Greece: Letter from the 4 arrested anarchists concerning their double robbery in Velvento, Kozani

Our days pass, our nights don’t

We run toward our escape, whilst around us a full-out manhunt is playing out. Behind us lies a life that is predetermined, carved from the hands of the sovereign, with the aim for us to internalise submission as an objective condition, to morally legitimise systems of law and rules, to equalise the individual with a statistical logic of numbers. Ahead of us, the world of our “utopian” fantasies that is conquered with violence alone. One life, one chance and determined choices.

Gaze at the gap in-between the clouds and jump, because the fall was never a more certain choice.

On Friday, 01.02, along with a group of comrades, we conducted a double robbery, of the Agricultural Bank and the Post Office in Velvento, Kozani. In our opinion it is of some importance to analyse, to an extent, the operational part of the robbery. This, primarily in order to highlight all the elements of the case, the choices that we made, the mistakes we conducted and the reasons that lead us to these:

And so, on that Friday morning, we attacked the two targets split in two teams. Our aim from the upstart was to take the money from both safes, as it did indeed happen. During our escape, a series of unfortunate events and mistaken handling of these lead to the exposure both of our vehicle as well as our direction to the police.

Due to the police grip that was automatically formed, the comrade driving the van that was externally transformed to look like an ambulance, sought exit routes for the team conducting the robberies. In this attempt of his, he made the mistake of driving three times in front of a vehicle of the cops, which resulted in him being considered suspect. A chase followed and then, due to non-familiarity with the area that he ended up in, he reached four dead ends in the mud-roads of the pits, which resulted in him being surrounded in the last one – and having no other actual space to escape. And so, once he set the van alight, he was arrested. Following these developments and while our comrade with the escape vehicle was already in the hands of the cops, our available options were significantly narrowed down.

We therefore decided to stop the first passing vehicle, since this would guarantee a more safe escape for us and our comrades. The main issue in this condition was for the cops not to learn about the new escape vehicle of our comrades – and so we decided to keep its driver in the van with us, until we would find a way for us to escape too. This is approximately when we crossed paths with a police car, which gradually turned into an intense chase until the city of Veroia, with most of the police forces available in the area, behind us. We obviously did not for a moment consider using the hostage in person as a human shield (we would not have a problem, for example, should we have had the manager of a bank) – after all, the police did not know of his existence. In the end, he acted as a human shield for the cops, without their knowledge – since he comprised the reason for which we did not use our weapons in order to escape. Because our consciousness and our moral code do not allow us to risk the life of a random person who found themselves with us against their will.

Call for two weeks of solidarity actions with fugitive anarchist Felicity Ann Ryder, from February 21st till March 7th

We send our fraternal greetings to all the anti-authoritarian hearts that read us in different places of the world. All those who have firmly decided to use their time and means to fight against each institution and symbol of the gear that maintains patriarchal capitalism, oppression, domestication and the masquerade of Power.

Comrades, we make this call from some part of the Monster to launch our howls of solidarity with our sister and comrade Felicity Ann Ryder, who remains fugitive from the clutches of the State for over seven months now. In the morning of June 27th, 2012 there was an unfortunate incident: an explosion from an incendiary device wounded our comrade Mario López ‘Tripa’, who was...
At this point we would like to make clear that we did not have the weapons just for the purpose of scaring off, but as a weapon in the off-chance of a clash between us and the cops. Therefore, the reason why we did not act in the corresponding way, in order to escape, was a condition in which we found ourselves due to a mistaken handling.

The only option for an escape by this point was speed – and our attempt to gain ground with our vehicle from the cops who were chasing us. Of course, the city of Veroia does not offer itself for something like this, and so we were soon trapped in a narrow street, resulting in our arrest. During our arrest, the only thing that we stated was that the person that we had with us had nothing to do neither with the robbery, nor with us. Despite this, the cops continued beating him too, at least for as long as we had eye-contact with him.

The above narration is not conducted as part of some boosting or self-promotion, but in order to invert the legacy of the arrests without a fight that the conditions lead us to.

The narration ends at the police headquarters in Veroia, where an hours-long torturing of three of us by the pigs of the police took place. The tactics are well-known and expected: hood, tying with handcuffs behind our backs and beatings.

