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Introduction

[...]we enter a vicious circle with mournful calls to a miserable bartering with the State one wanted to fight.

When individuals find themselves alone at night, no longer supported by “collective strength”, the arms of Morpheus transform the imprisoned comrades one wanted to support, to whom one wanted to express one’s solidarity, into a real nightmare with no escape.

So! Should we no longer show solidarity to imprisoned comrades given that it serves no end?

Never! A movement that is not capable of looking after its comrades in prison is destined to die, and that at a high price under atrocious torture.

The reflection must be made in other terms. What does it mean to express revolutionary solidarity? Basically the reply is not all that difficult.

Solidarity lies in action. Action that sinks its roots in one’s own project that is carried on coherently and proudly too, especially in times when it might be dangerous even to express one’s ideas publicly. A project that expresses solidarity with joy in the game of life that above all makes us free ourselves, destroys alienation, exploitation, mental poverty, opening up infinite spaces devoted to experimentation and the continual activity of one’s mind in a project aimed at realising itself in insurrection.

A project which is not specifically linked to the repression that has struck our comrades but which continues to evolve and make social tension grow, to the point of making it explode so strongly that the prison walls fall down by themselves...

- Daniela Carmignani, *Revolutionary Solidarity* (Elephant Editions), translated by Jean Weir

In the lucid words of Daniela Carmignani from three decades ago we are reminded that another nightmare is possible, disturbing the sleep of the social order, its guardians and loyal flocks. Something just so nightmarish has been haunting Munich in the last several years. In May 2024 the German media reproduced one more in a running series of exasperated welps from the cops: “They set fire to power lines and construction equipment, telecoms antennas and electric vehicles; railroads are also the target of their attacks, as are geothermal pipelines. The identity of the perpetrators and their origins remain a mystery. Like ghosts, they leave no exploitable trace and no statement claiming the action. Who has

an interest in attacking the critical infrastructure of Greater Munich? This is the question security services have been asking themselves since the series of attacks began at least three years ago. The damage caused so far is approaching the €20 million mark.” This article was in reference to a startlingly high frequency of unexplained fires which have been causing incalculable disruption to the routine of voluntary servitude in this Bavarian smart city.

At the same time, there have been written words – especially in the form of the street paper *Zündlumpen* distributed in the city, and subsequently a bit all over the place – which have lucidly and remorselessly attacked the fundamentals of modern society, on behalf of an outrageous idea of freedom, earning the ire not just of the cops but of almost the entirety of the ‘movement’ as well. In February 2025 two comrades, N and M, were snatched by plainclothes cops, separated, subjected to forcible DNA extraction, and locked up in the cells of the German democracy under the pretext of charges and suspicions pertaining to these otherworldly phenomena. This is only the latest move in an absurd and useless investigation which the cops have been running since at least 2022. However nothing is finished: spontaneous combustions continue to multiply, and there is no reason to believe that the rebels in that territory or anywhere else, have been persuaded to shut their mouths.

The German media and cops hypothesise the serious problems they’ve been faced with as the activity of the ‘extreme Left’. But the question is, the extreme of which ‘Left’ exactly? The one which, in Germany, issued communiqués urging an abandonment of sabotage of railway lines due to the danger this would presumably pose to the armament of the Ukrainian State (whoops, I meant national liberation forces)? Perhaps the other side of things who write declarations of the correct position of the (mythical) ‘international proletariat’ whilst denouncing the ‘immaturity’ of those who act without permission ‘before the time is right’? Is it that Left which eagerly made total-compliance with the totalitarian lockdown regime a front of its activity, in Munich and elsewhere slandering papers like *Zündlumpen* as ‘social darwinist’? Perhaps the great police inquisitors refer to a ‘radical arm’ of the same Left who demanded ‘green pass’ QR codes to enter longstanding ‘combative’ social centers, or who spent those days indulging in speculation about the ‘fascist’

and ‘accelerationist’ motivations for attacks on the electricity grid and telecoms network which are *the* supports for exploitation and social control today?

What is under the repressive eye in greater Munich now is precisely not an extreme opposition to this society, one which takes its values like ‘democracy’, ‘tolerance’ and ‘equality’ and brings them to a logical and ‘militant’ conclusion. No, what we are confronted with in these pages are fragments attesting to a happy abandonment of this society: a thorough desertion of its laws and norms, its ‘debates’, its rules, morality, its ‘common sense’, its conception of what is possible or ‘real’ or realistic!

This alchemy of printed words and petroleum does not make catalogues and rebuttals of the problems of the economy and the state but makes problems *for them*. It does not exert pressure to “stop climate change” or “stop war”, but makes its own war, ‘re-wilds’ the social atmosphere in a rebellion which can never be militarised, one determined to breathe fresh air in a climate polluted beyond repair by fear and obedience.

As such, this revolt belongs to no one in particular. These acts words and ideas have emerged from the desire to live passionately and violently against the comatose reality imposed on everyone by statisticians and strategists, and that desire is not, and could never be, the property of any group or class or social category. It is quintessentially *anonymous*, and for this exact reason is completely unintelligible, real lunacy actually, to any who thinks in the terms of headlines or spreadsheets. It can only be made the full possession of living breathing individuals, including – but by no means limited to – anarchists.

But it is as one such anarchist that I write these lines. Someone who has been moved by every dimension of the chaos which has been unleashed on sleepy Bavaria. For many comrades it has been a veritable revitalisation of thought in a time when singular and uncompromising ideas are sinking into the mud of technological derealisation. Hearing of each action has joyfully thrown aside the resigned anarchism of realists and doomongers who infest our little ghettos today. It has woken up the dreams of many of us, who have anxiously awaited every communication, and been enthusiastic to spread and discuss everything since the beginning. In the midst of lockdown, I recall the anarchist library Acrata (formerly located in the center of Brussels) stayed open every week in defiance of the measures, gathering comrades and interested

people to pour over every word of Zündlumpen they could get their hands on.

I am reminded of the fact that the publication *Brûler les foyers du virus technologique* – consisting of a french translation of ‘If Not Now, When?’ from Zündlumpen #64, (which is reproduced here pp. 22-24) alongside news of sabotage of masts and rail lines in Munich and elsewhere in 2020 – was brought to the attention of the Besançon cops when the anarchist Boris was under round-the-clock surveillance, and was spotted “giving this zine to passers by”. He was under surveillance at the time because he was a suspect in two incendiary attacks on telecoms masts in the Besançon region which he would later claim responsibility for.

These are just two glimpses into the ways in which comrades internationally have tried to spread to each other (and even to ‘passers by’) fragments from the subversive experiment in Munich.¹ Most of this story will always remain unwritten – and it is irritating if inevitable when a fragment of it turns up in the semi-illiterate notes of the cops – but the examples attest to how events in Munich have become incorporated into the subversive projects of many comrades. The good news, *bad examples*, scurrilous writings, have become an instrument in uncompromising struggle wherever there have been impatient searchers for rebellion.

The same is true in reverse. Whether we consider the many pages of Zündlumpen dedicated to solidarity with Boris after the subsequent attempt by the state and medical authorities to imprison and murder him, or the arson of at the Bauer drilling site (complicit in the Coastal Gaslink Pipeline in so-called Canada) (see below p.22), a heightened sensitivity to outbreaks of revolt elsewhere has invariably inclined to further stimulus for attack in Munich. This mutual awakening of thought and action is a solidarity of quality of exactly the kind that Daniela Carmignani, another intransigent rebel who haunted Munich, is describing. One which “stimulates the continual activity of one’s mind in a project which realises itself in insurrection.”

It is that kind of solidarity – of earnestly distributed zines, long walks and discussions, fly-posted provocations, multiplying smoke signals – which really can pass through walls, defy the scientific scrutiny of movement-managers and police inquisitors alike, and haunt this world we want no part of with ideas which have no place in it.

an anarchist in London

¹ Author’s note: a task in which the projects Sans nom (sansnom.noblogs.org) and Act For Freedom Now! (actforfree.noblogs.org) have been indispensable. We must also acknowledge here the efforts the anonymous publisher of the english *Zündlumpen Anthology* (vulpinebadgers@riseup.net) and make reference to the new USA distro project A Million Earthworms who take responsibility for its distribution in that territory.

“Whoever Reads This is an Idiot”

THE STATE'S REPRESSION MACHINE LASHES
OUT AGAINST THE PHANTOMS OF ITS WAKING
NIGHTMARE



About the Repressive Operation in Germany and Austria.

Solidarity with the arrested anarchists.

Solidarity with the imprisoned anarchists N. and M.!

- February / March 2025

About the repressive operations

No, it wasn't a carnival committee, that of the 26th February 2025 which presented itself in eight different localities at around 10pm, with 140 clowns in masks flaunting weapons and performing pathetic sketches. No, they were cops. And no, their exaggerated spectacle was anything but amusing, because it led to the arrest of our anarchist comrades M. and N.

Below, we are reporting more details about the searches, the arrests and the preliminary proceedings.

Two arrests, three preliminary proceedings

There are three different procedures:

- The procedure, known since 2022, is against the presumed editors of *Zündlumpen* [*translator's note: German language anarchist paper published between 2019 and 2021*] on charges of criminal association. The arrest warrant for M. and N. was issued during this procedure. Those under investigation in this investigatory strand are three in all (then they became four, now they are three again). More information in these two texts: *About raids and a §129 procedure against anarchists and the theft of a printing space* and *The persecution of anarchists and cigarette butts in the Bavarian-Christian kingdom (2022)*.
- The new procedure against M. and N. is for incendiary attacks. Although there is currently only suspicion which, according to the press, would not be sufficient to obtain an arrest warrant.
- The procedure that emerged from the searches a week ago which contests the paper "*Hetzblatt gegen den Windpark*" ["agitation paper against the Windpark"] with the accusation of "encouragement of /condoning of crimes". As far as we know, those accused in the procedure are four, among whom M. and N.

The investigation of incendiary attacks is being carried out by "EG Raute" [*translator's note: "Ermittlungsgruppe Raute" is a special squad founded in 2023 and composed of about 20 investigators to investigate the numerous*

destructive direct actions, particularly fires, which have been continuing in the Bavarian region for some time. "Raute" in German means "rhombus/diamond", which is the geometric figure on the Bavarian flag.] Diamond? Yes, diamond. It involves the defence of the Bavarian coat of arms. In the light of the "series" of incendiary attacks that has been continuous in Munich and Upper Bavaria, the Bavarian coat of arms risks being sullied. After all, Bavaria is the safest federal state of Germany. That is why over 20 cops of the "EG Raute" have been working for some time to safeguard Bavaria's reputation and capture the "incendiaries". Some newspapers have reported up to 50 fires in Munich and Upper Bavaria against construction and forest machinery, important infrastructures, etc.

The fact that during these years the cops have not managed to get any result puts them under great pressure. To make things worse is the fact, according to the press, that the cops never manage to find any useful evidence... apart from some footprint! But as these are Bavarian cops and not princes in love in the fairytale of Cinderella, they seem to be rather impatient to find the right foot... and with the arrest of M. and N. have finally been able to show the press a presumed investigative result, even if in reality the arrest warrant was emitted in the context of a different procedure, known for years, the titles in the newspapers, all the same, are completely in line with this show: "The arsonists arrested", "Preoccupying series of fires: first arrests" with articles decorated with beautiful photographs of the film squad recently up in flames (although M. and N. are not accused of this specific act) [*translator's note: the reference is to the burning of 23 vehicles of the canine police, parked in the central cop station car park and completely destroyed during the night of January 25, 2025.*].

As a whole this latest repressive wave belongs to a wider context of attack against the Munich anarchists, for which the ZET [*Zentralstelle zur Bekämpfung von Extremismus und Terrorismus – Central direction for the struggle against extremism and terrorism*] of the Public prosecutor's office of Munich, instituted a few years ago, has unleashed not only the two new procedures

for incendiary attacks, and apologia of offences already known, but also that now in course against the presumed editorial group of the paper *Zündlumpen*, following which the anarchist library Frevel [see below pp. 10-11 & 12-14] has been shut down, a whole printing press has been confiscated, and many other places raided. Moreover the ZET has launched an international investigation for incendiary attacks concerning anarchists of other countries in contact with the anarchists of Munich (see More on the house searches in Brussels and Amsterdam). It seems that the Bavarian authorities have given themselves the objective of preventing the publishing of anarchist publications, closing anarchists spaces and repressing both the anarchists themselves, and their social surroundings.

The new investigation against the paper “Hetzblatt gegen den Windpark” with the accusation of “encouraging/approving crimes”, concerns the raids that have taken place in coordination with the arrests and searches in the ambit of the procedure for incendiary attacks. The single issue “Hetzblatt gegen den Windpark” is directed against the realisation of a windfarm project in a forest near Altötting, which foresees the deforestation of a vast area. The site will be a guarantee for the chemical industry of Altötting. Most of the house searches have been carried out against those under investigation in the ambit of this procedure.

The nonchalance with which the Munich judges are signing search warrants has become clear from the fact that all the rooms of the residences have been searched, and some of the searches have been directed exclusively against potential witnesses. Has that ever happened before? (The various presumed witnesses have also received a subpoena from the public prosecutor’s office, to give statements). As a matter of fact, the motivation justifying a house search being that those who received the warrant are “in contact” with people accused in a trial (for arson) is new to us. In the police stations of Munich the threshold for repressive measures is once again being lowered – the desired effect is obvious: intimidation and isolation.

Nine searches

Altogether nine searches have been carried out, three of which were in Austria (including a group premises) and the other six (including a cellar) in Munich and the surrounding area. The first eight all took place at the same time. The search of a property of a presumed witness in Austria took place two days later (and has not been reported in the press). The searches in Austria were carried out exclusively by Austrian police. On March 6th 2025 one person under investigation and a

presumed witness have had their homes searched again in order to seize mobile phones that hadn’t already been confiscated.

During the raids in Germany the cops used rams and various other instruments in order to force their way into the apartments. The search warrants were not shown immediately, contact with lawyers was forbidden, and the people involved were not allowed to be present during the searches. Basically the usual objects such as computers, memory sticks, newspapers and anarchist posters were confiscated, as well as tools and some printers. Notebooks, calendars and practically anything that could be photographed was photographed. The people affected were not allowed to see what had been taken. They just received the confiscation reports. During the searches dogs were used for seeking certain material, including data mediums.

In one house in the Munich region, the USK [*Unterstützungskommando – Bavarian special forces*] directed a carnivalesque theatre piece, acting out its whole repertory: the house, in which there were only two people, was surrounded by 50-70 masked cops and stormed with machine guns. Then the cops illuminated the entire building with spotlights and searched the garden with metal detectors. They also had a technical lorry with them (whatever that was for).

Solidarity

The imprisoned anarchists N. and M. will be happy to receive letters! Send them letters, postcards. To N. texts in German, English and French, to M. in German and English. M. is in the male prison of Stadelheim, N. has been transferred to the women’s prison of Aichach.

The postal address can be obtained on request by sending an email to *solidaritaet-mit-n-und-m@riseup.net*. Bear in mind that the letters will undoubtedly be read by nosy cops and prosecutors. Solidarity can be expressed in many ways! The Bavarian prisons, and in particular institutions for pre-trial imprisonment, are infamous for their particularly restrictive detention regimes. It is therefore very important that the prisoners know that they are not alone and that we are thinking of them.

However we don’t want to launch any kind of solidarity campaign which at times would run the risk of only demanding the release of individual prisoners and of disconnecting this case from wider struggles. We believe that the best kind of solidarity is that of giving continuity to the struggles of those who find themselves in prison and of carrying on our struggles against the prison society.

Our prisoner comrades must be present in our struggles. Through our solidarity we mean to overcome the isolation they are confined in. Let's demonstrate with words and actions, love and rage, that we have them in our hearts and that the State cannot destroy or repress our relationships and our ideas!

