

EDITORIAL

A lot has happened since the last edition. Many of those things fill us with joy. Nightly attacks against the institutions of oppression increased, the barricade made a re-entry into the rebellious landscape around the protests on universities throughout the Netherlands against their ties with the Israeli apartheid regime. It spread quickly; the stones on the street were also pulled out of the ground and not only on campuses.

A few days later we walked through the city, it looked like a party but not "our" party from the days before. Dirty shit, the shop windows full of displayed crap. Piss-drunk tourists on terraces with poison sold as food and drink. Cameras, not only in shopping corners and high poles, but also in the hands of consumers; they want to capture the moment. Connected in time and space, but remembering and

experiencing outsourced to their devices.

Unthinking, unwilling to think about what it all devours. And what it takes to sustain it. Nuclear energy, arms trade & war, prisons and further plundering of the earth.

Cars as weapons, invisible drivers with a lot of horns and bells. Electric vehicles, the speed cannot be estimated, in a few years they will also fly above us. Rude law enforcement, a robot as a waitress, you can track your tram online... A stuck-up-make-up-painted, rich and smelly figure snaps at us. We called back, but we were too late to push back.

I'm getting my period. You're hungover. Our bodies are letting us down us today. That doesn't make it any easier. Come lie down in bed, recharge to fight tomorrow with good courage against the world of prisons, money and war.

Something's got to break... And it will.

Love, Boy Zonderman



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WHICH WAY ARE THE CANNONS POINTED?

ON WAR, MILITARISM AND NATO

This investigative text is about NATO, and about war. The NATO summit in The Hague is approaching, but that is not so much the focus of this text. Although one could certainly draw conclusions. NATO is not just an entity created on 24 February 2022 following the escalation between Russia and Ukraine, but has been around for a long time. Formed in 1949 as a military alliance between the so-called "free democracies" in the West - the fact that both Greece and Turkey were ruled by a military junta at the time of accession to NATO is often omitted - to the communist dictatorships in the East.

We want to analyse, but we also want to criticise, although some say that we are on a slippery slope doing so. We do not want to close our eyes to a nation state with the support of NATO, nor to close our eyes to war, colonialism, and certainly not to those who had to pay for it with death. Because those are rarely the ones pulling the strings. But war requires militarism, and militarism is opposing freedom and humanity.

“If, in the event that soldiers from another state invade the holy ground of the homeland, the privileged class would give up all their privileges, and behave so that the Fatherland became actually communally owned by all its inhabitants, it would indeed be right for everyone to fight against the occupier. But if kings want to remain rulers, and the landowners keep the desire to retain their land and their homes, and the businessmen to keep their goods, and even sell them for a higher price, then the workers, the socialists and anarchists must leave the exploiters to their fate. This while they themselves are looking forward to an opportunity to redeem themselves from the domestic oppressor, just like those who come from abroad.”

- E. Malatesta, Anarchists have forgotten their principles

War is the climax of the nation state, a twisted and persuasive impulse that controls all spheres, groups and layers of society and drags them to a mass slaughter. A state of being in which everything is lawful, in which primal urges emerge as perverse tendencies; a far-fetched power struggle in which the great world leaders are increasingly rushing towards a peak. A highlight in which death and destruction are promoted and glorified to keep everyone's nation safe. As anarchists we can see this phenomenon no different than the organized and structured slaughter of the exploited and oppressed in the name of the ruling class and its interests; driven by racism, (ethno) nationalism, patriotism, religious sectarianism and fundamentalism or utopian dogma.

Pacification: a constant state of war

The State aims to disarm and dismantle any social tension that might arise around the social relationships it creates. This happens every day, all day. It is the logic of possession and power that rules from your own street to world politics. Whether the groups to be controlled are social revolutionaries, indigenous groups or jihadists, is of no importance to the state. The aim is to create social conditions in a way that allows trade and its conditions to proceed undisturbed, and thereby exploitation and oppression. In other words, in the here and now, the citizen works, receives salary, buys necessary and unnecessary garbage and goes to sleep to start again tomorrow. This situation is called peace.

When do we speak of war? Not only if bombs explode, because then there would still be places in western Europe that are war zones, such as the north of Ireland – where even at the height of armed conflict the situation was merely described as some “Troubles”. The state speaks of war when a (geo) political and economic situation is restructured with brutal power by another party. The dynamics of power and interests of the ruling class need to be shaken, redistributed (possible appropriation) and reorganized. The world map receives its update.

maze of political dynamics and interests, the situation is outlined as a binary phenomenon. Mark Rutte, the new President of NATO, calls the counterpart the enemies of democracy and freedom, but he is particularly concerned that they are enormous global competition in geopolitical and productive terms.

NATO and capital

An alliance like NATO serves as an institution to organize the climax of war as efficiently as possible. The North Atlantic Treaty Organization was originally created by Western European states led by the United States to coordinate the military apparatus of the various countries in a possible direct war with the Soviet Union. However, since its creation in 1949, NATO has focused on a strategy against local uprisings that could put down any possible revolutionary or rebellious movement if necessary. We mention here, for example, the "Operation Gladio", a now-confirmed secret NATO operation in cooperation with the CIA for fear of a possible Soviet invasion. This Operation Gladio, a "stay behind" organization, degenerated into fascist attacks. NATO consequently focuses not only on military operations outside its own borders, but also on the threat from within. It is an apparatus aimed at countering internal resistance and revolts, it is no wonder that countries such as Greece and Turkey were led by military juntas at the time of accession to NATO.

After the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989 and subsequent uprisings against other regimes in Eastern Europe, NATO is expanding to the east. What is typical of this is that the expansion of NATO has been accompanied by a neoliberal attack on the economies - and hence society - of the former Eastern bloc. The break-up of Yugoslavia was also accompanied by capitalist reforms to the economy that caused thousands to end up in poverty and hopelessness. A perfect breeding ground for nationalist politicians who played the neglected working class against each other, with disastrous consequences.

After expanding as an organisation in countries where possible, NATO has been playing the role of police officer on the ground for decades. Any

possible rebellion or resistance to the new neoliberal capitalist world order is punished. It was the same in Afghanistan where NATO took charge of the international occupying force in the form of ISAF. The American-appointed Karzai government with nepotism and corruption plundered the country and literally looked down from their villas on the people below. The blue helmets not only looked on but also protected the new rulers. In Iraq, NATO's task was to train police officers and other law enforcement officers; they crush protests and uprisings to this day. Even before the bombs stopped falling, the US bureaucrats were already engaged in an intensive privatisation and



liberalisation plan for the Iraqi economy. They divided and ruled politically, but also in the division of raw materials, "rebuilding" contracts and in the provision of basic needs. It was up to NATO (and its allies) to manage and secure this economic invasion in a military way.

