If we are to consider ourselves as revolutionaries, we must acknowledge that we have an obligation to succeed in pursuing revolution. Here, we must acknowledge not only the power of our enemies, but our own power as well. Realizing the nature of our power, we must not deny ourselves the exercise of the options available to us; we must utilize surprise, cunning and flexibility. We must use the strength of our enemy to undo him, keeping him confused and off-balance. We must organize with perfect clarity to be utterly unpredictable. When our enemies expect us to respond to provocation with violence, we must react calmly and peacefully; just as they anticipate our passivity, we must throw a grenade. Kwame Ture (Stokely Carmichael)

Pacifism is suicidal. In its core impulse to prostrate itself before the obvious reality of the violence inherent in state power, pacifism only inverts Emiliano Zapata's famous dictum that "It is better to die on one's feet than to live on one's knees". It actually posits the proposition that it is best to die on one's knees and seeks to achieve this result as a matter of principle. Pacifist Error is thus transmuted into Thanatol.

While it seems certain that at least a portion of pacifism's propensity toward suicide is born of the earlier-mentioned illusion that it can impel nonviolence on the part of the state (and is therefore simply erroneous), there is a likelihood that one or two other factors is at work in many cases:

1. A sublimated death wish manifesting itself in a rather commonly remarked "gamblers' neurosis" (i.e., "Can I risk everything and win!").
2. A sublimated death wish manifesting itself in a "political" equivalent of running out in front of a bus ("Will it hit me or not?").

W. Churchill.

Pacifism as Pathology

The last of all, a fatalism, passivity and insensitivity to suffering and oppression. It is the isolation of every person who claims to oppose oppression to resist the oppressor by every means at his or her disposal. Not to engage in physical resistance, armed resistance to oppression, is to serve the interest of the oppressor, no more, no less. There are no exceptions to the rule, no easy out...

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WHAT IF YOU HUNG A BANNER AND NOBODY SHOWED UP??

RUCKUS (ruckus) - Noisy confusion, uproar, disturbance, chaos, disorder, lawlessness.

The "Bring on the Ruckus" Society is here to say, "when we say bring on the ruckus, we mean a fuckin' ruckus." We don't seek the clean, methodical image of the 'empathetic revolution', recently represented through corporate media filters by such professional bureaucrats as The Ruckus Society™, Arts and Revolution ©, and the Direct Action Network ®. We want to abolish the institutions that have imposed a suffocating order on our resistance. We strengthen the liberation of desire, and the spontaneous and free-flowing nature of our resistance.

The Ruckus will not be choreographed. It is the hurricane swirling offshore, that no mere mortal can predict or navigate. It is the unpredictability of instinct, the reaction to the meticulous order that dulls our senses and produces repetition. We will not know the Ruckus until it touches down, shattering the tender façades of society.

The Ruckus is highly illegal. Our safety must be cast aside, to make way for the marvelous in life - the natural chaos that we were meant to live. The demise of the present order can never come about while well-paid "activists" cater to its institutions of propaganda, taking false credit for the bringing on of the Ruckus. Similarly, the Ruckus can not be bought with a tax-deductible donation, and there will be no glossy mailing included when the Ruckus comes. The Ruckus will not be funded by Ted Turner or other members of the ruling class. Non-violence guidelines must be tossed, along with major financial centers around the globe, so that the Ruckus can re-assess itself. Finally, the Ruckus has no poster boy/girl.

We cannot wait for the Ruckus to be unleashed. Only we can break the chains of "civility" that confine the wild nature of the Ruckus. The time has come to transform the Ruckus from mere metaphor, to active, participatory reality.

As King Mob said in 1968, "there are no limits to our lawlessness...the future belongs to the free spirit of the outlaw."

Fuck the civil, let's get disobedient!

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Friends of Ted Kaczynski

1919: Quit his professorship at UC Berkeley for a Thoreauan lifestyle in the Stinson Village, Montana. A 1964 arrest in the Unabomber, America’s Most Wanted, accused of 17-year-old anti-tech mail bombing campaign that left genetic engineers, cyberspace, bank robberies and others dead in 1985: Sentenced to life without parole after a fatal trial in Sacramento.

