Greece. This may remind the war-the EU summit in Thessaloniki, onto a shallow river bed. selves Patdagach, to halt these ecolog-ed by a group of people calling them-since  April the forest has been squat-ting of world leaders. This time Evian-mental disasters. People willing to help are more then welcome! On Saturday 28 June, starting at 2pm, we organise an action in the occupied forest. We want to get as many people as possible together to increase the pressure in order to final-ly make an end to the destruction of the nature in D’Hoppe. During this week there will be workshops, actiontraining, infor-mations, and lots of actions! The week ends with a big demo on the 5th of July. Sleeping places avail-able, but if you have a tent, bring it with you. Vegan food will be cooked by the Mobile Actionkitchen ‘Kokkerellen’ Contact: (+32)/(0) 497-63 03 12 www.fserr.org

BELGIAN FOREST SQUATTED

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NEW TRIBES MISSION TRASHED

As the G8 meet in Evian to squabble over the spoils of their latest war, Europe’s people show their determination to oust the power-mongers from their lands.

BUSH – DON’T DREAM IT’S OVER

We’ve recently seen the latest set of running battles between anti-globali-sation protesters and police at a meet-ing of world leaders. This time Evian for the G8. One man was severely injured when the cops cut the rope he was attached to and he fell 20 metres onto a shallow river bed.

The next confrontation is planned at the EU summit in Thessaloniki, Greece. This may remind the war-mongers that there will be resistance to their plans and indeed their very existence, but how much closer it brings us to stopping them in their tracks is another matter.

It’s inspiring to see people on the streets attacking the police and engaging in property destruction but it is a reaction to their presence, their summits. There is a war going everywhere against everyone of us and has been for thousands of years—the war on life. Civilization has meant war since its inception, thousands of years of assault on the ecology of the planet and on us as well—through alienation, specialisa-tion, seperation and hierachy.

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—See Missionaries core inside

CARLO GIULIANI MURDER CASE CLOSED

Serious sabotage and damage com-mitted during an invasion of New Tribal Missions HQ in the UK.

On 11 October more than fifty peo-ple took direct action against the New Tribes Mission (NTM) UK Headquarters in Grimsby, in solidari-ty with resistant indigenous people of the Philippines, West Papua and Bougainville. NTM have stated that they intend to preach to every tribe on the planet by 2025, such as the Agta of Northern Luzon and tribes in Mindanana.

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On May 5th judge Elena Daloisio decided to close the enquiry against Mario-Placanica, the Carabinieri who shot Carlo Giuliani – the young pro-tester at the G8 summit of Genoa 2001. The official reasons why this murder won’t be prosecuted are because the policeman was allegedly defending himself, and also, under the article 53 of the Italian criminal code, this is a case of "legitimate use of weapons". This will possibly con-stitute a dangerous legal escape for any member of the security forces that in future similar situations may commit “legalised” murder because of “acting on duty”. The remaining open cases against those responsible for the repression, illegal detentions, beatings and torture that took place during and after the anti-G8 demon-strations of Genoa 2001 may also now be dropped as a result.

Even though they have been accused of lying in court and repeat-edly trying to avoid giving testimony in front of a judge, none of the officers involved in the enquiry have been found guilty or condemned. Carlo’s mother stated that “we are not scared of the truth, although others evidently are”.

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FREETOPRISONERS

Hayduke Grounded

Paranoid security at Philadelphia air-port stopped Neil Godfrey boarding his plane because he had a copy of the famous Edward Abbey book “Hayduke lives”. The cover has an Illustration of a hand holding sticks of dynamite.

He went through the checkpoint and sat down to read. About 10 min-utes later a National Guardsman told him to step aside, then took his book and asked why he was reading it." Within minutes, Police officers, State Troopers and airport security officials joined the Guardsman. 10 to 12 people examined the book for 45 minutes, searching out notes the entire time. They questioned Godfrey about the purpose of his trip and refused to let him board the plane.

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1. BEAR LAKE, ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK, COLORADO, USA - Kiosk torched: $600,000 damage.
2. NEW YORK, NEW YORK, USA - ALF sloganize and trash HLS Barker Warren Stephens' house.
3. KIRKLAND, WASHINGTON, USA - Four new homes torched in anti-sprawl action: $50,000 damage.
4. JAMESTOWN, ELDORADO, KANSAS, USA - SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, USA - 28: SPRINGFIELD, OREGON, USA
5. VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA - 21: VICTORIA, B.C., CANADA -
6. ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS, USA - 13: JEWELL, IOWA, USA -
7. NEW YORK, NEW YORK, USA - ALF max out Warren Stephens' credit card.
8. NEW YORK, NEW YORK, USA - 3: NEW YORK, NEW YORK, USA -
9. FOUR CHINESE, PENNSYLVANIA, USA - 6: NEW YORK, NEW YORK, USA -
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15. NEW YORK, NEW YORK, USA - 4: NORTH BRUNSWICK, NEW JERSEY, USA -
16. VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA - 21: NORTH BAY, USA - Three pick-up trucks and 3 SUVs torched at Ford dealership: $135,000 damage.
17. PIETRSANTA, ITALY - 17: PIETRSANTA, ITALY -
18. MONT BLANC TUNNEL, SWITZERLAND - 18: CYBERSPACE - Provisional Division launch 4 day denial of service attack on HLS.
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**PRISONERS OF WAR**

These revolutions have been jailed for their beliefs so you can write them letters of support (nothing compromising!). Those not listed should send us your details. We can't take it as a sleight they've been excluded. Just send us your details and we'll put you on our free mailing list! Prisoner details change rapidly and may be out of date by the time you read this.

**ECO DEFENCE PRISONERS**

**Raul Zapotos** Dornec, Maximum Security Compound, Bureau of Corrections, Montiuc City, Metro Manila, Philippines. Raul is an active Forest Officer who's job was to stop illegal loggers. While trying to do this, Raul was toasted by some armed men, who included police officers. Raul defended himself by grabbing a gun. Some of the people he defended himself against. Raul has been sentenced to life imprisonment for murder.

**Grigory Pasko** c/o Russian Federation, 690 100 g. Vladivostok, ul. Ivanovskaya 2, k.42, Russia. An eco-activist and political prisoner for exposing the Russian Navy dumping nuclear waste into the Pacific Ocean.

**Dr. Yuri Bandahevsky** c/o Dr. b. bandajevsky, PO Box 35K, Minsk 220600, Belarus. Serving 8 years for whistle-blowing about the abuse of animal testing in Yerevan biol.

**Marco Camenisch** Sennhirsstrasse 17, 7000 Chur, Switzerland. In the 1990's & '00's, Marco carried out a number of anti-nuclear bombings in Switzerland for which he was sentenced to ten years imprisonment. After two years imprisonment, he escaped from custody with a number of other eco-activists and was on the run for ten years. While on the run Marco carried out a number of other eco-bombings. However his luck ran out and he was eventually caught in Massa in Italy and after a shoot out with the police he was re-arrested. After serving a twelve year prison sentence for eco-bombings in Italy, Marco was finally extradited back to Switzerland where he was sentenced to the remainder of his ten year prison sentence. Plus he is to face trial on additional eco-bombing charges relating to his prison breakout.

**Iñaki García Koch** Carcel de Pamplona, C/San Roque, Apdo. 250, 31080 - Iratxe - Pamplona, Navarra (Spain). Serving just under 5 years for sabotaging a dam construction project.

**Jeffrey Luers** #13797671, OSP 2605 St. Mary St, Salem, OR 97310, USA. Serving 3 months for burning three SUV's in the summer of 2000. He was also framed for.tar-spraying a local oil truck. His case is currently on appeal.

**Craig Marshall** #1379762, SRCI, 777 Bivinia Blvd, Maplewood, New Jersey, USA. Serving 2002 for one of 10 years. Charles Simms Africa 11370 lettersforjosh@hotmail.com. - Please include a return snail mail address in your email response. Faced with a violent reaction. Was found guilty of a Class D felony (Crimeshissed in the 2nd degree) at trial for alleged property destruction at the home of a March Inc. executive in New York City. She was sentenced to one year on January 31.

**Joshua Schwartz** 3100201611, NYSIDS 190200039, MTX, 1010 2nd Ave, New York, NY 10022. Joshua was sentenced to one year on January 14th.

**Benjamin Persky** #141022680, NYSIDS 190948577, George Vierme Center, 9099 Hazen Street, East Brunswick, NJ 13703 usa. Serving 1 year on January 14th.

**Mary Kelly** c/o Shannon Peace House, 19 Inis Elaigh, Shannon, County Clare, Ireland.

**Karen Fallon** c/o Shannon Peace House, 19 Inis Elaigh, Shannon, County Clare, Ireland.

**Damién Moran** c/o Shannon Peace House, 19 Inis Elaigh, Shannon, County Clare, Ireland.

**Claron O'Reilly** c/o Shannon Peace House, 19 Inis Elaigh, Shannon, County Clare, Ireland.

**Sandy Truth & Space Plowshares** A couple of years ago four American eco-activists arrived in Israel with the aim of “Sandy Truth & Space Plowshares” disabled weapons of mass murder at the Petronas Air Force Base in the USA. On Sunday October 6th 2002, three of the original four Sisters visited an N-N missile site in northern Colorado and using the name “Sandy Truth & Space Plowshares” disabled weapons of mass murder at the Petronas Air Force Base in the USA. On Sunday October 6th 2002, three of the original four Sisters visited an N-N missile site in northern Colorado. The following have all carried out direct actions. The following people have been remanded because of a dismantlement of a US Plane.

**Niu Dian Bian** c/o Shannon Peace House 19 Inis Elaigh, Shannon, County Clare, Ireland.

**Edward Goodman Africa** (AM4974), SCI Camp Hill, PA 16845-2024, USA.

**Debbie Simms Africa** (AM6307) and Janine Phillips Africa (AM6309) all at: SCI Cambridgeshire, 451 Sennhof Avenue, Cambridge, 15403-1250, USA.