Every wave of militarization goes a lot higher than the last one. It is an international race, with terrifying consequences. Especially for us here, still high and dry, nuclear attacks or military service and criminal camps are difficult to imagine. And yet only a few

narcissistic world leaders just have to press the wrong buttons to make it quickly become much darker. And so, the militarism that the state is unleashing upon us has also seized us. But fear of war will not cripple us. We will not be poisoned by the logic of border controls, drones, missiles, surveillance, control... On the contrary, we want to call a thousand times for radical anti-militarism. With practical consequences for those who benefit from death and destruction, power and domination.

***"Fight war, not wars
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-CRASS - Fight War, Not Wars (1979)

UNREST AT NATO SUMMIT IN MONTREAL 24 & 25 JUNE SUMMIT IN THE HAGUE

Last November, confrontations erupted during the NATO summit in Montreal, Canada. Multiple demonstrations moved toward the congress building under the guise of anti-militarism, against war and colonialism. At the congress building, protesters clashed with police and the windows of the venue, of which some shattered. As the protesters were driven apart, officers were hit by paint bombs and two cars went up in flames.



The next NATO summit will take place in the Netherlands for the first time. On June 24 and 25, 2025, the leaders of NATO countries, and of course now NATO chief Mark Rutte, will meet in The Hague. 27000 cops will be deployed, almost half of the dutch police force.



INTERVIEW WITH A REFUSER FROM MESARVOT

Mesarvot (Feminine plural of refusing) is a network that supports military refusal and military refusers who refuse on political grounds. The network is for refusers, by refusers, and consists of people who objected the army, objecting the army, and will object the army. It was founded in 2016 as a way to create a stable base and a long term home for refusers, a thing that did not exist until that time. We do not have a political line besides being anti-militarist and feminist, and therefore each activist in our network has a different political opinion.

The activity of Mesarvot can be roughly divided into two: refuser support and anti-militaristic activism. As for supporting refusers, we offer legal, social, mental and media support for anyone who decides to go public with his or her refusal and go to prison for it. On the activism side, we organise demonstrations, give talks and interviews, spread zines, decorate the public space, create installations, and other things that individual activists want to bring.

What can you tell us about the compulsive military service in israel? Are there specifics that people outside israel should know?

Since it's foundation, Israel has mandatory conscription. The age of conscription is 18, and as of right now, regular service time stands on 2 years for women and 2 years and 8 months for men, but the duration can change according to role. Although the draft is mandatory, as of the last few years, actual conscription rate stands on 50% of those who should be conscripted. This includes the Ultra-Orthodox, certain Palestinians/Arabs, and other people who just get exempted.

What is necessary to understand is that although the draft comes at 18, the path to the army starts at a very young age. Everybody receives their first letter from the army at the age of 16. People who come from a lower socioeconomic background might even be sent to a military middle school. The draft isn't only legally mandatory, but also socially.

How has the ongoing war in Gaza affected the enrollment in the military and the social/authoritarian pressure around it?

The situation now, after a year, is different, but at the beginning there was a massive surge of enlistment, even from people who were formerly on the fence when it came to refusal. They, as it is called in Israel, "sobered up". Due to the higher number of draft letters sent, there are also more refusers this year. Just this week a local liberal newspaper published an article about the lack of willingness of the army to expose the number of "silent" refusers, of people who just didn't show up, for any reason. New Profile, a non-profit that deals with helping people get exempted, have said that since the start of the war they have more work than they can deal with. Because of this and of the secrecy of the army about the stats, I'd assume that there's a very major sum of people who didn't go.

As for the pressures. I sat in prison before the war for 70 days. My friend Tal sat 185. It is the most time any refuser spent in prison since the second intifada. The social pressure obviously also increased a lot, but as time goes by, the "war" makes less and less sense even for the general

"I DON'T WANT SO-CALLED 'PROGRESS' IN THIS WORLD, I WANT ITS DESTRUCTION!"

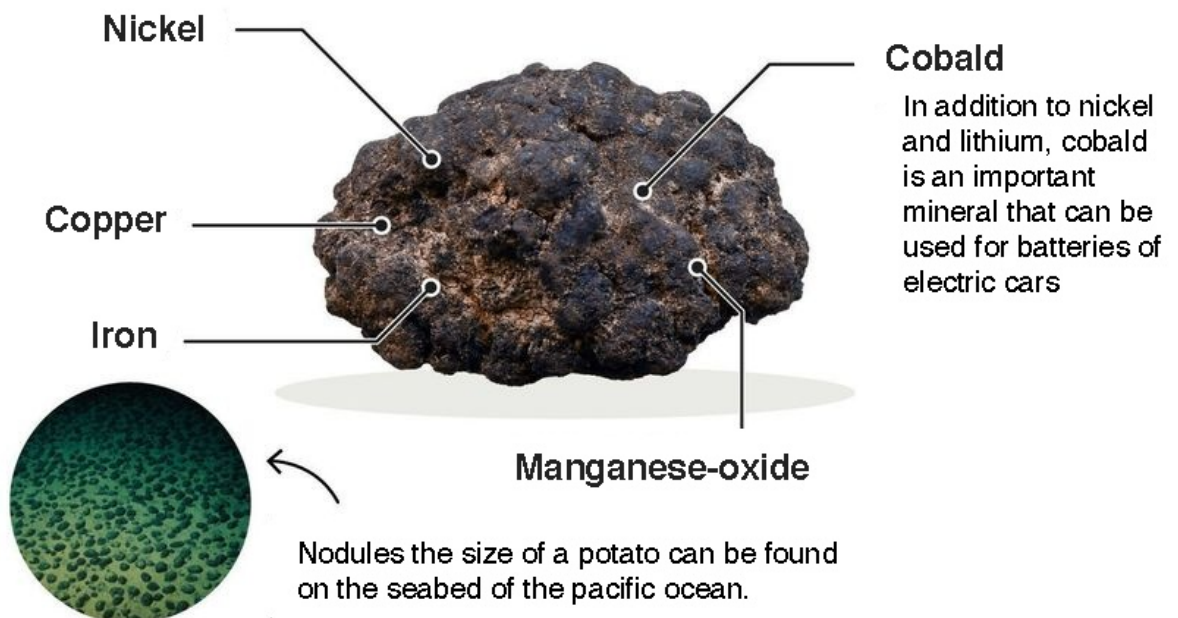
DEEPSEA MINING

The exploitation and destruction of the world around us, brought on by the current system of power and greed, takes on many forms. In the last issue we talked about nuclear power: a technology that has long since proven itself to be horrible and now is getting back into style. This edition I want to talk about a method of extractivism that is being researched and tested: Deep Sea Mining. It's obvious that we as anarchists are against this, we are against every form of energy used to continue this system. But it is important to deepen this subject and to share some thoughts about it. Because the deep sea is fascinating and because it's interesting to think about what to focus our struggles on as anarchists. What choices do I want to make in this and to what degree does it matter

on earth, ones we know very little about (luckily they still exist) are the target. The deep ocean is already deteriorating due to human action - plastic soup in the ocean, plastic in the Mariana trench (deepest point in the ocean) or fishing with dragnets -, still governments with big business on their side keep pushing for a so-called green transition. The same green transition that makes deep sea mining a necessity. All the minerals needed for the giant amount of batteries that need to be produced are also found at the ocean floor (more about that later). The transition is nothing more than a way to continue this system, supported by another (also finite) resource. Another reason for the transition is that a lot of money can be made and will assure the current power relations are maintained. Next to that

What does a manganese nodule contain?