Ted is currently held in Florence Supermax, Colorado, notorious across America. Vainly denied visits by anyone he wants to see. Ted’s only real contact with the Outside is by mail. His publisher uses to cover Ted’s mailing costs. Since Content Books won’t publish his Truth & Lies, Ted can’t afford even letters out.

Whatever else may be the case, it is certain that technology is creating for human beings a new physical and social environment radically different from the one envisoned in the works of science fiction. Our society has adopted the human race physically and psychologically. It is not to be adapted to the new environment by being scientifically re-educated, but the new environment shall be adapted to the human race physically and psychologically. Ted’s solution is far more likely than the latter.

It would be better to dump the whole stinking system and take the consequences.

in Washington Post, September 21, 1995, pages 177-179
Chicago Tribune, May 7, 1886
Excerpts from "Stamp Out the Anarchists"

Mobbing, murder, and dynamite assassinations were probably necessary to arouse the Americans and the Americanized foreigners of Chicago to the danger of anarchical doctrines. Under the leadership of Spies, Fiedler, Parsons, and Schwab, the bloody-minded Anarchists congregated in this city have been urging the destruction of American ideas of government and sending out their disciples to spread seditions and encourage social and political revolution. Not an effort has been made to shout, raise a cry, or suppress these political mad-dogs, but they have been allowed to pursue their frenzied course without the slightest interference from municipal authorities. In accordance with certain popular but delusive and misplaced notions about the sacredness of free speech and free print, the Anarchists have been permitted to advertise murder, arson, and pillage as the means for the overthrow of American government and destruction of American society. The general idea seemed to be that the madness would run its course and that there might be a seed-sowing of anarchical doctrine without a harvest of riot and bloodshed. The events of the last week prove such expectations unfounded and demonstrate that the people cannot expect to escape the effects if they tolerate the cause. They must put their heel on the Anarchists and crush them out.

Let the Anarchists learn that, while the American people may be slow to wrath, they are fully able to protect themselves, their families, their institutions, and their property. While Spies, Parsons, Fiedler, and Schwab are punished according to law, care should be taken that no more such social desperadoes are harbored in Chicago. Incendiary anarchical sheets should be suppressed by the police. Nihilistic meetings on the public parks ought to be broken up and the leaders sent home if need be with broken heads. No more red flags or black flags should be flouted in the streets of Chicago. Let the Anarchists understand that they must seek some other place to preach and practice their hellish doctrines, and while they remain here they must show at least an outward respect for American law and institutions. The sooner dynamite conspirators understand that matters have at last reached this complexion the better it will be for all concerned.

NOTE: This editorial appeared in the immediate aftermath of the Haymarket bombing (1886), but would also fit in recent corporate-state propaganda, such as the Register-Guard. The times have not changed much in the past hundred years. Such propaganda is nothing new coming from a nation-state propaganda that is intent on domination and control. Throughout history, the police and media have collaborated to perpetuate a hateful and demonic image of "violent" anarchists. Anarchists consider such demonization to be aimed at legitimizing suppression of those who challenge the very nature of their authority by fostering a community based on human need and desire, rather than the soul-killing rules of capitalism.

Corporate media remains... a tool of the ruling class!
ANARCHISTS IN ITALY

independently from that which sustains the associative links."

Maini explains that the law, created in 79, is based on the concept of anticipated punishability, the same type of crime as political conspiracy. This article of law - he claims - was born not from the fascist code Fascismo, but from democratic legislation. The existence of this investigation and trial is that the INTENTION IS ENOUGH. Because as anarchists, still using his words, "you cannot keep actions from following ideas."

This is what anarchists couldn't tolerate; the presumption of danger is enough.

According to Maini, it is not necessary for an individual to infringe upon the laws. It is enough to write things like those leaflets that he cited from, those manifestos, those pamphlets, because it is clear that the authors plainly say in a radical manner - therefore inevitably destined to lead to a practical and violent act - their radical stance, with the constitutional and democratic method. It is enough to adhere to a similar thesis. The crime of participation in a subversive association does not require a relation with all "members" nor with "every episode": expression is enough, even without taking part or enacting a particular activity.