Love and strength to the anarchists M. and N. imprisoned in Stadelheim!

Eternal hatred to the State and its clowns!

PS: To all the guardians of the State (SS)
[Staatsschützer]: Whoever is reading this is an idiot.

PPS: What is green outside and empty inside? Spring onions.



via Sans nom, from de.indymedia.org

translated by Act for Freedom Now!

Repressive Operations in Germany and Austria. Arrests and Raids Against Anarchists in Munich.

- April 2025

On February 26th 2025 and the days that followed, two new investigations of the attorney general of Munich have come to light during house searches by hordes of unchained cops in various houses in Munich, the surrounding area and Austria. This has led to arrests and pre-trial detentions.

As has already happened in the past, whole flats were searched, not just single rooms. An apartment where none of the accused lives has also been broken into. The reason given for this is that they would have "close contacts", so have therefore been searched as witnesses. In addition, numerous persons were promptly summoned as witnesses by the Public Prosecutor's Office as a result of this procedure.

The first investigation is against four persons and concerns the accusation of having "encouraged/approved of criminal acts" through the publication of a paper distributed in 2024 under the name "Hetzblatt gegen den Windpark" ["agitational paper against the wind farm"]. This paper would have expressed itself against projects for the construction of new wind turbines at Altötting by the "Wacker Chemie" company and promoted carrying out criminal acts instead of calling for political or citizenist initiatives. According to police, the articles were "Capable of undermining confidence in legal certitude among a significant

number of people in the German Federal Republic".

The second investigation is against two people and concerns the accusation of incendiary attacks in six episodes that took place in the years 2023-2024.

The charges relate to the following:

1. 2 October 2023, burning of ten pieces of construction machinery, a geothermal plant, a forest machine in an adjacent wood and the cable well of a nearby railway line; [see below p.16]
2. 18 December 2023, burning of two forestry machines; [see p.17]
3. 25 December 2023 burning of various pieces of works machinery;
4. 31 July 2024 burning of a stationary vehicle on rails; [see pp.17-18]
5. 8 September 2024 burning of a wind turbine; [p.19]
6. 2 September 2024 burning of six concrete mixers, a wheel loader and conveyor belt with silo at a concrete factory. [see p.20]

Let's send lots of strength behind the prison walls!

Freedom to all!

via actforfree.noblogs.org

Update on the Two Imprisoned Anarchists N & M - - Hetzblatt gegen den Windpark - - Investigation and Upcoming Trial Against the Paper Zündlumpen Under Section 129.

- June / July 2025

Since 26th February, our two comrades N & M have been held on remand, accused of publishing the anarchist paper Zündlumpen ("criminal association / conspiracy"). This criminal case, which we have known about since 2022, was brought against the two of them and another person, under Section 129 (relating to organised crime and terrorism). In 2025, two other cases came to light, also implicating N and M: they are both charged with spreading the publication "Hetzblatt gegen den Windpark" ["Smear Sheet / Scandal Rag Against the Wind Farm"] alongside three other people ("incitement/promotion of criminal acts"). Secondly, they are both "suspects" for willful arson.

Witness interviews / summonses, and new people charged

In April seven people were taken for questioning by the public prosecutor, for witness interviews under the "incitement/promotion of criminal acts" investigation (linked to the "Hetzblatt gegen den Windpark ") and the "series of arsons" in Munich. All those interrogated refused to answer questions. Two other summons were issued by the prosecutor's office in May. On top of this, one person received a second summons. This last person was recently added as one of the suspects charged in the "incitement/promotion" case while remaining a statutory witness in the other case. In the course of the interview, she was further served with a court order for the collection of DNA and fingerprints. The DNA sample was taken on the spot, under the threat of violence. As with the previous interrogations, all those taken for interview refused to answer when questioned. Refusal to assist at the previous interviews in April already resulted in administrative fines of €250 (plus some bureaucratic charges) per individual.

Details of the arrest

As we learned in the meantime, N and M were arrested on 26th February in the municipal library HP8 (Neues Gasteig neighbourhood) close to the Brudermühl bridge. Both of them were sitting in front of a computer when they were tackled to the ground by plainclothes cops. Clearly, the arrest had been well planned, with several plainclothes offices positioning themselves around them, putting on face coverings hoods on the spot, separating N. and M. and taking them away in handcuffs. The timing of the operation seemed to be carefully chosen: they waited until the

comrades had logged in to the computers, which likely gave the nosey pig spies access to their encrypted e-mails. The State Protection Service was apparently lurking around the corner, and immediately informed our comrades of the warrant for their arrest. The two were then taken to the police station, processed for identification purposes, thoroughly examined for burn marks, measured and photographed naked, and had a "neck smear " performed on them in order to present these scent traces to a police dog.

After this torture, our comrade M was taken at dawn to the Stadelheim detention center for men, where he is still locked up to this day, whereas our comrade N was held for a short period in the women's detention center at Stadelheim, before being quickly transferred to the Aichach prison (near Augsburg). This measure was probably taken because of the ban on contact imposed on the two comrades.

Conditions of detention at Aichach and Stadelheim

The conditions of detention of the two imprisoned comrades have all the hallmarks of a politically motivated bullying agenda. For example, they have still not been permitted any personal items of clothing or requested books, as laundry and book tickets have to be approved by the prosecutor. In addition, all applications for visits from friends have been refused for both, meaning that only family members are granted visit permits. As comrade N's parents don't live in Germany, she hasn't received any visits so far, and can only phone her parents once a week for 15 minutes – but she's not allowed to talk to her brother during these calls and is obliged to speak German with her mother, which she normally doesn't do.

M on the other hand, has regular visits with his parents, but is not allowed to telephone. Visits take place in a video-monitored room, talking through an intercom grill, in the presence of two state security cops. Generally speaking, conditions of detention are more restrictive in the men's prison, and in his wing, M is forbidden contact and work. This means that there are few moments for social interaction, almost no activities, and he has to spend more than 20 hours a day in his cell. In this respect, N's conditions are not quite as harsh: she has a kitchen in her section, can take part in a few activities and has less lock-up time.

Consequently, for both of them, the post remains more

or less the only way to keep in touch and communicate with their friends and comrades. But of course, all post goes through the Public Prosecutors' office, which is why letters often take four weeks to arrive, or sometimes don't arrive at all... Postcards are quicker. Despite the ban on contact, the two can write letters to each other, but these take even longer. Most of the time, letters are delivered in batches. This tiresome procedure obviously complicates communication enormously. What's more, more or less all anarchist and far-left newspapers and pamphlets are withheld and/or censored. A few printed texts have been allowed inside from time to time, and even newspapers such as 'Gefangenen-Info' [prisoner-info] are also held back for being "a threat to the security of the establishment". Nevertheless, it can be interesting to try to send printed texts inside. Access to the huge investigation file from inside the prison is also delayed and dragged out, which is also pure harassment.

Upcoming trial regarding the anarchist paper Zündlumpen under Section 129.

The three accused were indicted in April, hence we have to assume that the trial should begin this autumn. It will likely take place in the high-security chamber of the upper court or in Stadelheim prison.

We believe that, over and above support for our friends and comrades, this trial itself has its own significance for subversive movements and initiatives. The question in this case [in terms of legal procedure] is whether an alleged newspaper editor can be convicted

under Section 129. The crimes this newspaper editor is accused of all fall under the dissemination of ideas – promotion of crime, calling for and incitement to commit crimes, and publishing threats. In sum, these are pure thought crimes. Whereas past trials against various works of the radical press in Germany were always about supporting and joining militant and armed groups, today it's about the simple endorsement of resistance and counter-violence. That's why we think it's important not only to show our solidarity with the prisoners, but also to follow the proceedings at the trial in terms of content, and to discuss what this new degree of repression and censorship means, and how we're going to deal with it.

Whatever the result of the trial: we will not be muzzled!

Let's destroy the prison society and defeat censorship!

Let's organise the underground press!

Solidarity with the imprisoned comrades N and M, and all other anarchists and subversives harassed and pursued by the cops!

Freedom for all!

To write to the comrades, their addresses can be obtained from solidaritaet-mit-n-und-m [at] riseup [dot] net.

via de.indymedia.org

translated by Act for Freedom Now!

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House Searches in Brussels and Amsterdam

– August 2024

Early in the morning of 23 May 2024, three residences of comrades in Amsterdam and Brussels were raided. As a reminder: digital devices (computers, telephones, hard drives, usb keys, cameras), tools, and anarchist publications were seized. No one was arrested on that occasion.

According to the first documents of the investigation, three comrades are the targets of a procedure issued by the prosecutor's office in Munich for: "participation in a criminal organization (§129), arson, disruption of public works, and anti-constitutional sabotage."

More precisely, the comrades are suspected of forming a so-called "left-extreme anarchist group" "who committed the

following offenses in Germany":

- "on 25.07.20 arson of cable spools, trucks, and construction equipment in Munich"*;
- "on 03.08.02 arson of construction equipment in Schrobenhausen (Bavaria)"*;

* An internet search suggests that these acts are dated 25.07.2022 and 03.08.2022. [see below pp. 21 & 22]

Several European Investigation Orders issued since at least September 2023 indicate collaboration between the prosecutor's office in Munich and their Dutch, Belgian and French counterparts.

Any new information will be shared.

via actforfree.noblogs.org

About Raids and a §129 Procedure Against Anarchists and the Theft of a Printing Space

- May 2022

What happened?

As previously published, on Tuesday, April 26, in Munich coordinated raids were conducted against anarchists accused of forming a criminal organization (§129). Four apartments were searched (2 of them without any of the accused living there), as well as several basement storage rooms (some of the neighboring cellars of those to the accused were also searched), a printing space, and the anarchist library Frevel.

Coordinated by State Security (K43), a bunch of hooded USK cops with battering rams, partly drawn weapons and some even in chain-mail – yes, whether this cop had lost a bet or whether it was a knight-themed week, we will probably never know – stormed into the apartments at 6 a.m. sharp. This infamous testosterone-fueled bunch even rammed open a door whose key was inserted in the lock on the outside. At some of the apartments, the cops or their colleagues from K123 (Digital Forensics/Telecommunications Surveillance) must have logged into the local WLAN network beforehand, as they seemed to have a precise idea of which devices were connected to the local WLAN network at that time: equipped with power banks and presumably Faraday cages (which serve to shield radio signals) in the form of pouches, the officers immediately snatched the devices, all of them smartphones, and secured them while they were still switched on.

Following this prelude, the investigators of the K43 came to the scene and waved around the search warrants to the people concerned, and introduced all pseudo-witnesses from local municipal authorities that had come along. And then it started: for about six and a half hours, the pigs rummaged through the usual stuff like computers, storage media, and cell phones, but also printers, anarchist publications, “documents and/or files that provide information about left-wing extremist-anarchist ideas”, personal records, financial data, “documents and/or files that provide information about any attack plan of the defendants,” as well as “plans, tools and/or raw materials for the production of bombs, incendiary devices or other objects suitable for carrying out a terrorist attack”; in other words, simply everything. They seized storage media, computers

(including those belonging to individuals not accused), printers, personal notes, letter correspondence, and several hundred anarchist publications in a several languages. In addition, they searched intensively for contracts of other rented premises, and probably also demanded to see contracts from the landlords of the basement rooms that were searched.

At the same time, searches also took place in a printing space, several basement rooms, and the anarchist library Frevel, for which both the search warrant and seizure protocols are missing. Here, too, the cops broke in and subsequently changed the locks or left the premises open.

From the anarchist library Frevel, the cops took certain specific publications, posters, stickers, and so on, and also stole the computer printer.

The situation was different in the fully-equipped printing space. There, the cops brought in a truck and a crane and confiscated everything: the risograph (a printing machine) with its associated drums, the cutting machine, the sorting machine, the gluing machine, and even a historic letterpress and dozens of drawers of lead letters, which has all ended up in the cops’ evidence rooms. But that’s not all. Thousands of books, pamphlets, and newspapers were taken, from the words of Malatesta and Kropotkin to those of Bonanno, as well as many current pamphlets and newspapers, some 50,000 sheets of blank paper, ink, and much more. Finally, as a sign of respect, the cops poured a pack of coffee down the sink and made off with their loot in a 40-ton truck.

What is it about?

Three comrades are accused of forming a criminal organization, not only because they are considered “members of the left-wing extremist-anarchist scene” who “reject the existence and the value system of the Federal Republic of Germany and any form of state order” and “regard violence, especially violence against property and/or police officers, as a legitimate means of enforcing their views,” but, above all, because they allegedly produced, published, and distributed the anarchist weekly Zündlumpen. In the documentation, this is followed by a list of 15 excerpts from various issues of Zündlumpen, (which counted a total of 85

numbers), each of which is said to be “content subject to criminal prosecution.” Directly from the pages from the search warrant, we reproduce below a few gems:

“On 10.04.2020, the defendants published the short message “Burn, e-scooter, burn!” on the Zündlumpen website (found here <https://zuendlumpen.noblogs.org/post/2020/04/10/>.) They wrote about the fire, which occurred on 04.04.2020 in Munich’s Freimann district, of two such motor vehicles, and again on 06.04.2020 on the edge of Munich’s English Garden. They described the vehicles as a “plague” that had to be sabotaged. Through that headline, the defendants condoned the arsons of 04.04.2020 and 06.04.2020 by unknown perpetrators.”

“In issue 61 from April 13, 2020, the defendants called for slashing the tires of police vehicles, setting fire to police vehicles, and creating roadblocks out of burning dumpsters in an article written as a comic strip entitled “Rebellion Against Curfew.” The drawings function as precise instructions for action. The defendants thereby incited anti-constitutional sabotage, damage to property, destruction of important work equipment, arson, and breach of the peace.”

“In issue 62 from April 21, 2020, the defendants published a threatening message to the Bavarian Minister of the Interior Dr. Joachim Herrmann in the article ‘What our (secret) readers think, say and write about us’ with the following wording: ‘Dear Joachim, ... I for one have learned from the experiences of other subversives how to deal with with people like you. Discussing with a tyrant? You must know, I am historically on the side of those – theoretically of course ;) – who preferred to let tyrants bite the dust before their time. And one thing should be clear to you, police chiefs have always been high on this list – even higher than emperors, czars and kings.’ It is to be assumed that the accused were aware that the officer in question takes this threat seriously.”

DNA collection was ordered against the three accused.

More context?

Since all this crap was constructed and contrived in the Bavarian Central Office for Combating Extremism and Terrorism (ZET) at the Munich General Prosecutor’s Office, which was founded in 2017, and information for the underlying investigation is said to have come from the Bavarian LKA and the domestic intelligence agency, it becomes clear that there is more at stake here than a few quotations from an anarchist newspaper that has been discontinued since over half a year.

One could ask themselves whether the ZET and the State Security might be bored or whether they need to

prove to themselves that they are useful for something, even if it is only to get on the nerves of anarchists, but perhaps that would be a bit too short-sighted. After all, proceedings based on §§ 129 and 129a have recently experienced a real revival: in more and more instances, cops are initiating §129 proceedings against anarchists or even anti-fascists, but only rarely do they actually result in any charges. Rather, these proceedings are a common pretext to extensively snoop around in specific scenes and surroundings. Raids, which are also directed against non-accused people, are only one of the elements of the police’s structural investigations. Observation, telecommunication monitoring, the installation of bugs, cameras and other equipment to spy on and monitor people often accompany such procedures. It is therefore reasonable to suspect that in this case as well, a specific milieu is being targeted for surveillance.

And then there is the brazen and long-planned theft of an entire printing space and thousands of publications, an obvious attempt to destroy an infrastructure that promotes the spreading of anarchist ideas! If it is supposed to be about a specific newspaper, Zündlumpen, why were other newspapers and publications seized en masse? Why was unprinted paper, ink, and all equipment for the production of books, pamphlets, and newspapers taken away?

