has things to say about the situation, but if those words are the fruit of a lack of capacity or experience, they will have to listen to me in order for us to pull off the mission. Just the same, I have to listen to the experts in any other task, if they show that they are more able than I am. This is to say, I will be a teacher according to the circumstances of a given moment, and a student when someone more prepared than myself takes responsibility for the group. This, in my experience, is the way to create self-organization.

Is anarchy illegalist per se? If it is, how can insurrectionary individualities converge in rivers to drown the laws and norms that keep us tied to misery?

Anarchy is illegalist by its very nature, because it exists in the margins of legalities imposed by the system. We the anarchists have our laws and ways of being, which are always condemned by state laws and ways of being. The simple fact of rejecting the rules imposed by wage labor, looking for a way to live by robbing the rich, is considered illegal by the system, but for us it is just and necessary, and thus legal from our point of view. In the same way, any attitude that does not participate in the maintenance of capitalist power may be considered part of this river of rebellion you refer to, which will one day extinguish the laws and norms that keep us tied to misery.

If the date for the revolution is every day, it becomes necessary to take direct action toward the destruction of all that oppresses us, just as much as acting for the creation of a new world. How can these two subversive tasks be married without falling into dry and alienating militancy or defeatist reformism?

The creation of a new world, and the necessity of everyday revolutionary work by carrying out subversive tasks, cannot fall into dry, alienating militarization or into defeatist reformism. We must be careful with this in order to avoid running the risk of burnout, which causes comrades to abandon the cause. This is where our creativity is manifested in the new stimuli and ideas. The revolution and our path toward it must not fall to alienation... we have to give space to breathe, to avoid falling into a routine. The timing and standards of our actions belong to us, and neither Power nor the sad social state are more important than our needs as free persons.

In 1996, you fell prisoner in Siete Puertas, after failing to flee after expropriating from the central office of Banco Santander in Córdoba. What were the reactions of anarchist circles (with and without quotes) at the time, in the Spanish State as well as elsewhere?

The town where I fell prisoner is called Bujalance. Sietepuertas is the name of the cafe where the civil guards caught me. That cafe doesn't exist anymore; a bank branch took its place. Within anarchist circles in Spain, there were some harsh critiques, as well as others in favor of the expropriation from Santander bank in Córdoba (one of the richest banks in the city). From outside of the Spanish State, we received moving solidarity and support from Italy. I remember that when I was in solitary in the Córdoba prison, beaten and wounded, a telegram from my country of origin arrived that made me cry from the warmth and comradeship it brought. Later, with time, letters and postcards arrived, from Spain and other countries in the European and international community, many of which brought with them the same intensity and care.

You went on the offensive beyond state borders, slipping by the authorities of several countries for years. How do you view the antipatriotic and internationalist struggle of anarchists around the world in this present moment?

The anti-patriotic and internationalist struggles of anarchists around the world are present and constant, resulting in harsh responses from the police and courts, which have a terrible fear of them. You all outside will have more information that testify to the intensity of these struggles. What I would like to see, before I disappear, is some other triumph. For me as well as you all, this would be the most beautiful present we could receive... Let's hope it comes soon.

Finding yourself in the dungeons of the Spanish democracy, you have carried out difficult struggles to end solitary confinement and abolish the special FIES regime (an internal segregation regime within Spanish prisons). How would you evaluate those moments today?

Being held in the dungeons of the Spanish democracy, I have fought hard for the abolition of the FIES regime and solitary confinement, as well as the abolition of long sentences and hidden life sentences. Now I'm fighting for the abolition of torture and ill-treatment in prisons, a struggle which started in October 2011 with common actions and symbolic hunger strikes on the first day of each month, thus resulting in a support network of lawyers in solidarity, who assist legally the comrades in struggle that face retaliation by the prison system. I do not evaluate these moments of struggle as a past... but as something present, perhaps with less intensity and participation of the prisoners' community than before. For me, being imprisoned means to be in a constant struggle. Being a prisoner is to be in struggle; prison is not a place where one can relax and forget about the reality that surrounds them.

Your case is one among anarchists convicted to long sentences worldwide. After so many years in prison, have there been changes in the environment of prison society and its population?

Many changes have taken place within prison society and its population since I entered for the first time, in 1980. The population has changed with the entrance of legal drugs administered daily by the administration, such as methadone and psychotropics. They have succeeded in isolating a good part of the imprisoned population, turning them into individualists. There is no longer that combative solidarity that used to exist, when if they touched one of us we would all rise up. Nowadays, and since many years ago, there exists a control over prisoners that is not just physical, but mental, which prevents one from finding a path adapted to their own personality. The drugs taken every day take the best out of you, leaving you with nothing but concern to keep

taking them... the rest is secondary, and of lesser importance... this is their miserable struggle, and to try to convince them otherwise is a waste of time and energy in most cases. The ones who drug themselves are twice slaves to the system, once as a prisoner, and once as an addict. Luckily, in the prisons there is also a part – a small part – of the imprisoned population that is not part of this group, and it is with them that we can struggle to obtain changes here inside.

Following up on the theme of long sentences, how has your long stay in captivity influenced solidarity expressed toward you, as well as your friendships and personal relationships?

Solidarity expressed towards me has always made me proud, especially now that my autobiography has been published.

What is the current state of the legal proceedings against you, and what are your perspectives on the future, both near and further off?

Currently, my legal situation is still complicated. I have been imprisoned for 17 years, and my sentence in Spain is for 25 years. Once I finish it, I await a sentence in Italy of 27 years and 6 months, and another in France for 30 years (with one judgement still not complete, and that with a bit of luck could stop at 15 years). My goal is to rework the pending sentences into a total of 30 years, but it will be very hard to make a court recognize that. There is currently no article of penal legislation that says that after 30 uninterrupted years in prison they will have to let me go. I'll have to fight it out all the way to the Human Rights Court for them to admit a limitation, or chains will be permanent for me.

What message would you like to send to those who struggle day and night, inside and outside of prison walls?

To those who struggle day and night, inside and outside of prison walls, I send this message... Stay strong and free, because the best way to struggle against the system and the prisons is to never go inside.

A big hug for everyone. **Claudio** 

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# Call for an international week of solidarity with anarchists in Mexico facing repression (March 17-24, 2014)

This is a call for international solidarity with anarchists in Mexico facing repression, whether they are stuck behind the iron bars of prison cells or hiding out for their freedom.

The state of Mexico has turned its attention to the blossoming anarchist space that has been actively attacking the state's defense apparatus, the very foundation upon which it stands. Now is the best time to draw inspiration from the anarchist space in Mexico, and to show some love to our imprisoned comrades. The history of Mexico is very rich, and cannot be summed up in a text such as this. What can be mentioned, however, are the efforts that have been made to live in conflict with the state.

This call comes at a time when the anarchist space in Mexico has been actively contributing to a struggle against power and domination.

Attacks on police vehicles, banks, government buildings, and other symbols of power have led the Mexican state on a hunt to persecute those who have effectively threatened their foundation of social peace.

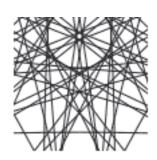
There have been several recent instances of targeted repression of anarchists in Mexico: the arrest of Mario Tripa in 2012 and his recent rearrest in January 2014, the ongoing detention of Mario Gonzalez, the kidnapping and incarceration of several anarchist comrades, the barring of Alfredo Bonanno from entering the country, and the torture, interrogation, and deportation of Gustavo

Rodriguez. There has been a strong response to this repression by anarchists in Mexico, who have celebrated the courage of their companerss through sustained attacks in active solidarity. Between March 17-24th, we are calling for international strength and solidarity to be shown with anarchists in Mexico facing repression. Now, at a time when the eyes of the state and their dogs have turned towards our comrades, we are urging the act to be returned in kind.