**Maryl Abou Jamal** (AM3353), SCI Greene, 175 Progress Drive, Waynesburg PA 15370, USA. In 1981 Muma was framed for the murder of a cop. Currently awaiting re-sentencing.

**ANTI-FASCIST**

**Matthew Lamont.** #2057039, Intake/Release Center, 550. Flower St, Santa Ana,CA 92710, USA. Serving 1 year on January 28th for felony theft of telecommunications service in relation to the campaign to close Huntington Life Sciences.

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Dramatically reoccupied, as well as files locked and tossed into the streets. Police have claimed that after they arrested the Black Blockers, they found caches of Molotov cocktails, rocks, and other weapons, but the claim has not been confirmed.

20 – and 21 - Canada - An act of sabotage against a symbol of the U.S. military on the U1 campus prompted leaders to stop requiring cadets to wear uniforms to class. Authorities are looking for a person who smashed two glass doors at the Reserve Officer Training Corps office in the South Quadrangle building and spray-painted slogans such as "Stop U.S. militarism and "Fuck all wars" on four other UI buildings.

21 - SAN A, Yemen - Police clashed with anti-war demonstrators trying to storm the U.S. Embassy in Yemen on, leaving a policeman and protester dead amid a barrage of bullets, rocks, water cannons and tear gas canisters. About 30 protesters were overcome by tear gas, and three were hospitalized in serious condition. Riot police fired rubber bullets at a small crowd of protesters in Bahrain, while water canons and tear gas were used in Egypt, Jordan and Lebanon.

21 – Athens, Greece - 2000 protesters took part in the demo. Anarchists, antiauthoritarians, anarchists and young people who gathered behind a banner saying "WAR TO THE WAR OF THE BOSSES" were 8000-10000 persons.

22 – Edinburgh, Scotland - The centre of Worthing. In Swansea protesters clashed with police and the demonstration was over!

22 – London, UK - Police set up water cannons and tear gas at the end of the march. Police estimates reveal that there were about 50000 protesters in London.

22 – Amsterdam, Netherlands - Police arrested 21 protesters. Several protesters were arrested and taken away.

22 – Hamburg, Germany - Despite the heavy security, about a thousand protesters gathered at the American Consulate, the demonstration was over!

23 – Guayaquil, Ecuador - Grenade attack on British consulate. A grenade was thrown at Britain's honorary consulate in the city of Guayaquil. The British embassies in Argentina, Brazil and Chile were also attacked.

24 – Bangkok, Thailand - Thousands of protesters gathered for an anti-war demo at the base being used by US air force B52's. Cops arrested 21 protesters. Several protesters were arrested and taken away.

24 – Bangalore, India - Police arrested 21 protesters. Several protesters were arrested and taken away.

24 – Aylesbury – Wales - RAF valley’s runway was blocked for 4 hours by seven people chained to the landing gear. Cops from taking off+ training pilots for the war the main gate of the base was also blockaded +chained shut by activists.

24 – Bangkok, Thailand - A thousand sand farmers protested against the war.

24 – Auckland, New Zealand - a hundred schoolchildren and another man said they used their own blood to make a 3-foot-long cross on the war memorial in Auckland. After they made an appointment to see the diplomat, purportedly to read him an anti-war statement.

25 - Dakar, Senegal - More than 20000 people shut down the centre of Leamington Spa was shut down.

25 – Guayaquil, Ecuador - A grenade was thrown at the building by protesters.

25 – Jordan and Lebanon. - A crowd of about 800-1000 persons were arrested by the cops and police vans guarding it, resulting in a clash.

25 – Montreal, Canada - More than two hundred and fifty thousand protested against the war outside a major demonstration against the U.S.-led war in Iraq. No one was hurt in the attack, and the grenade did little damage.

25 – Frankfurt, Germany - Anti-war demonstrators clashed with police outside the U.S. Consulate!

25 – Australia - Prime Minister John Howard was heckled by students at an anti-war statement.

26 – Hamburg, Germany - Police arrested 21 protesters. Several protesters were arrested and taken away.

26 – Singapore - Singaporeans carried a street to protest against the war.

27 – Beirut, Lebanon - The American Consulate, the demonstration was over!

28 – Jakarta, Indonesia - Massive protests against the war were held across the country on Saturday.

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18 – Philippines - Protesters planned to spend their night in a vigil in front of the Philippines' embassy in the United States to protest President George W. Bush's 48-hour ultimatum before war erupts. In Manila, the center of the city was blockaded for several hours before reports of clashes.

19 –仙口市 - China - Small groups of anti-war protesters were taking to the streets in protest against the war. Crowds pushed through police lines and police vans guarding it, resulting in a clash.

19 – Lebanon - Police arrested 21 protesters. Several protesters were arrested and taken away.

20 – All over UK - Lancaster town hall was occupancy by protesters, the centre of Leamington Spa was shut down.

20 – Philadelphia - Protesters planned to spend their night in a vigil in front of the U.S. Consulate in front of the U.S. Consulate!

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The only possibility of stopping this current military action is to begin planning strategies and tactics which severely disrupt the war machine, the U.S. economy, and the overall functioning of U.S. society; particularly how it relates to consumerism and the economy. Marches, picketing, rallies, par- ties, benefits, civil disobedience and even property destruction are pointless, and perhaps even counterproductive, unless they serve to severely disrupt the functioning of the political system and its economy. An atmos- phere of severe unrest, if manufactured properly, will force the U.S. government to place military resources in the streets of the United States, will threaten the economy (the chief motive behind this military encirclement of the United States), and ultimately create a political atmos- phere unfavorable for Bush to contin- ue on with the war. So how is an atmosphere of severe unrest and disruption generated? First and foremost, it must begin with our ability to look beyond the business as usual strategies and tactics that have failed in the past. We must begin with our allegiance to come to- terms with the realization that any and all tactics and strategies must be considered at least available for use. Next we must be willing to decipher exactly how the power of the political structure can be effectively chal- lenged. Once this matter has been examined there is only one question remaining, will each of us become involved and use whatever tactics and strategies are necessary, or will we refuse and continue to engage solely in conduct which serves little other purpose than making people feel bet- ter about themselves. Here are some suggestions for the necessary creation of an atmosphere of unrest and disruption in the United States.

1) Attack the financial centers of the country. Using covert or black block techniques, depending on the situa- tion, physically shut down financial centers which regulate and assist the functioning of U.S. economy. This can be done in a variety of ways from mass property destruction, to actual destruction of buildings. However the latter I would shy away from, especially the open civil disobedience type of activ- ity which generally involves arrest. This movement needs all the assis- tance it can get and absolutely NO good will come from going to jail. Allowing yourself to be purposely arrested demonstrates that an individ- ual has at least some faith in the U.S. legal system. This is completely fool- ish. One primary objective is to engage in serious arrest and discip- line and NOT to get caught. Not get- ting caught means you are able to continue the struggle the next day.

2) Large scale urban rioting. With massive unrest and even state of emergencies declared in major cities across the country, the U.S. govern- ment will be forced to send U.S. troops into the domestic arena there- by taking resources and political focus away from the war. Unstable conditions in much of the country also serve as a political embarrass- ment for the Administration and could assist in forcing them to stop the war to deal with domestic con- cerns. Rioting should be focused on governmental agencies and corpora- tions - especially those that are profiting from the war or destruction of life.

3) Attack the media centers of the country. It is the corporate media who has and continues to influence and control the minds of the mass body of people in the United States. These new media outlets cannot be utilized by the movement as they are owned by the very corporations one should be opposing. Using any means neces- sary, shut down the national networks of NBC, ABC, CBS, CNN, etc. Not just occupations but actually engage in strategies and tactics which knock the networks off the air.

4) Spread the battle to the individu- als responsible for the war and destruction of life – the very heads of government and U.S. corporations. No longer should these people be able to hide behind their occupations, liv- ing their lives in peace while they simultaneously slaughter countless people. Hit them in their personal lives, visit their homes, and make them feel personally responsible for committing massive atrocities.

5) Make it publicly clear that this movement DOES NOT support U.S. troops as long as they are serving an unjust and hoarying political regime. Create an atmosphere lack- ing of support to assist U.S. troops at home and abroad in losing their morale and will to fight. If you are supporting the troops you are sup- porting this war and the very U.S. government that is the primary ter- rorist regime in the international arena.

6) Actively target U.S. military installations within the United States. Again, following the above stated goal of NOT getting caught, use any means necessary to slow down the functioning of the murder- ing body.

7) When engaging in the above six activities, strike hard and fast and retreat in anonymity. Select another location, strike again hard and fast and quickly retreat in anonymity. Engage only in actions where you will be victorious.

8) Do not be concerned with alienating the mainstream sectors of the move- ment – that mainstream has NEVER stopped a U.S. military activity or power. It will only come when the people get fully under way in the very near future. And for what? The U.S. military has ever stopped U.S. govern- ment military policies or activities using the state sanctioned and societal approved methods, what do they have to give the caring public false hope?

Well over 500,000 Iraqi children have died since the Gulf War as a result of U.S. bombing and sanctions – not to mention hundreds of indif- ferent men and women. With the planned massive bombing campaign planned by the U.S. military, the death toll will only increase and increase. And for what? The U.S. rhetorical line of “liberating the Iraqi people from dictator Saddam” is as much bullshit as our historical line of helping to spread freedom and democ- racy around the world. Surely Saddam is guilty of massive atrocities, but so are many other world leaders. Sure Saddam may have had weapons of mass destruction, but so do many evil leaders of nations around the world. Just why is it we have not targeted Israel and Sharon in the same manner as Saddam? Why is it leaders of the United States who have not targeted the U.S. government for its weapons of mass destruction and incredible histo- ries of terrorism and murdering atroci- ties? Similar to Bush Senior’s Gulf War, this is another war for U.S. cor- porations and for the protection and, more importantly, expansion of the U.S. economy. With the incredible oil reserves in the region and the potential for U.S. corporations to have a hand in building and ruling a future Iraq nation, the motives are quite obvious. Of course, it wouldn’t be just if the U.S. did not claim that it was taking action against a horrible dictator for humanitarian purposes.