Obviously, the cops and the Prosecutor General’s Office (ZET) are after more: they are trying to prevent the spreading of anarchist ideas and stir up paranoia. They attempt this, for example, by confiscating entire archives of anarchist texts and also removing (single!) copies of a newspaper from a bookshelf in a home, along with all sorts of technical equipment.

We are not surprised. Anarchist ideas have always been beyond and against any law, and there is consequently a long history of persecution of anarchist ideas. The recent raids in Munich will certainly not extinguish the flame in our hearts! Nor will they prevent others from grabbing a printer and reprinting all that the cops have confiscated.

If fighting for freedom is a crime, innocence is the worst crime of them all!

Freshly raided and still here,

A few anarchos from Bavaria

via actforfree.noblogs.org

Latest Developments and Context Concerning the §129 Trial in Munich or: The Persecution of Anarchists and Cigarette Butts in the Bavarian-Christian Kingdom

- November 2022

The following text is intended to give some background to the ongoing §129 trial [for criminal association] in Munich and to provide information about recent developments as well as to provide a general assessment of the whole situation. The proceedings became known on 26.04.22, when coordinated house searches took place in four apartments, the anarchist library Frevel and a print shop.

Before we explain what we know about the chronological course that the investigations took, we'll repeat the charges: the §129 criminal association case, including the 15 criminal offenses we are charged with (either calling for criminal acts, approving criminal acts, threatening, or both), relates to the accusation of having edited, written, printed, and distributed the anarchist newspaper Zündlumpen, published from May 2019 to September 2021. In short, the accused are alleged to be the Zündlumpen editorial staff, which in turn is alleged to be a criminal organization.

How did it all begin?

Zündlumpen was given the immeasurable honor of having its first accusation assigned to it by the Bavarian-Christian viceroy, Dr. Joachim Hermann himself. To explain: since the beginning of time, the disciplined CSU [governing conservative Bavarian party] man Joachim has been commander-in-chief of his equally disciplined executive authorities, for Joachim is Bavarian Minister of the Interior. Joachim watches over the Bavarian police, not known for their leniency, as well as the Bavarian borders and the Bavarian constitutional protection. With Joachim it is clear that when it comes to borders, he wants them closed, when it comes to refugees, he doesn't want them, when it comes to police officers, he wants tens of thousands of new ones, when it comes to "security", Joachim wants to invest billions of euros, when Joachim talks about a black person, he calls him "a wonderful negro" and when it comes to left-wing extremism, Joachim sees a "growing danger" year after year when he presents the secret service report. So it was Joachim himself, the majestic highness of the green armada, who suddenly felt threatened by Zündlumpen. When Zündlumpen, making reference to some statements made by Joachim about dangerous Zündlumpen, basically wrote that one would indeed stand historically and purely theoretically on the side of the murderers of kings etc., Joachim Hermann personally made an accusation for

"threat".

Everyone knows that the repressive authorities in Bavaria are annoying and old-school, even Dr. Joachim's rapping son Jakob aka Jaggy Jackpot: "Lots of jobs, lots of cops, that's Bavaria, bro. / That means I hold the weed by my balls, bro." So Zündlumpen is guilty of lese-majesty, this time in the form of threat – the start of a large-scale investigation whose political motivation could not be clearer or more symbolic given this prelude.

First investigations

After this first report, however, Zündlumpen continued to diligently collect accusations. The most recent was after March 2020, when everything was revolving around Covid, when Zündlumpen recommended that it would be best to spit on police officers in the event of a Covid infection. A tremor went through the social media networks of the cops. In Erfurt, Lüneburg and Cologne, accusations of incitement to commit a crime were filed, and the respective public prosecutors' offices forwarded them to Munich. At about the same time, posters appeared in Munich whose originals had appeared in Zündlumpen, and the fact that these were put up did not escape the attention of the police either. Some obedient citizens also occasionally got hold of Zündlumpen in their hands or mailboxes, which provoked them to such an extent that they immediately called the cops. As time went by, the reports concerning Zündlumpen piled up on the desk of the criminal police officers for left-wing extremism (State Protection).

The first steps of the investigation were as follows: trying to identify the IP address of author of the Zündlumpen blog on noblogs. No results. Then the LKA tried to analyze the printed image of the captured Zündlumpen issues: these were apparently printed with an inkjet printer. Then the recovered Zündlumpen issues were analyzed for DNA, which again yielded no results.

A further step was then to file a complaint against Zündlumpen for instructing people to commit crimes, since in a subsequent issue (during the curfew at the time) it explained how to switch off street lamps. This explanation was then linked by the Munich State Security to a number of cables that were cut in Internet and telephone boxes in Munich. Since power cables were cut, which lay open afterwards, an investigation

was opened for “sabotage endangering the state”. For these boxes sabotaged on 31.12.2021 which interrupted Internet and telephone lines, the police investigated a little bit and came up empty handed. Apparently, the cops could not take any traces from the boxes, because in view of the open lines, a Telecom employee always had to come first to repair the box. The investigative strategies used by the cops did not provide any evidence, such as inquiries at supra-regional police stations as to whether something similar had happened before, as well as the posting of calls for witnesses or the analysis of possible routes of the perpetrators. The State Security was in active contact with Telecom Security regarding this matter and wanted to suggest whether it would be possible to introduce an alarm system in the event of disturbances, which would immediately inform the police. However, Telecom Security rejected this idea because they thought that there would be too many disturbances.

Thus, at that time, several accusations and investigations were already being conducted against Zündlumpen, all of which did not lead to any results. The discontinuation of the investigation was considered... but then the Office for the Protection of the Constitution (BfV) [Germany's federal domestic intelligence agency] intervened...

Tada!

...and then the investigations “suddenly” proceeded against three accused, which the police conjured out of the hat after an intermezzo with the BfV. It is not surprising that this passing on of information obviously took place in a very “unregulated” and “non-transparent” manner (the fact that the BfV in particular works in a relatively “non-transparent” manner is no longer a secret, at least since the National Socialist Underground scandal). Incidentally, three people are the minimum number needed to legally constitute a criminal organization. While the BfV provided some analyses of Zündlumpen's ideology (insurrectionary anarchism), radicalism and proximity to violence as well as language (the word for cop, ‘Bulle’, is used so and so often), the State Security cops now investigated three people for the formation of a criminal organization. The BfV provided some background information on the three defendants and put forward the theses that they are all anarchists and that they are all supposed to have connections to the library Frevel (which anyway is a very dangerous and criminal place). In addition, it becomes apparent that the BfV has constructed a fixed milieu of the Library Frevel, which was also the focus of surveillance measures. In this context, the BfV also mentions a number of unsolved crimes and arsons committed in Munich.

But what do the cops accuse the respective defendants of, or how did they come to be targeted?

“Person 1” of the investigation is accused of having rented a room in which Zündlumpen is supposed to have been produced (a so-called investigative hypothesis, i.e.: a mere assumption without circumstantial evidence). In addition, person 1 is said to be known to the police, to be an anarchist and to know other anarchists. The police found out about the existence of this print space through a coincidental phone call, after which a police patrol drove by the location because of a noise complaint... and other police officers are said to have found out through a control on the street that anarchist things are printed there a few days later. In addition, another cop is said to have seen Person 1 coincidentally once in the context of unrelated snooping around in the building in question, recognized him, and then inquired about the tenant to the landlord.

“Person 2” is accused of having studied computer science, which is said to be an indication that he has the professional skills to run a Noblogs blog, which presented the LKA's computer scientists with insurmountable hurdles to de-anonymization. In addition, person 2 is said to have pasted posters twice which are said to have been about similar things as the contents of Zündlumpen (e.g. IAA). In addition, person 2 occasionally writes stupid sayings and exclamations against police officers in the “subjects” of their bank account transfers, which Zündlumpen also does. He is also said to be an anarchist and known to the police.

“Person 3” is accused of speaking French, which is supposed to suggest that she made translations from French for Zündlumpen. In addition, Person 3 is said to have been filmed once inside a church by a surveillance camera leaving a single copy of a Zündlumpen. She also allegedly ordered things from her bank account that could be used for printing things, among other things.

This construction allowed police, the public prosecutor's office and judges to finally initiate surveillance and other monitoring measures as well as to execute house searches in April 2022 that had already been planned for two months. The BfV was also given general authority for comprehensive surveillance measures over this period and beyond. During the house searches, all rooms were always searched, since it was claimed that anarchists would live everywhere, as they would be ready for violence and also would share property among themselves. The fact that some people seemed to live in the apartments who were not previously listed as roommates did not stop them from confiscating laptops, USB sticks, personal letters, etc. from them and taking handwriting samples. There was

also a search warrant for the alleged partner of one of the residents, which was not executed.

A cigarette butt – voilà!

After the cops had raced away from the private apartments with dozens of boxes of stuff and all kinds of newspapers, brochures (in short, with all paper that appeared anarchistic) and had taken everything in the print shop that wasn't a chair or a trash can (i.e. tens of thousands of sheets of blank paper, all the machines, thousands of newspapers and books), they set about analyzing all the objects from the print shop for DNA traces, as if it had been a clandestine bomb laboratory. They took dozens and dozens of samples from printers and machines... and finally found a known DNA trace!

This DNA trace could supposedly be attributed to "Person 4", while at the same time ruling out that any other DNA trace was from Person 4. So person 4 is said to have smoked a cigarette in the print shop... and voilà, person 4 is now also part of the criminal organization. Because person 4 is also said to be an anarchist and known to the police. The ridiculous accusation of smoking a cigarette in a print shop was enough for a judge to grant a search warrant, which has not yet been enforced... [it was put into practice a few days after this text was published] and which again says that all anarchist printed matter, personal documents, printers etc. should be confiscated. Interesting: the cops always want to confiscate the WLAN routers in order to evaluate the MAC addresses stored in them.

The absurdity of it all

The police obviously have an enormous political motivation to break up spaces that are frequented and used by anarchists, which was also shown by their harassment and intimidation of the landlord of the anarchist library Frevel, who subsequently terminated the library's lease. The interaction of the Ministry of the Interior, the Secret Service for the Interior, the State Security cops, and the Bavarian Federal Police (LKA) has the effect that it is sufficient to be an anarchist, to be counted among a group of people, and to supposedly know people in order to be accused of a criminal organization. The Bavarian state is not afraid to create the image of a dictatorship when its henchmen confiscate any anarchist publication and printing equipment, nor to intimidate landlords in a Mafia-like manner and threaten to search their houses if they do not hand over rental contracts. The state is obviously concerned with stifling the presence of anarchist ideas, spaces, relationships, and practices. The legal aspect of this attempt is significant: the police cannot establish an actual link between any of the now four accused persons and Zündlumpen, let alone the writing of

articles. Main accusation: the accused are anarchists and allegedly know each other. The investigation direction, which the state pursues, is to construct any circumstantial evidence with hits of DNA traces! They try to find DNA traces of anarchists on printers or single issues of the Zündlumpen or only somewhere in a print shop and then present this as if they are part of the editorial staff of the Zündlumpen. This absurd construction is enough for the public prosecutor's office and the judiciary to wave through any repressive measure and any search and seizure. This investigative tactic has relevance for the entire Federal Republic: if the cops, judges and prosecutors working here succeed in making the mere accusation that a DNA trace found on a newspaper, a printing device or any object in a print shop is supposed to correspond to the fact that you allegedly printed, distributed or even who wrote the articles, then the possession of any anarchist newspaper is a potential crime. Fahrenheit 451 sends its regards!

The push to substantiate the publishing of a newspaper with DNA traces (like on cigarette butts in a print shop) is a repressive maneuver that concerns us all! The Bavarian state wants to suppress not only the existence of anarchist spaces and publications, but also the mere possession, reading and printing of anarchist newspapers.

These latest repressive advances in Munich concern all subversives, rebels, anarchists, anti-authoritarians and wild hearts. Because if it is a crime to read anarchist newspapers, then none of us are innocent!

Freedom for the printing machines and all prisoners worldwide!

Solidarity and greetings to all others affected by \$129 proceedings!

Some anarchist bookworms from Bavaria

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Hate Speech and Fire Against the State!

A CLOSER LOOK AT SOME SPONTANEOUS
COMBUSTIONS WHICH HAVE AROUSED THE
INTEREST OF THE POLICE DOGS, AND A FEW
EXEMPLARY WORDS OF ANALYSIS FROM THE
UNCONTROLLABLE ELEMENTS IN MUNICH AND
BEYOND



Geothermal Energy Gets Hot (and Not Only)

- October 2023

On Wednesday October 18, Munich's reluctant public prosecutor issued a statement designed to reassure the brave Bavarian electorate. This time, it wasn't a question of licking the hand of the authorities, as usual, but of making public a few facts about a case that has been giving him a hard time since the beginning of the month. He thus announced the creation of a specialized group called "Geo", made up of various investigators from the criminal investigation department, whose aim is to study the sabotage committed throughout Bavaria. Indeed, it's perhaps no coincidence that the local press was already alarmed last week that "politically-motivated acts have increased considerably" in the region of late, particularly against communication, transport and energy infrastructures.

The name of this police task force, announced with great fanfare by the public prosecutor, refers to the triple sabotage incident in Polling, a village some 50 km east of Munich, which took place around 3.30 a.m. on Sunday night, October 2. There, under the stars and in just a few minutes, ten construction machines and the electrical transformer on the site of a geothermal power plant under construction, as well as a timber

extraction vehicle parked in the adjacent forest and a cable shaft along the Mühldorf-Garching railroad line, went up in smoke.

In view of the damage caused (estimated at 2.5 million euros) to the future geothermal power plant in the industrial zone – where drilling for hot water at a depth of 2,600 meters began in April – and to Deutsche Bahn, whose rail services between Salzburg (Austria) and Munich (Germany) were interrupted, the case was quickly referred to the Bavarian Central Office for Combating Extremism and Terrorism (ZET).

While a helicopter of cops had flown over the area that very night in vain in search of possible suspects, and anti-terrorism experts had visited the various sites over the following days to analyze them and comb the surrounding area, it is now the "Geo" investigation group that will exchange the information gathered on site with all the police services of Bavaria in order to broaden its investigation into "similar" attacks...

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Two More Forestry Machines Go up in Smoke

- December 2024

Once again, forestry machines go up in flames: on Monday morning December 18, the Munich police were once again informed of a forestry machine fire in their area of responsibility, this time in the Hofoldingen forest, south of Brunnthal. The fire involved a tree feller and a forklift. Initial estimates put the damage at several hundred thousand euros.

Police station no. 43, responsible for “politically motivated left-wing crime”, is investigating possible links with previous arsons. Just a week ago, on Monday December 12, similar forestry equipment was on fire in Perlach Forest and Forstenrieder Park, also early in the morning, and a fire also broke out overnight in

a cable shaft on the Ludwigsbrücke bridge. By Friday morning, December 15, police had again recorded two forestry machines ablaze, this time in the Pullach area of Forstenrieder Park.

These events are part of a series of around 20 arson attacks against infrastructure since May. There is currently no communique or information on the suspects.

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The rail-mounted factory didn't make it through the night...