The treasures on the seabed



that something is new or current. Either way, it is a subject worth diving deeper into.

That humanity endlessly keeps pushing the limits of growth to keep feeding the need for consumption was already obvious. Now the most remote places

it also gives governments a nice pacifying green rhetoric toward people ("don't worry about the climate, we will fix it by making sure everyone can drive electric").

Just to repeat it once more, for this transition a lot of

batteries, but also cables, steel, solar panels and wind turbines. For the people in charge it doesn't matter whether they obtain their power and money from oil or renewable energy as long as the social peace is kept and they can stay on top. And that is the whole purpose of these plans, ways to maintain the status quo and keeping people in the west living in comfort. As long as we stay calm they will continue.

It shouldn't be much of a surprise that states are very willing to participate in the transition, desperate to present themselves as green in the hope of maintaining some legitimacy in the current climate catastrophe. This shows itself in a bizarre way in the call from the EU to ban deep sea mining because of the unknown impact on the environment. But we will see as soon as the impact is known it can be taken into account and will become acceptable. People in favor claim that this method is less impactful than land mining and therefore a better alternative. A thinly veiled lie. Is there anyone who really believes that corporations and governments will stop with other forms of mining-destruction because it's a bad thing to do, as long as money can be made. The logic of exploitation and money is always superior. This mining-exploitation will also bring forth damage that won't be recoverable. The only solution is attack on power and the destruction of this society. We won't plead for mining on land or less impactful mining but against the endless growth, so-called becoming 'greener' with the only purpose of continuing living like we are doing, the richer getting richer, wanting to maintain the world as we know it.

For me the deep sea is a magical place, one we know little about. A place where there has been especially little direct interference of humans. Apparently the amount of unknown species is vast and the lifeforms extraordinary. It gives me courage and hope, the idea that not (yet) everything is lost in the greedy tentacles of the people at the top. In any case they are lives that haven't been made to fit human existence. And that now this part of earth, unattainable by humans if it weren't for the help of extreme technology, is on the agenda to be destroyed should anger anybody. Not because we should pity the lifeforms there or because of anthropomorphism... But because the attitude that

lies behind this project. Endlessly taking, continues growth, destruction without scruples by continuing to build the world of power for the rich.

The role of the Netherlands

Like in so many terrible projects the Netherlands are participating. This country has a long history in maritime exploitation and when it comes to deep sea mining Dutch companies are lined up to participate.

For instance the Rotterdam based Royal IHC (installation of offshore gas and oil pipelines) is working on the development of specialized material, robot vehicles for example. Another Dutch company, Allseas bv, at the moment mostly busy with offshore pipelines, is investing millions in research and testing and in start-ups in an attempt to conquer a large market share when the mining will start. This is a small example of involvement because even though some problems seem too far away to act on, with a little digging a target can be found nearby. The people in the Netherlands are in a center of power and exploitation. Because it all relates and is woven together. This way of mining stands on the shoulders of developments from the past and will give input for future ones. The whole is greater than a collection of involved companies. This industry relates to many others. When the developed technology won't be used directly for deep sea mining another purpose will be found, like for instance how so many new technologies serve a second purpose in the war machine.

Final thoughts

Different organizations have given attention to this topic and wrote about this form of mining. Why do we from Rumoer add to this? Why choose this topic? Is it different than regular mining? Is it relevant to think about this specifically while so many other things closer to home for people (and animals) are wrong. How is this relevant for anarchists?

Choosing a terrain of struggle can be overwhelming because the poison of this world reaches far. The choice to give attention (and maybe more) to deep sea mining is an important one. Not to jump from

topic to topic and to agitate surrounding the new one. But to broaden and deepen our own analysis on the system and with this make the connections between the different parts clear. To see how power works, why the state chooses certain processes and where our chances for intervention are.

In a certain way I'm in awe of the deep sea, unknown species exist under (for me) unimaginable circumstances. We could never go there, we will never know what is it like there. We don't know what will be destroyed and it is bizarre to place ourselves above it. The rich acting like an all mighty god shaping the world with only success for themselves and our other enemies.

Deep sea mining is not worse than land mining or planet-mining but it is a step further, something that hasn't settled in peoples minds yet. For me it also feels relevant (next to the before mentioned reasons) not because it isn't a done deal yet but because behind it lies the same logic as mining on land, in line with going to the moon for uranium (a real idea suggested by some). The situation is driven a step further to foresee in false needs, needs that ask for a desperate constant continuation of growth, with now the addition of plundering the deep sea. This is an important aspect of why to focus on this. Making sure that this doesn't become settled in people's heads as normality. Reminding ourselves every time that the status quo means war and misery, to see how this system plans and explains her own expansion. Develop a better understanding, see connections and weaknesses so we can attack where we see opportunity.

***I don't want so-called "progress" in this world,
I want its destruction!***

URANIUM FROM RUSSIA & THE ANTI- NUCLEAR STRUGGLE

It is now known and confirmed that enriched uranium for the nuclear power plant in Borselle (and for other nuclear power plants outside of the Netherlands) comes from Russia. Regarding this topic the sanctimony of the politicians with their sanctions and talk of freedom, peace and democracy showed itself end of last year when news came out that the plant in Borselle partially ran on uranium processed in Russia. The government reacted with a shrug, breach of contract with the Russian state-owned company Rosatom would be too complicated. Meanwhile thousands die on the frontline in Ukraine in the name of both their rulers while behind the scenes they shake hands.

The first mentioned reason for using Russian uranium is a contract between the French Framatome and the Russian Rosatom. Framatome uses Russia to convert processed uranium into uraniumhexafluoride(UF6), which is then shipped back to the Netherlands where it is enriched by the state-owned company Urenco in Almelo. The contract however is not the real reason that they uphold this agreement; how many times hasn't the state changed it's mind and tore up contracts? Rosatoms factory in Russia is the only factory in the world that can convert processed uranium into UF6 to be used in further processing. This is necessary to keep alive the "green, circular and recyclable" image of Nuclear Power. Ironically Russia has positioned itself very well in relation to nuclear power now that countries are working hard to move away from gas, in order to break its dependency on Russia.