As the U.S. led military campaign gets fully under way in the very near future, the question remains… how are the anti-war movement in the United States willing to go to stop the U.S. government and its unceasing atrocities? How far are you willing to go, what are you willing to do to stop the massive bloodshed once again caused by the U.S. government.

Jim Jones on Iraq and the continuing war against life

The rationale of industrial society, capitalist or otherwise, is a constant war against life. The actual suste- nance of society (or ‘civilisation’) has been the plunder, murder and devastation of life and the elevation of the State.

Industrial society requires that all life is turned into ‘resources’ to feed the machine of industry, the Economy. The war against Iraq is a constant war against the particular country is not peace but war by sublyte, it is war without tele- vision images, war unaccompanied by mass protest. An almost silent, extremely devastating war. Free flowing rivers are dammed, ancient forests are wiped out and turned into factories for producing wood and paper. Other species that we share the planet with are ‘farmed’, slaughtered on mass, while other millions are driven to extinction. Once free animal beings are turned into work- ers, the majority of the population driven to extinction. This is our way of life. We have to stop the war on Iraq and the continuing against life.

The story of this all-devastating machine is one of invasion, plunder, genocide and imprisonment. Resistance through the ages has been incredible yet unfortunately has ended with a fate similar to the machine and usually accelerating the destruction and misery, for exam- ple Christianity and Socialism. Where though does that leave resist- ance and global resistance and society? The obvious failures of the past must be left behind, our resistance must be determined, imaginative and based simply on the destruction of power and hierarchy. A ‘resistance’ based on half-measures or compro- mise is not resistance but acceptance of the status quo. A ‘resistance’ that accepts hierarchy and power is opposed to liberation.

The attack against Iraq is inevitable and further invasions, mil- itary occupations and genocidal oper- ations are certain while this society continues to exist. The majority of the population in the industrial societies are forced into accept the God of Economy, cogs in a machine that devours all life to feed its own survival.

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Well, after choosing vegetarianism, my involvement seemed to be ever growing, while becoming interested in looking into animal rights. It seemed as if there was a huge world behind such an industry was growing as well. After discovering and then bringing myself from a vegetarian lifestyle into this one, I realized the idea of lifestyle change only was not enough. Along with others, I organized to try and get the high school that I attended to choose more humane, alternative ways of studying the anatomy of a cat rather than dissecting the dead animal in this biology class.

Fortunately, this was the only discovering that took place in my school, but unfortunately we failed in our attempts to stop it. I grew up and went to high school in New Jersey where I was introduced to the New Jersey Animal Rights Alliance by another animal conscious classmate, the same one I’ve worked through my involvement with this organization were my initial introduction to animal activism.

Do you consider yourself an animal rights activist?  

I find this a very interesting question. I’ve always been wary of labels such as this, just as I’ve been wary of any and all ways of possibly alienating the general public instead of inviting each and everyone to be active, to speak up and speak out. If I attend and help to organize a protest, if I spend thousands, bringing my sincere opposition to this specific war the demonstration is protesting, am I an animal rights activist then, or am I an anti-war activist? Personally, I would then be neither of those labels. I’d actually be a person, standing up for what he believes in, refusing to be scared of speaking up and taking a stand, and voicing protest of what his government is proposing. If I’m organizing an anti-war protest for example, I want you to be there because you are an activist, but I wasn’t a single one of those things.

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What about the legal system in your country? Is there any way to possibly make positive changes through reforms or other legal measures?  

Yes, I do feel it is possible to make positive changes through legal channels. Just as I stated above, everything that can be done when looking at the end goal, which is to liberate the oppression indefinitely. Nothing is set in stone. We can always look at the idea of how we need every possible solution to bring us to the end result. I know that legal measures are the most direct and final liberation, especially when I think about Austria and other countries that have banned fur farming for example. Is it possible? Any accomplishment made in this struggle toward an end to animal suffering and bringing these sentient creatures closer to their liberation is nothing short of incredible. I believe that the extreme situation that the animals must endure I don’t really think that it’s much of a risk, as it is what’s necessary in looking to create change.

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This year started on an interesting note. On January 2nd, Oregon Department of Corrections Security Threat Group manager came by to visit. He threatened to send me to exile in Eastern Oregon—far from my daughter in Portland—if I didn’t move. The cell I shared with Brian McCarville. Brian is currently suing ODOC over their mailroom policies, which result in the rejection of anarchist literature sent to him. This has been something that has bothered me the past 3 years. I have over 200 mail violations notices containing letters and publications sent to me here in prison. Their favorite reasons for such violations are because the publications are anarchist-related or because of STG symbols—in this case, a circled A, a symbol used internationally for anarchy. I support Brian’s lawsuits. Plus he is a valued and trusted friend. We chose not to split up. On January 7th, we received write-ups about unautho- rized activity and disobedience of an order. This had to do with a card writing campaign I’d initiated a month earlier. I’d asked people to send letters and postcards to me with a circled A symbol on them, along with the cap- tion “This is not a gang symbol.” Two days after receiving the write-up, we were called to a disciplinary hearing. After discussing the issue with me, the hearings officer told me “I find you guilty of continuing to be involved in the anarchist move- ment.” Pretty illuminating, as this was not what I was charged with. But it does actually sum up ODOC’s atti- tude towards me. It has not been easy, but I have attempted to stay involved with events on the outside of these walls. We have been incarcerated since the international Reclaim the Streets day of solidarity to oppose the G-8 summit in Cologne, Germany, June 18th 1999. I’ve missed out on the Battle of Seattle, the anti-IMF/FWB protests, the protests against both the Democratic and Republican National Conventions and GW Bush’s blood- less coup. The summary of my hear- ing contained a few lies and half- truths, designed to make me appear to be a threat to the safety and the security of ODOC facilities, if not the world at large.

The hearings officer noted that I threatened to use my 30 years of organizing skills to cause trouble for ODOC. What I actually said was that I’d assured Benny Ward as well as ODOC. What I actually said was that I would not use my extend’ve organ- izing skills to create trouble for them. And I asked if it would be too much to expect that I be allowed to have my mail? Apparently it is.

To walk upon the Earth is to walk upon the graves of our ancestors. We would believe that this is a thing of disrespect: desecration. This could not be further from the truth.

The Civilized human has forgotten the greatest part of him or herself. When we think of necessary functions; brain, lungs, and heart come to mind, but short of that are we apparently nothing.

Of course, there are always the oxygen and carbon dioxide conversions, But the scientists have left them off as just that, conversions : equations. We are simply chemistry: fruits of Reason.

To deny the forests as our lungs, The rivers as our veins, The air as our hearts, And the wilderness as our brains: Is to deny our true selves. The Civilized human walks as a shadow of the real human. The domesticite is really the half dead, for s/he has denied the majority of their own body as theirs. Instead they grant the miracle of life to the synthetic self We have already become cyborgs. We think of Technology as our Iron Lung, Industrialism as our veins, Progress as our hearts, and Capital as our brains: the Spirit of Reason has engulfed our being.

We, having denied our being, put our faith in the Future, a Technological-Industrial Utopia: the half dead awaiting life. We forgot that life is a cycle, life is now and it ends for all of us. Our decayed corpses will flourish life for generations well beyond our imagi- nation. This is one thing we know for sure, yet we continually hold out. We deny life, and thus deny death. Our legacy will only end in sorrow, the void of corpses looking no more sat- isfied in death as in life. Those who neglected the problem before their eyes: THE IRON LUNG HAS CANCER.
Craig Rosebraugh on creating a new direct action movement against capitalism and industrialization.

By far, more than any other events within the context of my life. it thus far, the actions of the Earth Liberation Front (ELF) have been the most eye-opening, inspirational and empowering. The actions of the ELF have restored a hope in me that had otherwise been beaten into submission by the oppressive daily cycle of life within contemporary American civilization. When I was growing up in a suburban neighborhood in suburban New York State I, like many of my peers, would do anything to make believe to think to break the mundane reality of our existence. One of the activities that drew my attention was attending loud, angry independent music events. These events appealed to me because they were welcoming atmospheres for me and my peers to vent our legitimate frustrations with the social and political situations we have been born into and forced to swallow. At one of the first of these shows I attended I was handed literature, an independent publication, about an organization called Animal Liberation Front (ALF).

At first I didn't think much of it, a souvenir to bring home and maybe hang on my bedroom wall, and I shuffled it in my backpack. It wasn't long before, when I had the time to look it over, I did realize the implications these stapled copies contained. When the ALF proudly announced that they had destroyed libraries, etc. Realize the difference, strategically speaking, between burning a building completely to the ground and causing minor damage through various forms of vandalism. Granted I am under the assumption that the basic motives for all these actions were the same and therefore would applaud the idea behind all of this is not to discourage, but rather encouragement to get active and harm in any way that will produce results. If the goal is to combat environmental degradation, and the suffering and murder of life on this planet then a clear look must be taken at what the group does.