- July 2024

Some don't appreciate anonymous attacks on power, to say the least. On one side are the narrow-minded of the revolutionary movement, who see nothing but “recuperation” when comrades highlight and defend acts that speak to them. At the opposite end of the spectrum, for example, are the Munich cops, who in 2023 had to set up a special investigation group called “Raute”, under the State Protection Service (Staatsschutz), to try and solve some 30 arson attacks that left no textual clues. These included sabotage of communications, energy, logistics and war infrastructures*, two of which were the subject of raids by German police on comrades in Brussels and Amsterdam last May

After a few months' respite, the lackeys of Bavaria's good order were hoping to finally bask in the summer

sun, if not for the return of the ghosts that haunt their sleepless nights. In Oberhaching, a small village to the south of Munich, a 200-meter-long ballast cleaner machine was parked to replace the track ballast between the S-Bahn (suburban railway) stations of Deisenhofen and Solln. A fine civilizational undertaking that was ruined at around 4am on Wednesday July 31, when several incendiary devices were judiciously placed to devour it in flames. The damage caused by the sabotage is estimated at around 500,000 euros, or “a six-figure sum in the middle of the range”, as they say in the bureaucratic language of uniforms. Not least because the expensive steel snake consisting of two excavation chains and three screen systems is now out of action, and part of it had to be dismantled on site.

In addition to the fire department, which had been

alerted by a brave citizen, large numbers of Munich and federal police – the latter with a helicopter to track down the perpetrators in vain – were dispatched to the scene of the attack. The fire department also searched the entire machine with thermal imaging cameras, looking for other parts on fire, and the machinery had been burning for a long time was then analyzed by the “Raute” investigation group, which of course was also on the scene.

They immediately ruled out a technical fault, while Deutsche Bahn (DB, Germany’s national railway company) declined to comment, hiding behind ongoing investigations, especially as “politically-motivated arson” looms large. The “Raute” investigators consulted their papers and remembered that a similar attack had already taken place last autumn, alongside the sabotage of fiber optics, cell towers, construction machinery, gravel extraction plants and geothermal pipelines in the region. On October 28, 2023, a rail construction machine equipped with a railway crane was set on fire at Unterföhring, this time in the northern suburbs of Munich.

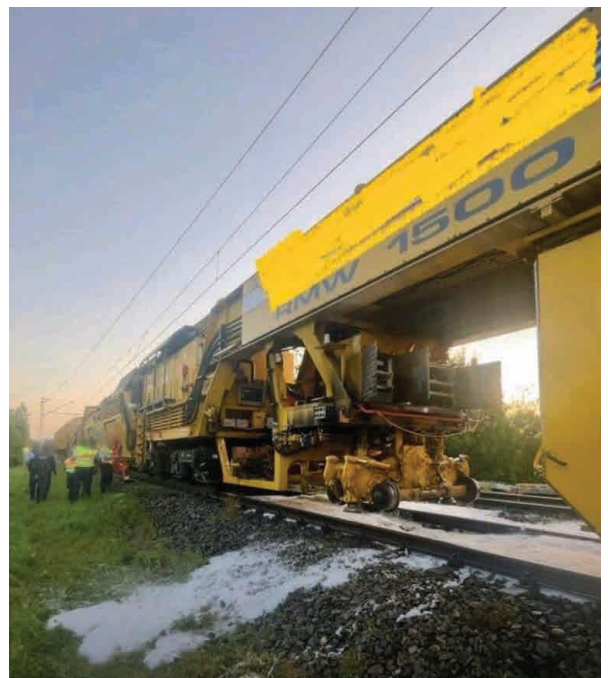
As for the mysterious motivations and perspectives of the ghosts, perhaps it’s worth mirroring the words of a manager of this equipment (from the company GTU Mobility), who pled not to attack him: “This is much more than just an attack on a construction site: it’s an attack on our common future. Rail is the backbone of our economy and our daily lives”...

* Note of Sans Nom: A detailed overview of these 30 sabotages can be found in the article “Ghosts continue to haunt the night”.

[summary of Bavarian regional newspapers (ÖVB & Merkur), September 2, 2024]

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Incendiary Attack on a Wind Turbine

- September 2024

On Sunday night, September 9, the waxing moon had just formed its first quarter over Lake Starnberg, some twenty kilometers southwest of Munich. Was this enough for the fish to discern the thick smoke coming from the wind farm that has been standing for ten years in the forest above the village of Berg, on the right bank of the lake? In any case, they won't breathe a word to the investigators from the Upper Bavarian Criminal Investigation Department, tasked with solving the arson attack on one of the giants planted there at around 3am. Firstly, as a matter of dignity. Secondly, as a matter of principle, the limpid waters of the Ice Age have seen many others, such as the lifeless body of King Ludwig II, or the first summers of his cousin "Sissi", before she was lightened of her burden on the shores of another lake by the sharpened blade of an anarchist.

What happened on that cold autumn night in the forest between a freeway and the eastern shore of Lake Starnberg? According to Bürgerwind Berg GmbH, the engineering office in charge of technical support for the Alpine wind farm operator, a first warning message was sent to them by the safety sensors on a wind turbine, followed by a second at around 3:59 a.m., which recited in code: "smoke in the nacelle". In other words, in the machine room, some 150 meters up on the rotor side. The facts became much simpler as soon as the sleuths were able to get to the scene. According to the police report, unknown persons attacked the massive door of the wind tower with an angle grinder, cutting an opening of "40 by 60 centimetres", before introducing "previously ignited objects" inside the structure.

The uniforms also pointed out that "these accelerants were extinguished, however, before the fire spread further to certain [other] parts of the power plant, which would have caused millions in damage". But friends of industrial wind turbines shouldn't cry victory too soon, since the incendiary devices did their job well enough to bring the Bavarian wind turbine to a forced standstill for several days, with a door to replace, installations completely covered in soot, and damage finally estimated at 10,000 euros.

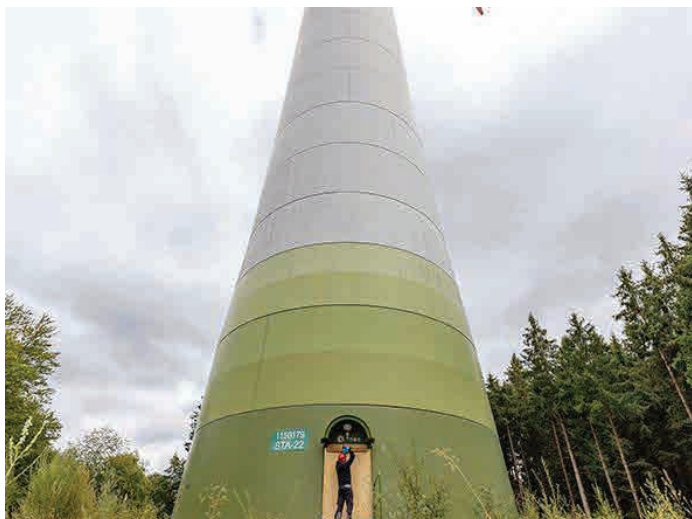
And given the noble silence of the fish in Lake Starnberg, why not conclude with a look at the first mayor of Berg, whose municipality owns shares in the wind power company. The dejected Berg mayor made his own contribution to the heated debate, telling the local press: "It's unbelievable. It takes a lot of criminal energy to pull that off. When a house is burgled, the criminals take something with them. In this case, all they wanted to do was destroy. We're desperately trying to make a success of the energy transition and avoid climate catastrophe, and here we are being derailed like this."

"Criminal energy" that sets out to identify the structures of the enemy vs. "green energy" that continues to ravage the planet to fuel techno-industrial civilization – this is certainly a hotly debated topic, from which even a mayor perched deep in wealthy Bavaria can no longer escape...

[synthesis of Bavarian regional newspapers (Süddeutsche Zeitung & Merkur), September 9, 2024]

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Sabotaging the Concrete Industry...

- September 2024

Around 3am on Sunday night, September 2, employees of a small company called the fire department to report a fire at their neighbor's premises. Their neighbor, in the Detmoldstraße industrial park to the north of Munich, is none other than a huge factory: the Max Bögl Concrete Plant, which has been covering the world in its filth since 1929 and, according to its own figures, employs 6,500 people at 40 sites worldwide.

On site, the firefighters were quickly dismayed. The flames were engulfing the production site in various places. On one side, six concrete transport trucks were ablaze, on the other an excavator, and finally, high in the sky, the company's conveyor belt lit up the night. Despite the general alarm sounded by the first firefighters, who were joined by some fifty colleagues, the fire continued to spread, and the conveyor belt fire eventually reached the top of the mixing silo, starting to eat away at it, at the same time as several blocks of compressed cardboard from a nearby waste disposal site began to smell a bit scorched. It wasn't until 6.30 a.m. that the sabotage against the concrete plant, which caused millions of euros worth of damage, was finally extinguished.

In the Bavarian context, needless to say, not only did the investigators immediately emphasize the arson aspect of the fire, particularly in view of the number of scattered fires, but they also referred to an "extremist context", pointing out that "in the past, fires have occurred on several occasions in and around Munich, notably against construction sites, geothermal and

railway installations and cell towers. The most recent of these was a rail-mounted machine set on fire in the Munich district. The Munich public prosecutor's office has entrusted the investigations to the Raute specialized investigation group, which has already been responsible for previous cases focusing on the "radical extreme left".

As for concrete multinational Max Bögl, whose motto "Progress is built on ideas" is waved from Shanghai to Amsterdam, and from Bucharest to Berlin on every one of its excrements (including the Tesla factory in 2020 in the latter city), all that's left for him to do is grumble about a far more subversive meaning of the word "ideas". At least, if we are to believe an old revolutionary, who precisely concluded his text "The Reaction in Germany" with a famous phrase, which he would explain a few years later as follows: "The negative passion for destruction is far from sufficient to raise the revolutionary cause to the desired level; but without it, this cause is inconceivable, even impossible, for there can be no revolution without profound and passionate destruction, a saving and fertile destruction, precisely because from it, and only through it, new worlds are created and birthed"...

[Summary of Bavarian regional newspapers (*Abend-Zeitung* & *MuenchenTV*), September 3, 2024]

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Burning Upstream Fiber Optic Installers

- July 2022

On Sunday night, July 25, at about 3:00 a.m., flames several meters high suddenly rose into the dark sky in the Obersendling district of southern Munich: five trucks, five trailers and an excavator of the BTP construction company burned down on its site, which is used as a logistics and storage center for several construction sites in the city.

According to the police, traces found at the scene indicate that it was an arson attack, and the damage is estimated at two million euros. The damage to two 7.5-ton trucks, three 3.5-ton trucks, an excavator and five trailers, plus construction equipment and machinery destroyed by the fire, already amount to more than one and a half million euros. In addition, 25 reels of fiber optic cable were burned to a crisp and 10 large rolls of cable and sheathing worth well over 200,000 euros.

Due to the heavy smoke development, the adjacent railroad tracks to Wolfratshausen and Holzkirchen were temporarily closed for safety reasons. After about an hour, the various fires on the site were extinguished. The fire department remained in action until about 5 a.m. to extinguish the last embers.

The German State Security (Staatsschutz) is now in charge of the further investigation, under the leadership of the police station K 43, which is responsible for crimes related to the extreme left-wing spectrum. There are no traces of the perpetrators at the moment, but a connection to the arson attacks on infrastructure in and around Munich in recent years is being examined.

In May 2021, underground cables were damaged in the vicinity of the Eastern Railway Station, leaving 20,000 households without electricity [the fire temporarily shut down the Rohde & Schwarz arms company]. In the past, several cell phone masts and a gravel pit near Deisenhofen were also burned down. In August 2021, an arson attack was also carried out on a gravel mining company in the Forst Kasten region, whose continued operation in the area meant the removal of another 1,000 trees.

from Sozialer Zorn, (excerpts from the local press)

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Arson on the Yard of Bauer (complicit in building Coastal GasLink)

- August 2022

On August 3, a few weeks after the involvement of the German company Bauer in the building process of the Coastal GasLink Pipeline through manufacturing equipment for the drilling process became known, local media report a nighttime fire on the company's main office yard in Schrobenhausen, Germany.

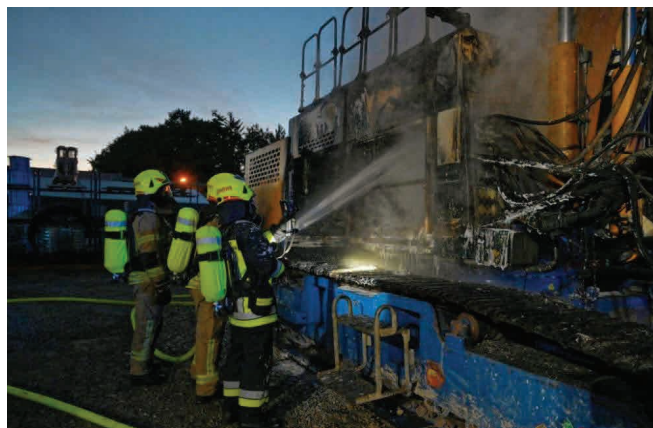
According to the media, three highly expensive vehicles were set on fire by unknown attackers. At least one of them is one of those phallus-shaped drilling machines, used to rape the earth during pipeline construction processes all over the world. While media photos show this machine completely torched, it is reported that

the fires on two other machines could be extinguished, but caused nevertheless huge damages. For sure none of this machinery will be used for the construction of extractivist infrastructure sometime soon, be it at the drilling site near Wedzin Kwa or elsewhere in the world.

[summary taken from the German Media and Montreal Counterinfo]

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If Not Now, When?

Zundlumpen #64

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In recent years, all the devices around us have begun to take on a life of their own. Modern televisions record the conversations of those around them, modern refrigerators do the stock management and even modern ovens are no longer limited to being an electric fireplace: they have internet interfaces that are supposed to enable them to be switched on from “on the road” and through which they exchange data with their owners and other curious people at will. With smartphones, most people have long since bugged themselves voluntarily and in all their movements. So it's hardly surprising that more than a few people are also willingly taking Amazon's Alexa spying program into their homes. And while “technology enthusiasts” are excitedly building their “smart home” cage, the state and a handful of technology companies have even more extensive plans and visions. Voluntary (self) surveillance within one's own four walls was yesterday: the “smart city” of today and tomorrow includes an

impressive repertoire of sensor technologies to not only meticulously record and monitor who is where and with whom, but also to control the movements and actions of the city's inhabitants with subtle and less subtle methods, to direct and manipulate them. On closer inspection, this also seems bitterly necessary, because in the increasingly misanthropic environments of today's cities, in which the highest priority is given to the transport of human livestock to offices, shops and factories, as well as to the transport of goods to satisfy false needs, any subversive potential must be silenced, or better yet, integrated into this illusion of life before it spreads like an epidemic and causes irreparable damage to this beautiful, perfect world.

But how can an entire city be controlled? Where conventional methods of architecture, police work, psychiatry, prison society, schools, education, etc. reach their limits, information technology opens

up new, previously unknown possibilities. And the controlled? They let themselves be sold (literally) as progress (which perhaps it is, but there is nothing inherently positive about progress), as a solution to their problems. Isn't it convenient that Google Maps always shows you the fastest way to work? Isn't it pleasant to use that e scooter for the last bit of the way home, which is so conveniently on my way? And what about paying? Contactless payment in instalments with your smartphone, splitting the bill via Paypal, and it doesn't even occur to you to simply carry your purchases back out to the entrance and take to your heels. Who would think of such an idea with all the cameras?

Most of these "offers" are only possible if data can be exchanged everywhere and at any time. How else would Google know exactly where the traffic is congested, how would the far too many (but ultimately quite few) e scooters get to where their customers are waiting for them? How should it be ensured that the necessary credit or credit line is available on the account for a payment transaction? That's right: all this only works if the internet is available every where. And if I already have access to the Internet, I might as well take advantage of all the other services cyberspace has to offer. Never again do I have to waste my time. When I take the subway to work, it doesn't cost me any more time: I can read the news, stream the latest episode of my favourite series, keep in touch with my friends via Whatsapp, take pictures for Instagram, and so on. And because it's so easy, I never have to feel bored again. Every free minute I can look at my smartphone instead of getting lost in my thoughts. Sometimes, looking at this device even seems more exciting to me than a contact that takes place here, in reality – to touch, so to speak. Let's not let boredom arise. But when I look back at the end of the day and see what remains of all this, it is only the emptiness that this activity leaves behind as an end in itself. I may not have felt boredom, but instead I have led a rather boring life. My life has become the epitome of a controlled existence. My actions have not only become predictable, they are no longer even mine. Is this what I once dreamed of my life to be? Working all day and watching Netflix or porn to unwind? A normality that is only interrupted by the release of dopamine on the occasion of incoming push notifications? But on a regular basis, sometimes even every minute ...

