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# SOLID

**Solid, as in solidarity; to solidify our links with each other, and our revolutionary capacities to fight the law, the established order, and recuperation.**

While social struggles ebb and flow, and can feel dizzyingly inspiring at their height, the accompanying forms of repression – arrests, charges, surveillance, conditions, prison time – often last long after the specific upheavals themselves are over. If we're going to be engaged in any form of social struggle against power, it's imperative to make sure that those comrades who continue to face repression are supported and not forgotten. This publication aims to be a small stepping stone in that direction by being a physical space for publicizing the writings of prisoners connected to our movement, various expressions of solidarity with them that have taken place, and as much information as possible about the situations that people are currently facing.

In our context, the responses to the various repressive blows that our movement has taken over the years have often fallen quite short of what we think to be necessary for the development of a more effective struggle. In general, there seems to be an inability to make the situation of arrested comrades a priority in all sectors of what some call "the anarchist space". The weight of the support work is typically left to those who are personally closest to the comrades who are, at whatever given time, facing acute forms of repression, with the majority of their energy being spent taking care of basic needs. Examples: raising funds, organizing court support, legal support, etc.

For us, it seems obvious to state that when a comrade is faced with the repressive blows of the state, either through legal conditions – non-association, exile, etc. – or a prison term, it is necessary for our movement to demonstrate that repression is something that can provide us with common purpose and motivate us rather than simply debilitating us. It should go without saying that taking care of the basic needs of the repressed is imperative, but that, in and of itself, it is not enough. We need to counter this repression by making our comrades' situation a point of political tension in society – something that cannot be ignored by the use of direct action, demonstrations, and counter-information. The struggle of which the comrade was a part, which stimulated the repression they are facing now, cannot be forgotten in the

midst of solidarity organizing. Instead of only reacting to and minimizing the blow, we need to be able to make the ideas, practices, and goals of our struggle spread.

This past year has been a difficult one. Montreal's municipal bylaw P-6, that renders illegal any demonstration whose route wasn't provided to the police in advance, has made it difficult for us to take the streets; many demonstrations have been mass-arrested before they even had a chance to start. This law, which was implemented in response to the combative street demos of the student strike of 2012, has been quite effective at disrupting street organizing. In light of this, now is an important time to experiment with and develop new strategies to counter this. The streets have always been an important site in social struggles; they are the economic arteries of the city, and conversely, they are a place for us to find each other where the conflict between the social reality of capitalism and the fight against it is made visible.

Another significant event has been the arrest of Amélie, Carlos, and Fallon – three anarchist comrades, of whom two are from Montreal, in Mexico City on January 5, 2014. While this publication focuses on repression and solidarity in our corner of the world, this

situation has opened up a space to reflect on international solidarity and make links between the movements here and elsewhere.

Repression isn't just an attack on social movements; it is a project of social control that extends to all of society. Fighting it is relevant to anybody who does not want to live in a world where their communications are monitored, their movements tracked and managed, or where the threat of prison hangs over their heads. It is a project that needs to be actively fought, as new technologies and practices mean that the state's methods of repression will improve and become more efficient.

It's inspiring, despite it all, to see people fighting back, whether it is against surveillance technologies, borders, prisons, or police, as they are all part of this network of social control. It fills us with strength to see the comrades who are in prison stay strong, not cooperate, and not have their spirits broken.



# G20 UPDATES

## Toronto G20 American Extraditees

Last winter, five americans were extradited to Canada on charges stemming from the protests: Kevin, Richard, Joel, Dane, and Quinn.

Kevin Chianella:

February 13th: Kevin pled guilty to 16 charges (originally facing 53 counts) and was sentenced to 24 months in a penitentiary, the only G20 prisoner to be sentenced to federal time.

Joel Bitar

February 13th: Joel pled guilty to 12 counts of mischief over \$5000 (originally facing 26 counts) and was sentenced to 20 months in a provincial jail. Joel has a blog: [supportjoel.com](http://supportjoel.com)

Richard Morano

February 3rd: Richard pled to 6 counts (originally facing 14) and received a 7-month sentence in jail, and 2 years probation. He is required to pay \$3,000 in restitution. Morano was ordered to pay Staff Sgt. Queen \$1,000 in restitution and \$500 each to CIBC, Tim Hortons, American Apparel and All Leather.

Dane Rossmann pled guilty in the summer and was sentenced to time served plus a day,

after serving many months in custody in the US fighting extradition. He is now back home with his loved ones.

Quinn has not been in touch with supporters in NYC or southern Ontario.

To follow the cases and for the most recent addresses, check:  
[www.guelphabc.noblogs.org](http://www.guelphabc.noblogs.org)

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## Joel's Court Statement

Hello,

I have not been able to speak much since my arrest last February so I appreciate the opportunity to make a statement today. I only plan on taking a small amount of your time. At the end of my statement I am going to issue an apology to some of the individuals who were affected by my actions. It is my hope that this statement better contextualizes the choices I've made that have led me to this courtroom.