The Earth Liberation Front (ELF) is a vegan group that is dedicated to the idea of non-violence. The idea for a movement against the idea of profit and capital. Using economic sabotage the group has inflicted damage well over $3 million dollars in the last decade. The ELF and the Animal Liberation Underground are just two examples of direct action against the idea of ownership is at the heart of the suffering and murder of life on the planet. It needs to be a direct action with some success to combat the beginnings of the Industrial Revolution. Before the revolution hit many people for centuries worked out of their cottages and small shops in villages on machines which would be run by one person. Suddenly, industrial society appeared with new complex technology community housed in multiple story buildings. This new way of working threatened and eventually killed the means by which livelihood had been achieved for years. The Luddites fought back using similar economic sabotage tactics. Over an estimated $1 million in damages were inflicted on business owners during this two year time period. Some manufacturers agreed to actually stop using the new complex machines due to the Luddite threat of action.

The tactics of the Weather Underground in the US in the late sixties to early 1970's also appeared to successfully make accurate the idea of non-violence existing in the United States. While their operations appeared somewhat questionable, they did succeed in demonstrating that symbolic acts bring an awareness of those mentioned above are impossible to hit. This demonstrates the possibilities of non-violence against the idea of desire. The Luddites and Weather Underground are just two examples of earlier organizations target- ing capitalism and industrialization through direct action.

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From the onset the direct actions of the ELF were causing millions in damages to corporations and government agencies that were profiting from the destruction of the Earth. The ELF and the Animal Liberation Front (ALF) have demonstrated a greater understanding of the relationship between the economic and environmental issues. The ELF and the ALF have taken the actions necessary to try and stop things that destroy life within their own movements. Yet the real desire taught to us along with the revolutionaries, George Washington, Apple Pie and Baseball is most often overlooked or clearly unseen.

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I’ve yet to find an historical example of a successful revolutionary movement that consisted strictly of ‘non-violent’ activity...
have been considered violent. Even the most loosely defined or interpreted 'non-violent' resistance were far from existing in a vacuum. During the same period, ELF and the Greenpeace were waging their non-violent struggles numerous other organizations were being one-upped in their direct action initiatives. For instance, the ELF, and I certainly do not hope that I am wrong. Currently, the Federal Bureau of Investigation considers the ELF & ALF 'number one priority' among domestic terrorist threats. This is increasingly becoming the opinion of a considerable number of domestic terrorist organizations. I do not see the organization as a unity of purposes among a group, and unity of struggle among all of us. I believe that the organization has not gained the public support it needs to bring about revolutionary change. This is because the intelligent public can see these glaring holes in our arguments. I have found that public opinion is not as the media represents it, and is far from what liberals perceive it to be. I recognize that the only way to build a successful revolutionary movement is to present a sound and powerful argument backed up by effective action. I believe that once this movement is presented to the oppressed peoples of the Earth public support will be power.
Craig ‘Critter’ Marshall on the tactics of the Earth and Animal liberation movements.

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he “decentralized cell organization” of the Earth Liberation Front is today often presented by the media and its supporters as the most extreme, the most “heavy”, and the most radical challenge of Radical Greens to the dominant order. As a “front”, the ELF takes a bit of the Che Guevara image of movements such as the Algerian resistance to its world scale.

Still how many aspects of this society are ultimately challenged by the practice of the ELF and their supporters? Like ELF supporters, we see a pressing need to ultimately put an end to the present horrific society. Unfortunately, we see the organizational setup of the ELF as reinforcing many of this society’s relations of representation, specialization and authority at the same time it challenges the immediate physical power of the system.

The underground cells of the ELF wind up as essentially specialists in destruction, intentionally cut-off from the entire milieu by the necessary, and the mainstream environmental movements all claim the ELF’s tactics are too extreme, I on the other hand feel they are extreme enough.

My co-defendant is serving 22 years and 8 months for burning a few SUV’s, and if his lawyer hadn’t died in the middle of our trial thus, because of a technicality, forcing the prosecution into offering me a much improved plea deal of five and a half years. I’d also be serving an absurdly long sentence for an action with minimal results.

Most people do not get caught for their actions which only proves how effective planning and dedication can be. However, people are risking many years of their lives, shouldn’t they be doing so in actions that are far more dangerous than setting a few trucks? I’m fairly sure that if my co-conspirator and I had burnt the factoyy produced these trucks we wouldn’t have been facing more than the 22 plus years my co-defendant ended up getting.

Through such an action would have been a great improvement over what we accomplished and also believe this would not have gone far enough, another factory would be built and the destruction of the earth would continue.

What we need to attack is the total- ity of the death machine that is indus- trial society, AKA: civilization. The earth and its creatures are being assaulted 24 hours a day on an enor- mous scale. It is our job to stop this destruction by doing utterly ineffective actions such as burning a few trucks? Those who attack the biotech industry are making bigger, longer lasting dents in the machine’s armour, but these are still just dents. We need to cut off the head.

No matter how many animals are rescued, no matter how many trees are saved, if the current technological state progresses or even carries on at the rate it is currently destroying the eco-systems all life depends on, life on this planet is doomed. Civilization as we know it depends on the domi- nation and exploitation of every type of ‘resource’ (whether living or habi- tat for the living) and without such exploitation. Humans were once mostly nomadic, with few exceptions the cities of perman- ent villages as plants and animals were domesticated. The exploitation of these life forms allowed the popu- lations of these beginnings of civi- lization to increase which in turn allowed for the need to further exploit the land and animals and in turn in the eco-systems which these life forms need to sur- vive.

Flash 10,000 years into the future…

Today, there are very few places on earth where humans have not tried to and for the most part succeeded in forming some dominating relation- ship over the life forms which dwell there. The vast majority of the so- called civilized world has been scarred and/or covered over with con- crete. The current rate of extinction rivals that of the dinosaurs, and while saving a particular grove of trees or the hostages at a particular farm is a noble cause, it’s like trying to use a bucket to fight a forest fire. We need to save all. We need to save all the animals in the world from suffering in factory farms and labs, in the long run, what good would it do if there were no wild places left to free them into? Conversely, what would be the point of protecting the last wild spaces if the animals were all domesticated— their wild spirits broken? These struggles are inseparable. All the dif- ferent aspects of civilization conspire against all that is wild. It is the total- ity of it every single day. We must be relentless in our struggle—for civi- lization, to keep the progress of the death march and we can not allow it to continue to trample over every existing life form we must challenge the assumptions that are integral to the everyday existence of industrial society. We must attack the hubs of the wheel of suppression. The negli- gence of people fighting for the liberation of one life form unknowingly or unconsciously supporting the ideas of many others everyday? No! Well then its safe to assume you don’t use electricity? I do realize there are necessary evils if we want to be effective in our struggles, such as the use of petro-fuels in igniting huge bonfires of industrial society’s culture—one in which we live in har-mony with nature—but will this hap- pen as long as industrial wastes, from packaging to poisons, are being pumped out by corporations whose only concerns is profits? People have been led to believe that comfort and safety come from taking at least half their waking hours so they can buy things that will save them time and energy. Am I the only one who sees the utter ridiculousness of this? Fortunately not, but more of those who see it need to realize that even if they stop participating in this work/consume/de culture, the others who are still taking part are helping to poison all of us.

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[ed: a response to the article “The ELF and the Spectacle by ASAN].

This is a short critique of the brief essay The ELF and the Spectacle which to me comes across as purely academic diatribe with very little basis in reality. It does, however make some very valid points, though few and far between. I agree wholeheartedly that people need to move beyond participating in ‘scenes’ and truly develop a culture of resistance to be effective, but the author(s) fail to recognize that people doing radical actions are quite possibly people very active in helping to develop sustainable communities. I’m wondering how many people actually in the “Radical Green/ELF milieu”, not the “scene”, that the author(s) know. Most who are purely in the “scene” do not take action, while most who take action are not just in a scene.

People who take action do so because they feel strongly enough about something to risk their relative freedom and/or lives to fight for what they believe in, so what are the chances that these people do not participate daily in being together “a community which involves balanced, direct relationships with nature and each other”? I, as one who is imprisoned for taking action, take exception with the stereotype the author(s) are helping the mass media to convey. All of the imprisoned saboteurs that I know personally, or am familiar with, lived lives prior to incarceration that were strongly based in helping our communities strive for a more harmonious relationship with the natural world we are all part of. Suddenly, there’s something wrong with using every tool in the tool box available to us to fight back?

The author(s) seem to be attempting to perpetuate the myth that we who feel strongly enough to take action are not part of the “mass of dispossessed people”. It is precisely because we are part of the dispossessed masses that we feel the loss caused by society’s destruction of, and alienation from nature, enough to be driven to act. Those who sit on their asses and write about inspiring the dispossessed masses fail to realize that the greatest inspiration is action. The actions I speak of include but are not limited to creating free spaces, community gardens and huge bonfires in which we can watch corporations go bankrupt; actions that those in the “Radical Green/ELF milieu” are quite likely to participate in.

The entire premise of The ELF and the Spectacle article, that people who do ELF type actions are not part of the dispossessed masses or “part of a diverse, organic community”, is false. People who do ELF actions come from a wide variety of backgrounds, but the one thing they have in common is that they have been affected by the destruction of nature and because of this have been driven by some internal force to take action. These people are precisely the “dispossessed” that the author(s) speak of who are developing communities of resistance. Your mother could be the one striking the match tonight, but if she is, I can almost guarantee, in the future she will not be sitting around writing a rant condemning the dispossessed who have been moved enough to put their safety on the line because in the long run, she realizes it’s her life, the lives of her children and that of every living creature on the line.

There will always be people developing communities of resistance who feel the need to strike out against the dominant order; you have your deep-seated respect , and I don’t feel they should apologize or hold back because they are some for the few who are moved enough to strike back. They also don’t need so-called “would be revolutionaries” joining the mass media’s efforts to discredit and marginalize their actions. People have been doing these actions long before the ELF was conceptualized and as a tactic that uses one of the state’s own tools (i.e. the media) to promote more such actions, I believe the ELF has been a resounding success.

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John Connor on America's Indian Schools and cultural genocide

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The land was tamed, controlled and conquered and mirrored the process outlined and established to deal with the students, all an expression of the power of the white man...