"However, even given the imminent state of control, there are still those who aren't frightened, those who by day or by night, alone or collectively, with fire, fire-works, blockades, explosives or firearms, show that this is not the life we want, that – at least from our perspective- this system must be totally destroyed.

Their damned social peace is a myth that they attempt to impose on us. Only conflict exists... It's clear that we have to take control of our lives and our spaces; to be able to achieve it there is no other way out than Social War."

- Mario "Tripa" Lopez





# Interview with Individualists Tending toward the Wild (ITS)

It's been a few weeks since the publication of the book "May the night be set alight! Genesis, development, and rise of the Informal Anarchist Tendency", in which an interview with the ITS is presented, and on our behalf we want to (newly), re-clarify our total gratitude to those who have made it possible for our words to be spread in this form. While recently, upon re-reading our interview, ITS has decided to make a few changes (albeit very small ones) to the original text that we sent on April 28, 2012, which we now present.

Individualists tending toward the wild.

January 24, 2014, Chicomóztoc, México.

1.- When did Individualists Tending towards the Wild emerge, what ideas motivated you as an affinity group and what strategies have you decided to pursue to give continuity to this antagonistic project?

Before we begin to respond to this interview, ITS would like to clarify that while we do not share many of the ideas presented in this book, we see a chance to be able to explain our ideas in a more real way, and this is what we are doing. We do not want to emphasize membership with anyone, our ideas are our own, but now that they are out in the public light, it is necessary that they (or the important parts) are completely understood, as there seems to be much confusion in regards to various themes (including criticisms previously given in our communiques), which were not understandable to the reader or which were not accepted or assumed.

While we are not anarchists, we appreciate this space given by the *Editorial Ácrata*.

Now that we have clarified this, we will begin the interview:

Individualists Tending Towards the Wild formed at the beginning of 2011, and was motivated by the reasoning acquired during a slow process of getting to know, questioning, and the rejection of all that encompasses leftism and the civilized, and accordingly, employing all the above, we deemed it necessary to carry out the direct attack against the Techno Industrial System. We think that the struggle against this is not only a stance of wanting to abandon Civilization, regressing to Nature, or in refuting the system's values, without also, attacking it.

Our immediate objectives are very clear: injure or kill scientists and researchers (by the means of whatever violent act) who ensure the Techno Industrial System continues its course. As we have declared on various occasions, our concrete objective is not the destruction of the Technoindustrial system, it is the attack with all the necessary resources, lashing out at this system which threatens to close off all paths to the reaching of our Individual Freedom, putting into practice our defensive instinct.

Our position does not stop at putting into question that which many do not question (like the risk of the utilization

and expansion of the Technological complex), but what's more, we use violence (as we are human, we distinguish ourselves from our more distant, primitive, and wild ancestors) to attack that which intimidates the development of wild human Freedom and tends towards the artificiality of all that is potentially free. In short, we are the contrary part to the Technological System, we are the reaction before the action, resulting from coincidence; while some dedicate themselves to manipulate, destroy, and artificialize the natural, we respond to their aggression.

2.- On the 8th of August 2011, ITS made headlines on the front pages of Mexican newspapers with the news of the explosive attack against the area of nanotech research at Monterrey Tech, State of Mexico campus, in which two of its scientists were injured: Armando Herrera Corral-who the "parcel-bomb" was addressed to-and his colleague, Alejandro Aceves López. The act provoked skepticism in sectors of the left which did not see the fight against new technologies as valid and therefore, do not include it in their accustomed catalog of "fronts." We heard more than one accusatory discourse including this, classifying them as "terrorist" in the typical acceptance of Power's lexicon. We would like to know what your opinion of these acts is, as well as your comments around the different positionings that have motivated your anti-technological action.

The attack on Monterey Tech and its claim caused a big commotion nationally and internationally, we as ITS know that the aforementioned act struck hard in the police, political, social, and of course scientific spheres. The act was such, and as we had hoped, with a great magnitude of consequences. With this we knew that we wouldn't only have months of making these acts a reality, but it would also lift the curtain, proving the existence of a radical tendency which speaks to the root of the problems we are faced with in this epoch, which is the most refined expression of domination: the entirety of Technology.

Continuing with the question, we also knew that our acts would not be well received by society nor the leftist sectors (left, center, and right politics). But all of these campaigns and designations don't bother us, we don't waste our energy in trying to make ourselves look like "good activists" to these people, as they are accustomed to seeing, because we are not.

They label us as a terrorists, because in fact, this treatment is always given to those individuals or groups, who hurt people for some incentive (whatever it is). This is also why, before we mentioned our motivations, we took the word and ITS was named as a terrorist group.

We are focused on attacking the scientists who perfect nanotechnology (this is a fact), since now science has advanced significantly in Mexico (apart from biotechnology and transgenetic genetic engineering) and this is perhaps why many have not put thought into what nanotechnology entails for the future (or more concretely, the Technological complex as well), in any case ITS has already addressed this previously and don't have reason to revisit it: if you want to read more about this theme, we suggest reading the 1st-4th communiques (in which the theme of nanotechnology, notably, is focused on).

**3.**- What is the objective of ITS? Is it the destruction of the technoindustrial system?

We would like to emphasize that ITS has never proposed the destruction of the technoindustrial system as a concrete objective, although we would want to and would declare that our objective is to completely destroy this rotten system, we would be lying to ourselves, and would be moving towards something that can not happen quickly, this is why we DO NOT claim this adventurous objective. ITS wants to see this entire system destroyed and collapsed, wants this to be the "slogan" that we defend, but it is not like that.

As we have said, ITS has from the beginning proposed the attack against the system as the objective, striving to make these kinds of ideas spread around the globe through extreme acts, in defense of Wild Nature, as we have done.

What we have done with these acts is put the proposal against Technology and Civilization on the table, creating tension, and we think that, with time, these attacks will be refined. We act through trial and error, learning from our mistakes, since we do not (as we have previously written) have the "secret formula."

**4.**-Is it not very reductionist then, that your objective is only the attack and nothing more than that?

It can sound very simple to focus on the Techno-Industrial System as your only attack, but that is what exists for now. If we propose to destroy it we fall into fantasy, into utopia.

We attack this system from our individuality, not only with attacks, but also by rejecting the Technoindustrial Society along with its values and attempting to abandon Civilization, it serves nothing to attack the system and continue having its own values rooted in you (or vice versa).

5.- The movement named 15M in the Spanish state and its replication in other cities around the world has generated hope in sectors of the left which have begun to label it the Spanish Revolution. How does ITS view the development of this movement? What do you hope to have come from it or what critiques come up?

The 15M movement is a movement that only proposes to reform the system, which it improves. The demands of the subjects who comprise this movement are based in political remands around austerity, the lack of employment, and a "better" economic strategy (among others); what this type of movement does, is that the people who are demanding that the government be accountable for the way in which they administer their economics, financial management, etc., it is erroneous, that if they do not want a strong state crisis (or in an extreme case civil war), they should apply some reforms in order for the system to continue its course, in short, the system digests these types of protest as proposals to strengthen itself; these types of people are called leftists (the term we have already used in different ITS communiques and is also explained as well in Industrial Society and its Future by the Freedom Club), leftism becomes one of the many more ingenious functions of the Technoindustrial System. Thousands of people (or even a few) say they are going to rebel against it, when in reality they are only helping it realize its faults, to make them better, it regenerates, and self perpetuates.

6.- Continuing with the theme of leftism, in the public critique made by the editorial group "Anonymous with Caution" they said that your attacks only serve to make the system stronger, that many universities and institutions have redoubled security around nanotechnology engineers as well as the researchers that develop them- What is your position in light of this criticism?

Look, the critique of this editorial group falls short of what we are now, you can read more about this in our last communique\* published on January 28th of this year (2012).

Responding to your question, we do not think the system is made stronger with the type of actions we have carried out, and we have seen evidence of this.