Even the most enthusiastic advocates of the new "always online" ideology have realised that this way of life cannot be the "real thing". "Digital Detox" is one of the latest trends from Silicon Valley and refers to a kind of "holiday" from the use of all the consequently toxic devices. For a few days, a week or sometimes even a

month, overworked users are supposed to take a break from smartphone and computer use and thus detoxify their bodies and minds from all the technological junk. But why take the poison in the first place? While governments, technology companies and their disciples are still experimenting with the right dose of this digital poison, for all the others the main question is: why should I let this poison be administered? After all, none of this is my vision. And yet, looking around, I can clearly see the ways in which this vision has determined and will change my life today and in the (near) future. Even if I don't carry around my own bug with the practical touch display, thanks to countless cameras and other sensors I can hardly take a step in this city any more without where I am going being recorded. Even if I haven't welcomed the smartphone independent private spying program "Alexa" into my home, don't own any "smart" ovens, TVs, fridges, etc., it's enough that my neighbour or my friends own such devices. Anyone who allows such a device to spy on their environment is, of course, also enabling them to monitor not only themselves but others as well. The technocrats' calculation works: once they have managed to get a certain amount of spying devices into circulation, they are able to control all people, regardless of whether they (willingly) share their vision or not. In my eyes, this point has been long since passed. Faster and faster internet connections, better and better wireless networks have in the last few years led to an increase in the number of devices (and objects) spying on us: from street lights to ovens. Everything seems to have eyes and ears these days. And the whole thing has only just begun. Today, those who want to or are not paying attention can have their heartbeat and other vital parameters monitored by watches and bracelets. In the future, at least according to the textile industry, our clothes will do it all by themselves. And that is just one example of how the number of things that spy on us will explode. Conventional wireless networks, which today mainly supply people's smart phones with internet, are no longer sufficient. They are too slow and cannot address enough devices simultaneously.

That's the reason for the development of 5G, but also why tech bigwigs like Elon Musk (the nutcase who wants to colonise Mars to make humanity a "transplanetary species" – no joke, that's his motivation!) or Amazon boss Bezos and others are working on launching thousands of satellites into space to provide high speed global internet coverage – and presumably spy on us in other ways as well. Several hundred of these space peeping toms are already watching us.

What some want to realise with satellites in space, others are planning with a terrestrial radio network on the ground. As a new mobile radio standard, 5G

is supposed to bring faster internet for a multitude of devices. For example, 5G should be able to address up to around 100 billion mobile devices at the same time. That is an average of 12.5 devices per person walking the earth. And they should all be able to exchange data at 50 Mbit/s to 2 GBit/s. Why? The pretence that the architects of our technological prison are concerned with bringing us the freedom and possibilities of fast internet and the blessings of technology does not fool us. If the tech industry's masters were so concerned with our well being, how is it that during the standardisation process of 5G, for example, as well as since the introduction of a nationwide wireless network, all health concerns have simply been pushed aside? Instead, those who have raised and continue to raise health concerns have been and continue to be called conspiracy theorists, even though none of the proponents of wireless networks has yet been able to prove (how could they?!) that they are not harmful. While many countries have constantly increased the limits for radio wave exposure in order to pave the way for new technologies that have been able to comply with them thanks to these adjustments, one must at the same time ask oneself why such limits exist at all if everyone seems to be so convinced that radio technology does not cause any health hazards. What is actually a minor matter for me (because worse than any health impact of radio waves – for me this is only a minor factor in the context of the harmfulness of civilisation – is the social impacts of their technology), nevertheless seems to be excellent proof of how indifferent the actors who are pushing so hard for 5G expansion and the expansion of the mobile network or a satellite communication network really are to the well being of people, which they otherwise place so much emphasis on.

The irony of it all – I probably would never have been able to present it so succinctly without the developments of the last few weeks – reveals itself particularly where the 5G expansion is currently being pushed forward under the pretext of a “war” against the pandemic. While people are being locked up at home in the name of their own or an almost fascist like “public health”, new radio transmitters are being erected in their neighbourhood, the influence of which on health must at least be considered unknown and which some medical experts warn against as weakening the immune system. With the more or less blatant aim of

making the confinement more “bearable”, so to speak, and thus maintainable, because those who are pacified by (free) Netflix and porn offers, who are in this way increasingly alienated from their actual needs and desires and forced into the violent norms of a society of production and reproduction, are much less likely to rebel against curfews, contact bans and quarantines. “The Revolution will not be televised”, unfortunately, remains an all too true statement of an otherwise, in my opinion, far too overrated period. If classic television has now been extended by some ridiculous interaction possibilities through commenting and rating functions, this only perfects the pacifying function of the whole thing. If social media trollings, angry posting and even “subversive” films and TV shows serve to express one's displeasure, why should people even take to the streets the anger that we are fed with a ridiculous illusion of freedom? Haven't we already become part of this illusion?

Well, the good news is that many people seem to be becoming aware of this situation, perhaps they have always been aware of it, but now many seem to no longer want to be silent, no longer want to be pushed around and choose to attack instead of shouting out their disagreement into the infinite spheres of the digital where it eventually dies away (unheard). Almost daily I receive news that somewhere in the world a 5G radio mast, or any radio mast at all, has been torched, blown up, felled or otherwise destroyed. And even if the (democratic) press either tries to keep quiet about these attacks or to slander them as the work of some nutcase – what does that mean, I'd rather be considered a nutcase or a lunatic than be considered “normal” in this world – it is no longer possible to hide the fact that this is the uncompromising opposition of people who no longer want to let their lives be determined by states, companies or anyone else. Those who are tired of producing and reproducing, who are tired of being tamed, who want to live instead of vegetating.

“Every society [...] will have its fringes, and on the fringes of every society, heroic and restless vagabonds will wander, with their wild and untouched thoughts, only able to live by preparing ever new and terrible outbreaks of rebellion!”

I shall be among them!”

– Renzo Novatore



This Concerns Everyone

Avis de Tempêtes #53

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At the first light of dawn, a 40-ton truck sets off in the light rain. It is not one of the thousands of trucks that transport goods by road, however, and its mission is far less trivial. With its headlights on, the truck is driving through the suburbs of the Bavarian capital, Munich. In its wake is the gloomy silhouette of a crane that seems ready to plunge its mechanized claws into some prey. It is a real convoy: the truck is indeed escorted by police cars, sirens off. When they arrive at their destination, police officers jump out of their vehicles, break down a door, then rush into the rooms. The operation is not about finding something, they are there to seize. Contrary to what one might imagine, they do not get their hands on any suspects. Nor on hermetically sealed canisters of explosive precursors or well-hidden weapons, the absence of which is certainly not proof of an undesirable innocence in this deadly world. There is not even a single jerry can of gasoline lying around. And for good reason—this was not what the police were looking for in any case. They had come to get their hands on a completely different weapon, one that sharpens the mind and strengthens reflection. In Munich on April 22, 2022, the cops came to seize... a print space dedicated to anarchist writings.

As comrades from there later recounted, the cops got their hands on the entire print space: “the risograph (a printing machine) with its associated drums, the cutting machine, the sorting machine, the gluing machine, and even a historic letterpress and dozens of drawers of lead letters, which has all ended up in the cops’ evidence rooms.” Tens of thousands of sheets of blank paper, liters of ink and other printing consumables were also taken, along with thousands of books, brochures and newspapers. A considerable booty, which explains the presence of the truck and the crane in this detestable morning convoy.

Elsewhere in the city, other police teams coordinated by the State Security (Section K43, “Politically Motivated Crime”) broke down the doors of four apartments, searched several basements and the anarchist library Frevel. The judicial pretext for the whole operation is not very original: it is the controversial §129, the article of the German penal code which aims at “the creation of a criminal organization”. Anarchists, outlaws par excellence - at least in their ideas (for their ranks have not been spared the disease of legalism and the paralyzing or calculated fear of any transgression of the law), have always been persecuted by states using such articles of the penal code. To this day, we can

see States bring out these legal instruments to repress anarchist groups, to attack organizational informality and affinity constellations that flee from the rigid schemes of an Organization with a capital letter, to limit the ever precarious margin of public initiatives and spaces of encounter and diffusion, to discourage those who write and disseminate anarchist writings such as the anarchist weekly *Zundlumpen*, which is in the sights of the Bavarian police and which seems to be one of the racks on which they intend to hang other elements of their investigation.

Contrary to some rhetoric, we don’t think that the state is attacking our spaces, publications and printing infrastructure because it is afraid of an anarchist speech, or because it feels threatened by our distribution of books and newspapers, though this idea is unfortunately still in vogue among comrades, and seems to be more a matter of self-consolation therapy. It’s just that for the state, it’s one of those things that has become so easy to do. The anarchist and anti-authoritarian “movement” of today is not capable of bringing thousands of people into the streets when one of its printing presses is seized (although it has been at specific times in history), and is it not able to measure up when its public initiatives are stifled by police doubling down on repression. And this is not only to do with a quantitative reduction - a very significant one - of the anarchist ranks, but also with the profound transformation of social relations in the last decades. The technological restructuring of capitalist exploitation, the inclusion of almost all areas of life in state management and the capitalist sphere, the eradication of any community that is not the one (multiple, in fact) produced by the technological hydra, without even mentioning the appalling assault on language, its terrible impoverishment and its replacement by images conveyed on the omnipresent screens, or the abyss of thoughtlessness and stupor into which a good part of humanity is throwing itself (or being pushed, ultimately it doesn’t matter): all this is not without consequences for action and the diffusion of anarchist ideas. In the same vein, anarchists do not remain unscathed either: they too are affected, even absorbed, by the avalanche of new technologies, of instantaneous mediated communication, by the difficulty of projecting themselves further than tomorrow, or by the inability to distinguish between what would be important to publish and diffuse today and what is only a sad testimony of the existential emptiness that is taking hold of them as well as of their

contemporaries.

In short, the fact that the state regularly and with ever more reckless nonchalance attacks the few anarchist spaces that remain visible is not a testament to our strength, but to our weakness. Honestly, everything else seems to just be verbiage that does not advance necessary reflection, rhetorical exaggeration to avoid having to confront the question that becomes inescapable with each seizure of a newspaper, with each prosecution of anarchists with the poor pretext of illicit organization (with the choice of “criminal”, “terrorist”, “subversive”, “illegal”...): how to continue to act in this era of technological gloom where consciences are waning and our mental forests are being razed? With what methodology, with what forms of organization, with what attempts to make the same mistakes? If we can only share the proud assertion that we will refuse to adapt our ideas to the very end, that we will resist their flattening, even if it means a hopeless last stand to defend the idea of total freedom, we believe that we must understand the conditions in which we act and not ignore them.

Such a blatantly totalitarian operation as the seizure of printing machines (remember that in the days of systematic censorship applied to anarchist publications, the state mostly limited itself to blacking out passages deemed too close to “incitement to crime”, too virulent or beyond the scope of “freedom of expression”, and even in the most extreme cases to the seizure of the printed matter - and not of the printing tools) is something that concerns all anarchists, no matter which activities they dedicate themselves to or which paths they have chosen to follow. Not because it will provide proof that the anarchist word is always a threat to the stability of the state, or because it will update the old belief that imagines the advent of revolution as the result of awakening sleeping consciences thanks to the tireless efforts of sleepless anarchist propagandists. No, it concerns us all because it is indicative of the state of the world, of the state of social relations and of the near future in which we will be led to act - or to renounce. Without joining the chorus of legalist indignation, it can be said that the seizure of printers, the closure of public spaces, the dissolution of relatively open groups, bring us into another dimension than the ultimately “normal” or “logical” repression, which aims to put those who physically attack the structures and people of domination out of action. While these two dimensions always go together and are not as separate as some would like to believe, bringing in a 40-ton truck to seize a guillotine and a lead type printing press is rather reminiscent of measures common in other regimes. And in this age of openly pluralistic but profoundly totalitarian industrial and technological

acceleration, a practice that seemed obsolete might well surprise us again - especially since the best way to defuse any possible danger from the dissemination of anarchist writings is of course its ongoing virtualization, its technological derealization. But nothing disappears forever and everything remains potentially present.

The generalization of wage labor has not definitively abolished servitude, the establishment of nuclear power plants has not made coal mines disappear, the rationalization of production has not sent artisanal mines to the dustbin of history. Today, this myth of progress seems to suffer the setbacks to reality which arrive to tear off the veil of derealization. Many things that this myth had relegated to a past that would never return are today taking their place in a reality from which they had, ultimately, never entirely disappeared. War is again erupting on the European continent, shortages are becoming visible even on the supermarket shelves, the threat of nuclear annihilation is adding to the genocidal practices that accompany conflicts, climate change is raising the spectre of famine and extermination for more and more inhabitants of this dying planet. In such a scenario, the seizure of an anarchist print space should not surprise us. The time when it was necessary to hide printing spaces, to build up discreet stocks of paper, to organize an underground and capillary diffusion of news of the struggle and of the deepening of reflection, has not disappeared definitively from the scene of history. The conditions for such scenarios, even in the shadow of tolerant Western democracies, are becoming more and more present and will become increasingly pronounced as social pressures rise and imbalances spread. That is why the seizure of an anarchist printing space in Munich concerns all of us.

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In a Stranglehold: The Blackmail of Power

Antisistema #1: Paper for Anarchy and Conscious Action

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If you speak of a life free of domination, you are no longer merely told that you are unrealistic and unworldly; many say today that it is too late for that: the destruction of the earth is too devastating, the collapse of the ecosystem can no longer be stopped and civilised humanity has lost all ability to live in autonomy and freedom anyway. Therefore, the order of the day is to curb the destruction of nature.

So it is no longer the omnipresent corruption and seduction of commodity consumption, the indulgence in large and small luxuries that are available to („unfortunately“ only almost) everyone in the shopping malls, which reconciles us with the seemingly inevitable course of events. Hedonism is replaced by blackmail: there is no other way, because anything else would only be worse. State disaster management is in full swing and who, with doomsday rhetoric resounding on all channels, is not concerned with limiting climate change and preventing the total apocalypse, quite pragmatically and taking all scientific expertise into account? Who is not frightened at the sight of the seas of flames blazing in the south and in the next moment hopes for the alleviating effect of renewable energies and possibly also geoengineering? Because if things go on like this... the utopia of another world is impossible anyway... and therefore, if one wants to avoid the great apocalypse, one must pragmatically follow the path of the lesser evil... and support the least harmful management of the ongoing catastrophe. But following the wisdom of the experts means using the same toolbox that created the problem. And so they continue to hold up one part of the problem (new technologies and extractivism) as the solution to the big problem (industrial destruction of the earth).

On the other hand, there remains only blasphemy: because whoever questions the foundations and the continued existence of these technologies and the industrial system as a whole, which is the cause of the destruction of nature that surrounds us, becomes not only a heretic and skeptic of our current 'prosperity', but also an apocalyptic... because what would still function in this world without a central electricity grid, without extractivist mines and high-tech?