There are very clear and unequivocal words: the State can permit anything except that which could overthrow it.

The request of the Public Minister Maini is divided into three groups: those that belong to an armed band (30 anarchists), meaning those who have promoted, constituted, organized, and participated in an armed band, without distinction between leaders, directors, followers, etc. The second, those charged with participation in subversive associations (17 anarchists), the third, those charged with specific crimes (7 anarchists).

But on May 31, all defendants were found not guilty for armed band and subversive crimes, but 13 were sentenced for common crimes.

Francesco Porcu - life sentence + 18 mos. daily isolation
Marina Lo Vecchio - 12 years
Orlando Campo - 5 years
Riccardo Crispino - 10 years
Gregorio Garaguso - 6 years
Cario Tesserini - 3 years and 10 months
Jean Wall - 1 year
Aldo Romanino - 3 years and 6 months
Fulvio Liberio - 1 year and 8 months
Mora Masotta - 1 year
A. Di Fausto - 1 year and 8 months
Antonio Sotra - 15 years
Michele Namisechi - 2 years

The trial of Silvano Pellegrino ended in early February which found him guilty of the charges of "armed band" and "possession of explosives". Silvano was sentenced to 6 years and 10 months, without concrete evidence, in connection with the direct attacks on the high-speed trains projects (TAV) in Val de Susa (northern Italy). The intense attacks of dynamites, molotov cocktails, and arsons also hit several companies at different levels who were connected to or contributed to the project. These attacks cannot only simply be considered the work of anarchists. As opposition to the TAV was widespread and popular among the local population.

Given the nature of the state, they sought after those whom they considered most threatening to their power. Hence, they went after those who had long been active in seeking its demise. On March 5th, 1996, Silvano was arrested along with Edoardo Masiolo and Soledad Rossa. They were accused of being part of the terrorist group "giornata" which claimed responsibility for some of the attacks on the TAV.

On March 28th, 1998, Edoardo was found dead in his cell. The police claimed he hung himself. On July 18th, Soledad committed suicide while under house arrest. There were, thus, left Silvano as the sole scapegoat.

At the trial, however, the court was not able to elicit their opposition smoothly. After the verdict was read, about 30 anarchists expressed their disgust shouting insults and eventually, as the confrontation escalated, openly battled police in the courtroom. They then left and joined with more anarchists outside of the court and attacked the building by hitting it with a barrage of rocks and bottles. Riot cops then charged the crowd, brutally beating many of the people. And, as many of the people were seriously injured in this situation, anarchists made barricades in the street to assist their beaten comrades before retreating. However, the reaction to the proceedings by the anarchists shows that revolt against state power cannot be subdued with a few arrests and convictions.

Silvano is currently on house arrest and we are still pleased.

You can send letters in french, spanish or italian to:

Silvano Pellegrino
Comunità Mastrolieto
Via Ferrero, 2
San Paolo
1080 Torino, ITALY

The story of the Haymarket Affair

In 1865, two anarchists, Lucy and Albert Parsons, walked arm in arm with their children down Chicago's Michigan Avenue. They walked at the head of 80,000 workers in the world's first ever May Day parade.

At that moment, $40,000 workers in 12,000 factories across the country downed tools to demand the 8-hour day in order to spread work among the thousands made unemployed by new 'labor-saving machinery. The next day, Chicago police attacked peaceful strikers with guns and clubs, killing and wounding several. On May 3rd, Chicago anarchists led 6,000 striking lumberworkers to the aid of strikers at the McCormick Harvester factory. Again the police attacked with no provocation and again several strikers were killed or wounded. Outraged, the anarchists called a protest meeting for the next day at the Haymarket, urging workers to come armed.

The meeting was peaceful and a shower of rain soon sent away most of the large crowd. When only 200 remained the police suddenly attacked. In the confusion, a bomb sailed through the air and exploded among the police, killing one and wounding seven.

In reply the police opened fire on the crowd.

Four workers fell dead and many more were wounded.

It has never been discovered who threw the Haymarket bomb, but it was certainly none of the eight anarchists who were brought to trial for it. Six of them were not even there and the other two were clearly innocent, yet a trial of perjured testimony, a packed jury, biased judge and an hypnotized press ensured a verdict of guilty. In spite of a worldwide protest and a second trial, the four Haymarket Martyrs', including Albert Parsons, were hanged.
THE PARIS COMMUNE

A place where people still laugh...