Since what happened at the Tec, institutions, businesses, and universities that develop nanoscience, declared an immediate alert, principally as to what arrives in courier mail, well, of this there is no doubt.

Now, is the system made stronger when an explosive detonates in the hands of a professor and leaves his colleague wounded (as well)? Only in these moments does the system intensify security, but does not reinforce it in its totality, we remember that the system is not only nanotechnology, that it is comprised of other things, roots equally or perhaps more important than nanoscale science. So, you can't say that the system has made itself immune to the attacks of our actions because, whats more than this, we have checked these boasts and they say it is strengthened when in reality it isn't; this became very clear during the attack on the Polytechnic University in Pachuca en Hidalgo (December 8, 2011), our device (which arrived by mail courier in fact) left a professor wounded (we will say here as we said in the communique in which we claimed they attack, there was a mistake in the name of the researcher of nanotechnology that was our fault, his name was Villanueva not Villafaña), this act was evidence that the system had not fortified because even with the security protocols, another person was left newly wounded by

This is not only confirmed now by the ITS, but also as well in the past, Freedom Club equally proved this, 23 people wounded and 3 killed over 20 years, this is not a sign that the system became resistant to these types of acts.

In any regard, to say what this editorial group said is to exaggerate that which for now we have done, the attacks of ITS, yes, have not had destructive results stronger than material damages, paranoia, a few wounded, and a death, besides the fact that for some months we were the only public group who carried these kinds of ideas out in practice. For the system this is not sufficient for them to consider us a real threat, because we are merely beginning, its safe to say that individuals or groups in the future, taking into account our errors, will carry out more destructive acts against the Techno-industrial System; with this, we are not saying that we have faith in this happening, but only that it is logical that we will not be the only ones.

7. On November 8, 2011, only three months after the parcel bomb was sent to the nanotechnology researchers at Monterrey Tech, in which Herrera Corral and Aceves López were wounded, a researcher of the Institute of Biotechnology at UNAM (National Autonomous University of México), Ernesto Méndez Salinas was assassinated by a bullet to the head in the middle of Teopanzaolco avenue, in the city of Cuernavaca. This action provoked various new speculations as to the author of this action, putting the spotlight on ITS once again. Does ITS claim this attack? And-in the hypothetical case of being its perpetrators—why did you not claim responsibility through a public communique as has been your custom? Perhaps you decided (as other groups of anti-system action) to renounce these types of pronouncements and focus on propaganda of the deed?

Concerning this action, we want to publicly declare that the group ITS takes responsibility for the attack.

The "prominent" investigator, Méndez Salinas, received a shot to the head which ended his life, from this extremist group, this is a fact.

The Federal District (D.F.) police very well know that ITS was responsible for this act. Around the middle of February 2011, we sent a letter with a claim of responsibility inside addressed to the director of the Institute of Physics of UNAM, to Dr. Manuel Torres Labansat. Inside there was a .380 caliber bullet, in addition to a note which practically said the researchers of aforementioned campus would end up the same as Salinas. The sending of the package with the bullet and the note we claimed in our last communique\* (January 28, 2012), only we did not mention this, for practical reasons.

We want to make it clear that the actions we carry out in practice, we claim in a prudent manner, if the situation is favorable, the claim will follow (as has been done with past attacks), but if there are things that are not so favorable or that we can "get more juice" from, we wait, and this is what we have done.

Practically, looking at the situation this year (2011), everything is in tension in respect to what we have begun to do, we knew beforehand that the police would not tell the media that we were responsible for the aforementioned attack. This is why we were saving it for a precise moment.

Honestly we do not know when this interview will be published, but supposing that it is delayed in its publication, we are thinking of claiming this act in a more detailed way, when we have executed some other attack in the not-so-distant future, well, it is also clear that this small part of the claiming of Méndez Salinas's assassination will also be made very public when this book is released.

#### 8. Want to say anything else?

We hope that with this interview (dated April 28, 2012) our position has been made a little more clear to readers. And we are grateful to the editorial for this interview and to the portal War on Society for serving as the intermediary to make this exchange possible. That is all for now.

Individualists Tending Toward the wild (ITS).

\*waronsociety.noblogs.org/?p=3162

### 8th Communiqué of ITS

After a short period of silence due to recent events (public and not so public), the terrorist group ITS has something to declare:

"What is needed is not to seek negotiations with the system, but a life and death struggle against it" (1)

#### Theodore John Kaczynski

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-The popular science journal "Nature" published an article (October 2013) criticizing our third statement (2), which we wrote after bursting the meat of technonerds at Monterrey Tech in August 2011. In this text the "nano-anthropologist" Chris Toumey (University of South Carolina) made a very poor attempt to "break" our primary motivation in which we have to attack.

In the article, Mr. Toumey states that our attacks against nanotechnology are basically founded on the supposition of the Grey Goo scenario (3). Which is a lie.

The Grey Goo is a theory that first began to be popular in scientific environments and then caught the attention of the general public. The Nano-technologist Eric Drexler was the first person to use the term in his book "Engines of Creation" in 1986. In the year 2000, the co-founder of Sun Microsystems, Bill Joy wrote the famous article "Why the future does not need us", (which we mentioned in our third communiqué), which set forth an apocalyptic vision of the Gray Goo, an article that caught the attention of some pseudo-critics of civilization, like John Zerzan, etc..

Since 2004 (when nanotechnology was more than a reality) the issue became so outrageous that Drexler publicly stated that the Grey Goo was only an illusory idea, and technological conditions were not suitable (at the time) for a catastrophe, as predicted years ago, to arise.

Given this, ITS want to state the following:

- 1. The hypothetical threat of Grey Goo has NEVER been our main motivation to begin the attack on nanotechnology in Mexico.
- **2.** Since our third statement was published until now, some ideas of

members of ITS have CHANGED (as evidenced from the sixth statement to this), and one of them is all that has to do with the alleged Grey Goo.

**3.** Now, we consider this theory as a simple catastrophic assumption, from a twisted mind hungry for public attention (Drexler).

With this statement we do not intend, in the least, that technologists give us their academic acceptance by rejecting the Grey Goo scenario (because obviously that will never happen, as they will never accept terrorism against them).

We employed direct attacks to damage both physically and psychologically, NOT ONLY experts in nanotechnology, but also scholars in biotechnology, physics, neuroscience, genetic engineering, communication science, computing, robotics, etc.. because we reject technology and civilization, we reject the reality that they are imposing with ALL their advanced science. We deny a life imposed on us by the system that dictates that we must walk mindlessly, obligatorily obeying orders from large organizations (industrial giants that tell you what to eat, what not to do, to say, to wear, where to go, etc..) and people outside our inner circle. We negate the artificiality and we cling to our past as Warriors of the Earth who cling to our darkest instincts of survival, and although we know we are civilized humans, we are awake and we claim ourselves as fierce individualists in TOTAL WAR against all that threatens our nature and Wild Nature that is left.

"(...) On the altar of technological development, we are sacrificing all areas of our individual freedom and the possibility of living a life really worth living. Now it's up to each of us to choose to be obedient subjects, or to try to live, here and now, and reject the existent (...) "

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#### Nicola Gai

- We chose to attack from the outset, because nanotechnology is a science that is having a significant growth in the future and will exponentially advance global economic and power OVER all Wild Nature.

Nanotechnology pushes a hypertechnological process and a hyperartificiality of imposed reality, which in itself is already too absurd for scientists, so they try to make it more miserable and mechanical.

Already Albert Einstein once said: "All our supposed technological advances are like an axe in the hands of a madman."

-Toumey in his article in "Nature", has also said that we know nothing about nanotechnology and that it is absurd to attack, knowing so little. ITS members are not going to discuss with experts the pros and cons of nanotechnology, so if we say that we UNDERSTAND loudly, that science (and other things) are a danger to our individuality, and to the natural environment in which we evolved, there is no need to be a genius or have high academic and labour studies, to shred all this garbage of technological progress.