Within just a few generations since the beginning of the Industrial Revolution, this world-spanning industrial system and the ecocidal destruction it has wrought has made continued survival on this planet entirely questionable for future generations. This industrial

system consists of a global network of domination that is constantly expanding and based on transporting data, goods and people everywhere and tirelessly. The bizarre point we find ourselves at today is that a disruption in this network of domination is now widely portrayed as something life-threatening. A created traffic jam means that emergency services may not be able to rush to the scene and a cut mobile phone connection means that they may not be able to reach at all. While a disruption of the internet can (still) only be presented to a few as a life-threatening danger to the general public („... and what if it affects the police? And the fire brigade? And the hospital?“), the power grid has become synonymous with life in the consciousness of today's society. The blackout becomes synonymous with the collapse of today's social order. Without electricity, no refrigeration in the supermarkets – at the same time, the great dying in intensive care units and old people's homes, no water from the tap and chaos and looting on the streets. Simultaneously electricity is the blood in the arteries of the industrial system. When the electrical grid is interrupted, the wheels of industrial destruction stand still. This ambivalence is the blackmail of today's civilisation: either you maintain the network of domination or disaster looms.

And let's face it: there is no way to break free from this extortionate stranglehold – except by force. The interruption of the central nerve pathways of domination is essential oxygen for any insurgent moment. A century ago, the telegraph and railway lines attracted the attention of insurgents – today, that role is played by the entire telecommunications and energy network. This central network is the backbone of the state and in moments of upheaval the military nature of this network becomes obvious. If it functions without restrictions, a police-military suppression of a riot is child's play. But the mere failure of street lighting can make the repression of a riot a nightmare for the police.

This urgency of infrastructural attack in moments of unrest is one thing.

The other thing is the projection into the future, the question of what next. And perhaps it is true that uprisings in the future will have more of a catastrophe, more of an all-sweeping tidal wave leaving behind an unimaginable tabula rasa, rather than a new order. But the new (old) 'revolutionary' orders have too often proved to be our bitterest enemies and their 'revolutionary' leaders and slaves our bloodiest

persecutors. Perhaps we can also take away from the pessimism of uprisings in the midst of the catastrophe that surrounds us that their non-hope and non-pretended utopia do not run the risk of helping the next naive hope of an authoritarian utopia to power. The chaos and disruption of an uprising has always been equated with catastrophe – and why not, when catastrophe in its word origin means not only ‘great misfortune’ but also ‘collapse’ and ‘decisive’

turn of events ‘leading to the downfall of the hero’? Perhaps this is precisely the crux of the matter, that the heroes (hērōs - gr.: demi-god) of the civilisation that surrounds us are unquestionably technology and science – demi-gods that promise us prosperity, happiness and health. But no doubt an upheaval of domination will disrupt the infrastructure of the industrial system and thus challenge their divinity.

And will also bring them down? There is no doubt that the industrial world order has made the earth a partly uninhabitable place. We live in hostile environments, drink water from plastic bottles and eat pills for health. The survival of billions of people in housing silos within metropolises of millions is only possible thanks to this semi-divine technology. But what follows from this? That

we are too afraid of the consequences of a radical upheaval or too uncreative to imagine a different world? That we are too alienated from nature and earth and do not long for survival far from supermarkets and freezers? Or that we even want a proposed solution or plan that explains to us point by point how a deindustrialised life in freedom on a planet destroyed by industry works?

If the latter, we will run into the arms of de-growth capitalists preaching minimalism and critics of consumption, who are pessimistic enough to prepare for a catastrophic scenario and at the same time try to guarantee even in this scenario that it is still the same people (i.e. themselves) who are in charge in a catastrophe-ridden world. If, on the other hand, we understand anarchy as a conflictual tension towards freedom, this can only mean for us that the question of how to survive in the

future is also an open social question: for if there is a lack of food, it must be organised, grown, hunted, plundered or procured. And there is no one solution to this; this is a social problem that can be solved in thousands and thousands of different ways at the same time.

And to think that we have to fix one solution in advance says a lot about our alienation and inner colonisation. Because it's true, to philosophise about autonomy while you have never provided (each other) with food

is a state of alienation. Our skills, our knowledge and our relationship to the earth has been destroyed, this is part of colonisation, and to speak of revolt within the industrial catastrophe means also to try to overcome this alienation and dispossession, at least partly. This applies just as much to other areas such as health care.

To prevent such an attempt from joining the ranks of authoritarian utopias, we focus on two points: Autonomy and decentralisation. Both are mutually dependent. Autonomy in that it is important to solve needs such as food and health in a self-organised and direct way, to address them or to coordinate with others in the first person to do so. Decentralisation in that one's approaches are not generalised or imposed over the heads of others instead of oneself. Thus, the independence and self-organisation that one can already try out in small and large groups is also the core of autonomy and decentralisation, which necessarily implies a life free from imposition and colonisation. This way of thinking and acting is ultimately a certain mentality of autonomy that places no hope in a higher authority and relies on it already protecting and providing for it

This mentality is an appropriation and practice of autonomous self-organisation, also for the purpose of violence. The state as an institutional monopoly of violence has always deprived us of any possibility and capacity for self-organisation. And just as today the state-administered energy and telecommunications network is regarded as the bringer of salvation and the provider and protector of us all, on which we are ultimately made so dependent that we are ultimately blackmailed into maintaining it, so too the lordly, military or religious authorities of the monopoly of violence have always been regarded as protectors against all kinds of hostile evils: the imperial army protected against the invasion of barbarians or the war of enemy armies and the prayers of the priest protected against the punishment of God. Contrast this with a mentality of autonomy and the collective breaking away from the structure of domination: Even out of a state of alienation and dispossession – coming together, attacking, but also being equipped for an autonomous life... perhaps we have much to learn from the maroons and quilombos who fled after violent slave uprisings in North and South America and lived an autonomous life in constant struggle against the slave society.... A proliferation and intensification of autonomy and decentralisation within social conflict, then, can also equip us for various perhaps unimagined moments and allow us and others to open windows and fractures towards a broader revolt and unfamiliar freedom.

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(Poster)

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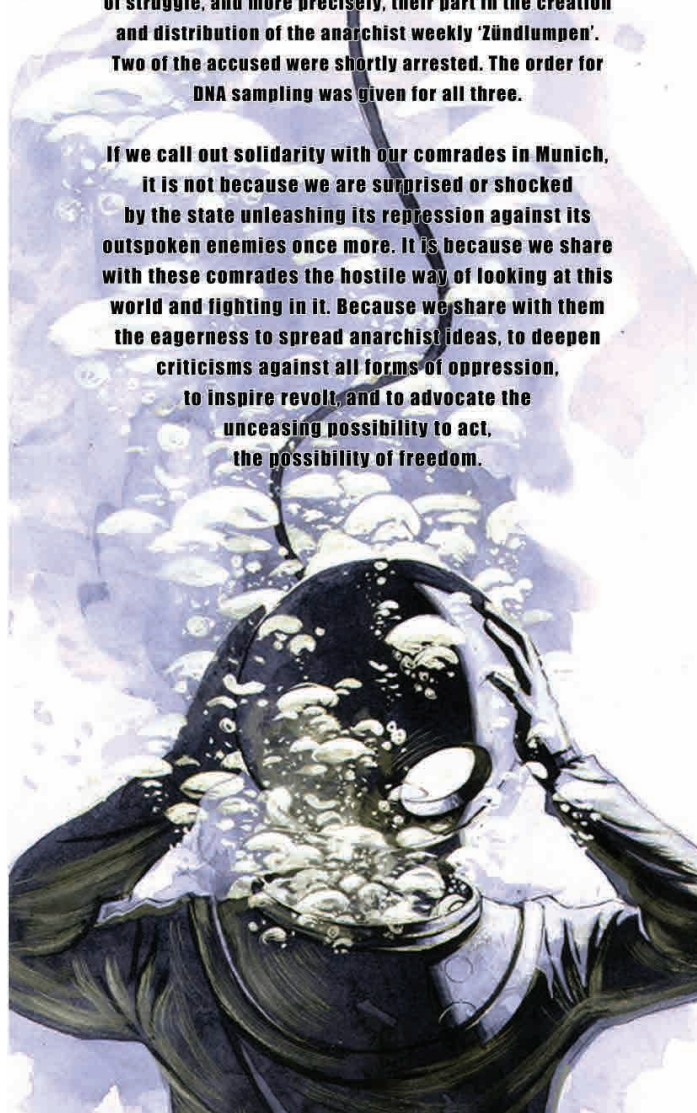
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Prison Society – Zündlumpen Nr. 035

(distributed in English, Dutch, & German)

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'Ink and Agitation': Zündlumpen Interview

Inattuale #3

- December 2024

Zündlumpen, German language anarchist paper, appeared in 85 issues starting from February 2019 to September 2021, in Munich, Bavaria.

Can you describe the format of the newspaper and if this was for any specific reasons?

A weekly issue was printed on A3 format throughout the first year, then during the lockdown the format was changed to A5 size (folded A4) to facilitate printing and dissemination by the means available from home, which generally means A4 printing only. From March 2020, the journal came out every two or three weeks, but was far more substantial than before. The last five issues became mini-books (from 80 to 160 pages) dealing with specific topics in depth. The journal was printed on paper but the pdf was available online to facilitate more widespread reproduction.

Who was it addressed to and for what reasons?

Initially it was conceived as an agitational newspaper for anybody, in the first issue it was described as "an organ to make resistance against domination in Munich visible" and was given out in the streets, at demonstrations, in letterboxes and conceived in a local perspective. Gradually we started to include some discussions and analyses addressed to anarchists. So it became a journal of both agitation and discussion. During the lockdown period the format changed, at the same time there was a widening of the range of people to be reached; as the emergency had such a vast impact, our agitation and criticism of the repressive measures dictated by the pandemic also extended. The book format arrived after the lockdown to go into the analyses begun during the emergency (criticism of science, technology, green capitalism and medicine) more deeply.

What topics did you cover?

In the first place revolt, riots, sabotage, elements of the social war, commenting on them appreciatively and presenting them as real possibilities within everyone's reach. Some issues also published instructions on how to carry out certain acts of sabotage. The subjects were varied, but analyses of technology, digitalisation and the "smart" world, being increasingly refined techniques of social control, were constant and central. Much was written about "green" restructuring – about capitalism and the energy sources it accumulates to continue its production and reproduction. There was

also a great deal of analysis on the role of medicine and science as institutions that aim to reduce the body of the human being to the survival and reproduction of labour, depriving them of their own knowledge and free agency over their own bodies. The purpose of medicine is to fix what is broken without ever facing the fact that we live in a noxious world.

When you said that you also dealt with questions concerning other debates among anarchists, what were you referring to?

One constant in this project has always been a critique of the extra-parliamentary left and how some of its logic infiltrates anarchist thought and the compromises made by anarchists. In fact the paper began with the desire to create a break with the acceptance that anarchy belongs to the left or is simply a more radical expression of it. This rupture had always been sought, but during the pandemic it became deliberately provocative and hostile towards people in the movement who were calling for even harsher measures, who accepted and reinforced obedience to the State, in short, those who collaborated with the ruling power.

And so, these criticisms and provocations, how were they received?

This newspaper has always been rather polarising. Over the years, there have been various contributions, letters, debates, but also episodes of open hostility towards it. The newspaper has always openly criticised the sacred harmony and tolerance with which some anarchists live their belonging to the movement where tempers cannot be aroused, differences must be set aside for the common good, or for a certain social convenience, or so as not to be isolated. These criticisms have created conflicts and the newspaper was excluded from several anarchist places, then the slanders began and several anarchist newspapers and some of the extra-parliamentary left began to associate us with "conspiracy", "fascist" orientations ... the usual buzzwords that prevent discussion and create slander and chatter. This whole smear campaign even reached newspapers of the mainstream radical left, which, for example, in an article in a rather popular newspaper, even made a call to "expose" the newspaper's editors.

In other words, snitching... But this provocative approach that has characterised you, why did you choose it? Was using this approach a conscious

choice? There are some who say you can make any criticism among comrades, as long as it is in a respectful manner...

The offensive style that was used was clearly intentional, in the sense that it was immediately obvious that talking about certain differences placidly meant that many people did not take on the incompatibility of certain positions, and instead put it all under “yes but at the end of the day we all agree, we are all on the same

18 articles of which have been criminalised as they describe how to carry out an act of sabotage, or for “threats” concerning persons in positions of power, or for incitement and condoning crimes. After the Minister of the Interior of Bavaria filed a complaint for an article in which he was named, the cops opened an investigation but did not succeed in finding out who the editors were. At this point the Secret Services suggested the names of the three now under investigation, while the fourth entered the investigation because a cigarette butt with his DNA on it was found during a raid on an anarchist printing place. During the raid a whole anarchist printers was seized, all the machines, thousands of anarchist books, but also all the material ready for printing. Even though the paper was always printed with an inkjet printer, they seized machines such as a risograph and an old typographic machine, which obviously had nothing to do with it. The repression had clearly aimed at putting a brake on a wider anarchist context in Munich.

To conclude?

The combination of articles of agitation, analysis and discussions was also appreciated by many non-anarchists, due to the absence of a political and ideological approach. The provocative attitude led to many discussions and even conflicts – but in any case helped to sharpen ideas. It was an attempt to contribute to an anarchist culture of lively discussion.

A selection of texts from this journal is available in English: Zündlumpen Anthology, Summer 2023, pg 255, 7 euro. To receive copies contact:

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side,” “we are all part of the same family,” or along those lines. This was quite intolerable. So, we said things harshly because we wanted to bring out these differences and the resulting rifts, but we never had the desire to be offensive just for the sake of it.

Why was it decided to put an end to the project?

The newspaper ended because a real editorial hunt had been launched, with quite outrageous suppositions and methods, because the extra-parliamentary left saw it as “too dangerous” a paper. This helped the newspapers of the regime to associate the paper with certain attacks and this was more or less the climate in which it was decided to stop the paper. Six months later there were raids in Munich for an investigation of the paper. Four comrades are officially under investigation for “criminal association” in connection with the paper,



The Nightmare Continues...

A LITTLE CHRONOLOGY OF ATTACK SINCE THE
ARREST OF N AND M IN FEBRUARY 2025



Grünheide (Berlin): Construction Cranes and Signalling Cables Burn – 29th March 2025

From a communique posted online:

**“Fire to the technofascists! Fight Strabag! Fight Tesla!
Fight DB!**

A further 50 hectares of forest are to be cleared in Grünheide, near Berlin, for the expansion of Tesla’s Gigafactory. The forest is to make way for a Deutsche Bahn freight station to transport millions of Tesla cars. Who is building the Tesla-DB freight station? Strabag, a public works company.

That’s why we attacked Strabag on the night of February 24-25, 2025. Two of their cranes are now unusable on a building site in the Marzahn district. We were able to open their control cabins and set fire to them. At the same time, we installed two other incendiary devices in the cable shafts of a freight train line. The aim was to disrupt signaling and even delay freight traffic, particularly to the nearby CEMEX and Heidelberg Materials cement plants [...]

Solidarity greetings to the occupiers of the Sündi forest!

Freedom and courage for Maja, Hanna, Nanuk, Johann, Gino, Nele, Paul, Luca, Zaid, Paula, Tobi, Clara, Moritz and Daniela!

Warm greetings to Marianna!

Love and strength to all those in hiding and on the run!

Let’s destroy the prisons and the tech giants!

Freedom for all!”

(via sansnom.noblogs.org)

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Basel (German-Swiss Border): Sabotaging Capitalist Normality, an Attack on the Rail Infrastructure – 9th April

From a communique posted online:

“During the night of 9th April, we set fire to railway signal and electric cables with a number of incendiary devices in various places near Basel.

The cops and the media have kept quiet about our action up until now.

Situated on the borders between three countries with

maritime links going as far as the North sea, a highly developed rail and motorway network as well as an airport, the town of Basel is a central logistic node for the flux of goods that keep capitalist normality functioning. Given that we have a very low opinion of this state of affairs, we attacked its infrastructure to put a stop to it, at least for a moment[...]