The Paris Commune was a short-lived revolutionary government in Paris, France, from March to May 1871. It was a response to the failure of the French Revolution of 1848 and the defeat of the Second French Empire in the Franco-Prussian War. The Commune was led by Socialist and Communist revolutionaries, and it was known for its radical policies, including the nationalization of land and the abolition of the monarchy.

On May 2nd, government troops confronted the starving city. Seven days of bitter fighting followed, one by one, all of the Commune's barricades were overcome. A terrible slaughter followed. Squads of soldiers and armed members of the bourgeoisie moved the streets, killing and maiming as well. At least 30,000 communards fell in the lastpassage.

PROPAGANDA BY DEED

The belief in the Commune being the French Commune was that it was a weapon of the oppressed. The city's government was seen as a weapon of the oppressed. The city's government was seen as a weapon of the masses. The Comune was a place where people still laugh. But it was only to last for 73 days. With the city under constant siege, food became scarce and starvation led to extreme hardship.

REMEMBER THE HISTORY

The Paris Commune was a radical experiment in socialist and anarchistic ideas, and it left a lasting legacy on the development of modern social and political movements. The Commune's ideals of worker control, direct democracy, and the rejection of the state continue to inspire and provoke debate to this day.

For 29 years the anarchists struck out with bombs, pistols or daggers at every moment. President, Minister or milliller that came within reach.

TRIAL IN ITALY

Anarchists on trial

The trial of the anarchists in Italy was a significant event in the history of revolutionary movements. The trial was conducted in Turin in 1892 and involved the prosecution of several anarchists for their involvement in various acts of violence. The trial was marked by intense debate and controversy, with many accusing the anarchists of terrorism and others defending their right to free speech and revolutionary activity.

On February 23rd, the trial began. The prosecution presented their case, and the defense argued that the anarchists were being unfairly targeted. The trial lasted for several months, with numerous legal battles and public demonstrations. Ultimately, the anarchists were found guilty and sentenced to prison, but their conviction was overturned on appeal, highlighting the ongoing debates around the rights of revolutionaries and the role of the state in suppressing dissent.
EUGENE ANARCHISTS
for
TORREY (EAT)

A faction of the Eugene Anarchist scene has decided to endorse Jim Torrey as our candidate for next year's mayoral race. People will wonder how an anti-authoritarian group could endorse any candidate for a government position. Well, we believe that Jim Torrey has been very influential in turning Eugene into a "hotted" of Anarchy. We look at his vital role in the June 1st tree-cutting/torture and his ability to get gross polluters and discriminating corporations like Hyundai to move to our town, as prime examples of his Conservative/Corporate agenda, thus creating the inevitable and beautiful Anarchist backlash. Although some of us are foolish enough to buy into the scams of Democracy, and of course do not plan on voting, we encourage others, who still believe, to at least vote for the greater of two evils. If not for pure comedy, at least to make it clear to all what type of Fascist system we live under. Often more liberal candidates muddy the waters with reform tactics which offer no real solutions to our problems, while promoting a corporate agenda.

LET'S KEEP EUGENE AN EXPORTER OF ANARCHISTS,
RE-ELECT JIM TORREY!

A VOTE FOR TORREY IS A VOTE FOR INEVITABLE ANARCHY!

TORY (tor-ey): a member of a chiefly 18th century British Party upholding the established church and traditional political structure 2: an American supporter of the British during the American Revolution 3: an extreme conservative.

-Punk and Wagnall's Dictionary

"CAUSE EVERY GOOD REVOLUTION NEEDS A TORREY!"

UPDATE: In a landslide victory, Jim Torrey received over 71 percent of the vote in the Eugene primary. Jim only expected 60 percent, so the extra 11 percent has been attributed to the hard work of the EAT campaign. This assures another four years of tyrannical rule. Long live the "Hotbed of Anarchy" -BRING IT ON, JIM!

Do yourself and the Earth a favor this election year.