-Taking issue with the arrogant criticism of Toumey, ITS has realized (as FC realized years ago) (5) that scholars, professors, researchers and academics are not always as smart as they claim to be, because if so, Herrera and Aceves of Monterrey Tech would not have been injured by the explosion of a letterbomb (which you could tell was from the apocryphal leagues), the morning of August 8, 2011; if it was like this, the professor of the Polytechnic University of Pachuca would not have suffered various burns after opening a package that was NOT addressed to him, but a nano-technologist, the afternoon of December 8, 2011; if he was smart, the biotechnologist Méndez Salinas of the Institute of Bio-Technology (IBT) of UNAM would have noticed that someone was watching for him for weeks in his footsteps, and he would not have received that shot that killed him instantly, the night of November 8, 2011 (6).

If all these technonerds had had any brains, they would know in advance that there are people who are bitterly opposed to the way they are domesticated, mutating and ending life and wild environments, and would not have committed so much to their daily routines.

Along with these three real examples, we could list other objectives (such as attacks on Olivera, activist of Greenpeace, and the nanotechnologists Galem Rondero and Sergio A. Águila (7) of the UNAM, in 2011 and 2013) that although not injured, left much to be desired regarding their supposed intelligence, being university professors.

At the same time, view the decision of scholars in state, district and / or national security, criminology, ballistics, law, etc.., Hiding our attacks, is not worthy of smart people with advanced degrees, because these people know very well that hiding them while more and more of our attacks happen will mean that we will claim at the same time a list of acts, (as we have done so far), to create a greater impact, and/or highlight the lies and cover-ups by the authorities, making them look like ridiculous idiots.

Anyway, with this ITS wants to make it clear once again that the flaccid reviews of smart academic experts will not stop us, their darkest fears will come true sooner or later.

#### П

As we continue along the same path of artificial growth, the mentality and conduct of the Technoindustrial Society will be gradually manipulated further. There will come a time in which the Leftist masses will miss attacks on technology, civilization and progress, and blindly believe what is killing them slowly now is good, and all those who dare to contradict their values are crazy or dysfunctional. And while this may be applicable, ITS would like to emphasize that although the official (and unofficial) media disqualify and silence our attacks, these are things that do not interest us, to speak ill of ITS or suspiciously hide information indicates that we have become a latent threat (8) (9) (10) and will continue to be (of course), unless the Technoindustrial system collapses (sarcasm), or before we are caught, although the latter option seems to be far from realization.

#### Ш

From the beginning we have claimed our attacks, whether they have worked or not, whether they have come to public ight or not, why? Because as individualists we are responsible for our own actions; our packages explode or not; our bullets hit the target or not; this will continue to be included in future adjudications. At this point ITS claim the following acts:

- August 2012: We sent a packet with explosive payload to neurologists of the Autonomous Technological Institute of Mexico (ITAM) in Mexico City, which no public notice was learned of; how the package was found or deactivated etc.; a typical act when it comes to direct attack to physically injure the wealthy technonerds of such an institute.
- September 2013: Parcel bomb addressed to Alejandra Lagunes Soto, former director of Google Mexico and current head of the National Digital Strategy Coordination of the Presidency of the Republic.

- September 2013: Explosive package to the Director of modernization and administration of the Federal Electricity Commission (CFE) Guillermo Turrent Schnas

In the latter two cases no public news broke, since then, the DF government was busy enough to contain the demonstrations of teachers and anarchist riots caused by them, leaving aside such acts. The crisis had been made more than obvious, as the authorities had decided to not publish in their media the news of the attacks. However, it is known that these packages are ours.

#### IV

Finally, as we had already mentioned in past releases, with these attacks we have executed we are not trying to win or lose (because who thinks they will win, since that time, has already lost). Our attacks address the system and that which sustain it, our acts demonstrate that we have NOT submitted, we have NOT accepted their values, we remain human rather than robots, that we have NOT fully domesticated our behaviour, that we are reluctant to join their lies and their negotiations, covenants that we do not want. We do not want something more beneficial or less harmful. We want confrontation, war to the death against this dirty system.

### INDIVIDUALISTS TENDING TOWARD THE WILD

#### Notes:

- 1) Phrase taken from the text "Hit Where It Hurts" (2002)
- **2)** The article is entitled: "Anti-nanotech violence"
- 3) Grey Goo is a hypothesis of the catastrophic results of nanotechnology: self-replicating nano-robots uncontrollably spreading throughout the world and universe. In our third statement we have written enough about this topic.
- 4) Quote taken from the public statements (October 2013) of anarchist responsibility from comrades Gai and Cospito, for the attack on Roberto Adinolfi (Ansaldo Nucleare boss) in May 2012, in the city of Genoa, Italy. For this event, we have written something in our seventh release.

Maybe it will call the attention of observers that ITS cite these two anarchists, and we stress that clearly their words and actions coincides with ours even though we don't entirely agree with all their ideas. We quote them anyway, as we would have done if anarchists Mario Buda, Galliani, Di Giovani, Roscigna, Ravachol, among others, were alive.

- 5) Freedom Club wrote in a letter to the computer specialist, David Gelernter (who was seriously injured by a parcel bomb in 1993): "People with advanced degrees aren't as smart as they think they are. If you'd had any brains you would have realized that there are a lot of people out there who resent bitterly the way technonerds like you are changing the world and you would not have been dumb enough to open an unexpected package from an unknown source."
- 6) On this event, and because of our adjudication, some unbelievers have swallowed the lie that was spread (at the time) by the authorities of the state of Morelos (with use of the official media) that ITS was rumoured not to have caused the death of Mendez, but it was the work of a "gang that steals cars" as the national press repeated. A statement which is absurd at first sight, but of course, a teacher killed during an attempted robbery sounds less worse than the murder of a Biotechnology expert of the UNAM by an extremist group.

Here, we mention that in 2011 the (newly formed) ITS was testing various modus operandi (from known and attempted arson attacks on cars and construction machinery, companies and institutions in Coahuila, Guanajuato, and Veracruz State of Mexico, until we decided to focus on terrorism and not sabotage), some were successful and some not, the most violent cell of ITS in Morelos, being already familiar with the purchase and use of firearms, decided to implement the act by then. It would be the strongest (the murder of Méndez), and in fact was claimed in an indirect and/or symbolic form to achieve on the 8 November, (as an equal to the day of the attack on Monterrey Tech 8<sup>th</sup> August). We also mentioned this in a letter sent to a pair of physicists from the UNAM (read our sixth communiqué) in November of that year (for this, you can read a little more in an interview for an anarchist project ITS answered in April 2012, but published in late January of this year 2014), the act was not the impact we wanted in that year, because there was no DIRECT logical reasons, so waited until 2013 to reorganize another blow at the same institute [letter bomb to Andres Aguila, researcher of UNAM Institute of Biotechnology].

It was like this the ITS cell in Morelos chose Chilean Nanotechnologist Sergio Andrés Águila. It was directed precisely to a Chilean, because we decided to symbolically thank the blog in Chile *Liberación Total* for spreading our texts (this we already spoke of in our seventh release). The information (full name, address, and other data) of Mr Águila was sent to ingenious cells of ITS in DF [Mexico City Federal District], they are familiar with the manufacture of homemade explosives, sent package bombs, but by a failure of the electrical mechanism, the device did not explode, but because the package was opened by the same Andrés Águila, at

least had not missed it's target. The researcher would have received the same degree of injuries (if not more) that was sustained by a curious man who opened one of our packages in DF (21 February 2013), a few days after what had happened in Morelos (11 February 2013) [the letterbomb attempt against Aguila]. Although this attack did not reach the expected result, it served to know the TRUTH about removing Mendez by ITS group members.