We consider a given that there is a clear separating line behind us and the system, which marks the war between two worlds. The world of sovereignty, repression and submission and the world of freedom, which we create and keep alive through the restless struggle against authority.

In this war, the pigs of the police comprise a permanent target of the anarchist guerrillas as a front-line and repressive branch of the mechanisms of sovereignty. For this reason, we considered the stance of the cops against us a given. If the state did not fight us, then we would have a good reason to be worried. Torturing, as a method, were, are and will be a weapon in the arsenal of any given authority. Us, of course, as anarchists, refuse to use methods of torturing against our enemies and promote the dignified practice of political “executions”, since we do not want to reproduce the rottenness of their world, but to eliminate it.

The opinion that sees people in struggle are pray in the hands of mechanisms of repression internalises the idea of defeat amidst subversive circles. It is the acceptance of a conceptualisation of curtailing the war against the enemies of freedom, as part of the acceptance of the bourgeois social morality and legality. And in order for us to be clear, the cue above concerns statements of the like of those by ANTARSYA or by A.K. [Anti-authoritarian Movement]. Which contribute more to reformism than to radicalisation. It is unnecessary for us to refer to journalists, SYRIZA and other parts of the system which address us with “friendly” statements in order to attempt to re-approach those consciousnesses that begin to divert from the norm, serving, in this way, the stabilisation of the regime.

Now, concerning facing the practices of torture, our own response lies in polymorphic action. The highlighting of particular events through actions of counter-information such as communiques, posters, gatherings, demonstrations etc. is definitely necessary, in order for an ever-increasing number of people to reach a conclusion. A conclusion that leaves no space for “isolated incidents” or “revanchist behaviours” but leads to the understanding that physical violence was always a means of repression and control by society. It comprises part of the war between sovereignty and revolt.

Of course, this message must spread equally with a message of terror for those natural torturers, the cops. In order for cops not to beat up, the intra-systemic denunciations and legal procedures have no meaning – while they also imply concessions and an informal acceptance of the juridical or journalistic authority. It takes resistance – and resistance must have violent form, too. Because an attack against the cops --- not only those of Veroia – either with stones, either with molotovs, ether with guns, leads them undoubtedly to a reassessment of their choices, counting their wounds before they lay hand again. Because as it has been very correctly been pointed out, the enemies have names and addresses.

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We shall not refer in detail to the role of banks – in any case, at the time that we live in this is well-known to everybody. They existence is a continued robbery. For us, as anarchists, they comprise a target for attacks of all kinds: arsonist, bombing, robbing. Of course, there was much of a discussion about our case and there is undoubtedly a need for us to inverse these impressions. To strike against the continuous attempt of designification of our choice, and to highlight the rottenness of the sociological approach and the pseudo-humanitarian background, which they wanted to assign to us, due to [our] age.

"Next door kids and they attack a bank. Why?"

Because robbery is a consciously political act. It does not comprise the next level of a restless adolescent period, aspirations for personal wealth, nor of course is it a result of our supposed laziness. Yet it includes the desire not to bind our lives to the brutal exploitation of waged labour. Our refusal to become gears for financial interests. Our resistance against the charging ahead of mental and value bankruptcy of their world.

It is clear for us that we do not negate creativity within our communities. After all, putting together a robbery requires mental and physical labour. Yet we refuse to enslave our creativity to the world of production and reproduction of labour. Of course, for us the negation of waged slavery would hold little meaning if we did not at the same time act toward its destruction. We are remorseless anarchists and we do not seek sympathy, compassion or understanding because we acted “wrong” in a “wrong” world. We seek the spread of our values and practices and we will fight for this until our last word, until our last bullet.
Each aggressive act of ours is also a moment of the total revolutionary war playing out at all levels. The money from this robbery was not destined for the artificial consumer paradise. It is simply the tool in order to move all forms of struggle. From the printing of communiques to the purchase of weapons and explosives, for the funding of illegal structures of defense and attack. From the rental of our illegal houses to the supply of explosives in order to blow up their social peace.