DON'T VOTE!
Dismantling the Bridge to the Twenty-first Century

It is with great pride that we are pleased to announce our endorsement for the Great Mayoral campaign of 2006. Eugene Anarchists for Torrey (EAT) have spent months discussing and deliberating about who would be most worthy to wear the coveted crown of our endorsement. In the end, it was unanimous (if not obvious). There is only one man capable of furthering the goals of total liberation and free association of the oppressive facade of electoral politics: JIM TORREY!!!

Despite all the tireless work and endless hours that Anarchists in Eugene have spent to actualize freedom and autonomy, one man has consistently gone out of his way to fan the flames of the long awaited Social Revolution. JIM TORREY!!! This guy really wants to smash the state.

Whether sitting Sidney in a limousine, presaging over the destruction of “public property” with the infamous June First tree-cutting, pepper spray jamboree, or facilitating the arrival of racist, fascist, multi-national corporations to deserve workers and poison our water, Jim has played a pivotal role in the growth of open opposition to authority!

Who can forget the blatant, unapologetic, and disrespectful insults he made against the Anarchist community at his maiden proposal to “invent” the city? Jim has single-handedly inspired more cynicism in voters than anyone. The lie of benevolent government has been exposed! WOOHEE!!

More recently, let us remember when our beloved mayor shared with us his vision of sustainable community and self-empowerment at the Valley River Center Mall. While reading stories to the next generation of consumers, Jim created a new “Community” with the imageable symbol of holiday greed, Santa Claas, and the genetically corporate clowns, Ronald McDonald. Jim’s paranoid, reactionary, and prejudiced remarks concerning the Anarchist community have been a source of hours of gentle laughter for many of us that will stay with us in our hearts for years to come.

What if we are at some day when we have no masters, tyrants, bosses (or mayors) or their merciless defenders of wealth? What if the day we wake up on election morning and realize that absolutely nobody voted and our government is universally recognized as illegitimate, until then if we are still to be ruled by someone (or something), let him be the greater of the evil.

FOUR MORE YEARS!!!!!!!!!!

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If it’s humiliating to be ruled, how much more degrading is it to choose our masters?

Eugene Anarchists on the Move

WE HAVE TO DISMANTLE ALL THIS! (1995)

This anthology contains the first few years of an anti-authoritarian newsletter of the same name. The editors, who are not identified, were involved in a lot of local organizing efforts in the late 1980s and early 1990s. The content is a mix of theoretical and practical articles on anarchism, anarcho-feminism, and anti-authoritarian organizing. The editors aim to provide a counter-narrative to the dominant narratives of capitalism and patriarchy, and to offer a vision of a world without hierarchy. The text is written in an activist tone and is intended to inspire readers to take action and engage in struggles for freedom and equality. The editors encourage readers to think critically and question the status quo, to challenge power structures, and to build collective power through solidarity and mutual aid. The anthology serves as a resource for those interested in radical social change and provides a platform for diverse voices within the anarchist movement.
Peruvians prepare for riots by constructing gas masks

By The Associated Press

LIMA, Peru — Recycling plastic bottles is the newest rage in this Andean capital — not to protect the environment, but to protect against choking tear gas.

Riot police have shown little hesitation to use nonlethal gas to disperse frequent protests, large and small, since President Alberto Fujimori claimed a third term victory May 28 in an election marked by irregularities and fraud allegations.

This week, street vendors in the capital's historic center started selling homemade gas masks fashioned from bottles, tape and vinegar-soaked cushioning from old mattresses. The cost: the equivalent of about 30 cents.

"It's a sign of the times," said political activist Fernando Rospligioso. "It's been a long time since we've seen such forceful protests in Lima and such a willingness by the police to resort to choking gas."

Opposition newspapers La República and Liberation reported Friday that police have stockpiled seven different types of tear gas in preparation for a massive three-day protest planned for next week to disrupt Fujimori's July 28 inauguration.

Alejandro Toledo, the opposition candidate who boycotted the runoff vote, alleging Fujimori was planning to rig the result, had originally called for 4 million people to take part in the demonstrations.

But march organizers say they now hope to see about 300,000 people converge on the city from Peru's Andes, southern and southern coast and Amazon jungle, to augment some 200,000 protesters from inside the capital city.