Thirdly, Carlisle had an extreme emphasis on order and military discipline, which brought a uniform, taught to drill and subjected to severe rules. Parents refusing to send children to Indian School would have rights withheld by the reservation authorities or the children physically seized from them. They had little idea what they were going or the fate that awaited them on arrival - possibly even death in light of the experience at the hands of Civilisation. On arrival, their clothes and travel bags were burned, and they were given regulation European clothes. Their hair - considered sacred in many native American cultures - was cut. They were taught European cattle ranching was probably as extensive as Apache hunter-gatherer, although unprofitable. By forcing the Apache to settle and their children to become economically dependent, they were given a system that preferred death alone under bitter conditions - the (accurately) self-devised 'Boarding School Syndrome' of confusion and sudden rage, often suicidal.

When John Thomas, a Pima, shot himself in 1996, Phoenix Indian School officials claimed, "No reason for such act can be ascertained." They may have been arrogant and unreflective enough to have actually believed it themselves.

Beyond individual deaths, there was the intended death of entire cultures, as organiser of the excellent Heard Museum exhibition on Indian Schools LaRée Bates unequivocally put it: "This was an American Holocaust." This was borne as much of cultural and servile servility as education.

A wild Indian requires a thousand acres to roam over, while an intelligent man will find a comfortable support for his family on a very small tract... Barbarism is costly, wasteful and an extravagant Intelligence promotes thrift and increases prosperity.

The Indian Schools movement has been described in David Wallace Adams' Education for Extinction as "the last great Indian war... waged against children". Vastly powerful and surprising is that - for all its 'educational' purpose - they became locatable and controllable. A loose social structure that preferred death alone under bitter conditions - the (accurately) self-devised 'Boarding School Syndrome' of confusion and sudden rage, often suicidal - the teaching of Black history in mainstream schools. Despite this, now only half a dozen such institutions survive in America, most boarded up and awaiting redevelopment. Graduation ceremonies at Carlisle ended with the triumphal acclamation that "the Indian in you is DEAD" but native American cultures live on and - in America at least - it is Lt. Pratt's dream that has truly died.

LEARNING LESSONS

Why, then, are Indian Schools still an issue?

Firstly, the US administration still won't acknowledge responsibility for damage done to native Americans, their cultures and children. Whilst Canada acknowledges national shame for the abuse of First Nation children in their Church schools and Australia annually says "Sorry" to the Aborigines, the US government will not acknowledge their abuse, yet another attempt to evade admission a genocidal history that also bred the Indiana Eugenics laws and other grotesque examples of crass, racist social engineering later to sweep the world.

But the third, most important lesson is that these genocidal measures can be repeated by the determined resistance of those it is intended to destroy. From Geronimo's 'last ditch' resistance raising the cost of bullets above that of schoolbooks to those children that preferred death alone under bitter winter sky to a day's more 'liberal improvement', it is as true now as then that "if they oppress us this badly when we resist, how much worse when we do not?"

Perhaps there is a fourth lesson too, one that goes beyond questions of cultural survival. Even ran that to end by the native Americans themselves, the Schools still failed. Were they rejected because of the painful past associated with them or for the reason all schooling is instinctively rejected, as impersonal control, the same hatred of the wild and undirected, a shaping of identity and purpose to that of broader society and not our own freedom and authenticity?
T he New Tribes Mission are a right-wing Christian missionary organisation, who have spread themselves all over the world. They have often been described as charismatic, violent, because their values were threatening, because they were uncontacted, because they were being forced to move off their land. It is clear that the NTM's purpose is to make contact with every 'uncontacted' tribe on earth and plant churches in the areas where these tribes live. They use coercion and force, having no regard for the peoples' cultures, and lives they are imposing upon.

They have been involved in various multinationals, helping to maintain their power and growth to spread their mission, and to steal from the land. They have met with resistance from the tribal peoples whose wild existence they are on a latter day crusade, replacing egalitarian, with authoritarian religion. There have also been attacks on their modes of evangelism here in the West, through liberal do-gooding NGOs, such as Survival Int.

There has also been direct action taken against them here in England. This is an ongoing war of the civilised versus the savage, a war that most people thought died out in the last century. We have been lucky not to think of Evangelical Christians conjure up images of tacky US TV preachers with microphones, from the United States, now preaching to wannabe believers. However, behind this exists the genocide of some of the last people on earth, fighting an existence on the periphery of civilisation.

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“Having finished his photography in the central area of the camp, Donald had strolled off towards the outer edge of the settlement, followed by Mr Stoltz’s son, a friendly and clearly intelligent boy of about 10, who was following his father carrying his tripod and who told him with reasonable pride that he was the only member of the mission group who had been able to master Ache. A smiling young missionary overflowed with enthusiasm and barred the entrance to the fits of the huts, saying that there was nothing there. Donald pushed him aside, went in and followed me: I followed him into the hut and saw two old ladies lying on some rags on the ground in the last stages of emaciation and clearly on the verge of death. One was unconscious, the second in what was evidently a state of convulsion, because although her eyes were wide-open she did not move them to follow my hand as I moved it from side to side close to her face. The fingers on her left hand turned black from the contact. Some of them are still living in poverty. It is those who have been affected are those who have been affected.

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The Role of Religion in the Destruction of Human Diversity

Missions provide a dual service to the globalising monocultural monster we call civilization. On the one hand they actively assist the spread of lies and coercions into the last remaining peoples on earth who have held on to their freedom. On the other, they destroy the idea of fulfilling human existences which are apparent in those places, which might otherwise continue to develop the minds of the, already brainwashed. They spread false propaganda about the people in those places, and actively assist genocidal regimes in their subjugation of those people. Many individuals within these organisations are probably well-meaning, but the organisations themselves are driven by the same bigotry that drove civilization into the tribal peoples of Europe.

France made repeated attempts to send missionaries, especially Jesus, among the nations of the Hausa de su naa sere. These missions were the major tool of propaganda for the European statesmen as they sought power in foreign countries. In what follows I will outline some of the reasons, the tribesman becomes dependent, he er reasons, the tribesman becomes slavery. The wedding of church and industry is clearly illus-

The result is that religion has completely destroyed its traditional, and thereby in the future. The devils which are created by the church, are called good people. We never tried to impose our culture, but instead bring all things into the door marked ‘religion’. Therefore, if we come into your village and destroy your life, my worldview, my culture, then the first thing to blame is the religion, nothing else. They have started the cultural genocide, and they claim to be ‘good people’, preache good gos and messages of peace. What on earth is this?

It is typical of the West. They have a belief that there is always right and wrong, and that they are best to judge them. This concept relates to all other things like the way of talking, the way of governing, the way of farming, and so on. In this way they set themselves apart from the rest of the world. In comparison, we never even judge other cultures, other religions, other communities based on knowledge of our own.

We never tried to impose our culture and other beliefs on others. They never think that the West needs to learn from us. What we know is that they are Western people, they have their own lives, they cannot change them, because they are as they are. However, they do not have this concept. They do not judge things through the eyes of other cultures, but instead bring all things into their world and then make judgement. And this is wrong, according to me, anyway.

The tradition is that we Lani people have lost our own identity. If people asked “Who are the Lani?” then the first answer, unfortunately, will be “They are all Christians”. They are not the Lani anymore, they are Christians. If we were to list the characteristics of being a Lani, then about 90% would not exist in the Lani people anymore. What has happened? Christianity has replaced them all.

What a pity! Western Christians, however, will say, ‘Praise the Lord!’ Religion does not only spread widely because they believe it, but also because they want to win other people to join their religion, to gain strength in numbers. Some of the political parties are based on religious beliefs. It is clear to me now that some politicians and political parties have been born from religious beliefs, that they fight for religions and not for the people. In other words, human beings and humanity become second to religion.

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Techno-evangelism: a New Crusade

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That is why it is not surprising for me to see many West Papuans saying, "We need to get rid of Indonesian Muslims!" even though this is not the reason we should fight for. Neither Christianity nor Islam are from the Lani. Why should we bother with them and why should we base our struggle on them? Why can't our position be based on our own culture? Is it because we are already assimilated into modern religions?

In many cases governments have sponsored the activities of religious groups. Of course, there is nothing wrong with having religions, but what is wrong is imposing one's religion onto others and creating problems, starting wars against other religions. I agree that religion is one part of the culture but the problem here is imposing one culture on the other, and considering other religions as wrong and dragging other people into one's religion. Religion has caused, is causing, and will continue to cause most of the brutal wars in human history, but it is still strongly regarded as something essential within human life. In what sense is it important? This is not clear and I cannot understand it. If not the atomic bomb, religion will destroy planet Earth. However, people love religion. It is true that religion has ended some tribal wars in West Papua. This is what the imams and missionaries are proud of. This is what they point out as the result of their ministries.

However, it is also true that they have started more than one war; religious wars, denominational wars, economic wars, political wars, to mention just a few. These wars have no simple solutions, have no moral basis, and are very destructive. Indeed, the sad reality is that tribal wars happened because of tribal problems like theft, sexual relationships and other domestic affairs. There is rarely war because of one tribe's intention to exploit or conquer another. Tribal wars are like small conflicts inside a family. There was no serious damage after tribal wars, there was even real peace established, which does not and cannot exist in modern society. Compare the peace that follows tribal war with that which follows wars in civilisation. What peace in the Balkans after Bosnia? What peace in the Gulf after Desert Storm?

Religions increase the intensity of war. The feeling of affiliation to religion has caused so much trouble on this planet. Let us forget the words like 'fundamentalist' and 'extremist'. For me, most often these terms are related to war and religion. From the records in the Bible and Qu'ra'an, wars are there. Therefore, for me, trying to end wars, especially by religious leaders or religious figures, is nonsense. In Indonesia, it is called "Usaha menjarang angin" ("the efforts to catch the air"). Religions even justify some wars. Therefore, as long as people are committed to religion(s), there is great potential for war, not the reverse.