Our aim is the spread of direct action against the generalised condition of slavery that we experience. Whether in a guerrilla formation, or openly, face-to-face, with any way each of us appreciates to be more fertile and effective, in any way fancied by each individual and group that contribute to the struggle. Always, the aim of each move of ours, of every guerrilla attack, is the spread of revolutionary consciousness. In order to stand consciously against the world of universal enslavement, against an ever-transforming enemy that sweeps everything in their path. Against this condition, the struggle for freedom and the attempt to assign combative elements to every aspect of anarchist struggle is fertile and necessary.

Because anarchy can never become a pleasant idea amidst the world of universal submission; rather, it finds itself in a never-ending clash with it. It cannot limit itself neither to harmless and democratically acceptable expressions, nor to fetishisms of the mediums — but it comprises, rather, an undivided totality of all forms of struggle. Each individual or group, according with the desires, the intentions and their reasoning, contributes by any means possible, to the continuation of the struggle. Anarchy is our way to organise, to live and to struggle. It is the organisation without any restrictions, it is the incessant struggle. It is the extreme camaraderie that we experience in the revolted communities, against the rotten social fabric.

In closing, we would like to greet all the comrades who acted. Pasting posters, shouting slogans, organising gatherings, issuing solidarity statements (from inside and outside prison). To those who, at this moment, prepare their attacks.

PS. 1. We also want to send our solidarity to the hunger striker Spyros Dravilas, who gives a painful and tough struggle for a breath of freedom. Much strength.

PS. 2. A short while ago, comrade Ryo from Indonesia was killed in a random fray. Ryo was an anarchist who promoted international solidarity through his action. Now, even when he is absent from the hostilities that we cause against the existent, we are convinced that we always look toward the same star, the star of continuous anarchist revolt. Honour to comrade Ryo.

The anarchists:

Nikos Romanos
Dimitris Politis
Andreas-Dimitris Mpourzoukos
Giannis Michailidis

All the four hostages were severely beaten by the cowards-cops but as can be seen in a corporate video from the courthouse in Kozani, the comrades are heard shouting:

"Long live anarchy! Long live anarchy, you scumbags!"

"Long live anarchy! Cops, judges, politicians, you have no reason to sleep calm. We lost a battle but not the war! – Fuck off!"

Concerning the 4 arrests in Kozani, Greece by CCF imprisoned members

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE C.C.F.
Translated by actforfree/boubourAs

If we speak, we speak because we do not abandon the Conspiracy of Cells of Fire in the cesspool of state propaganda. For the robbery in Kozani, the exclusivity is held by the arrestees themselves, who are not members of the Conspiracy. Besides, the conspiracy was not “hit” by these arrests and our perceptions as well as our cells remain unscathed…

However, because the state mechanism of propaganda is constantly referring to the Conspiracy, we clarify our position. Anarchist urban guerrillas are not “good kids”, neither do have the need to be defended by the hypocrites of humanism and the contractors of leftist sensitivity.

Anarchist urban guerrillas abandon the role of the victim in order to take positions as offenders against this passive silence of society.

We know that anarchist violence against the regime is the only way to liberation. Those who hesitate to arm themselves, will be proven too cowardly to live with dignity. Far from the humanistic rhetoric and crocodile tears over the beaten faces of the arrestees, specific choices were hit. The choice of robbing a bank aiming at the support of illegal aformalistic anarchist cells was, is and will be an anarchist practice.

In the war against the state and its society you do not ask for mercy from the enemy. Anarchists of praxis do not respect any bourgeois legality. The matter is not for someone to speak of police arbitrariness, but to attack first, here and now. Besides, life will always belong to one kind of people, the people of action. Strength to the 4 anarchist hostages who are persecuted for the robbery in Kozani.

We support those who support their choices and remain unrepentant.

WE CREATE AND ORGANIZE 10, 100, 1000 CELLS OF THE CONSPIRACY… LONG LIVE THE INFORMAL ANARCHIST
The imprisoned members of the C.C.F.

P.S. We wholeheartedly send our solidarity to comrades Alfredo Cospito and Sergio Maria Stefani who the screws of the Italian prisons forbid to have visits as well as our friend and hunger striker since 4/2/13 Spiros Dravillas who the greek “correctional” system vengefully deprives him of his days of leave.

Brief message of solidarity with the arrested comrades

“What is a bank robbery compared with the founding of a bank?”