Fujimori has said he will not declare a state of emergency or curfew to thwart the march.

"What I can say is that the police will guarantee internal security so long as the marches are conducted in a peaceful manner, without affecting private property," Fujimori told reporters Friday.

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OUT OF ORDER

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COLUMBIA - The seemingly endless conflict in Colombia is back to its usual business of killing, raping, kidnapping and terrorizing the population. The government and the guerrillas continue to kill, maim and torture innocent civilians for no apparent reason. The international community is helpless to do anything about it.

VILLAGERS ATTACK MURDERED FARMER

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**The A.L.F.**

**Chicken Feed Truck Destroyed by A.L.F.**

North Vernon, Ind. - For the third time in two months the underground Animal Liberation Front struck out against the chicken factory farm industry. In the early morning hours of July 23, 2000, an A.L.F. activist set fire to a feed truck at Rose Arne Farm in North Vernon, Indiana, destroying the vehicle. Damage estimates total over $100,000.

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Fellow revolutionaries,

July, 2000

Here I am imprisoned by a system I didn't create nor do I support. This capitalist system has failed, not just me and my comrades, but everyone who puts life over money. Money does not provide the air we breathe. We need to force timber barons to breathe sawdust, one or two lungfulls would be all it takes. Money hungry authoritarians eat your fucking cash. Genetically engineered time bombs are being created by scientists to conquer the natural order of the planet. We need to get rid of the genetically engineered part and use them to get rid of the scientists. These genetically altered plants are planned to choke out the natural ones for the sake of money, and when a crop killing disease comes and wipes out these immune deficient plants, the only thing left to eat will be those scientists. Not something, I think, any of us are looking forward to. So we need to stop it NOW by whatever means necessary. By whatever means necessary means the ends justify the means. As in every war, and this is the most important war to date (we're fighting to save what's left after capitalists have destroyed almost all), it takes every tool in the toolbox, monkey wrenches, sickles, scythes and torches to win. If we only use one tool then the machine will continue to kill us all. We can no longer just try and live in harmony with the planet and its life forms. If one in ten people care about the planet and its life and nine in ten are fucking it up then that one needs to work ten times as hard to stop the other nine assholes. Simple math. Probably too optimistic as well.

FUCK THE MONEY.
FUCK THE STATE.
DESTROY THE CORPORATIONS.
WE ALL HATE.

Anonymous
Autonomous

Today Earth will claim back what is hers! Today our struggle will open and fire and brimstone will spew forth upon the cursed few.

Today is DOOMSDAY!

MAY OUR RESISTANCE BE AS TRANSNATIONAL AS CAPITAL!
Security Culture

WHAT NOT TO SAY
To begin with, these are certain things that are inappropriate to discuss. These things include:
• your involvement or someone else’s involvement with an underground group;
• someone else’s desire to get involved with such a group;
• asking others if they are members of an underground group;
• your participation or someone else’s participation in any action that was illegal;
• someone else’s advocacy for such actions;
• your plans or someone else’s plans for a future action.

Can you see a pattern? It is wrong to speak about a specific individual’s involvement (past, present or future) with illegal activities. These are unacceptable topics of discussion regardless of whether it is rumor, speculation or personal knowledge. Please note: no one is claiming it is wrong to speak about direct action in general terms. It is perfectly legal, secure and desirable that people speak out in support of monkeywrenching and all forms of resistance. The danger lies in linking individual activists to specific actions or groups.

DON’T STOP HERE
It is also imperative that each of us understand our rights. Make it a priority that everyone in your group learns about the following topics:
• The Grand Jury and how to deal with them;
• CONTELPRO tactics for destroying movements and how to protect ourselves;
• What to do if the cops knock on your door;
• What to do if the cops stop you on the street;
• What to do if you are arrested.

The following are indispensable resources:
• War at Home by Brian Glick (South End Press);
• If an Agent Knocks, a pamphlet by The Center for Constitutional Rights.

ADOPT A SECURITY CULTURE NOW
Activists are restless and resistance is on the rise. People are adopting more and more effective tactics. Now, more than ever, resistance poses a serious threat to the status quo in this country. Our increased activity and effectiveness mean that the FBI, ATF and local police will continue to escalate their CONTELPRO activities against activists. If we want to continue in this vein, it is imperative we start tightening our security and preparing ourselves for the long haul.