Below is a story:

Once upon a time, there was a man called Mbakwi Gombo. He lived a nomadic life, a bit strange for all his fellow villagers. He built his houses on the banks. If the river Mulik, a river that changes course, sometimes flowing in the eastern bank, sometimes on the western bank. It was difficult to figure out, even within a day, Mbakwi likes the behaviour of the Mulik. He had been living in ‘his way’ all of his life.

He did not farm. He ate fruit and leaves from the forests, and meat from hunting. Most often he caught little pigs, snakes and cassowary birds. He raised them in the river. When he wanted to hunt for bush meat, he knew where they would be well. He built them their nests and huts. He knew when they were hungry, when they were sick, and when they were crying. He loved the animal and the humans and they loved him in return. Sometimes, people from other villages came to his hut and he would ask them to give them some of the animals he had, either in the bush or those around him. He then asked people to choose which ever they preferred. After they chose what they wanted, he then led those to be killed into a pen. He then fed them ell and talked to them, pretending nothing dangerous was happening. Even the food at this time seemed better than before. The animals were so happy. They greeted him very well. Unfortunately, they were animals and they did not know what was actually happening. The guests and killed them in front of Mr. Gombo. The animals shouted at them, they cried to him, and sometimes they ran to him and died in front of him. Yes, but Mr. Gombo wanted money, not just to raise them. These animals could not give him money, so they should be killed to make him money.

When some of the fellow animals were killed, the rest ran away to the bush. They became wild again. However, with his skills, Gombo called them back, and fed them ell. They became friends again. I do not know what was happening in the minds of those animals. Did they remember how their fellows were killed in front of their eyes? Were they prepared to be slaughtered as he wanted? Would Gombo manager to become a ‘good shepherd’ while at the same time her was their killer? How come the animals did not run away from him forever? Was Mr. Gombo? Mr. Gombo is the missionary. And who are the people who came to kill those animals? They are the ‘government’. And the animals are us, the Lani, all tribal people. It is clear to me that religions have been used by the civilised community as a tool to brainwash and control the local people. When I became a Christian, I can see how foolish I was to respond to this world’s powers. As a Christian, I need to forgive those who kill me, I must forget what happened yesterday.

I must give my eyes if my ears are taken away. Religion is a tool used by those in power to control the human beings of this earth.

The Book ‘Just Leave us alone’ is available from Solidarity South Pacific, c/o SDEF!, Prior House, 6 Tilbury Place, Brighton, E. Sussex, BN2 2GY, UK. Price £2.50.

I am quite amazed to see the UN Declaration on Minorities that clearly protects the rights of the tribal people to own, practice and belong to our cultural heritage, such as our beliefs. I have read the articles, who are the people in West Papua who tell us not to own and practice our cultural beliefs? Are the people in Indonesia against European? In fact the ‘don’ts’ of the missionaries are also Eurocentric. They say, “What on earth are they doing?” “What are they doing?” “What should I do?” “Perhaps what they meant by their declaration in minorities was not regarding the cultural beliefs of the Tribal people? If so, are we humans? Are we mammals? Are we not also subjects to the declaration?”

If so, then I need to state that:
1. Missionaries are actually in essence terrorists. Why? They come to us and say, “If you don’t do as we say, you are going to hell! You will die! You will be judged! You are not part of us!” You are children of the Satan! etc., etc. Aren’t these sentences terrorising?
2. The missionaries are actually the people to be accountable for misconduct against the Resolution on Minorities.
3. How can the declaration be promoted without calling the missionaries responsible for their sins of killing the cultures of minorities?
4. Are the beliefs we have as tribal people not part of the resolutions? If so, what are our cultural beliefs called?
5. I think that missionaries should be responsible for what they have done to us. They at first killed our culture, planted their culture and then left us to die in their new cultural perspectives.
6. They opened the doors for Indonesian military to come and kill us. It is missionaries that built airstrips all over villages. It is them that first came to our isolated villages. It is them that came with Gospel in their right hand and Guns in their left hand. After they opened the isolation, they brought in government officials, opened army and police offices, and started killing us. Can they deny their involvement in killing us? NO, ABSOLUTELY NOT!!! They are part of various human rights violations in West Papua, they are the doors to various human rights violations in West Papua.
7. Do you know what missionaries have done when the Indonesian army they brought in were killing us? They left the villages. Lucky, they got airplanes to fly them out from the backdoors and into the villages. After some months, after houses and churches were burned down, after many of their sheep (flocks) were killed, they came with big smile and open hands to embrace and to encourage poor Papuans to repent and thank God that they were not killed. What do they preach? FORGIVE! FORGIVE! IF they kill your brother, give your husband as well, that is according to our culture that we brought in to you. DON’T fight back, if you do so, you are going to hell.
8. So, you can see how well the missionaries and Indonesian army work together to kill Papuans both culturally and physically.
9. And for us, they who kill our culture are the most terrorist people in the world. Killing a culture means killing the root of any Papuans, killing the root of the Indonesians kill hundreds of Papuans physically. I know there are one or two Papuans alive and they will live as Papuans. But what can happen if one million Papuans are without any knowledge of Papuan culture? Are they Papuans? Are they Christians? Are they tribal people?

Anyway, missionary work is more dangerous to indigenous and tribal peoples than any other work on earth that you know. Remember this!
Having abandoned her worthy husband for a toy boy, a young woman dies of a heroin overdose, accompanied only by her traumatised 3 year old daughter. The reaction of mid-50s Daily Mail readers, a demographic not known for their tolerance of druggies and single mums, was of 'common'—certainly celebrity of the woman that died. Of course, she wasn't just another single mother, she was Paula Yates, a celebrity.

Perplexed by this double-standard on behalf of my then-colleagues, I asked what is it about the likes of them that makes people care for anyway? They seemed pretty vague about it, despite knowing an alarming amount of biographical detail about a woman I'd thought they had almost nothing in common with. Was it something like a bad 1980s yo-yo programme, The Word, badly, getting off with Aussie shag artist, Michael Hutchens, who subsisted of individual prowess, as pointed out by himself whilst wanking in a closet; being the unacknowledged daughter of another nondonest bygone enter-tainer, Hughie Green? It seems she was somehow just famous for being famous. If anything, it was this sufficiently different reason for them to suspend their usual judgmental attitudes. I decided to return to the topic of isolation, to the need to, to find the origins of this pathology.

BEFORE THEY WERE FAMOUS

There is no celebrity in hunter / gath- erers societies. The English Civil War a century later, in which a lone warrior, Hughie Green? It seems she was somehow just famous for being famous. If anything, it was this sufficiently different reason for them to suspend their usual judgmental attitudes. I decided to return to the topic of isolation, to the need to, to find the origins of this pathology.

In the Bushmen, a semi-nomadic tribe of the San (Bushmen), there is no vision of individualism. That's for sure. It's a rare for a Big Man to have influence over more than 2,500 people due to the limits of personal charisma and knowledge of the community. The Tairora, in New Guinea, are a typical example of this. Their society is a bit like that around the archaic tyrants even by their isolated lives, the Tairora have managed to hang themselves up and become a community. They even tried to resist this so strongly. Even some relatively complex pastoral groups like the Nuer's neighbours, the Kaingang do.

In this feel of◎your life you were never more powerful than the Big Man. It is under tyranny that we find the emergence of 'heroes', warriors under the king who have songs sung about them, their characters and (typ-ic) lifestyles options anyway. The fall of tyranny is followed by ostracism or celebrity persists? Because they are a safety valve for majority's unrealised aspirations (‘someone made it – it could be you’, etc) and hotel room-trashing behaviour, a money-spiner in its place. As the Situationists-scouts noted, we need to really live without these mediations, to live our own dreams. In fact, it is impossible to truly live with them. Celebrity is the enemy of community. It, and the complex society that denies us full power in our daily lives, is the inheritance of tyranny.

All must be destroyed.

NOTES

1 Personal communication via Coalition Against Cruelty, PO Box 835, Greenbrae, CA 94901, USA.
2 Personal communication via Coalition Against Cruelty, PO Box 835, Greenbrae, CA 94901, USA.
4 ED Sagar’s ‘At the Dawn of Tyranny’ (Vintage), 2000.
"...we need to get rid of civilization. Maybe that seems absurd, to you. In some ways it is, but remember that for a long time it was the only way of life for almost everyone in a lot of places in a lot of different ways. But I'll tell you something that does seem absurd to me: the possibility of allowing this inhumane system to continue." (COMB.605)

Perhaps no other writer has been able to deal with the problem of civilization as sincerely and intensely as Derrick Jensen. He has a way with words and concepts, possessing the ability to both wound and heal: conveying the “dark heart” of civilization while remaining true to the very essence of the human spirit and truth.

Derrick is author of four books, of which A Language Older than Words and his most recent book, Culture of Make Believe, have been landmark texts against the menace of civilization. Language, stemming from Derrick’s own experiences, is a characterization of the sickening depersonalization and disengagement that have characterized our ‘highly modernized’ level of civilization through the issues of domestic abuse. Culture carries on his work to try to understand the role of ‘hatred’ in allowing civilization to function everyday.

The title of the opening chapter of Language, ‘Silencing’ seems to be the most predominant concept throughout the two books. Through both books, the underlying issue is always prevalent; civilization continues to exist through the silencing of life. Derrick is very explicit about this:

“Religion, science, philosophy, politics, education, psychology, medicine, architecture, art, fashion, and art have all been pressed into service as tools to rationalize the silencing of women, other cultures, other races, other cultures, the natural world and the spirits of others, our consciences, our experiences, and our cultural and personal histories.” (LOTW, 3)

This silencing, as Derrick shows, allows us to turn our cheeks to the destruction that this way of survival causes. And in the short run it seems to create a balance and long term consequences for the sake of a rational, linear ‘Future’ that demands us. In turn, it is always easier to ‘gobble rolling across the floor’, going with the flow rather than taking any risks to get rid of it.