Bertolt Brecht

International revolutionary solidarity to the 4 arrested comrades of Kozani double bank robbery. Prison cannot hold freedom’s dreams, which escape through the bars to continue the attacks. Every night that a captured brother or sister spends behind bars becomes more fires in the night, more stones through façades, hundreds of flyposters, graffiti, and various other outbreaks of insurrectionary vengeance. Respect and complicity with the determination and courage of those who rob banks. The villains are those who own and protect them. Capital remains our enemy – Expropriation is dignity – The war continues on every level. Let’s target the concepts, individuals, strong-houses and mechanisms of the system and eliminate their world.

An incendiary hug to the comrades Nikos Romanos, Dimitris Politis, Andreas-Dimitris Mpourzoukos and Giannis Michailidis.

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Brief message of solidarity with the arrested ones from Asimetrís & ex-Negasi

Dear comrades,

We are separated by continents, seas and borders but united by the black spirit for total liberation of life. Life where each of us live as dignified individuals, surrounded by pieces of collapse of the society. We never met you before but deep down in our soul of rebellion, we proudly call you: brothers.

Our hearts hurt when heard that all of you beaten by pigs. Our anger is finding the way through this letter to let you know that we are next to you. When got the news that you are kidnapped by the state, we felt pain that made us rise our fist of revenge for you. We lost our brother yesterday and we don’t want to lose another one anymore.

For now, we only can speak and spread your news through our blog and other tools. Making this news as a hammer to break up all the silences. Reaching all our sisters and brothers to join in the international act of solidarity to call your freedom, all of you.

Keep healthy and strong! With love to all of you! And fire to all enemies!

all individuals behind ASIMETRIS & ex-NEGASI

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“Soli-days for Felicity Ann Ryder”

remanded for six months and now is under conditional release awaiting trial. After that, the police forces of the Government of the Federal District in Mexico found Felicity’s passport, so our comrade went at large to escape imprisonment.

Because of these facts, we realize that her family must have suffered constant harassment back in her birth country (Australia), as well as in the so-called social media. It’s also possible that new investigations in other countries have been initiated, trying to associate her with different cells of anarchist action. This is all part of the international police set-up for attacking the acratist movement and imposing fear and terror in their (failed) attempt to immobilize us.

We realize the hard times Felicity has been through over the last months. Clandestinity, despite being a better option than the cold and cynical prison bars, ultimately turns into a type of prison by the threat of possible arrest that keeps fugitives from enjoying complete freedom. It also implies a lot of mobility difficulties towards activities of one’s own subsistence and struggle; isolation and estrangement from beloved ones and halt of all life plans. Clandestinity as necessity, and not as some authoritarian vanguard privilege, also requires our solidarity as it forces our comrades to be constantly on the run, a situation that little by little undermines the much longed-for freedom. Furthermore, it’s not possible to provide the same material and emotional support as to any imprisoned persons, even if they’re behind bars.

We know that wherever our comrade Felicity may be she stands firm with her convictions as anarchist, mocking and without ever stopping to attack the enemy, face to face. From here, we send her our warm greetings and call on all anti-authoritarian efforts to engage in two weeks of activities, greetings and gestures of solidarity with our comrade Felicity, from the 21st of February to the 7th of March 2013, each person according to his/her time and methods, so she will know she is not alone and that solidarity among anarchists in struggle is more than just a written word or an ornament in beautiful ‘revolutionary’ pamphlets.
To us, solidarity is also a weapon that destroys Power. We also recall other comrades on the run, such as Hans Niemeyer, prosecuted by the $hilean State, or the comps Grigoris Tsironis, Marios Seisidis, Vassilis Palaikostas, Nikos Maziotis and Pola Roupa from Greece. We send our indomitable greetings to all imprisoned and fugitive anarchists worldwide. Never defeated, never regretted!

We want you free and wild, Felicity, you are still with us! You are not alone, compañera. Many of us share your fight and embrace your convictions.

FREEDOM FOR ALL PRISONERS OF SOCIAL WAR!

solidaridadfelicity.wordpress.com

Switzerland:
An update from imprisoned anarchist Marco Camenisch concerning his failed release

Beginning of August 2012: the boss of the concentration camp of Lenzburg tells me that the authorities of Zurich have asked his opinion/recommendation about my release on bail by December 2012. They want to know whether I’m willing to accept a ‘rehabilitation’ process, i.e. leaves, work outside, etc or I just want release without conditions. I say I accept the conditions.