Putin has an alliance with Kazakhstan* -the biggest uranium producer in the world– and used 3000 Russian paratroopers to suppress a peoples uprising in that territory. This happened a month before the invasion in Ukraine but nobody in the EU or US gave a damn. Meanwhile the Russian regime has an influence on the military junta newly in power in Niger, also a large uranium producer. After a coup Wagner-soldiers quickly deployed there to consolidate the switch in power.

*Kazakhstan is part of the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO), a kind of variant to NATO. Next to Kazakhstan, Belarus, Armenia, Russia, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan are also part of the alliance.



The diplomatic reaction on the coup in Niger was mild. In other words: it is regretted and that's that. As of yet the US hasn't labeled the take over of power as a coup. A new military drone base just opened in the Sahel desert and if the American government labels the junta in Niger as such, their constitution would forbid them (officially) from doing business with the new military dictators. But cooperation with autocratic regimes is off course nothing new for the Americans.

It is important to monitor this development in-between all the war drums and war-rhetoric between "the East and the West" on the Ukrainian front. Between the wars and geopolitical powerplays it's essential for the people in power to keep uranium production on par and to expand for the nuclear power plants of the present and future. Like others have said before "for the empire, it's better that someone else controls the territory than that no one controls the territory".

As it turns out the finances of Rosatom also run via the Netherlands. Via its daughter company, Uranium One Cooperation, the company funnels hundreds of millions of profit to Russia. The company also mines Uranium in Kazakhstan and Tanzania.

The question is what to do now?

"It's easy. You can do it by yourself, or with a bunch of trusted comrades. The capital is vulnerable, if you are determined to act."

Alfredo Maria Bonanno (1937-2023)

Often we look back at the past for struggles in the present, partly as inspiration but also out of nostalgia. Even though we live in a different social context than 40/50 years ago, there are many lessons to be learned from history. The Netherlands has a rich history of effective struggles against nuclear power. Actions like "Dodewaard moet dicht". Here thousands of people blocked the now closed power plant in Dodewaard. A followup action at Borssele attracted less people -still several thousand- and turned into heavy confrontation between riot cops and "autonomous".

A glance at the magazine Ravage of 20 years ago

gives us insight into a method that can't be repeated: a group of people tried to block a truck transporting nuclear waste. They organized a blockade at the highway ramp while being closely monitored by police. When several people managed to sit in a lock-on the truck simply changed route.

This is an obvious proposal, road blockade, so that the uranium from Russia can't reach Urenco in Almelo. However such a blockade can be just as easily averted as 20 years ago. The permits given out for such a transport are flexible: they contain a number of times and dates on which the transport can take place, same for the route, that can be averted "in case of emergency".

We will have to be more creative.

While the catastrophe of climate change, which predicts an apocalypse, reduces a lot of people to apathy and the Neo-liberal TINA-thought** takes hold of nuclear power, it is essential to maintain creativity and an imagination towards actions in many numbers and varieties. Diverse and diffuse: "civil inspections"***, blockades, disruptions and destruction, sabotage and demonstrations. Even if today this seems unreachable: it has to start somewhere.

At the moment the fact that the plans for the expansion of nuclear power are at an early stage and aren't very concrete is in our advantage. Also the nuclear idea isn't set into stone, politicians are twisting and turning to try to make it more acceptable. The private sector, that will need state support for the realization of nuclear power plants, uses the utmost care surrounding this subject. So far the pension-fund PME is the only large private

** There Is No Alternative (a slogan coined by M. Thatcher)

** An action form used for big mobilisations so as to breach army bases and other secret locations, often accompanied by a diverse range of action tactics within the form itself



party that has openly announced their proposed investments in nuclear power, and with that made a pleading call for other funds to join.

This fragility offers big chances to kill the nuclear ambition of the state even before they have started. It is necessary that - together with determined comrades - we start activity that spreads the call for anti-nuclear struggle, but even more so that we hit the sensitive and vulnerable spots. If we wait the struggle will only get weaker. The weak spots will be fortified or disappear and the project of those in power will become more definitive. They are organizing; let's do the same and turn their plans into disappointments.

BUDAPEST

EUROPEAN HUNT FOR ANTIFASCISTS LED BY HUNGARY



Since February 2023, European courts, prosecution officers and police have been working together to achieve the same goal: hunt down anti-fascists. The Hungarian state issued 14 arrest warrants for the extradition of anti-fascists who were accused of attacking neo-Nazis in Budapest in February 2023.

Opening the hunt

During and around the neo-Nazi gathering and memorial march on the so-called "Day of Honor" groups of neo-Nazis in Budapest are being hunted and attacked. Hungarian, Polish and German right-wing extremists are beaten down. In the aftermath of this, the Hungarian State opens an investigation on its own initiative, since the neo-Nazis themselves did not file a report to the police. This leads to several arrests and house searches in several European countries, especially in Germany where the events in Budapest are linked to the so-

called Antifa-Ost case. The group is accused of having organised and executed attacks on Nazis and their infrastructures. This repressive operation against anti-fascists became known by the sensational and sexist treatment in the press of the so-called leader and prime suspect of the group of anti-fascists Lina E.

Especially the German and Hungarian states cooperate intensively. The first attack on Nazis in Budapest took place on 9 February 2023. Not a week later, on 15 February, a search is already taking place in Berlin. Both states have a shared interest here: tough and repressive action against militant anti-fascists. The alleged and unfounded connection between the Budapest Complex and the Antifa-Ost case is repeated several times by the police of both countries.

The Italian Ilaria spent 11 months in Hungarian

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prison after being arrested in budapest, also accused of assault and/or attempted murder, for which the penalties vary from 2 to 24 years. She appeared in court handcuffed to hands and feet under heavy security. The outrage and shock in italy was so great that she was elected to the EU parliament in June 2024. A stunt set up by a small left-green party to grant her diplomatic immunity. The outrage at Ilaria's treatment led to her being elected by preferred votes. In the meantime, hungary has submitted a request to the EU to waive her immunity, after Ilaria stood up to the hungarian president Viktor Orban, a Wilders-BFF in the european parliament.

In November 2024 Gino is arrested in france. There's also a warrant against him. The french court is now examining the request and will begin its assessment on 16 December. This after an italian court in March 2024 rejected a similar request for Gabriele arrested in Milan. After six months under house arrest, he was released, and the italian court ruled that the risk of an unhumanized treatment in hungarian prisons is too great. The german courts see that differently. In August 2024 the non-binary Maja was handed over to hungary in a flash action after she had been in a Dresden prison for several months. Within 24 hours she was trapped in hungary: The trial was held late in the evening, the approval took place, by helicopter Maja was flown to the hungarian-austrian border and extradited, there was no possibility of any objection.