[...]We want to attack the existent to make room for the possible.

Let’s sabotage capitalist normality!

No borders, no nations!”

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Obermenzing (Northwest Munich): High Speed Trains Paralysed – Same Night

On Tuesday night, April 9, at around 3:20 a.m., the emergency control center of Deutsche Bahn alerted the police to a cable fire in a manhole in Obermenzing, a district to the northwest of Munich. The arson attack caused extensive damage to the cable systems running alongside the tracks, with 8 of them going up in smoke: three copper cables, three fiber-optic cables and two cables used for train signalling. Rail traffic was severely disrupted throughout southern Germany, and the Nuremberg (Bavaria)-Erfurt (Thuringia) high-speed line in particular had to be closed, as the damage caused all signals in this area to turn red. Deutsche Bahn also had to cancel around 96 trains and divert 16 others.

The Central Office for Combating Extremism and Terrorism (ZET) was put in charge of the investigation, after traces of an accelerant were found on site. Investigators have also pointed out in the press that this train line is the one that leads, a little further on, directly to the armament factories in the Allach district, and that another sabotage attack against the rail network had occurred the same night on the German-Swiss border.

[Local press summary (Süddeutsche-Zeitung, BR24 & München-TV)]

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Albiĝ (Germany): Sabotaĝing Power Before the Easter Meal

- 20th April

Operator EWR received an alarm message at exactly 3:59 a.m. on Easter Saturday night (April 20). The legs of a 20,000-volt high-voltage pylon in Albig (Rhineland-Palatinate) had been deliberately sawed off before it crashed into the local vineyards. The power failure affected the villages of Bermersheim, parts of Ensheim, Armsheim, Flonheim, Bornheim, Lonsheim and a wind farm in the Wörrstadt district.

However, due to the redundancy of the network, the night-time outage only lasted ten minutes, according to Dominik Nagel, spokesman for network operator EWR. As this was a critical infrastructure attack, the Criminal Police Office, under the supervision of the public prosecutor's office in Koblenz, was in charge of the investigation. According to their estimates, the material damage amounts to six figures (minimum 100,000 euros).

[Summary of German press (SWR & Allgemeine Zeitung), April 22-3, 2025]

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Thalkirchen (Southern Munich): Concrete? Construction? Combustion.

- 22nd April

...[O]n Easter Monday night, Tuesday April 22, at around 3am, [a] backhoe and a wheel loader caught fire in the Thalkirchen district of southern Munich. The damage was estimated by the local press at 400,000 euros, and the hunt for suspects, immediately launched by police drone after a neighbor had seen the flames,

was unsuccessful.

The very next day, several major regional media scoffed at the fact that the arsonists had attacked the Wolfratshausener Straße construction site, which includes the building of a new bicycle path... while carefully blurring out the company logo on the burning machines. In fact, the company in question is the much-hated Strabag, one of Europe's biggest construction firms, involved in every conceivable infamy on the planet, and whose every new construction project means a progression of concrete deserts that already seem endless.

Meanwhile, among the series of forty-seven "unsolved arsons" that have struck Munich since 2019 and are being investigated by the special police unit "Losange" – with several tens of millions of euros of damage officially accounted for – this would be the 13th attack to date against construction machinery. A lucky number, as the spokesman for the public prosecutor's office explains: "An extreme left-wing motivation cannot be ruled out, given the target of the crime". Police station no. 43, part of the State Security Service, was therefore put in charge of the investigation.

[Local press summary (Süddeutsche Zeitung, BR24 & München-TV), April 9-25, 2025]

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Somme (France): Beautiful Like a Wind turbine in Flames

- 6th May

Flames in the sky, dozens of meters high: it's a rare and somewhat impressive sight. Around 11pm on Monday May 5, a wind turbine caught fire at Lafresguimont-Saint-Martin in the Somme region. The fire required the intervention of 27 firefighters, but not to extinguish the blaze, as well as the gendarmerie and Enedis teams. The latter cut off the power supply "to eliminate any

risk”, as explained by the SDIS de la Somme.

“On this type of fire, we just set up a safety perimeter to prevent debris from injuring anyone, but we don’t go up, because we can’t access it”, explains the SDIS de la Somme. This is advice from the Ministry of the Interior.

There is in fact a very strict procedure for interventions in wind turbines. In the event of a fire at height, “any action at height or inside the mast is forbidden. Access to the wind turbine is strictly limited to saving human life. (...) Firefighting must be limited to preventing the spread of the fire to other targets”, reads the operational guide drawn up by the French Civil Protection and Crisis Management Directorate. The safety perimeter must be calculated according to the height of the mast, so that no one is endangered if it collapses. All that remains is to wait for the fire to extinguish itself.

The cause of the fire at Lafresguimont-Saint-Martin remains unknown for the moment, and an investigation is underway, but the wind turbine was completely destroyed and is now unusable. A similar incident had already occurred in March 2024 to the east of Amiens, but 80 kilometers separate the two locations.

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Saint-Chamond, Loire (France): Action Against the Arms Industry – 7th May

On May 7, 2025 in Saint-Chamond (Loire), the electrical station at the entrance to the town received a nocturnal visit. Responsible for converting high-voltage electricity into low-voltage, with its cables and large transformer, it was partially set on fire at around 3 a.m., plunging part of the town and its businesses into darkness. Sans nom reported on this attack here, and three days later it was claimed against the arms dealers in a communiqué which we republish below. It

should be noted that a “KO KNDS” tag was left at the scene, which the prefecture spokesmen were careful not to specify].

From the communiqué posted online:

“We hope to have interrupted the power supply to the city’s southern industrial zone. We particularly targeted the eco-district, formerly an arms production site. Renovated and certified, this area now boasts children’s playgrounds, bars, shops and restaurants... Erasing the past? Not quite. On the other side of the consumerist inferno, the metallurgical eco-system has been modernized. These include Atlante (electric vehicles), Marlin (automotive equipment), SICAF (industrial automation), Arcelormittal (steel giant) and, as a historic legacy, KNDS. KNDS stands for KMW+Nexter Defense Systems...”

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Houdremont (Belgium): Wind Farm Measuring Mast Vandalised – 17th May

An unusual act of vandalism took place last weekend in the heart of the Ardennes countryside, in such a remote part of Houdremont (Gedinne) that the crime was only discovered yesterday. The measuring mast installed a few weeks ago as part of the wind farm project in the communes of Bièvre and Gedinne had been blown down. Some ill-intentioned person had cut the cables holding up the 80-meter tower. The wind is said to have done the rest.

According to the promoter of the wind farm project, Watt Else, quoted by the mayor of Bièvre, Michaël Modave, the damage amounts to over 80,000 euros. As a reminder, the wind farm project involves the construction of 10 wind turbines: 4 on Gedinne and 6 on Bièvre [250 meters high!]. Both municipalities have

already made it clear that they are not necessarily in favor of the project.

[~~Matele~~ / press summary]

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Oise (France): 10,000 Households Without Internet After an Act of Vandalism

- 22nd-23rd May

During the night of May 22 to 23, a major service outage affected the south-east of the Oise region, depriving more than 10,000 homes and businesses of internet, fixed telephony and television, and disrupting the mobile network.

According to Orange, the incident took place between midnight and 1am. The perpetrators opened underground access hatches and vandalized the cables. However, the cables were not stolen. In the process, they cut the optical fibers, causing the major outage. Around a hundred communes were affected, notably in the Crépy-en-Valois area and in the Compiégnois region, around Jonquières.

“Our first alarms were activated during the night, between midnight and 1 a.m., and enabled us to see that there was a damaged fiber in the area,” explains Gautier Bezeau, press officer for Orange Hauts-de-France.

These alarms are triggered automatically when a large number of subscribers are cut off. However, they do not indicate the precise location of the incident. At around 6 a.m., the operator’s teams had to investigate. Our teams were dispatched in the early hours of the morning to detect the outage,” adds Gautier Bezeau. The fiber optic network served over 10,000 homes and businesses in the département, with Crépy-en-Valois being the largest population center, but in all, around a hundred communes were affected.”

The fiber network is organized rather like a blood system, with arteries made up of cables carrying large data flows to serve an entire territory. They then branch off, like blood vessels, into a smaller network that irrigates the communes before reaching individual customers.

One of these transport cables was severed during the night, which explains the extent of the Internet outage. Although the mobile network did not completely cease to function, some cell towers were out of service. Thanks to the network’s meshing, other cell towers were able to partially compensate. Orange points out that it has been working for several years with the prefecture and gendarmerie platoons to combat malicious acts. “Orange cannot monitor the public domain itself. That’s why we work with the police to help with investigations,” says Gautier Bezeau.

[*Courrier-Picard/France3*, May 23, 2025]

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Trudering (Munich): After the Dog Brigade, the Cavalry Squadron...

- 22nd May

Four months ago, on the night of Friday January 25, 23 police vans went up in smoke in the parking lot of the police dog squad in the Bavarian capital. This happened in the west of the city, a few days before the start of the 60th Munich Security Conference, an annual forum devoted to international security issues bringing together NATO countries and their partners. This time, the incendiary attack on the police took place in the east, on Schichtlstraße in the Trudering district, home to the police cavalry squadron.

The arson attack was reported to the authorities at around 3.15 a.m. on Wednesday night (May 22), who then deployed some 70 officers and a federal police helicopter to the area in an attempt to catch the fire devils. But to no avail. The result of this attack, which the Public Prosecutor’s Office handed over to the Bavarian Central b Office for Combating Extremism and Terrorism (ZET) to investigate, on the suspicion that it could be attributed to “extreme left-wing circles”? Five trucks and a trailer used to transport police horses were damaged, four of them completely destroyed, and a million euros worth of damage was caused.

Among the outraged reactions, a squadron spokesman declared that “the operational readiness of the

mounted police unit has been seriously compromised”, just over a week before the Champions League soccer final (May 31), to be held in Munich’s Fröttmaninger Arena and where the police horses were due to be deployed. The president of the Munich Police Union (GdP), meanwhile, lamented that “these repeated attacks on [cops’] property are alarming – the perpetrators are becoming more and more daring”...

Since August 2023, the Munich prefecture’s special team of “Raute” [Losange] investigators has been in charge of the series of arsons targeting cell towers, railway installations and other infrastructure of domination, including that of police. On February 26, two comrades were arrested and imprisoned on suspicion of committing six of a series of some fifty arson attacks in the Bavarian region.

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Southern France: Sabotage and Blackout Paralyzes Cannes

- 24-25th May

On the night of Friday to Saturday, May 24, several fires broke out at the same Biançon/Saint-Cassien extra-high-voltage hydroelectric power station in Tanneron (Var), at around 2:45 am. The fence was cut and traces of accelerant were found on site. 47,000 homes were without power, from the east of Var to the west of the Alpes-Maritimes. Then, at 10 a.m., thirty-five kilometers away, the pylon of a 225,000 volt high-voltage power line supplying the city of Cannes faltered that morning. Located in Villeneuve-Loubet (Alpes-maritimes), the 28-metre-high pylon suffered “major damage”, with three of its four pillars “sawed off”, leaving 160,000 households in and around Cannes without power.

This double sabotage resulted in a huge blackout in the south-east of France, particularly in Cannes, Antibes, Grasse, Vallauris, Mandelieu-la Napoule and Saint-

Cézaire-sur-Siagne. It cut off factories, institutions, shops, elevators, traffic lights, cash dispensers, internet and television (via the modems), the Orange cell phone network (most of the cell tower’s back-up batteries lasted only two hours), railroad lines (train cancellations between Grasse and Cannes and delays between Les Arcs and Antibes), police stations (Antibes, Grasse and Cannes) and film screenings at the 78th Cannes Film Festival. In short, as summed up by a local newspaper on Sunday (Var Matin, 25/5): “Telephone network down, traffic chaotic, stations blocked, businesses at a standstill: the blackout paralyzed a whole part of the territory, just as the world’s spotlights were focused on Cannes on the closing day of the 78th Film Festival.” Power was restored from 3pm onwards, and for all homes in the region only around 4:45pm.

A communique posted online concludes:

“Cut the screens
Cut the highways
Cut the pylons
Cut artificial light
Cut high-speed train lines
Cut telecommunications
Cut bulldozer cables
Cut power to the military industry
Cut power to factories
Cut oil and gas pipelines
Cut wind turbine measuring masts
Cut army supply lines
Cut off water to industrial agriculture and electronics plants
Cut cables to solar power plants
Cut cell towers
Cut the bars of prison cells (and long live attacks on the prisons!)
Cut short reformist and authoritarian discourses
Cut short the silencing and minimization of patriarchal violence
Cut off the pedestal of celebrities and other men of power, who assault and rape behind the scenes as well as on the battlefield
Cut short those who say to wait
And... hold in there. Courage.”



Nice (France): After Cannes, Nice Targeted by Electrical Sabotage – 25th May

The day after a power cut in and around Cannes, a transformer was deliberately set on fire in Nice on Saturday night. According to a police source and the public prosecutor's office, the transformer in question is located in the Moulins district, to the west of the city.

"On May 25, 2025, at around 2 a.m., an electrical transformer on Avenue Paul Montel in Nice was deliberately damaged and set on fire," the public prosecutor's office said. "Traces of tires" were found, and a source close to the case referred to 'a broken door [of the transformer's premises]'.

Some 45,000 households were temporarily without power in Nice and the neighboring towns of Saint-Laurent-du-Var and Cagnes-sur-Mer, said Enedis. Nice's streetcar network was briefly impacted, with a delayed resumption in the early morning, and the airport was temporarily without power. By 6 a.m., power had been restored.

Le Monde/Le Parisien, May 25, 2025 (excerpt)

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Sołtau (Germany): Fires Devour Bundeswehr (German Army) Vehicles – 5-6th June

From a communique posted online:

"[...]These flames are for those who fight against their dehumanization and for their survival. These flames are also for those who doubt, who cannot remain calm in the face of these circumstances, who do not want to comply, obey, and function. For those who dream and fight for a different, more solidaristic world without

states, borders, and militaries.

These flames are for Maja, who has been on hunger strike since June 5th in prison in Budapest, charged for consistent antifascism – your determination and solidarity are our drive and inspiration! You are not alone!

These flames are for Daniela Klette, imprisoned and currently in court for her revolutionary history, attitude, and practice – your story is part of our shared future!

These flames are for those who escape state control and prosecution, and continue our common path – love and strength!

We are right in the middle, we are part of the heart of the beast. And we all must continually decide what role we want to play in this bloody cycle.

We have decided to contribute to the infarction. The Bundeswehr will intervene in our lives in the coming years and become a relevant player again in the authoritarian, patriarchal shaping of society. Let's attack it on all levels! On the night of June 5th to 6th, we set fire to 5 heavy Bundeswehr vehicles at a workshop site on Carl-Benz-Strasse in Soltau."

(via actforfree.noblogs.org)

[Days after major rioting and rebellion in downtown

Los Angeles (U\$A): Fibre Optic Outage – 15th June

LA in defiance of the immigration raids 'cleaning up the city' in preparation for the 2028 Olympic games, as much as in appeasement of the electoral cattle who voted (for or against the current president)]

Internet and cable provider Spectrum has reported outages in Los Angeles are "caused by a criminal act of vandalism," according to a company post Sunday on X.

The most common user issues have been total blackouts, landline and internet problems, and no signal. The outage has affected neighborhoods surrounding Los Angeles, such as North Hollywood, as well as in the Orange County cities of Anaheim and Santa Ana.

More than 25,000 Spectrum users in the Los Angeles area reported issues on DownDetector.com, which tracks outages. Users self-report to DownDetector, so it may not represent the full scale of outages.

Users began reporting issues to DownDetector at 3 a.m. Pacific Time, with more reports spiking around 8

a.m. and 1 p.m.