November 19 2012: first reprisal/provocation concerning visits. The boss denies visits with a revolutionary communist female comrade who is been visiting me for ten years, even if she is ‘charged’ with political crimes and she is herself on bail. The pretext for the denial is that the media report about the comrade being sentenced to 17months by the federal tribunal.

December 7 2012: very quickly the person in charge and her manager of the executive authority of Zurich hold a hearing after the TAR had ordered a new hearing following my previous failed release on bail (see update I sent in November 2012). On the occasion I reconfirm my position (impossibility for me to engage in “armed struggle”, necessity/legitimacy of revolutionary armed struggle).

January 2013: on the occasion of bureaucratic clarifications on visits, a ‘social worker’ of the concentration camp asks me, *en passant,* if I have been informed about my transfer. As I say no, she replies that this is due to the ‘rehabilitation process’ and that she will give me further information in the future.

January 28 2013: second reprisal/provocation concerning visits. Four comrades who are coming to see me (a female anarchist comrade from Zurich who’s been visiting me for almost ten years, a male anarchist comrade from Turin who’s been visiting me for almost ten years, two other younger comrades from Ticino who have been visiting me for almost three years) are assaulted by four cops (two from the Canton of Aargau and a federal cop) on their arrival at the prison. They are strip-searched. The comrade from Turin, under the pretext of the WEF summit in Davos, would be banned from entering in Switzerland for ten days, of which January 28 is the last one. The comrade has never received any notification and they say that is because of lack of address. So how comes that the comrade regularly receives permission to visit me from this concentration camp, a document he has to show them when he comes to see me?

Under the pretext of this ban, the cops prevent the comrade from visiting me during the hour left (we have two-hour visits, one per week).

As for the other three people, maybe they will inform you about the facts, but what I know is that they had the numbers and contents of their mobile phones taken away otherwise they wouldn’t have been allowed to visit me that day. The following visitor I saw at the beginning of February confirmed he too was subject to a particularly ‘accurate’ check upon arrival at the prison.

February 5 2012: In the first instance I receive a second rejection (dated February 1 2013) of my request for release on bail by the executive authority of Zurich, the same as the first rejection but this time they add the outcome of the hearing of December 7 2012 as a ‘further motivation’. In the end they say that they have asked the concentration camp of Lenzburg for an opinion/recommendation on my release on bail to be forwarded by December 2013. It is useless I translate the text of the rejection into Italian, but I will send photocopies to comrades in Switzerland. Appeals will be presented.

Even if the immediate and intermediate goal of your wonderful solidarity initiatives has not been achieved, and perhaps never will it be, the main point is not this one. What counts is that these initiatives are an inseparable part of the social struggle for total liberation, and in this struggle they are very much effective beyond their immediate goals, as proved by the repression, reprisals and fury of the enemy even when the latter are addressed against its hostages/prisoners of the war for social liberation. The fact that the enemy fights us back means that we are on the good road in the war for total liberation.

It is war to the war, to that eternal, global and total war of dominion, exploitation and oppression! It is a war where, much more than in any other wars, the words of Clausewitz come true: ‘*In the things that are very dangerous, such as a war, the mistakes due to goodness are the worst ones…’*  

There’s no contradiction with the fact that tenderness, goodness and love are the main characteristics and motivations of all warriors of total liberation. But they must not weaken the lucidity, steadiness, resolution and energy of the struggle; on the contrary they must strengthen all this!

*With love, determination and solidarity*

Marco Camenisch
Concentration camp of Lenzburg,
Switzerland, February 10 2013
Spain: Gabriel Pombo Da Silva is moved to Alicante

Anarchist prisoner Gabriel Pombo da Silva, arrested as one of the Aachen 4, has recently been transferred to Spain, where he is currently being held incommunicado – without visits or telephone access. He is being held under the FIES-5 prison isolation regime.