Revenge of the Hungarian State

The Budapest Complex is mainly the work of the hungarian state which single-handedly takes the initiative to prosecute anti-fascists who dared to attack neo-Nazis on hungarian soil. The conditions in prison are heavy and extra punitive. Ilaria was

locked up in the cold alone, with poorly working sanitation. Maja's trapped in isolation while the cockroaches and bedbugs have infested her cell. One of the first defendants, the german Tobias, was sentenced to 3 years in prison at his first hearing, while 11 years were required against the now released Ilaria. These requests also fit with the policy of hungarian president Orban, who, together with his european allies Wilders, Le Pen and Meloni, wants to suppress all forms of anti-fascism and applies a strong historical revisionism.

The rhetoric used here is very xenophobic and sketches a narrative of foreign anti-fascists who held the hungarian capital hostage with violence and terror for a few days. Hungarian state media and politicians talk about attacks on tourists and innocent passers-by, while they have been identified by name as polish neo-Nazis and participants in the memorial march for the Day of Honor.

What will come and solidarity

The european manhunt for anti-fascists does not seem to stop. New charges continue to emerge and arrests are taking place from the magician's hat of cases that seemed closed. Also, a court ping-pong seems to be going on now that the antifa Tobias, who almost served his sentence in hungary, may be extradited to germany for suspicions in the Antifa-Ost case.

It is important that we continue to express our solidarity with all the persecuted and arrested. Not only politically and supportively by raising money, writing letters and demonstrating. Not only by persevering their practices, attacking the state and fascists. Especially by spreading their ideas and proclaiming that they were doing the right thing. By

proclaiming that it is right for Nazis to be hunted and attacked on the streets. That it is not normal to honor the actions and ideology of the SS, and that if one does this they may be lucky to only get a slap in the face. We stress that there is a difference between reactionary violence and the violence of the exploited and oppressed. For it is this voice that the state wants to put away for eternity.

***Solidarity with all in
hiding and locked up
comrades!
Free All Antifas!***

WHAT IS THE "DAY OF HONOUR"?

When the Red Army forces the Nazis to retreat and eventually surround Budapest, German Waffen-SS and Wehrmacht troops attempt to break out together with Hungarian Nazis. The suicide mission fails and the hopeless attempt to break the encirclement ends in defeat for the Nazi troops.

Since the mid-1990s, extreme right-wing groups have used this event to preach their ideology and to worship the events surrounding the outbreak of the SS troops as a kind of martyrdom and honourable death in the struggle against communism.

Although the day of honour is not a particularly large Nazi demonstration in Europe, it nevertheless stands prominently on the far right year calendar. For example, many Nazis from other countries join the activities and it is an annual network event for right-wing extremists.

CURRENT IMPRISONED COMRADES

HANNA - locked up in germany, hungary is requesting their extradition.

MAJA - arrested in December 2023 and extradited to hungary in august 2024 in a flash-action by german police therefore not granting any chance to apeal the decision of extradition

TOBIAS - imprisoned in hungary since February 2023 and was initially sentenced to 3 years in prison and on appeal for up to 1 year and 10 months with deduction of pre-trial detention. Also persecuted in the Antifa-Ost case, germany has requested his extradition.

ILARIA - served 11 months in Hungary, released after being elected to the European Parliament in June 2024. Earlier, the hungarian prosecutor demanded 11 years in prison.

GABRI - Under house arrest from November 2023 to the end of March 2024 in italy, hungary requested his extradition, now released after an italian court refused extradition on the basis of the risk of inhuman treatment in hungarian prison.

GINO - arrested in france on 12th november 2024, hungary has requested his extradition.

"ARRESTEE THURINGEN" - arrested on November 8th, 2024, also suspected in the "Antifa-Ost" case.

7 TURN THEMSELVES IN AT GERMAN POLICE STATIONS - after 1.5 years in hiding, a group of 7 people decided to turn themselves in to the police in different cities in germany. They're all suspected of being involved in the Budapest complex. Hungary is also asking for their extradition.



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SOME THOUGHTS ON THE RECENT EVENTS IN AMSTERDAM

These texts appeared on indymedia.nl a few days after the riots in amsterdam around the match Ajax-Maccabi Tel-Aviv.

A time line

The mayor of Amsterdam bans an anti-genocide demonstration that is supposed to be held at the Arena football stadium during the match between Ajax and Maccabi Tel Aviv. On Wednesday night the 6th of November, Israeli hooligans carry out Zionist attacks on houses, attack people that verbally oppose them, tear down and burn Palestinian flags, and shout racist and genocidal slogans. The cops do not intervene and even leave as Maccabi supporters attack a squat. Some Maccabi hooligans destroy a cab and beat up a taxi driver. Not long after this big numbers of taxi drivers meet up, defend themselves and retaliate.

The following day in the afternoon (7.11) Maccabi fans hold a rally on Dam square. They are aggressive, look for fights, throw fireworks and attack people. They again shout genocidal and racist slogans at the Dam and as they make their way to the Arena. During the match, the Maccabi supporters disrupt the minute of silence for the victims in Valencia, Spain. Around 300 people still show up at the Arena to protest against the genocide and the welcoming of Zionists in the city. Cops attempt to kettle, beat and arrest the group protesting, and people resist, throw fireworks and split off in smaller groups. More than 40 people get arrested. After the match Maccabi fans come to the city centre. People decide they will not tolerate these racist and Zionist attacks and the glorification of genocide in their city. Approximately 1,000 people, divided into small groups of between 5-50 people move around the city centre in order to

intercept returning Maccabi fans. A large group of Maccabi hooligans moves from the main station towards the city centre, accompanied by cops. They nonetheless manage to arm themselves with sticks, chains and stones and attack people. The Maccabi fans get attacked and beaten by small decentralised groups throughout the night. Shouts of 'Free Palestine' fill the night but in some cases, the attacks are accompanied by anti-Semitic slurs. Some media later reports that some people questioned others on whether they were Jewish to determine whether or not to attack. The police try to disperse the small groups that are attacking the Maccabi supporters, some streets are barricaded, and fireworks are set off. Maccabi supporters are escorted into buses and brought to safety by the police.