Spectrum acknowledged customer concerns at 2:13 p.m. PT in a post on X, saying, “We are currently working on a Fiber cut affecting the Los Angeles area. We are sorry for the inconvenience this has caused. Thank you.”

Spectrum told CNN in an email that the “lines were cut due to vandalism in Van Nuys,” which affected services in other parts of Los Angeles and Ventura, California. The company said it expects services to “continue to be restored this afternoon in Los Angeles” and that services have already been restored in Ventura.

Customers in Kansas City experienced a similar outage last month, when Spectrum reported two fiber cuts — one that the company credited to a criminal act of vandalism and another caused by a third-party network, which should have provided backup to the Spectrum network, according to local reports.

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On the night of Monday to Tuesday, June 17, thirty-six

Berlin (Germany): 36 Vehicles of War Profiteers Go up in Smoke

– 17th June

vans belonging to war profiteers Telekom and Amazon went up in smoke in Berlin: 17 of the former’s vehicles in the Lichtenberg district, and 19 of the latter’s in the Britz district, within minutes of each other at around 3am.

From the communique posted online:

“Last night, several vans belonging to Amazon and Telekom were set on fire in the south (Britz district) and east (Lichtenberg district) of Berlin. Neither fences nor cameras were able to prevent anti-militarists from attacking these two army collaborators. Both companies benefit enormously from widespread militarization and wars. That’s why it’s appropriate to sabotage them.

Instead of a champagne reception, we chose to celebrate the opening of Amazon-Tower with the carcasses of burned out cars. But we don’t find this hideous building to be sickening only because of its impact on the neighborhood, but also because of all the other dirty tricks up the tech giant’s sleeve, and especially because of its active participation in war and genocide. Amazon’s servers and Cloud Services are used by the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF) to store the huge amounts of data resulting from mass surveillance

of the Palestinian population. With its subsidiary, Amazons Web Services (AWS), Amazon is one of the IDF’s partners. In 2021, AWS, Google and Microsoft signed contracts for the IDF to use their servers (Project Nimbus). Since the Israeli invasion and the complete destruction of the Gaza Strip that has resulted, the IDF needs much greater computing capacity to employ its military AI programs (Lavender, Where’s Daddy?)...

[...] War, militarization, genocide and imperialist politics are all based on high technology today. To function, the state and global military system requires a highly complex technological infrastructure. In Germany, this is managed and developed by the state-owned Telekom. No war works without technology, and the German Federal Army benefits enormously from the militarization taking place worldwide. Telekom supports the Federal Army in the field of cyber-defense, and trains soldiers in IT. Companies like Telekom are profiting from rearmament, from the government’s 400 billion budget to make people “fit for war”, and from the reintroduction of military service...

[...] Sabotage and revolt are right, it is right to demand life against militarism and the technologies of death, just as it is right to demand and defend antimilitarism against nationalism.

It’s right to liberate life from militarism and war, from the state and patriarchy.

Against all wars and armies.

Love & strength for Maya on hunger strike and for all the others imprisoned in the Budapest affair, for Nanuk, Daniela, and the anarchists N and M. A hug and fiery greetings to Athens, where Marianna, Dimitra, Dimitris, Nikos and AK are being held prisoner in the Korydallos jail. In memory of Kyriakos Ximitiri’s struggle”

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Translated by Act for Freedom Now!



Netherlands: Traffic Congestion for the NATO Summit

– 24-26th June

“In one of Europe’s most densely populated regions, the unceasing flow of traffic, along roads, tracks, pipelines and cables, is a prerequisite for the functioning of the mega machine that holds us all hostage, leaving only destruction in its wake. When the smooth functioning of this infrastructure breaks down, even for a few hours, it can have a cascading effect, interrupting the logistics required by the war machine, capitalism, and the state.

[...]

The unusual activity began the weekend before the NATO conference, when electricity cables were cut near the World Forum in the Hague, where the meeting was set to take place. After an extensive investigation authorities claim to have found the culprit, a fox, who was supposedly spotted on camera around where the cut occurred. Greetings and solidarity to the fugitive fox.

[...]

Early Tuesday morning trains between Amsterdam, Utrecht, and Schiphol and even further south were disrupted when a fire broke out along the tracks near the airport, damaging 25 cables over a length of 30 meters. The fire caused extensive damage, in part because it destroyed a 3kV cable, and took a whole day to repair. It is believed to be the result of arson, but authorities remain puzzled as to who would do such a thing. Speculating that it could be the work of state actors, activists, or even... copper thieves?

Tuesday afternoon the disruptions continued when an overhead cable mysteriously snapped near Gouda, stranding several trains and shutting down service between Utrecht and the Hague. A journalist who happened to be on one of the stranded trains reported hearing a conductor say that the cable had been pulled down. May every cable snap.

Wednesday morning, shortly after the damage done by the fire on Tuesday had been repaired, train service was interrupted again between Amsterdam Zuid and Schiphol. It is unclear what exactly caused the disruption, which has vaguely been labeled “a technical issue.”

Later on Wednesday there was another intervention on the rails, this time on the train tracks near the harbor in Rotterdam. Activists blocked the train tracks for several hours, preventing freight from entering or

exiting the harbor. Expect a delay in the delivery of your Amazon packages.

To round off the unexpected occurrences around the NATO summit a military vehicle spontaneously caught fire in Rotterdam on Wednesday. One can only hope that the flames burned bright enough to ignite the imagination of would-be rebels.

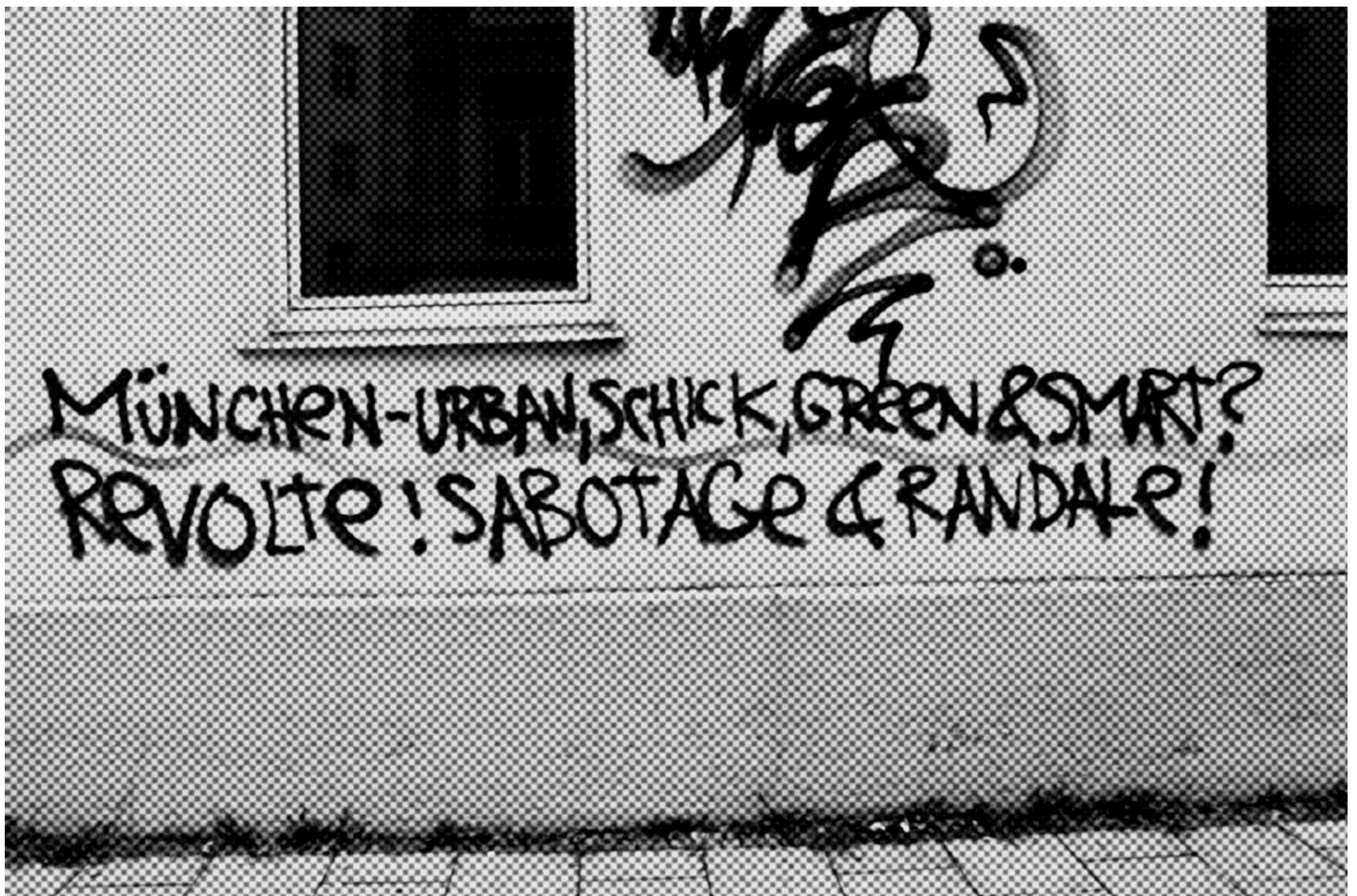
Anarchists and other rebels have a rich history of sabotaging railroads, cables, and the dispersed infrastructure that power empire. Not only is infrastructure easy to strike, the effects are unpredictable and can have ripple effects, spreading the fire of revolt beyond our wildest imaginations. Even though we witnessed the largest security operation in the history of the Netherlands, there have been no reported arrests of foxes or other wild animals that acted under the cover of the night. This makes us wonder; what if there were a hundred foxes chewing, burning and pulling at the cables that power the war machine?”

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From the Dungeons of Democracy to the Prison Society

"FROM THE LIFE OF A PRISONER" – WORDS BY N



From the Life of a Prisoner (Letter)

- May 2025

Everything in this society in which we are forced to live, that makes life hostile and inhospitable, becomes visible in the place that it invented in order to remind all people, nonconformist or conformist alike, what awaits them if they step outside of the boundaries: prison. A place that acts instead of or in addition to execution: the death of time. Buried alive in a tomb until the day of resurrection; cut off from loved ones, the living world and our bodies' natural impulse to move through the world freely. Reduced to a number in the smooth functioning of a machine; administered, surveilled, educated.

The first time one is trapped in this machine, one wonders how familiar everything is. There are those who say: "it isn't punishment, it's education." And they are right. However, what they overlook is that our first encounter with prison isn't when we are imprisoned. But rather that it is a part of our life from the very beginning: in kindergarten, school, in the hospital; later in the office, the factory, the barracks, in the retirement home. Categorized and sorted; accustomed to the ticking of the clock and the rhythm of the machine since childhood. Squeezed into concrete caves, cut off from the pulsing rhythm of life and death. Reduced to a function in the system, trained to measure the earth and its inhabitants according to the monetary value that can be squeezed out of them. Filled with ignorance or even disdain for all forms of subsistence and self organization.

Prison is simply the most blatant coercive institution, intended to tame the occasionally recalcitrant human material. A place where any outliers that interfere with the rhythm of the machine can be stored and managed.

In order to justify the existence of prison, it is sold to us as a place of retribution, atonement, and prevention. Where people who have violated the rules of social interaction, those who have robbed, hurt, or killed others, are punished. It incorporates the conflicts, the assaults, the injuries that people inflict on one another, and claims to solve them. And thus in prison one will always encounter some people whom one honestly only wishes the worst. However, the judiciary, that condemns such a person, also clears the path for those who develop and finance ever more complex killing machines, train and deploy hundreds of thousands to kill, organize the control and surveillance of entire populations, extinguish whole cultures and ways of life, profit from and base their power off of the exploitation

of humans and nature. Those who are backed by the judiciary loot and enslave the world and of course use their prisons to deal with their biggest rivals. Which is why in prison one finds primarily the poor, the useless and superfluous, the rebels and those who have failed to fit into this society. Prison functions as Ultima Ratio, to deal with these people or at least to clear them out of the way.

Now this man-made colossus quietly threatens discipline and order and creates a seldom overcome separation between the outside world and the unlucky ones it devours. More than ten weeks ago (May) these gates also closed behind me and made me a part of this man-made otherworld for indeterminate time. Now I, nr. 97/25, sit in my barely eight square meter tomb, cell 003, and wait. Wait until the nature of the storm that was unleashed around me and my companion M becomes clear. Only bit by bit does this or that information get through to me because in this otherworld time takes on other dimensions. Thus weeks and months pass and the calm to which I am condemned drones on, deafening to my ears.

Still today I have yet to receive access to the files of my case, neither about the Zündlumpen case, the basis for the warrant leading to my arrest, nor about the new case against me and my companion. Until today no one can visit or call me other than my parents. Letters addressed to me take two weeks to two months to arrive. Letters to the outside take just as long. If the wrong thing is written in these letters they are stopped. I am forbidden to speak about the case with anyone except for my lawyer. The cops listen to my conversations when I call, they sit next to me during visitation, and they read all of my letters. But I am thankful for one thing: at least now they do so openly. After years of sometime more, sometimes less effective secrecy, this is a pleasant change.

The pretext for this new tightening of the thumbscrew: flight risk. In a case that has been ongoing for three years. My companion M and I apparently went into hiding to avoid this case because we lived in a self-built hut in the forest right outside of the city limits of Munich.

That's why a warrant for my and M's arrest was issued on 04.02 and executed on 26.02. Like so many other unhoused people on a cold winter evening we were sitting in a warm Munich library with electricity and internet when we were ambushed, thrown to the

ground, and handcuffed by men and women in civilian clothes. Next I was brought into the stairwell. From that moment on I haven't seen M.

They brought me to the Staatschutz (SS) for interrogation where for hours they tried to get me to make a statement by telling me defamatory lies about M. Around midnight a cop from the Hundestaffel (HS) took a small sample from me by rubbing a handkerchief in my neck. At two in the morning they delivered me to the Polizeipräsidium (PP), where I was allowed to spend the rest of the night in one of their comfortable holding cells. The next day I was presented to a pre-trial judge and after a four hour stop over in the Frauen-JVA of Stadelheim I was promptly brought to Aichach without further explanation.

A week later the cops picked me up again in order to bring me to a clinic in Munich and violently strip me naked and photograph every spot or abnormality on my skin in search of burn wounds. Aside from this I spent the first two weeks entirely cut off from the outside world. After two weeks my lawyer visited, at three weeks I was allowed to call my parents for the first time, and after four weeks I was given the first letters and postcards.

Thank you to all those who wrote to me. The letters and cards are a bright spot on the walls of the tobacco-stained cell and the grey monotony of every day life in prison. Keep it up! A separation was ordered between M and I, but we are allowed to write each other letters. I am in a single cell. The cells are unlocked four to six hours a day and my fellow prisoners and I can move freely on our floor. During this time we also get one

hour of yard time. To this day (May) I don't have any of my own clothes or books because both are forbidden to me. I am not allowed to give or receive anything from outside. Sometimes the days are long, but in principle I know how to keep myself busy and to use the abundance of time I suddenly have in a somewhat useful manner. Forced into the normality of every day life in prison, subjected to the dictates of time and daily routine, confronted with bureaucracy and petty rules, cut off almost entirely from my loved ones and mother earth, this experience strengthens my resolve every day to not take the monster that is this society for granted, but rather to fight for a different way of being, a different relationship to the living world.

And so I too want to remember the old Chinese proverb: whoever reads this, is stupid! With this in mind I wish us all, inside and outside, the strength to not be intimidated and to stand up for our ideas. And read "Zündlumpen," there's a few good things in there!

Your N

JVA Aichach, May 2025

Note:

After more than four months of imprisonment N was given her personal clothing at the beginning of July. Ordering books from book stores is still being delayed by the JVA.

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