Send cards and letters of solidarity to Gabriel at:

Gabriel Pombo da Silva
Centro Penitenciario Alicante II, Ctra. N-330, km. 66, 03400 Villena (Alicante) SPAIN

Italy: Anarchist comrades Alfredo and Sergio on hunger strike

February 1st, 2013

Two comrades, Alfredo Cospito – arrested following the investigation on the wounding of Ansaldo Nucleare manager Roberto Adinolfi, which occurred in May 2012 in Genoa –, and Sergio Maria Stefani – arrested in June following operation ‘Ardire’ – have undertaken a hunger strike. From what we learn from the comrades of informa-azione, the reason for this protest is the refusal by the prison authority to allow visits to Alfredo and Sergio from their respective partners.

Since Tuesday January 29 comrades Alfredo Cospito and Sergio M. Stefani, imprisoned in the AS2 unit of the prison of Alessandria, have undertaken a hunger strike in order to obtain visits with their respective partners. We remind you that Alfredo has been denied visits with his partner since his arrest on September 14, as they were both investigated in the same case.

Sergio could get visits with his partner, but as she was detained following the same investigation he could only see her after she was released on December 21. He got three visits with her before the investigation passed from the prosecution of Perugia to that of Milan, which decided to deny these visits. There follows a short message with which the comrades make their protest known.

“The world of commodities, techno-industrial society and civilization itself are not based on individuals who are unpredictable and different from one another by their nature, but on the mass made homogenized by education, morals and the law.

In this world any sincere and profound relation becomes suspicious, affinity links are synonym of ‘criminal’ relations, solidarity is reduced to mere execution of orders.

But we refuse to reduce our desires to realism and to domesticate our passions. We live our lives without mediation, without being content and this gives us a smile on our face that never abandons us.

For this reason we cannot accept that anybody tries to cut our relations and we undertake hunger strike anticipating the sweetness of our partners’ embrace.”

HUNGER STRIKE UPDATE SERGIO AND ALFREDO

9 February. Sergio Maria Stefani and Alfredo Cospito are locked up in section AS2 of the prison in Alexandria, are continuing a hunger strike that began on January 29, they are known to be good and are determined to continue.

SEARCH AT THE AS2 UNIT OF THE SAN MICHELE PRISON IN ALESSANDRIA

February 19. From Alfredo Cospito’s solicitor we learn that this morning the ROS of Genoa delivered an investigation warrant to Alfredo Cospito, concerning an attack on the RIS [Technical Investigation Unit], carried out in Parma in... 2005. The comrade’s cell was raided in search of traces of the comrade’s DNA, after he had refused to give it spontaneously. We want to point out how this provocation by cops is being unleashed when Alfredo is at his 22nd day of hunger strike and a few weeks after tests on the motorcycle helmets were made precisely by the RIS of Parma investigating the wounding of the manager of Ansaldo Nucleare, tests which were negative in spite of the triumphant tones of the mass media at the time of the comrades’ arrest. Having been humiliated, RIS, ROS, etc are having another try... Unconditional solidarity with Alfredo and all the comrades hit by repression.

PS. So far we’ve got no news of other comrades being searched or investigated. Updates will follow.

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UPDATE ALFREDO STOPS THE HUNGERSTRIKE

Alfredo Cospito interrupted his hunger strike after obtaining the right to visits – Sergio Maria Stefani still on hunger strike

Today, February 18th, I interrupt my hunger strike having been notified that in March I will be able to meet with Anna – without, of course, putting my trust in what my declared enemy promises.

Sergio continues the hunger strike; in solidarity with him, I broke the air vents of my prison cell (opaque panels which prevent the view outside the windows).

My thanks go out to the brothers and sisters of the Panagiotis Argirou Insurrectionary Anti-authoritarian Cell FAI/FRI in Chile, the brothers and sisters of the Conspiracy of Cells of Fire FAI/FRI, who have supported me with their actions and words.

An embrace of solidarity to Marco Camenisch and Gabriel Pombo Da Silva.

Only action sets us free. Destroy what destroys you.

Alfredo Cospito
On the morning of February 19 Alfredo Cospito, locked up in the prison of Alessandria, receives the visit of a bunch of carabinieri [paramilitary police] of the ROS [Special Operations Unit] of Genoa, who inform him that he’s being investigated by Genoa public prosecutor Federico Manotti (art. 280 penal code) following an explosive attack perpetrated in Parma on 24/10/2005. On that occasion, an explosive device was placed near the building of the RIS of Parma and the action was claimed by Federazione Anarchica Informale/Cooperativa Artigiana Fuoco e Affini.