UNDER SURVEILLANCE?
• Brief your membership on known or suspected surveillance. Be scrupulous with documentation. Do not dismiss complaints as paranoia without careful investigation. The oppression can be frightening. Nobody deserves to have illegal organizations learn about methods and strategy.
• Discuss incidents with colleagues, family and membership. Call the press if you have information about surveillance and harassment. Discussion makes the immune dirty work of the intelligence agencies and private spies easier to spot.
• If you wish to have a private conversation, leave your home or office and walk or drive somewhere very public and notice who can hear you.
• If you see a car, report it to yourself. As the World War II poster warned: Loose lips sink ships.
• Photograph the person(s) following you or have a friend do it. If someone is visibly following you or surveilling, they are trying to frighten you. Openly photographing them makes them uncomfortable. If you are covertly being followed, have a friend covertly photograph them.
• If you are being followed, get the license plate numbers and state. Try to get a description of the driver and the car as well as passengers. Notice anything different about the car.
• If you are followed or feel threatened, call a friend. Don’t “call it out” alone. They are trying to frighten you. It is frightening to have someone threatening your freedom. Defend yourself immediately after each incident. Write down time, date, occasion, incident, characteristics of the person(s), impressions, anything odd about the car.
• Keep a “weirdo” file with detailed notes on unsettling situations and sites. Identify the person(s) involved and the broader pattern.


Basic Call to Consciousness
Extracted from The Haudenosaunee Message to the Western World

The people who are living on this planet need to break with the narrow concept of human liberation, and begin to see liberation as something which needs to be extended to the whole of the Natural World. What is needed is the liberation of all the things that support Life—the air, the water, the trees.

We feel that the Native peoples of the Western hemisphere can contribute to a survival strategy for the human species. The majority of our people are still in accordance with the traditions which find their roots in the Earth. The Native peoples have need of a forum in which our voice can be heard. And we need alliances with the other peoples of the world to assist in our struggle to regain and maintain our ancestral lands and to protect the Way of Life we follow.

The traditional Native peoples hold the key to the reversal of the processes in Western Civilization which threaten unimaginable future suffering and destruction.

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The Haudenosaunee, or the Six Nations Iroquois Confederacy, has extended on this land (now Mid-Atlantic states of US) since the beginning of human memory. Our culture is among the most ancient continuously existing cultures in the world. Our essential message to the world is a basic call to consciousness. The destruction of the Native cultures and people is the same process which has destroyed and is destroying life on this planet. The technologies and social systems which have destroyed the animal and plant life are also destroying the Native people. And the process is Western civilization.

The processes of colonialism and imperialism which have affected the Haudenosaunee are but a microcosm of the processes affecting the world. The system of reservations employed against our people is a microcosm of the system of exploitation used against the whole world. Since the time of Marco Polo, the West has been refining a process that has mystified the peoples of the Earth.

The majority of the world does not find its root in Western culture or traditions. The majority of the world finds its roots in the Natural World, and it is the Natural World, and the traditions of the Natural World that we must prevail if we are to develop truly free and egalitarian societies.

It is necessary at this time, that we begin a process of critical analysis of the West’s historical processes, to seek out the actual nature of the roots of the exploitative and oppressive conditions which are forced upon humanity. At the same time, as we gain understanding of those processes, we must reexamine that history to the people of the world.

It is the people of the West, ultimately, who are the most oppressed and exploited. They are burdened by the weight of centuries of racism, sexism, and ignorance which has rendered their people insensitive to the true nature of their lives.

We must not be complacent and continuously challenge every model, every program, and every process that the West tries to force upon us. Paul C. Friesen wrote in his book, the Pedagogy of the Oppressed, that it is the nature of the oppressor to legitimate the oppressor, and by such actions try to gain relief from the oppressive condition. We must learn to resist that response to oppression.

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Guerrilla Gardening - The Seeds of the Future

Seeds are the source of life.
People's movements are the source of resistance.