The following morning (8.11) media and politicians call the attacks of Thursday night against Maccabi supporters a pogrom and claim Dutch Moroccan youth on scooters were responsible. The mayor declares a city wide state of emergency, which is later extended throughout the week and bans all protests. People defy the protest ban on Sunday 10.11 and hold a demonstration against genocide and the false media narrative that is being spread. Protesters as well as random passerbys are kettled, arrested and beaten by police. A woman wearing a hijab is beaten unconscious by cops and is refused medical attention. She is later transferred to a hospital in critical condition. The protest ban and state of emergency gets extended until the next Thursday. This emergency legislation extends the police's power to ID-check and stop and search anyone in Amsterdam. There is a big police presence and random checks in Osdorp, Geuzenveld and Bos en Lommer. Dutch Moroccan and Turkish youth are especially targeted with these stop & searches. In the night of Monday 11th, call

outs are spread for a riot on Plein '40 – '45, as a response to the woman that was beaten unconscious by police during the demonstration the day before. Fireworks are set off, a tram is smashed and set on fire. People shoot fireworks and rocks at cops. In the early morning the police station of that neighbourhood is attacked which results in one police van being burned.

On Wednesday the 13th hundreds of people again meet in the city centre to defy the protest ban and take a stand against the genocide, they were met with an enormous police force. The manifestation is static and people get kettled in Dam square. A big group leaves before they get enclosed by the police and stay around, shout slogans, some fireworks are set off and cans and bottles get thrown at the cops. For many hours into the evening there is a chaotic situation in the city. 265 people get detained, put in buses and moved to the outskirts of the city.

What does solidarity mean?

On the days leading up to the football match messages were sent around urging people to stay inside, take off their keffiyehs and buttons, close doors, barricade squats and take down Palestinian flags and banners, out of fear of getting attacked. To the comrades and friends that participated in sharing this call, we would like to ask the question: what does solidarity mean to you? Or are your ideas a uniform you take off when it gets to hot under your feet? When the enemy rampages through our streets calling for genocide and the blood of ‘Arabs’? Do you stay and fight with those that cannot slip of their appearance with the ease of removing a banner or is your solidarity conditional to your comfort?

Some anarchists chose to go out these nights -- we were not many and our contribution could have been way more significant. Still we have some observations and dreams we would like to share here. We find it important to talk about what happened as a way to look forward, adapt and offer some thoughts on ways to intensify and broaden the struggle. We are also aware that all words wasted on this situation are potentially a distraction from the unimaginable horrors taking place in Gaza on a daily basis. We write this in order to incite

rather than to distract. Let these nights serve as a reminder that we can do more than defend ourselves, we can take the initiative and attack.

Media and repression

Media and repression go hand in hand. This is not something new, but it is important to recognise the mechanisms at play to understand how they work and what is to come. Recent headlines about the incidents in Amsterdam speak the language that prepares repression and militarisation. During these events it became again evident that the media is being used by the Israeli state and their NATO allies to create a false truth to manipulate public opinion, legitimise repression, harsher security measures, new “anti-terrorist” legislation, and increase power and justify militarisation. More concrete things we saw these days are: the ban on protest in Amsterdam and the extension of police stop & search powers. All regimes need enemies to blame for the problems they themselves create, to justify their institutions of repression and ultimately to justify their own existence. Just as it is obvious that Israel needs to keep alive the narrative that Jewish people can only really ever be safe within it's borders.

The current scapegoat of the Dutch state are Dutch Moroccan youth and those that choose to revolt instead of passively stand by while witnessing the horrors of this world. Jewish identity is being instrumentalised for political agendas. Dominant media narratives and politicians breed racism. On the one hand by framing ‘Arabs’ and Dutch Moroccan youth as responsible for the problems the state created. On the other hand, by constantly equating Israel and Zionism with Jewishness. Saying that what took place is reminiscent of the darkest days of the history of Amsterdam, calling what happened a pogrom, is insulting to the memory of the holocaust. It erases the voices of the anti-Zionist Jewish comrades that were also present that night and breeds more anti-Semitism. This constant false equation of Jewishness with Zionism is anti-Semitic. We are obviously appalled by the checking of passports and anti-Semitic slurs which were shouted on the street that night. While there were certainly anti-Semitic incidents that night it was clear to us that rather than a pogrom this was

the city defending itself from invading ultra-nationalist and Zionist football hooligans who had instigated violence the night before. We propose an anti-authoritarian praxis which rejects any of the tools that power uses to maintain itself, including racism. We consider it a victory that Zionist Maccabi supporters, many of whom are IDF soldiers directly involved in genocide, were not able to safely walk the streets that night.

Some thoughts on Tactics

On the night of the 7th and during the riots that followed relatively few arrests were made while the police was out in full force, partially because the cops were busy protecting the Maccabi supporters, but also because of the decentralised way of acting. The cops could not control or contain people moving around the city in smaller groups. They simply couldn't afford the manpower, time and risk of making arrests. This allowed for a whole range of liberatory moments to take place. This makes us wonder, how could we intensify these situations of revolt in the future? What if we agitate at more static demonstrations for these tactics to be used, to disperse in smaller groups and attack, instead of stay in one place, get arrested and take a beating? What if the cables of street lights and camera's would be cut, making the view for the police even less clear. What if attacks on other targets would be carried out elsewhere, dividing the cops further and making use of the chaos in the streets to get to those responsible for and benefiting from the genocide? What if barricades would be set alight and tires slashed, significantly slowing down the police's ability to move around?

Let's find each other in the streets these coming days and nights, look where the opportunities are and be creative.

-Anarchists

Addition

The violence which surrounded the Ajax-Maccabi match saw two seemingly opposing forces acting very much in unison: first, there was the anti-Semitic abuse shouted in the street by some of the people attacking Maccabi fans; second, there was a

media and political reaction which largely painted all attacks on Maccabi fans as inherently anti-Semitic, thereby equating Jewishness with ultra nationalist zionism. In this context, it's worth taking some time to remember that these are both forms of anti-Semitism, and perhaps more interestingly, they both ultimately provide support for the same Zionist logic.

Why is the media and political reaction anti-Semitic? The claim that much of the political class and the mainstream media has made is that to engage in a counter-attack against a group which has marauded through the streets, shouting anti-Arab slogans, calling for genocide, attacking homes and literally burning symbols of Palestinian solidarity, is fundamentally anti-Semitic. Such a claim can only be earnestly made if one believes that such acts of racism and violence are essential to the Jewish identity.

Even without the context of the previous night, the simpler claim would be that to target the supporters of Maccabi Tel Aviv, which is known to have particularly nationalistic and racist supporters even amongst Israeli football clubs, is equivalent to targeting Jewish people on the basis of their Jewishness. This would still imply the same fatal assumption that the active support for a nationalist ideology of settler colonialism and apartheid is inherent to Jewishness. It depicts Jewish identity as a violent, oppressive force and without a doubt, erases the identity of those Jewish comrades and friends who stand against settler-colonialism or at least choose to take no part in it nor claim it as their own.