Alfredo opposes his DNA to be taken and his cell is searched in order to take old of toothbrushes and razors. We know that Alfredo just laughs at this new revenge of the state towards one who has no intention to kneel down. We know that the cops themselves admit that they have a DNA database of all subversive subjects and therefore this search is a provocation.

Those who are observing the situation from outside inevitably ask themselves: why in 2013 is the prosecution of Genoa investigating a fact that occurred in Parma seven years ago? Why is this happening right now, when the investigation on Adinolfi’s wounding is about to close for Alfredo and Nicola? The first spontaneous answer is: the prosecution of Genoa is dealing with two anarchists imprisoned following an attack claimed by Fai/Fri, so they thought it good to investigate them also for the unsolved cases of the last years. This answer is clearly exposed in the title of the warrant: ‘As there is evidence of the crime exposed above...’

Further explanations come from press reports published on the internet (see Corriere della Sera of May 12 2012: ‘A message from the anarchists: we’ll strike another seven times’; Corriere della Sera May 13 2012: ‘Genoa, an investigation on terrorism leading to Greece’; II Secolo XIX of June 15 2012: ‘Bombs in Genoa, the arrestees under fire!’) We know even too well about the dirty collaboration between judges and journalists, but some aspects to be interpreted emerge all the same.

Prosecutor Federico Manotti has been working on investigations concerning anarchists from Liguria and northern Italy for at least a year, with reference to a series of attacks claimed by various Fai/Fri groups in Genoa, Milan, Parma. Perhaps this is the origin of the latest Genoa investigation.

Unconditional solidarity with Alfredo and with those who don’t surrender to repressive attempts, inside as well as outside prison, and strongly re-launch practices of struggle and attack on the existent.

Italy: Conspiracy charges are dropped at the appeal trial - Operation ‘Brushwood’

The appeal trial of so called operation ‘Brushwood’ resulted in a humiliating defeat for the prosecution, in the form of the nun Manuela Comodi (the same judge who demanded a 6-year sentence for writing graffiti and who is now the prosecutor in operation ‘Andiri’):

- Michele Fabiani (sentenced to 3 years and 8 months in the first grade while the prosecutor had demanded 9 years) has been acquitted of conspiracy charges and sentenced to 2 years and 3 months for threatening former Umbria governor Lorenzetti and for damages to construction yards.

- Andrea Di Nucci has been acquitted of all charges. In the first grade he had been sentenced to 2 years and 6 months (while the prosecution had demanded 8 years). He spent one year under arrest.

- Dario Polinori was sentenced to one year (as decided in the first grade, when the prosecution had demanded 6 years).

- Damiano Corrias, charged only with writing graffiti, was sentenced to 11 months (in the first grade he had been sentenced to 12 months while Comodi had demanded 6 years, perhaps in a fit of madness.

All were acquitted of conspiracy charges with terrorism aims.

DIRECT ACTION CHRONOLOGY

This list is always incomplete...

19 Feb, Athens, Greece... Everywhere?: Ahead of the General Strike on the 20th, anarchists print and distribute 800 leaflets as part of the Black February initiative (fightnow.noblogs.org) which has been activated all around the world in defence of self-organised occupied spaces and for the struggle against the existent. The global intervention takes the form of countless events, actions, film showings, gatherings, posters, spraypaint slogans, demos – in many different countries, from Chile, Peru, Mexico, to Indonesia, Germany, France, Belgium and beyond...

17 Feb, Mexico: The radical environmentalist group 'Individualists Tending Toward the Wild' (ITS) take responsibility through an online communiqué for the act of sending an explosive-incendiary package to Sergio Andrés Aguila of the Institute of Biotechnology of UNAM in the city of Cuernavaca, Morelos. In the communiqué they also took responsibility for the 8 Nov 2011 assassination of biotechnology researcher Ernesto Méndez Salinas who was shot in the head.

17 Feb, Skouries, Greece: 50 masked men armed with Molotov cocktails stormed a gold mine in northern Greece that is destroying the forest and mountains. After torching bulldozers, trucks, and portacabins belonging to Canadian mining company El Dorado and its Greek subsidiary Hellenic Gold, the group used tree trunks to block police and firefighters from reaching the site. No to pollution and greed.