Curiously, a month after the fact we acted, the main suspect who was in jail accused of the murder of the technologist and other charges was acquitted for lack of evidence "Acquittal of alleged murderer of UNAM researcher." Milenio Diario. March 19, 2013.

With this we break the silence, saying that we destroy any questions about our responsibility in the attack; as we said above, as individualists we become responsible for our own actions; and to the authorities and objectives struck, to give them no doubt that our words are NO joke, they are NOT a game, our words are only the consequences of our actions.

- On this researcher and another. curious fact in the news section of the journal "Nature" was published the note: "Letter bomb threat rattles Mexican biotechnology lab" (February 18, 2013), which states that (days after the attack), on the website of the IBT, Mr. Águila had changed his details as "contributor" to "ex-partner" of the institute, what happened we wonder? Will Mr. Águila have been so smart as to resign from his detestable trade? Or only the institution will have changed? Anyway, we will know sooner or later, and as you well know, we will go through your head and that of your colleagues, maybe tomorrow, or in a few months or a few years, but we WILL GO ...
- 8) "Por sobres-bomba y homicidio de académico: Van por ala terrorista de anarquistas" Diario 24 Horas, 26 February 2013
- 9) "Anarchist attacks in Mexico are numerous, but very few are reported by the media. That was the case of the explosive package placed in a mailbox that on last February 21 erupted in the hands of a Postal Service worker who illegally opened it. In a report dated February 22 the attack was the act of an anarchist group claimed Individualists Tending Toward the Wild, one of the most active in Mexico and whose attacks against the "technoindustrial system" aimed at academic and scientific centers

such as the UNAM or Tecnológico de Monterrey. This group claimed responsibility for the murder committed in Cuernavaca on November 8, 2011 -Ernesto Méndez Salinas, a biotechnologist at UNAM"

"Alarm in Europe of Mexican anarchists" Process Magazine 1903, April 21, 2013.

10) "Following the riots of October 2, the City Government launched an investigation that has begun to identify the anarchist groups (...)" "(...) An anarchist group on record using explosives, due to attacks against institutions or persons, is Individualities Tending to the Wild (ITS), considered the most dangerous."" (...) The strategy is based on sending explosives to researchers and academics, the study found. In February this year, ITS claimed an explosive package in a mailbox in Tlalpan, and in August 2011 a letter bomb was sent to a professor at the State of Mexico Campus Tec, Alejandro Aceves López, who was leading a project to create a humanoid robot (...)"

"Government identifies anarchist groups" Reforma, 11 October 2013.



### Italy: Clarification on Operation Ardire by anarchist comrade Elisa di Bernardo

On 13th June 2012, 'Operation Ardire' leads to raids on dozens of homes and the arrest of 8 comrades in Italy (Katia, Sergio, Alessandro, Giuseppe, Paola, Giulia, Stefano, Elisa) and 2 abroad (Marco Camenisch and Gabriel Pombo da Silva, who have been imprisoned for 23 and 29 years respectively, the former in Switzerland and the latter in Spain). The 8 comrades are now [February 2014] out of jail even if they are still being charged with articles 280bis, 270bis and 302 ('attack', 'subversive association' and 'instigation to committing crime', all this for purposes of terrorism, but the specific charges are not the same for all the comrades, the only common denominator being article 270bis). Since last year two different prosecutors have been dealing with these dangerous 'terrorists'. Masterminded by prosecutor Comodi from Perugia, the investigation was in part taken on by prosecutor Pradella from Milano.

In August 2012 Stefano and Elisa should be released but they remain in jail as they got another order of remand in custody issued by prosecutor Comodi, who not having much in her hands invents a 'danger of escape' in order to justify the second arrest in a month and a half. During the review trial in September 2012, the prosecution from Perugia declares its territorial incompetence and here comes in the prosecution of Milan. At the court of cassation in December 2012, the declaration of territorial incompetence of the prosecution of Perugia is also extended to Giuseppe, Sergio and Katia. From this moment on, the two prosecutions work separately: while Katia, Sergio, Giuseppe, Stefano and Elisa become part of the 'Milan investigation', Alessandro, Paola and Giulia continue to be investigated by the prosecutor of Perugia, with one exception (whose reasons are unknown to us nor do we want to understand them as we are not interested in the intricacies of the law): Alessandro is being investigated by both prosecutors.

In February and March 2013 respectively, Paola and Giulia are granted house arrest, which ends without restrictions on 13th June 2013, after exactly a year of imprisonment. On the same day the door of the cage also opens to Alessandro and Giuseppe, but the comrades are subjected to restrictions: travel ban, obligation to live in their hometowns and reporting twice (!!!) to the police station. The same restrictions are inflicted on Stefano and Elisa, who are released on 7th September [2013], and Sergio, released on 20th December [2013].

Therefore 5 comrades [Alessandro, Giuseppe, Stefano, Elisa and Sergio] are currently being subjected to heavy restrictions. On 17th January 2014 the preliminary hearing for Alessandro, Paola and Giulia is held in Perugia, after it had been postponed a number of times: 'not to be prosecuted in relation to the charges of article 270bis'! The charges of damage with the aggravating circumstances of terrorism are still in place. Unfortunately the restrictions on Alessandro cannot be lifted as he is also being investigated by the prosecutor of Milan, which hasn't closed the preliminary investigation after over three years.

As for Marco and Gabriel, their situation is not at all clear and we can't provide a proper update. In a year and a half Marco has never got any order of remand in custody and his name 'only' appears in the original order of remand in custody. As for Gabriel they never forgot his 'debt' with the Italian justice; but neither Germany (where he was detained at the time of this repressive operation) nor Spain have so far allowed his extradition to Italy, in spite of the fact that this has been expressly requested.

#### Elisa Di Bernardo

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### Italy: Raids on anarchist comrades in Liguria, Emilia Romagna, Campania and Tuscany

In the early hours of Tuesday February 25 the Power of Attorney of Genoa went on the attack. According to infamous press reports, 11 comrades were raided and put under investigation by prosecutor Federico Manotti, and accused of being the perpetrators of the attack on the R.I.S carabinieri [paramilitary police technical investigations unit] barracks of Parma on 24th October 2005. Still according to the journalists servants of power, traces of the DNA of comrade Alfredo Cospito were found on the bag containing the explosive device.

The comrades are also accused of being the perpetrators of other attacks: two attacks on *carabinieri* barracks in Genoa occurred in 2005, the parcel bomb sent to the former mayor of Bologna Sergio Cofferati and the arson on a Red Cross vehicle.

The Power of Attorney of Genoa had also demanded the arrest of the investigated comrades, but this was not authorized by the preliminary investigation judge. In spite of the judge's refusal to give the go ahead for the arrest, prosecutor Federico Manotti didn't waste time and made the names of the investigated comrades public through the national press so as to lay the grounds for an appeal to the court of review.

The ignoble press published names and police press reports, where some of the comrades are named as 'Archimede Pitagorico' and 'Nonna Papera'.

The raids took place in the regions of Liguria, Emilia Romagna, Campania and Tuscany... of course with the unavoidable collaboration of the R.O.S. *[special investigations unit]*.

Updates will follow.



### Italy, Bologna: Report on the trial against 'Fuoriluogo' anarchist space

In the context of the 'Outlaw' trial, on March 3 2014 prosecutor Morena Plazzi made her demands known. For over an hour she reconfirmed her incriminating plot, which one of the comrades' lawyers brightly defined as an 'incriminating desert'. At the beginning of her closing speech, which the prosecutor seemed particularly pleased with, she exposed her fine theory according to which the defendants would have built a smokescreen, i.e. the struggle against migrants' detention centres and other struggles carried out by Fuoriluogo, in order to surreptitiously give free vent to their violent impulses and passion for clashing against the police. A pack of jackals exploiting struggles shared by others. Still according to the prosecutors, none of the defendants would renounce violence in their spontaneous declarations to the court, thus demonstrating the validity of the prosecutor's thesis. As she went on,

the lady unashamedly declared that article 270bis didn't apply to anarchists as it hardly proved successful in court, and therefore the power of attorney thought it more useful to use article 416, i.e. organized crime, which – we quote – 'doesn't need demonstrating, but it only needs referring to the atmosphere of fear that [the Fuoriluogo group] has generated'.