Culture of Make Believe continues to look into this kind of silencing, although it focuses more on the rationality of hate. He opens the book looking into racism, one of the most obvious forms of hatred. The first chapters detail through the direct outpourings of racism that has been put upon us the many forms we are through the slave trade, the Ku Klux Klan and into the cops and prison system. Moving even closer to racists and terrorists, it becomes all the more apparent that “hatre” may not be the full issue. No matter how bad the argument, all the racists were still needed, and the arguments follow the rationality that originates in the formation of civilization. His search moves farther from any safety zones. These conclusions may be much more uncomfortable for many people than most books dealing with the subject of hatred.

At this point we are forced to look inwards and ask what it means to hate, to be hatred, and to be human, is it always the underlying motive.

Essentially what you end up questioning is the very ‘nature’ of civilization. We return to the issue of silencing: as Language shows, we are able to destroy a world that no longer speaks to be because it is distant. We are able to rationalize the world and turn other being into things: we can destroy out of love. The success of civilization, above all else, comes to the ability to believe in a system that goes against everything that we are by eliminating the voices of our bodies and souls.

What Derrick asks is if this hatred is carried by birth. The problem seems to be much more complex than this, and where the questioning goes returning to the issue of silencing. Everything we are doing to the Earth and to other people isn’t being done out of hatred, it is just being done: the simplicity comes through our hyper-rationalized trance. We turn to reduction: our hyper-learning of recent reality predicates Henry Ford and his assembly line, but lies in the complete alienation of us from ‘Other’. The history of the last 10,000 years could easily be seen as a process of automation: the turn from responding exhaustively to their every last point being.

Benjamin pronounces the mannered space programme dead not of the latter of the latter disaster—which went down just after her book came out—but of the 1966 Challenger disaster, which “recreates[d] space as a genre bent to the demands of human beings.” Of course the astronauts were only ever going to be a small part of the ICBM programme and of course Columbus burn-up on re-entry was the consequence of design changes (NASA, cosmonauts will drive your taxi for you...) Indeed, so many now find the notion of 60 years of space flight (they believe it didn’t happen (instead being faked up in a secret Hollywood studio) after all, an illusion of the television, the right of the viewer) that NASA had to issue a detailed rebuttal, something that inevitably only fed conspiracy theories by not responding exhaustively to their every last point being.

Derrick brings in the role of each us plays in all of this. Moving through to a world of qualities to a world of quantities. The scientific, religious reductionism of the world into a collection of things has brought the lens of our fragmentation of the world to the whole, but despite the propaganda of the Spectacle, it is obvious that “monolithic power” has managed to control the basis of self-explicating DNA. However, this lesson has been internalized and thus it is the recognition of a new destruction that is somehow seen as beyond us.

He points to the ability of ordinary folks to believe anything just as long as they can be convinced they stand a chance. He refers to the people in the Holocaust (as one among many) where people walked right into gas chambers because they wanted to believe that they were just getting a shower. This is the essence of civilization, being reduced to the bear minimum and just accepting it. We are so afraid of taking the risks to get to a better world that we would do just about anything to escape our current day. A further consequence of this mentality is the effect that it would have on the psyche of the people, the subjugated so long as it’s not the worst-case scenario, how much more it would affect the psyche of those that are in an issue Derrick tries to portray.

The world is not being killed solely by a few greedy people but is being killed by a world that allows those people to do what they are doing. Everything is massified and reduced to the lowest common denominator: the act of genocide and ecocide, where this becomes the standard and the world we are. The act of destruction that we make possible is completely removed and mechanical. We can only hope that book is the entirety of civilization. His next two books (both hopefully out in 2003) is dedicated to trying to find ways to tear civilization apart.

Since authoritative power was created 10,000 years ago, we have seen a constant centralization aided by an efficient machine that is able to give them the capacity to destroy human life” (COMB, 423). The issue is not whether we can or can’t, but the will and the ability to kill indiscriminately and with no consequence. Derrick goes through the example of financier J.P. Morgan, as an example of the gross extremes that a person will go through in order to have a larger numerical value. What Morgan repre-


dents through all of his various interests and issues is the ability to cut the ropes that bind us to our ways of perceiving and being in the world. “Much of this lesson has been learned. A faith.” It can and must be used. It is impossible to write a book of this length without many passages of non-text) and mention all of the points that Derrick mentions, although much more will be left out. What is also included is a full range of all the ways in which life is doomed through civilization, and the things that are left out of this is just as important as that which is left out of it. The dire situation is one in which there is no reason left not to fight.

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The world's pyramids shall crumble to dust. We don't want humanity to live in the overgrown and overcrowded called cities... ten thousands years ago, when something went terribly wrong, with the the start and expansion of agriculture, the coming of the first cities. Humanity, normal nads stopping being nomads and got stuck. We are nomads. It's our natural way of Life. We must discover what we have to do to get out of the cage and to pursue our own lives. Destroying Life on Earth.
Dawn of Time. There's a sort of free-

ness and spontaneity about the book that makes it a good read for anyone interested in literature and philosophy. The contributors' narcissistic tone is evident throughout the book, secondhand!)... They tell a story about how travel can be a cathartic experience for worthwhile meaning. It's about the journey itself, a sieving of experiences that can be used to shape our thoughts and actions. It's not just about the destinations we visit, but the ways in which we arrive at them. And this is what makes it so compelling to read. It's a reminder that we are all part of a larger tapestry, and that our experiences are interconnected in ways that we may not always see. So, if you're looking for a book that will challenge your assumptions and broaden your horizons, this is definitely worth a read. And if you're looking for a book that will make you think about the world in new ways, this is definitely worth a read.
This book has been compiled for Critical Mass’s 10 year anniversary. Starting in San Francisco in 1992 (although there is evidence of Critical Mass style events happening in Ramsgate, Kent in the early 80s) the idea of Critical Mass has spread across the world, taking its pro-bike/pro-car message. The book includes articles about experiences of Critical Mass rides worldwide, flyers, graphics, photos, political debates about what Critical Mass really is, emails from pissed-off car drivers etc.

With a book like this, dedicated to a single issue, you kind of get the feeling that the editors are trying to convince you that Critical Mass is the most radical thing ever. In fact, Cris Carlsson (editor and “founder” of Critical Mass, with no actual control and isn’t going anywhere either) himself was definitely aware of that.

There is certain articles within the book, which debate this idea of it being highly “velorutionary”. There was an interesting article from Lancaster, UK, illustrating the nature of the activist scene in the 90s, and its subsequent demise this century. Nowadays, “we are the ones now trying to turn our activist experiences into a means of paying the bills, or struggling hard to be good counter-cultural parents”. Sound familiar?

So CM has become a “comforting bit of counterculture spectacle...[with] a condensing, compartmentalising attitude that keeps any radical act from really breaking through”. But the question we surely should be asking ourselves, could a radical act ever have happened when a bunch of cyclists come together for an “organised coincidence” in the city for a couple of hours each month during rush hour? Maybe not. Still, it’s an interesting, thought-provoking, historical and amusing collection of stuff.

A Cat in Hell’s Chance tells the story of a crusade started by a political novice, which gathered momentum over ten years and became a mass movement, after battles with Oxfordshire police, many arrests, court appearances and jailing finally shut down Hill Grove cat farm.

The book, written almost entirely from contributions by campaigners, tells the true story of one of the most effective campaigns against the breeding and sale of animals for vivisection and vivisection.

There was an interesting article from Stuttgart, Germany was amusing. The author, an anthropologist Richard B Lee (a fellow of Mines and Emma Goldman vintage, all relevant today. It doesn’t have much to say about prison procedures—how Reception and the canteen (prison shop) works, etc—and how you’re likely to feel on getting hanged up and getting over that. There was even advice from someone on the run about this important related subject, staying out of prison. Worked for them, I guess!

This is all very commendable and I’d recommend it, both as an ex-con and as someone whose done practical prison support. I would say, though, that if anything Prison Survival is a bit too empowering, inasmuch as it doesn’t deal much with situations that do go wrong—on escaping by screws or predatory prisoners—just how to avoid such situations where possible. Aside from that, I’d say “don’t”, it doesn’t deal with drugs in prison and issues around piss testing and privileging drug-free’ prisoners over others.

The most interesting documents were those distinguishing anti-militarism from pacifism, Makhnovist anti-warism from pacifism, Makhnovist and Spanish revolutionary accounts. It’s also worth noting the concluding text is from former Feral Faun’s Wilful Disobedience, still sharp in a new publication etc despite being really ideological ‘product placement’ (“Armored joy”) and being past his best.

A Cat in Hell’s Chance

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Taking its name from Paris ’68 slogan “Vive!”, this highly impressive pro-AP zone is packed full all sorts of original, good stuff. Highlights include an interview with primitive altruism theorist and anarchist Richard B Lee (a fellow of Mines Man), an Anarchist-Primitivean analysis of The Matrix, rejecting agriculture as a “food for free” (though you’ll probably starve on one of each of the foodstuffs feared), and a hoax latest letter from 1930s aviator Amelia Earhart (“Every time I have to leave the house without the express goal of enjoyment or submission I feel ill”). It was also really encouraging to see an open public discussion on what it came to letters—everyone from some pomo academic eulogising 5th Estate libertarianism to angry young punks who cross a lot more sussed—and clever, political band interviews (as opposed to the usual fan dros). The cartoons were cool and even the history pieces (including on the 19th century nomadic Americans, the Tribe of Ishmael) didn’t have my eyes glazing over.