In this day and age, growing your own food and saving your own seeds has become an act of rebellion. Creating and maintaining local autonomy and self-reliance in agriculture are now necessary acts of defiance against corporate domination. Local food systems are not only a matter of survival but also a means to reconnect with the land, our community, and the natural world.

We Don't Need Another Hero: Putting ourselves and others in heroic positions fuses activities rather than challenging unjust systems. Struggles are not about individual heroes but about collective action. It's about creating a support system that empowers everyone to participate.

5. Question Everything: Why do you really want to do that? Check your intention. Is it the most effective attack on this particular target? Is it the one that gets you the most credit? If you can't be bothered to do it, you'll be surrounded by others who can.

6. Shut Up: Meetings are generally dominated by a few people who are particularly constructive, creative or original. Ask yourself why you think carefully before every meeting. What's the point of the meeting? Is it worth your time?

10. Learn: Inform yourself about the movement of women in China. Use this knowledge to inform your actions.

11. Abandon Your Privilege: This is the hardest step. You need to acknowledge and recognize that as a privileged individual, you occupy a global position of privilege. Most of us also have a lot of privilege, which our youth, our skin colour, our family image can be an asset to those who don't jump into activism.

12. Unity Against Patriarchy: While the struggle against patriarchy and sexism is imperative, it's important to recognize that feminism isn't just about fighting for equal rights. It's about creating a world where everyone can thrive.

As agriculturalists, we recognize that the reasons we don't want monocultures of corporate agriculture are the same reasons we don't want monopolies of global financial institutions. We support small-scale farmers and local communities. Global commodities must be affordable to different communities and lives must be able to survive in a world of small towns, small businesses, and small communities.

Diversity gets us in the way of profits and control. It's time to dominate and control nature and agriculture as a disease and deficiency. But diversity in our lands and our cultures is what keeps us alive and makes our lives rich. It's time to stand up and fight for our rights.

We are the life growing between the cracks of the pavement.

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Commandante Insurgente Marce.
Anarchista

Cafe Anarchista is not a place, but I can still give you some directions on how to get there. First, you go to your friends and look at the thickness of capitalist culture. If they agree with you, you’re half way there. One morning you pool all of your coffee money, buy some coffee beans and brew up enough for you and think about it as much as you think you’ll ever drink. One person throws a jug of milk from Safeway, another- rooks the sugar from the Donut and you all meet in the park.

Give away free coffee to your friends, the strangers and all passers-by. Secretly take donations for the needy, and then do it all over again. Tell more friends, and make more friends, and make at least one friend who works at a bakery. Give away free pastries, find a stereo and bring a box of books and magazines.

Serving Free Coffee for 2 Years
Cafe Anarchista @ the Free Space 3rd & Van Buren

There are some ways of challenging our social conditioning by a patriarchal culture. Masculine behavior is not specific to men, although more often common as males have been traditionally encouraged into stereotypical man-meaning aggressive, dominating, active, individualistic etc.) and women have encouraged into equally limited and repressive caricatures instead of us all achieving our full potential as human beings.

1. Women’s Space: Women are not capable of understanding what it was like for women. The experiences of women’s space are different in mixed space. And let’s stop talking about it in mixed groups—women’s space is not required, or demanded, it is taken and the opinions of men are irrelevant.

2. Skill Sharing: It is largely a myth. Usually it is about one individual teaching one or many, and obviously gives rise to many problems of hierarchy and patronizing behavior. Let’s talk about real things, you show me yours and I’ll show you mine.

3. New Women Being Fuck Fucked: This is particularly present, or maybe just most visible, on mixed protest camps, although also a problem in women’s camps when they are treated like lifestyle cruising grounds, at squat cafes/social centers and in urban groups. Other women can be cautious and not attack. Everyone can pull up their own plants and let them know they are valued as activists. Males can be friendly but not invasive. Everyone can pull up their own plants and let them know they are valued as activists.

4. Sexual Ordeal: While this is such a common complaint, it is often kept inside. Women are not wanting to rock the boat. As people who value direct action we need to talk about this—girl patrols groups who have issued confessional warnings or revenge attacks on known harassers have claimed mixed spaces as places not to meet with women. In the actions we take against corporate...