With minimum restraint, but really minimum, she acknowledged that there were no grounds to maintain the aggravating circumstance of subversion of the democratic order – and with this she seriously compromised her incriminating theorem – and therefore some of the defendants could be acquitted. Perhaps she wanted to show she was willing to give up something, given the total lack of evidence proving the prosecution right during the trial, not even for some partial results.

Therefore her demands were: acquittal for seven defendants, 2 years to ten defendants for being members of the criminal association, 3 years and 6 months for three defendants accused of being the founders of the association and 4 years for the comrade considered the leader.

Three defence lawyers gave their closing statements after the prosecutor. On March 17 other defence lawyers will make their statements, which will be concluded on March 31. In the afternoon of March 31 the court will retire in a closed session to define the sentence.

Since the beginning the entire operation, which led to the arrest of comrades and the closure of the anarchist place Fuoriluogo, explicitly aimed at eliminating unwanted persons from the city and at giving a strong signal by threatening anyone who wants to struggle without caring about breaking the law. The beginning of this repressive operation was marked by the summit between the then deputy major Cancellieri, Digos officers [political police], the then minister of the interior Maroni and others, who met following the 'attacks' on premises of ENI, IBM and Northern League, attacks that were never actually attributed to the defendants. This is the body of power that maintained the validity of the prosecution, which from a judicial point of view is totally groundless.

Not that we are surprised by all this; we are just describing one of the many operations of the 'ladies and gentlemen of dominion', one that we had the chance to follow step by step.

#### Anarchists on trial

### France, Paris: Report and reflections on an anti-police demo

Saturday 1st March 2014 there was a call-out for a gathering at 15h at Belleville metro station against the police occupation of our lives. Before the rally, traders had been warned by the mayor that casseurs [thugs] would be present in the neighbourhood, so some closed their shops early, others hired security for the occasion. We learned a few days earlier in the press that a fake release from the Paris town hall had announced a state of siege. Also, for several hours, the area was beseiged as never before: dozens and dozens of CRS [riot police] cars and buses and mobile gendarmes, police cars, a city under siege, cops on the roofs, a camera installed for the occasion on the roof of the CFDT [union] headquarters (so with its collaboration), Belleville metro station closed, dozens of plain clothes cops, dozens of RG undercover surveillance cops, journalists (some present in Belleville since Thursday), etc. Just before the rally, CRS and plain clothes cops controlled and searched the bags of anyone resembling an "anarcho-autonome" around the Belleville metro, thus discouraging the less enthusiastic and militant tourists, many of whom turned back or stayed burrowed in bars in the neighbourhood. A strategy usually reserved for counter-summits, probably due to a desire to prevent further humiliation after the rioting demo in Nantes a week earlier at all costs (by the way, the cost of 1st March must be considerable!), which certainly succeeded in deterring many.

Despite all this, the encounter certainly took place, with from 100 to 150 people (including quite a few locals). Several banners were placed: "Let's break their peace (A) Social War", "We don't like the police, we just want to live free (A)", "Work is the worst policeman, let's destroy both." Posters were pasted up, and thousands of leaflets ("No really, you like cops!") and newsletters (Lucioles [Fireflies] No. 15) are distributed with quite a bit of enthusiastic feedback, about a dozen smoke bombs are cracked to cries of "cops pigs murderers", "down with the State, cops and bosses", "brick by brick, wall by wall, we will destroy all prisons", "ZSP, BST, kick all cops

out by the ass" "Belleville like elsewhere, fuck off cops" and "fire fire fire to all prisons", "fire fire fire to the detention centres".

To our knowledge, nothing more than ID checks before, during and after the encounter, and no arrests or detention, contrary to predictions and criticism of some feeble characters accusing the demo of sending people to the slaughter.

This rally had been announced since mid-January, around 5000 posters were put up all over north-east Paris and suburbs, thousands of leaflets, newsletters and masses of different anti-cops-prisonjustice fliers handed out in the streets, so much so that it was impossible for anyone in the area to ignore this rage, also tags calling to the demo, and a dozen banners put up here and there around the neighbourhood and beyond.

For several months, many attacks targeted the police and the law: police stations, municipal vehicles, businesses that collaborate with prisons, the law and control. This shows how widespread the hatred of the trio police, the law, and prison is (and a good number of people do not wait to attack).

But this day and its preparation did not come from nowhere, as it was part of a commitment to spreading anarchist ideas and practice in the North-East area of Paris that has gone on for several years. So it was just one moment among others in a dynamic of anarchist agitation that continues, strengthened.

This idea of a public gathering started to take form after the cops' harassment of anarchist activities in the street became more oppressive from the end of last summer, in an (unsuccessful) attempt to prevent our ideas spreading. This was exemplified by strong state supervision on comrades participating in this agitation, about twenty controls during leafleting or flyposting, some resulting in detention, but also by pressure from 'Correspondents de Nuit' [Sort of community mediators, named "night correspondents", hired by French municipalities with the aim of interacting with inhabitants and reducing violence in the neighbourhoods using dialogue and daily help] (who also filed a complaint for defamation against a leaflet, for which summonses and searches took place), quickly supported by the rabid bulldogs of the BST, trying to establish a private war between them and us. A private war which is only a small part of the war on the poor and the undesirables that these shits are paid to do: hunting prostitutes and hawkers, seizing sans-papiers

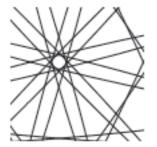
[undocumented immigrants], a war on non-authorised markets, housing evictions, all accompanied with beatings with truncheons, jail and artists of gentrification of districts supported by the town hall.

A few weeks before March 1, a revolt took place in Vincennes detention centre for which two detainees and two comrades who'd come to express their solidarity during a wild visit with fireworks, were held. And even if the two comrades got out a few days before the demo, these umpteenth arrests only made everyone all the more determined.

We know that what the cops fear, far more than a few anarchists, is the encounter between these anarchists, their ideas and practices, and widespread social rage against power and domination.

Today we managed to go beyond the boredom of this private squabble, raising our heads to speak of social war without fear. And we are pleased to see that they are scared, because it's from their insecurity that we can build our freedom.

For a world without cops, without money and without authority. For revolution.



### Malmö, Sweden : Fascist knife attack on the night of International Women's Day

The incident occurred just after a nighttime demonstration against violence against women finished up at around midnight on Möllenvångstorget (a square in the heart of a multicultural and left-wing district of Malmö). One person is now in intensive care with serious head injuries and a further three have suffered knife wounds to the arms and lung, amongst which was a member of Allt åt Alla Malmö. The nazis had been searching for potential victims the entire evening in the vicinity of the March 8th Festival at Moriska pavilion in Folketspark. The attack was, in other words, no coincidence.

Late last night several people were attacked in central Malmö by members of the fascist Svenskarnas Parti (Swedes Party). They were on their way home after having taken part in celebrations for International Women's Day.

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The attack on the 8th of March demonstrators can't be seen as an isolated incident. The arson attack on Kvarnby peoples high school in October 2013 was only the beginning of an escalation in nazi violence around Malmö. Left wing locales and premises have been exposed to graffiti and broken windows. In January a 16 year old member of SSU (Sweden's Socialdemocratic Youth organisation) was attacked by two men, warning her about spreading her views. In several other places and cities nazis have been identified registering participants in demonstrations during International Women's Day.