SOLIDARITY SOUTH PACIFIC NEWSLETTER NO.1 FREE WITH S.A.E FROM SSP C/O SPARKHILL ROAD, TILBURY PLACE, BRIGHTON, EAST SUSSEX, BN2 2GY, UK.

This is the first newsletter from the ‘Solidarity South Pacific’ campaign. SSP is the consolidation of various individuals and groups who work highlighting people’s struggles in the pacific region and where possible acting in solidarity with people in struggle there. This newsletter puts the campaign in the context of the work done by various EI groups around the country over the past ten years.

New in this issue includes updates on the situation in West Papua - including preparation of arms by the OPM/TNP (liberation army of the Free Papua Movement) and the current situation in Bougainville. Also a report by activists recently returned from the Philippines visiting tribal groups in struggle there and two EI groups based in Manila and Davao. There is also news of various actions that have taken place here in the UK, most notably the action at the ‘New Tribes Mission’ offices (report elsewhere in this issue of GA).

It’s good to see a piece included entitled ‘Radical Solidarity not Charity’ explaining the difference between the work of SSP and NGO’s etc, and of course there are details of various corporations and companies involved in Ecocidal and Genocidal activities in the South Pacific.

Find them - Sabhem!
I don’t know if this was gone over in the trial, but one thing that comes to mind is that the mainstream media goes to great lengths to imply that everything is under control, the majority of the people are content and not rebelling (only committing acceptable undisturbing crimes). Stories like the radio mast destruction or a butcher’s window rarely get published.

These stories are a measure of what the state of the ‘world’ is. Fifty years ago people’s main interest was local. Now because effects are felt more widely, interest has widened. Also, with the cult of celebrity (see page 22) local issues have been made to appear mundane and uninteresting. This, coupled with the growing sameness of all localities in our monoculture, has made global issues overshadow the local completely.

Global issues are far easier to misrepresent. Only the people directly involved in an event know if what you read about it is an accurate representation. Locally, you know these people, globally you rarely do. There is no check on the newsmen.

The listings and many of the articles in GA and in similar publications show the lies and omissions of the mainstream media very clearly. It is for this reason that they are so resentful of the state.

People are interested in the ‘news’ because it is intelligence of the state of the world, and we need to know the state of the world to get feedback on our actions. People make decisions about future actions. With skewed feedback we make unformed decisions. People must know what is real - how the world is changing. We judge as to what future actions are appropriate. If we as a whole believe everyone else is content with things as they are, they will believe that they should be content too. This should normally work well and make for a good ‘system’ (eg in a small tribe). In this big, easy for people to be given false or incomplete information. This misleads them. This is bad. It is crucial for a healthy society that each individual has access to the information they want/need. This is as true in ours as in a tribal society.

This could be put more clearly and simply I am sure. This is just off the top of my head. I for one don’t want to INCITE anyone to anything. An anarchist should not really want that, except on a personal individual basis. Use of an organ solely for incitement is an abuse. Respect for readers should preclude this abuse, and should encourage a desire to inform. People are interested in the ‘news’ because it’s not only happening in the world to make a certain kind of action? Does even telling you that you think such and such an action is a good thing and think you should do it as well constitute incitement? That is where the so-called freedom of speech comes in.

Robert Hugh Wilson, also known as Standing Deer, was found dead in his home last night here in Houston, TX on Tuesday. Standing Deer was stabbed to death by a houseguest, Pius Smashed Ice (a Native American who had previously been released from prison and was staying with Standing Deer) on his way to work as a lecturer in the area.

The police report said that Pius killed Standing Deer after an argument on Monday; but didn’t call police until Tuesday, where he attempted to pass the crime off as a break-in. Pius later confessed and is in custody now. Standing Deer was stabbed in his bedroom, so it’s still not clear if it happened during an argument or later after a dispute.

Standing Deer, REST IN PEACE

Monica Harvey, a leading light in Salisbury Animal Rights and long-term Green Anarchist subscriber, died last June. Monica was a passionate campaigning against the abuse of animals on her doorstep, at government chemical warfare research centre Porton Down and its breeder, Allington Farm.

Monica was an enthusiastic supporter of direct action and I remember how she and her husband Richard helped set up Porton peace camp to this end in the late-1980s, turning up opposite the Pheasant in a hatchback crammed with portraitless, firewood and their pack of enormous, friendly dogs.

The next issue (No. 70) core is about alternative technology. Will all the new high-tech and low-tech solutions being touted by an unholy alliance of new-agers and venture capitalists pull us all back from the brink and enable us to carry on living as civilised creatures? Or will it merely enable us to perfect the global prison we are all busily constructing for ourselves, eventually bringing about Paul Shephard’s vision of permaculture as a ‘world inhabited solely by humans surrounded by their genetic slaves and mutants’? How can we make computer chips out of hemp? Or then again, is it all pointless fiddling with sustainable technologies while the planet is reeling around us? Should our culture of ours be sustained at all? Why do so many people, having realised the problems facing us all, go off and absolve themselves in some ‘green’ business? Sustainable development, as it is sometimes called, seems to be a frequent visitor in our arguments with the proponent and defenders of civilisation: You live in the 21st century, look at the look at the others, however silly they may seem, in order to be able to point out the facts commonly accepted by people.

The common faith in these fallacies is a major obstacle to the search for real understanding of what’s going on, because as long as we generally believe that alternative ways to continue to live in the world are unprofitable (or unprofitable) such a project might be. All you need to do is learn about management systems and not do anything disruptive, and you can get onto many government schemes that pay you to believe they are part of a solution while still being an active and dedicated part of the problem.

Another aspect of this encourage- ment is social. No matter what else you do, if you do a job or a ‘scheme’ you are ostracised from mainstream society and marginalised into a shrinking sub-culture.

Anyway, please send in your article and any appropriate graphics/photos.
The planet is being killed, what are we going to do about it?

An article originally posted by Anarchy.org on 30th March 2007:

The planet is being killed, what are we going to do about it?

The possibility of radical action being taken to defend Mother Earth, to stop the genocidal attacks upon all life disappeared in the smoky haze of one too many squat parties, when the grips of paranoia got too much for the “eco-anarchists”. The “voices of the ecological resistance” (in Britain at least) retreated into the bunker of much talk little action. Meanwhile the Earth is left with “defenders” like transport 2000 and Friends of the Earth, etc, with friends like these hey! The nature of the milieu has contributed significantly to the minimising of this crucial question, it was inward looking based on shallow trends, “alternative”, a “drop-out”, a “free partyer” etc. which is all good but, like all fashion trends it comes to an end, and “we all grow up” onto “bigger and better” things like capitalism (being merely one). Due to the fact that the milieu was (I speak in the past tense due to the fact that the bulk of the “ecological resistance” in Britain is basically non-existent) inward looking, and a great sense of elitism developed (always present among leftist trends). No attempt was made (well no serious one anyway) to deal with the privilege and the inherent neo-colonialism in the form of “guilt” present in the “movement”. Nor was any attempt made to deal with the problems (personal and psychological) of the individuals involved in the “movement”. Indeed the social dysfunctions developed as a direct result of living in this hell hole society were (are) simply ignored. Drugs become of living in this hell hole society were (are) simply ignored. Drugs become functions developed as a direct result of insurrection, physically dismantling the tech-industrial-hydra is still very possible and extremely vital. The problem lies in breaking down the failure of communication and rampant paranoia prevalent in the remnants of the “scene”. To begin to reject and dismantle the cluelessness. People must have affinity with each other (and not in some vague sense) before they should take action, action without this human basis is pointless. This is the revolution, the development of closeness between humans and a bond to set out and make themselves free, a bond to destroy that which is destroying the planet. The most inspiring example of this model appears to be the animal liberation movement, perhaps something “eco-anarchists” can all learn from?

Some who only frequently go to the Bank or the supermarket, are always present among leftist trends. It might be a hard thing to stomach and a bit too critical, some may say despairing, but in most cases (of those who abandoned a radical eco-anarchist approach) it is goodbye and good riddance. The “movement” got itself caught in a groove and could not move out of it. It could not develop. It could not grow. The idea of affinity groups operating everywhere, developing projects of insurrection, physically dismantling the tech-industrial-hydra is still very possible and extremely vital. The problem lies in breaking down the failure of communication and rampant paranoia prevalent in the remnants of the “scene”. To begin to reject and dismantle the cluelessness.

Dear GA, I received “Green Anarchist” issue number 67 Autumn. Thank you very much, for your solidarity too! I’ve to correct a little oversight: my mother has no interests in NOK, we are a family with no interests in big or little business. The source of this oversight: it’s the young woman inquiry-judge of my case who has interests in NOK. It’s the daughter of the president of the Swiss electricity supplier monopolist (with nuclear plants too) who investigates against a submarine of her father’s businesses, just for to show that they not only are class justice but really private corporate justice too... Best regards, solidarity, Marco Camensich, Plattfiken PS: Because of the correspondence restrictions this confirmation will be sent you through my wife.

The capitalists create the gargabe - they landitfly it - they recycle it - they make Smillions out of it - Smash the Capitalist Garbage Conspiracy - A comrade, Scotland Feb 2003

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A polar bear gnawed on the rudder of a U.S. submarine and then attacked it after the sub surfaced in the ice pack during maneuvers between the North Pole and the United States.

"When an officer looked around outside via the periscope, he noted that his sub was being stalked by a hostile polar bear," the Navy reported. In a series of pictures from the periscope's camera, the bear apparently chewed on the rudder, then batted it around.

Badger Attack

An angry badger attacked five people during a 48-hour rampage in a quiet suburb. One man required two skin graft operations, after the badger woke him up and attacked him when he went outside to investigate. Other victims included a man who was attacked as he walked home from a pub in Evesham, Worcestershire.

Press and badger society speculation as to why it attacked (badgers normally avoid humans) ranges from it being raised with humans when a cub to being injured, no one has suggested it might just be angry.

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