It is a typical confusion that is made again and again by the supporters of Israel --- that the Zionist state is acting on behalf of Jewish people and that opposition to the actions of the Zionist state must therefore be an explicitly anti-Jewish position. That narrative, repeated often by representatives of the Israeli state as well as its supposedly 'neutral' supporters in the international media, is internalised in those who engage in the kind of anti-Semitic abuse that we saw on the night of the 7th: that Jewish people are represented by, and therefore ultimately responsible for, the Zionist state and so there is not much difference between fighting back against Zionist violence and attacking Jews in

general. [I might add that even the media portrayal of the passport-checking, which we stand against, as anti-Semitic implies a sort of equivalence between Israeli identity and Jewish identity, ...]

We see that those moments of anti-Semitism which occurred on the streets and the political and media narrative which emerged after the night of the 7th are two sides of the same coin. Perhaps counter-intuitively, both are anti-Semitic at heart and yet they also both provide ammunition for the Zionist state and its propaganda. A foundational tenet of the current Zionist project and an oft-repeated justification from apologists is that only a Jewish state can provide the Jewish people with safety and security. The political and media broad-brush characterisation assumes that a pushback against Zionist violence and its glorification is a threat to the Jewish people itself. The idea of such a threat only reinforces the presumed need for a safe Jewish homeland, with all the missiles it needs to defend itself from the enemy whose demands for an end to occupation is necessarily rooted in a hatred of Jewishness, or so they say. On the other side, the anti-Semitic slurs we saw sometimes on the streets realises the very narrative that it is Jewish people, not Zionist violence, which is under attack.

When the streets are filled with people refusing to let racist, colonial violence go unanswered, the Israeli state and its supporters will always say that this represents a rejection of Jewish identity. And when there are people on the streets who shout 'kankerjood' at their targets, not only do our Jewish friends and comrades and the fight against racism suffer, but the Zionist apologists are able to point and say 'look, we were right all along, and this is why we need a secure Israel.'

Against racism and anti-Semitism, the capitalist media and its propaganda, all tools of authority; against colonialism and apartheid; for anarchy and a free Palestine!

WELCOME BACK!

We're gonna do it differently this time. Instead of reading about which of our comrades have been locked up by the state we're publishing an overview of those who are amongst us once again after many years. Some of them have spent more time in prison than on the outside, others have spent long years behind bars nonetheless.

This overview also contains several ex-prisoners who have now served a sentence for revolutionary acts that seem to have occurred in another era. It is therefore that we mention their release here. So we don't forget yesterday's fighters and carry their courage and dedication with us. We therefore take the moment to wish Volcker and Buckhard good luck and a lot of strength to Daniele!

CLAUDIO LAVAZZA: Was Europe's longest-serving anarchist prisoner and was locked up for 28 years in Spain and France after a bank robbery in 1996. Claudio was active throughout his life in the "autonomous" and anarchist environment in Italy, France and Spain in the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s. He was released in France in September 2024.

DAVID GILBERT: Served 40 years after a robbery on a Brinks money transport in New York, 1981, carried out by the Black Liberation Army and the May 19th Communist Organisation. Before this, David had been active in the anti-war movement in the US and the Weather Underground. He was released on the 4th of November 2021 at the age of 77.

GABRIEL POMBA DA SILVA: Imprisoned in Germany, Portugal and Spain. In the last years of his imprisonment, Gabriel experienced a true state persecution based on revenge. He was released too late in 2016 after the prison director had hidden his papers, and was later arrested in 2020 in Portugal under order of the Spanish state with the aim of locking him up again for 16 years. He was released on July 10th 2023.

ERIC KING: Was released in December 2023 in the US to a halfway house and has now served his sentence in full. Eric was sentenced to 10 years in prison in 2014 after an attempted arson in a politician's office in Kansas City. The action was in 24

solidarity with the anti-police riots in Ferguson back then.

THOMAS MEYER FALK: He served 27 years in Germany and was released in August 2023. In 1996 he was arrested after a bank robbery. The German state has stretched his captivity for as long as possible with bureaucratic games and so-called "preventive imprisonment," a measure introduced by the Nazi regime in 1943.

LEONARD PELTIER: After nearly 50 years in prison, Leonard will serve the rest of his life sentence under house arrest. Peltier was a member of the American Indian Movement and was prosecuted and convicted of shooting two FBI agents during a gunfight in 1975. He's always argued to be innocent. Of course house arrest is not freedom, but the almost 80-year-old Peltier summarized it as follows: "It's finally over, I'm going home..."



October in Assago, province of Milan, 23 electric cars of the aforementioned carsharing company and a van of Eniplenitude, of the Eni group, were set on fire. While the Gaza massacre continues a year later, Eni continues to enrich itself by doing a lot of business with Israel, as evidenced by the purchase of offshore natural gas fields along the coasts of Gaza by the Italian multinational immediately after 7 October 2023. On the side of the Palestinian people, Free Palestine.



Den Haag – bannerdrop against Frontex

Via: indymedia.nl

While in the Netherlands and Europe fascists are increasing and racist policies against migrant people are being extended every day, the murderous border guard of the EU, Frontex, has become 20 years old. 20 years of border violence. [...] We hung a 17 meter high banner on the lookout tower across the Binnenhof. Against the fascist anti-immigration rhetoric and plans of the cabinet. Against the existence of Frontex. Break off Frontex & stop the war against migrants.

NOVEMBER

Amsterdam - busy nights for the police with catching stones, a police car and a tram on fire

Via: regular media

It took the riot cops a few hours to recover after unrest, in the aftermath of the Tel Aviv Maccabi hooligans who showed up in Amsterdam. Three arrests were made. Also, in these nights several police cars were set on fire, according to the police intentionally.

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Amsterdam - Trucks of Heidelberg Materials sabotaged in Amsterdam

Via: indymedia.nl

A while ago we sabotaged two trucks from the company HeidelbergMaterials at their location in Amsterdam by pouring several liters of bleach into



the petrol tank. HeidelbergMaterials is the second largest cement producer in the world and has an extremely destructive impact on the environment. [...] Every day hundreds of cubic meters of cement are poured out over the earth. More concrete takes up the space of ecosystems and drives out both humans and animals. If we don't do something, we're doomed by our unbridled drive to expansion, which is made possible and always encouraged by companies like HeidelbergMaterials. Break open the asphalt, sow the seeds rebellion and sprinkle sand in the gears of the capitalist killing machine. Switch Off the system of destruction!

Amsterdam - KPN vehicles attacked

Via: indymedia.nl

Two KPN vehicles were attacked in Amsterdam on the night of Tuesday 25 November.