16 Feb, Berlin, Germany: Demonstration against the international police congress. Pigs attack the demo and the autonomous black bloc put Berlin in chaos. Clashes, flames, broken windows, hit and run. No Justice - No Peace - Fuck the police.

15-16 Feb, Athens, Greece: A two-day event in solidarity with all squats, self-organized projects and self-managed structures of counter-information (targeted by repression ever since
the first police raid on Villa Amalias squat on the 20th of December 2012 in the Athens Polytechnic School, in Exarchia. At 7.15pm on the 15th, a total of 400 comrades gathered outside the evicted Skaramaga squat in an attempt to reoccupy it, first by tearing down the steel plates sealing off its front door. However, the entrance’s opening took people more time than expected, a delay which opened the way for three MAT anti-riot squads and DELTA motorcycle cops to attack the gathering on Patission street, and resulted in the failure of the reoccupation attempt. Almost 50 people were arrested and released.

9 Feb, Santiago, Chile: Explosive attack against Las Vizcachas police station. One young person was arrested in the area.

9 Feb, Darmstadt, Germany: 20 people got together for a Black February spontaneous demo in solidarity with the struggle against repression in Greece.

8 Feb, Veria, Greece: Paintbomb attack against the car of the Mayor by anarchists.

7 Feb, Krakow, Poland: Banners of solidarity with the Cells of Fire (on trial in Greece), and Sonja and Christian (on trial in Germany), declaring ‘love, strength and solidarity’ with anarchist political prisoners in Germany, Greece, Chile, Italy and Mexico too.

7 Feb, Madrid, Spain: Explosive device against the grotesque main house of God. “We do not hold the mistaken idea that we will achieve the destruction of all that oppresses us solely through actions such as this one. We are not fooling ourselves. We are not granting ourselves self-complacency. This is propaganda by the deed, which has existed for more than a century among the seditious and conspirators against Power. It is an appeal to war without limits using all our imagination and energy to end with this rotten world. Fire to the slammer! Long live Anarchy!” Insurrectional Commando Mateo Morral take responsibility for the deed.

6 Feb, Melbourne, Australia: Demo against the Egyptian regime and in solidarity with anarchists facing repression in that country.

6 Feb, Athens, Greece: Gathering outside the court of Kozani for the anarchist bankrobbers. Around 80 people did not stop, even for a minute, chanting slogans of solidarity outside the court, trying to warm our comrades’ hearts. Slogans were also painted on walls of the courthouse, and there was placed 4 solidarity banners in the area. The demo ended with a march to the central square of Kozani, and was followed by dozens of anti-riot cops.

6 Feb, Athens, Greece: Anarchist slogans painted on walls and vandalism commenced against CCTV cameras as part of the Black February initiative.

5-6 Feb, Milan, Italy: An international mobilization was held in solidarity with Marco Camenisch. In Milan, a demo was organized outside the Swiss Palace (the site of various political and trade institutions, the consulate, the chamber of commerce and the Swiss national radio and television). About seventy people took part to the demo. Later a decentralized mobilization begun, which between the night and the following morning saw solidarity with Marco expressing itself in different forms: a number of banners were unfolded (on bridges and in other locations) in the northern area of the city, graffiti were left along some main roads leading to Switzerland and on some buildings linked to Swiss economic interests, a disruptive visit was paid to the headquarters of insurance giant Zurich.

5 Feb, Bogata, Colombia: Demo at the Swiss Embassy for imprisoned anarchist Marco Camenisch.

4 Feb, Trento, Italy: Brennercom mobile phone mast set on fire in solidarity with anarchist prisoners.

3 Feb, Santiago, Chile: As part of Black February, anarchists came out onto the street of CSO (Occupied Social Centre) Sacco & Vanzetti and broadcast their reality against the powers that be.

3 Feb, Paris, France: CGT trade union office smashed for accepting prison guards as members.

Early Feb, Santiago, Chile: Prison-guard building attacked with an incendiary device. Panagiotis Argirou Insurrectionary Anti-authoritarian Cell FAI/FRI take responsibility for the attack.

28 Jan, Paris, France: Around 50 people went to the Hellenic Foundation to make an intervention with leaflets and banners against an evening dedicated to ‘the destiny of modern Greece.’