The seriously injured 25 year old, who is currently being cared for in a sedated state in hospital, is a leading figure in the fight against racism and homophobia in the football world, a SAC member and devoted supporter of Malmö FF. He also helped to found "Football fans against homophobia". Based on this, he has been recently exposed on the Swedes Party linked website 'Realisten'.

According to witnesses at the scene, a high ranking member of the Swedes Party

- Andreas Carlsson, was involved in the attempted murder. He was seen attacking feminists with a knife. Andreas Carlsson is one of the members of the Swedes Party who travelled down to Kiev as "Ukrainafrivilliga" (Ukraine Volunteers) to support the Svoboda party's efforts in taking power. On Realisten he has reported on the Swedish Nationalist delegation's operation. Some of the delegations participants have stayed, according to their own reports, "to enlist in the Ukrainian army", while Carlsson's group returned to Sweden only a few days before the 8th of March.

The Security Services' (Säpo) chief analyst Ahn-Za Hagström claimed on the 8th of March that they "see no increased intention or capability of committing politically motivated crimes when they get home." (SR.se March 8th) That same evening the nazis attacked. Foreign Minister Carl Bildt said in a recent interview on Swedish Radio's P1 channel that the Swedes Party's sister party Svoboda are "European democrats who work for values that are ours". This minimization and normalization of fascist parties has given the Swedes Party and their "Ukraine Volunteers" the belief that they have a free pass for their violent acts.

Not only the Security Service, but also the ordinary police have ignored the far-right violence, by depicting the murder attempt as a "gang war" between "opponents on opposite fringes". This comes less than half a year after police ignored warnings that a similar nazi party, Svernska Motståndsrörelsen (The Swedish Resistance Movement), planned to attack the anti-racist demonstration in Kärrtorp.

It is abundantly clear that the fascist threat against Sweden and Europe, against individuals and social movements, is not taken seriously. Neither the government, the security services nor the police have been able to present a clear and coherent approach towards this. Fascist violence should never be reduced to youth fights or extreme phenomena, such as, Birgitta Ohlsson's government extremist investigation. Then one misses the powerful political force that the fascist parties in Europe have become, the impetus it gives the corresponding parties at home in Sweden and ignores the seriousness of the weapons training and street fighting skills Swedish right-wing extremists have gained during his travels and visits with Jobbik in Hungary, Svoboda in Ukraine and the Golden Dawn in Greece these last few months.

Today, they stand for violence in the streets. In September, they stand for parliamentary elections.

Förbundet Allt åt Alla





### Greece: Letter by Kostas Sakkas

ANARCHISTS AND COMMUNISTS ARE SOCIAL FIGHTERS.
TERRORISTS AND ROBBERS ARE THE STATES AND CAPITAL.

Today's government-state of permanent emergency, in its attempt to make way for the new development onslaught of capital, unleashes a fierce attack on almost the whole of the labour world, confirming that class war, is not only raging but is at an acute phase. The states, were always instruments of class dominance. A system of social organization which aims at the compromise of the historically irreconcilable contradictions between the exploiters and the exploited. The antipopulist policy applied by the government, absolutely aligned with the orders of its bosses (EU, IMF), aims at the unconditional surrender of the modern working class and its decommissioning of any conquest of the past in order to make it even more exploitative, even more profitable for capital. The political system clearer than any other period, acts in the name of the supranational economic elite but also to serve its own interests. It acts in the name of the grand investment companies, it acts in the name of the banking conglomerates, it acts for statesloan sharks, serves and supports the economy of the markets and capital.

The capitalist system, which is in the vortex of one of the largest structural crises of its history, so much because of its depth, as well as its multiple expression (banking sector, property purchase, products), has created a commensurately heavy crisis to the political power system also. It is a fact, that for the capitalist system, the accumulation of capital will always be a causality but also a point of judgment, not only for this but also for the political system. The flow of capitals and their

profitable development which is a basic value on which the whole system is structured, will always define the political paths of the states. The strongest economic states apply policies of displacement of debt, whether in the european or the international periphery, in order to secure the powerful geographical core of gathering capital.

The governments of the weak economies on the other hand, apply exterminating policies of austerity, not caring about the conditions of economic destitution and poverty these form. They destroy the lives and dreams of whole populations, they mortgage their future, uproot any hope in order to secure the interests of the respective economic elite and the securing of the system which deems them dominant. "In democracy propaganda is what the baton is in a totalitarian regime", as Noam Chomsky had formulated it.

Today the extreme anti-populist orders the rulers are called to impose, demand so much the baton, as well as the construction of consensus by the fourth authority. When the first memorandum came in, major publishers had meetings with the prime-minister about the way they would propagate these burdensome economic measures as necessary and about how they would have the smallest social reactions. Usb sticks were sent to major journalists with directions in order to align their positions with the state policy, while it is a fact that some were taken away from their positions, because they were not as effective as the political occasions demanded.

Objectivity and the valid character of information of the mainstream media today, is somewhere between the "blackmails" of the government towards its owners for the auctioning of

frequencies and the liberation of broadcast licenses -term of the memorandum-, the ceasing of granting loans without guarantees and of course the common interests they have from the labour disintegration. It is not accidental that all three memorandum governments, have scandalously relieved channel owners of their tax debts the same moment that the people sigh from the tax raises and austerity.

The government's informal ministry of propaganda, co-adjutant by the mainstream media struggles to convince whether with propaganda or with oppression that every resistance to the unequal economic and political distribution of today, is futile and condemned, since it will always find in front of it all the mechanisms, institutions and functions of todays

totalitarian regime. They want a society in confusion, passive to the developments and perceptively decommissioned, so it will accept the extreme anti-populist policies of the government. They create an artificial climate of insecurity so the memorandums and measures of the new misery are applied with no objections. They characterize anarchists fighters as terrorists and phrasemonger in an attempt to convince everyone that they are under threat by their actions. How effective however can this propaganda be against today's reality?

If they asked the more than 4 million people who live under the poverty limit, who is responsible for the misery they experience...

If they asked the 1,5 million unemployed who is responsible for their exclusion from modern wage slavery...

If they asked the 20 thousand homeless who is responsible for their misery...

If they wonder who is responsible for the more than 3 thousand suicides recorded during the memorandum years...

If they wonder who is responsible for the massive increase in the use of psychiatric drugs -a phenomenon totally connected with today's economic and existential poverty- and for a whole pile of other samples of social decadence, you think the answer they would get would be "Sakkas" or one of those who the mainstream media characterize as a "terrorist"?

I do not think so ... Whoever wants to find the real terrorists, should look in the ministry of economy and ministry of labour which are responsible for the economic wretchedness of the people. They should look in the states accounts and the insurance funds which gambled the money of the tax payers in the stock exchange casino. They should look in the TAIPED (fund for the development of the country's private assets) and the committees for selling out public property.

They should look in the parties and their accounts which indebted the people with massive loans for their election campaigns.

They should look in the ministry of public order and the ministry of shipping which executes death contracts in the name of the "migration policy".

Terrorist acts for the people is the selling out of shipyards, airports, harbours, the Greek Rail Company, the Thessaloniki water company, the countries natural resources. Terrorist acts are the Olympic games and the bribes, its tax exemptions and loans to publishers and channel owners, its the dissolution of health and education, its the mortgaging of the life and dreams of the next generations... The mainstream media, try with their filthy propaganda to discredit the struggles of social fighters and convince that their action is directed towards society. They seek, projecting the framed communicational clashes of the government between the ministry of public order and the ministry of justice, to pave the way for the intensification of oppression towards the political prisoners. The intensification of oppression which aims at anarchists and communists of today, is clearly aiming to intimidate and prevent the resisters and revolted of tomorrow. It is a preventive oppression.

It's characteristic how the mainstream media presented the "news" of my absconding.