One van was set on fire, the other had its windows smashed. This action was a retaliation for KPN's sponsorship of the NEDS arms fair, against militarism and the technology of oppression. Against genocide and apathy. Love and courage for those who fight, revolutionary hearts burn forever.

Lincolnshire UK – "Howling wolf commando" burns two meat trucks in memory of Lobo

Via: unoffensiveanimal.is

"On the night of Lobo's death, Elefteria Hambi, we

set fire to two meat trucks parked on the road next to a slaughterhouse in Lincolnshire. We placed a small bottle of gasoline next to the front tire and used flammable lighting gel to create a quick fuse that allowed us to control the safety of the operation. Without buildings or people nearby, the operation was successful and nobody was at risk of getting hurt. We remember by fire, hoping to build from the ashes a world that all our martyrs would be proud of. Lobo never forget. Kyriakos Ximitris always present. Howling wolf command."

Rotterdam - confrontations with cops and visitors of an arms fair

Via: regular sources

The annual arms fair counted over 100 companies representing the military and arms industries. Thirteen people were arrested after confrontations with the police and red painting the façade.

DECEMBER

Ottawa, Canada - Sabotage of factory in Ottawa producing parts for Israeli F-35 fighter aircraft

Via: north-shore.info

Earlier this week, a group of people sabotaged the Gastops factory in Ottawa, the only place in the world where motor sensors are produced for Lockheed's F-35 fighter planes - including the planes that drop 2000-pound bombs on Gaza. We cut the wiring in all the heat pumps on the roof of Gastops. We locked them out with official lock-out tags from the Ministry of Health and Safety. We shut down the gas, broke off the levers from their systems and cut the lines to their backup communication system on the way out. [...]

Berlin, Germany - Army car damaged

Via: attaque.noblogs.org translated by Act for freedom now!

Last night there was a car with a military license plate and a German army logo parked on the Maybachkade near the Hobrechtbrug. Something unusual to see. In the morning it had to be towed, with new paint, broken windows and flat tires. [...]

Amsterdam - winter bbq for kpn

Via: indymedia.nl

Electric van of kpn torched. Neighbourhood: Amsterdam New West. Method: firestarter blocks (white non-bio) >make a break in the middle and do not remove from plastic> place whole pack on one of the front tires> light with storm lighter through plastic packaging> enjoy your bbq at safe distance> against kpn and its network of control and surveillance, it's AI-war technology and all it does and what it stands for.

Amsterdam - Two cranes sabotaged at Damen Oranjewerf

Via: indymedia.nl

[...]On 24 and 25 June the NATO summit will take place in The Hague, where politicians, military and representatives of the arms industry meet to discuss how the most effective war can be waged against the rest of the world. This summit will be accompanied by the largest police operation in Dutch history involving half the police of the nation. The police have politely asked the general public not to organise any other events at this time, because their capacity will be stretched to the utmost. What's your plan?

Athens, Greece - solidemo near Korydallos

Via: actforfree.noblogs.org

On December 31, an evening event was held at the Korydallos prison, by many comrades. The demo ran towards the men's prison, and then along the Grigoriou Lambrakis street to the women's prison. Prisoners participated in screaming slogans. [...]

Amsterdam – New year's eve solidemo

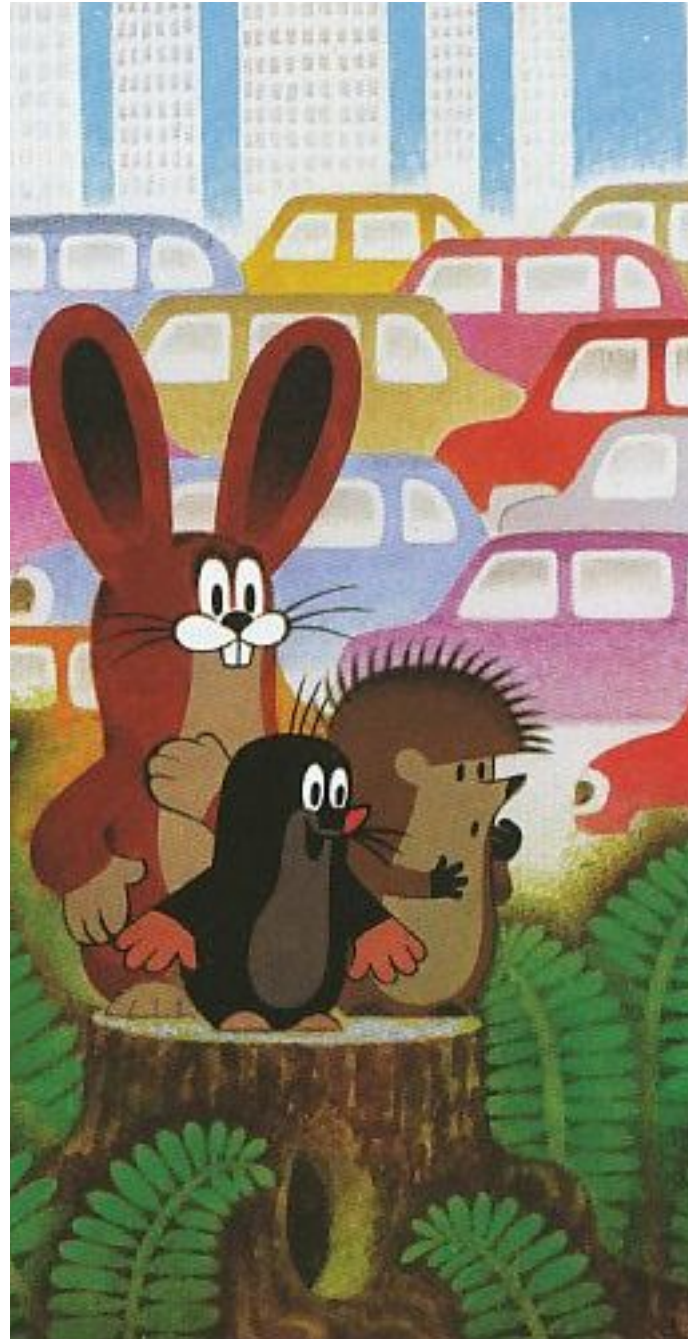
Via: indymedia.nl

On new year's eve, 40 to 50 comrades went to the foreign detention center at Schiphol (Justice complex) to show their solidarity with those who are locked up there. Brick by brick, wall by wall, all prisons have to fall.

JANUARY

Aachen, Germany - Antifascists block Nazi demonstration

Some 7000 anti-fascists make it difficult for the AFD and other Nazis during a demonstration. Roads are blocked and barricades set up, it comes to confrontation with the riot cops. The 150 Nazis present must change their demo route.



***SEE YOU
NEXT TIME!***