While I have not been sentenced by any court up to now, for the journalistic crows it is enough that the anti-terrorist force has found me guilty. They have raised the DAEEB (force for dealing with special violent crimes - antiterrorist force) to a superior institutional authority which judges and decides, while the rest of the state misbehaves and refuses to align with their conclusions ("the anti-terrorist force catches them and the judges let them go"...). Heaps of pathetic reports which speak about my alleged lenient treatment by the juridical mechanisms, about intentional analgesia, even about a Leftist para-state (!), which opened the prison gate and I left... Ridiculousness and feasibility joust with common sense ... For the history I will remind that I am the one who in 2010 was imprisoned for participation in an "unknown terrorist organization".

I am the one who after six months had my imprisonment renewed for participation in the CCF, despite the fact that from the first moment of my arrest, I, as well as the organization, have denied that I am a member.

I am the one who, when my eighteen month

pre-trial detainment finished and I had to be released, was re-imprisoned for the actions of the organization (!).

I am the one who when my second twelve month detainment ended, they extended my detainment for six more months completely unlawfully.

I am the one who carried out a 38 day hunger strike in order to be released with the decision of the second committee after my announcement to those in charge that I intended to proceed to a thirst strike in the case that they rejected my demand for a second time.

I am the one who had the joy of feeling what solidarity means and what it means to have comrades.. I am the one who had the political satisfaction of a real movement of solidarity rallying because of my case, a fact that defined the win of this specific struggle, and the judges and their political superiors know this very well.

I am the one who after five months of my release, got re-arrested by the anti-terrorist force because I did not sleep at home(!), despite the fact I never had a bail condition that said I had to sleep at my place of residence. Despite all this, although the court judged that I shouldn't be sentenced, the journalistic crows had a different opinion... Fortunately, Prentenderis, Kosioni, Mina Karamitrou (major mainstream journalists) and the other planted lackeys of the system, do not have the right -yet- to appeal the decisions of the court... The misdemeanor court. To them they should have sent me to prison since that is what the anti-terrorist service decided, since that is what Dendias (minister of public order) decided, since, let's be honest, the previous day Ch. Xiros (member of the 17N) didn't return from his leave and this had to be communicatively answered.

I am the one who a week later is arrested again because the antiterrorist force, allegedly identified prints of mine in the house on 25 Martiou street in Halandri (first round of CCF arrests), prints that they had collected in 2009, with the ridiculous excuse that I did not have my prints taken in 2010 when they arrested me, despite the fact there is a report of the DAEEB -which was publishedwhich confirms the opposite. After my appearance before the interrogator and prosecutor I am finally released. Again the journalistic crows had a different opinion. Again the juridical

authorities "did not act as they ought to" ...
For the mainstream journalists, judges act correctly only when they release corrupted state officials. When they release major businessmen. When they release channel owners and publishers...

Once more they recruited their filthy propaganda in order to create a climate of terror-hysteria and disorientate the public opinion. This was, this is and this will always be their job, being the crutch of the system...

Especially today, when the need to save the economic-political system of authority requires its function as what it really is, which is a modern totalitarian regime, the rulers need the mainstream media and their propaganda more than ever. By cultivating a climate of fear and terror-hysteria, they aim at social disorientation and in the end, the removal of the perception of real fields of struggle.

There is no doubt that the struggle against the mainstream media, is today an inseparable part of social liberation.

We ought to oppose the concepts which want every real resistance to be futile, which want every real struggle useless, which want any prospect for social liberation from the bonds of capital and state non-existent.

Especially today, that the only things rulers can secure for their modern vassals are poverty, wretchedness, and oppression. Today is when we can and should work with all our powers to materialize our proposals. Let's intervene in real times and spaces, forming the developments towards the revolutionary direction. Let's resist the concepts which want any attempt of ours to take our lives into our own hands condemned to lose and fail. Let's resist the dominating ethics which want people with their head bowed before their rulers. Let's resist the reality which wants people indifferent and passive today, helpless and condemned tomorrow. Let's resist the logic of resignation towards what we ourselves must do.

Let's oppose the conformity of subjugation, the delinquency of resistance and insurrection.

Conscience carries the weight of the historical responsibility.

STRUGGLE AGAINST CAPITAL AND THE STATE.

ORGANIZATION AND ACTION FOR THE SOCIAL REVOLUTION.

LONG LIVE THE NETWORK OF ANARCHIST PRISONERS!

Kostas Sakkas

# Tear Down The Walls: Prison Abolition Tour

This March, members of the Empty Cages Collective will be traveling the UK to host workshops on the prison-industrial-complex and prison abolition.

There are currently 85,690 people held in prison, not including people detained under the Mental Health Act, in Secure Children's homes or in Immigration detention. The prison population of Britain has doubled over the last twenty years.

Not only does UK have the highest prison population per capita in Europe, but it also has the most privatised prison system with 11.6% (over 10,000) of prisoners held in private prisons. Plans are already under way to build the country's first "super prison" in Wrexham that would hold 2,000 people alone.

It is clear that we are seeing a growing trend towards an ever expanding prison-industrial-complex similar to the one we see today in the United States. The United States has 25% of the global prison population despite only being home to 4% of the world's population.

Now is the perfect time to strike and stem the growth of the prison-industrial-complex in our country. Though the drive towards privatisation and increased incarceration has already begun it is not too late to organise to stop it.

The aim of the Tear Down The Walls Tour is to highlight the importance of prison abolition as part of the wider struggle against oppression and spread literacy around the prison society. The group will also be promoting their project, Prison Abolition 2014, which is a year of action & organising against the prison-industrial-complex.

#### Sunday 23rd March:

Bristol, Kebele Social Centre, 14 Robertson Road, Easton BS5 6JY

#### Monday 24th March:

Manchester, The Bunker, 3 Birch Polygon, Manchester, M14 5HX

#### Tuesday 25th March:

Edinburgh, Room G5, St. Margaret's House, 151 London Road

#### Wednesday 26th March:

Glasgow, Fred Paton Centre, 19 Carringdon Street, Glasgow, G4 9AJ

#### Thursday 27th March:

Liverpool, 121, John Foster Building, LJMU, 80-90 Mount Pleasant, Liverpool L3 5UZ

### Lastly, in brief...

#### September 2014: NATO

summit, Celtic Manor Resort, in Newport, south Wales. Anarchist & anti-capitalist mobilization being organised with social activists in UK. Expect diversity of tactics and a Welsh welcome!

#### 29 March - 6 April 2014 :

Week of action against

workfare. Turn up the heat against forced labour in UK. Block, sabotage, deface, leaflet, sloganise and disrupt the jobcentres and all companies that profit from workfare.

### **5 April**: Anti-Fascist all cities call out for counter-demos in

France. Called by anti-capitalist direct action group GADI, who are responsible for a number of attacks.

### **17-21 March**: Week of Solidarity Action against Police Spies.

Support the legal action by 8 activists deceived into long term intimate relationships with undercover cops who were infiltrating environmental and social justice campaign groups [Mark Kennedy case].

# **14-25 March**: International Days of Solidarity for Juan, Freddy and Marcelo in Chile.

Anti-capitalist fighters face trial for bank robberies (Security Case 3). Trial begins 25th. Expropriate the enemy!

### **Mexico**: Anarchist molotov 3 case not accepted as terror.

The charges of terrorism against Carlos López, Amelie Pillierst and Fallon Poisson failed. The comrades are now held for causing damages and attacking public peace.

### **UK**: Incendiary attack against 3 vehicles of the Royal Marine

Reserve in Bristol. Mutiny Group of FAI took responsibility for the arson on 11 February. Dedicated to the memory of Darko Mathers and anarchist prisoners worldwide.

#### **UK**: Covert Government Spy Unit revealed by Snowden docs.

Fresh news about the prison society.
Read more: https://firstlook.org/
theintercept/2014/02/24/jtrigmanipulation/



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