I came to Toronto four years ago for many of the same reasons as the tens of thousands of other people who marched on the streets that day. These are many of the same reasons why hundreds of thousands of people have demonstrated in Seattle against the World Trade Organization, in Genoa against the G8, in Quebec City against the Free Trade Area of the Americas, in Gothenburg against the EU summit, in Rostock against the G8 and in Pittsburgh against the G20. They are many of the same reasons why people are now protesting in the streets of New York, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Turkey, Greece, Italy and Spain. It is only really possible to understand the events

that took place in Toronto in the context of the global movement against neoliberalism and the corporatization of the planet. It is my belief that this movement is best explained as an individual and collective response to various forms of domination and exploitation. My politics are inseparable from my own life experiences, which I would like to briefly speak about now.

I grew up in an environment where I had access to many of the things required for conventional success. I had – and have – an extremely loving family, I played tennis competitively and had a working-class, but generally supportive upbringing. I graduated from high school with honors and then got my bachelors degree in Economics from the City University of New York. My plan in college was to work on Wall Street with the goal of making a lot of money. That goal was widely reinforced and encouraged by society at large. Trying to get rich and focusing on my own personal comforts seemed right when everyone else was chasing the same thing. However, two events occurred during this time that fundamentally changed the way I now see the world.

The first event was the global financial crisis of



## Action briefs

All this information was compiled from various counter-information websites, journals, or the mainstream media.

September 30, 2013: Action in memory of Pavlos Fyssas

In memory of Pavlos Fyssas, a 34-year-old antifascist rapper who was murdered by Golden Dawn members in Greece on September 18, hundreds of antifascist posters against Golden Dawn – an organization that has a chapter in Montreal – were wheatpasted around the city.

October 22, 2013: Political office attacked

Sometime at night, the doors and windows of a building in the Rosemont—Petite-Patrie borough were shattered. Team Denis Coderre had set up an office inside. Graffiti against law P-6 and a circle-A were spraypainted on the building.

Around November 3, 2013: Ministry of Public Security vehicles attacked

Vehicles belonging to the Ministry of Public Security of Quebec, located at 600 rue Fulum, were doused in paint stripper and had their tires slashed. The action was claimed in solidarity with Yuri and Guillaume, two comrades who were imprisoned in Quebec in relation to the Toronto G20 protests, and with all prisoners in struggle.

In the communique, it was explained that:

“The Ministry of Public Security of Quebec is responsible for, among other things, overseeing the municipal and provincial police and provincial prisons. Ultimately, it is the ministry that is responsible for all aspects of the conditions of imprisonment in Quebec – from the conduct of the police to the items available in canteen.”

“As we write this, there are two ongoing shows of resistance to the prison system in Canada. One is a hunger strike undertaken by detained immigrants in Ontario who are not accused of any crime, but are detained awaiting deportation proceedings. Their demands include better treatment and an end to detention of immigrants without criminal charges. The hunger strike is now in its fifth week.”

“The second is a work strike in many federal prisons across the country to protest the recent 30% pay cut for all federal prisoners. The government justifies the pay cut by claiming they are taking room and board from the prisoners. Not only do prisoners already have to

2008. During this time, banks that engaged in predatory lending practices were given billions of dollars to keep their businesses afloat while millions of people lost their homes. It was shocking how closely government officials who once worked on Wall St. collaborated with the financial sector to organize the bailout. It seemed profoundly unjust to me that those who precipitated the crisis were rewarded, while masses of people were literally tossed to the street. I came to the conclusion that Wall Street's obsession with profit comes at the expense and detriment of the majority.

The second event took place in December, 2008, when Israel launched an invasion into the Gaza Strip that resulted in the deaths of 800 civilians (many of whom were women and children). This destruction was carried out with weapons manufactured by U.S. Corporations and was paid for with U.S. taxpayer money. During this invasion, banned weapons like White Phosphorous (made in the U.S.) were fired at Palestinian schools and hospitals in contravention of international humanitarian law. I saw images of innocent children killed by missiles, tank shells and bullets. At the same time many of these people suffered, weapons manufacturers and government officials profited from their obliteration.

From these two events I developed an opposition to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Hundreds of thousands of civilians have died in these wars while corporations like Halliburton and Lockheed Martin have secured billions of dollars in government contracts. George Bush erected a worldwide torture regime, that Obama has only expanded, and has since been immune to any prosecution for his crimes. It is evident that those who commit crimes at the top levels are government are immunized while someone like Chelsea Manning, who revealed the extent of government criminality, is banished to a cage for decades. It is apparent to people, all throughout the world, that the real motivations for these wars is rooted in the economic interest of a few and that masses of

innocent people have needlessly suffered as a result.

This led me to see more and more about the world that I could not unsee, including how the continued exploitation of the environment is connected to the same economic interests mentioned above. One notoriously brutal example of environmental exploitation is happening here in Canada at this moment. In Alberta, pristine boreal forestland the size of Florida has been turned into a toxic wasteland for the extraction of oil. James Hansen, a professor of climatology at Columbia University believes that the tar sand project is "game over for the climate." He says: "If we were to fully exploit this new oil source, and continue to burn our conventional oil, gas and coal supplies, concentrations of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere eventually would reach levels higher than in the Pliocene era, more than 2.5 million years ago, when sea level was at least 50 feet higher than it is now. That level of heat-trapping gases would assure that the disintegration of the ice sheets would accelerate out of control. Sea levels would rise and destroy coastal cities." It should not be acceptable to us that private corporations and western governments regularly exploit natural resources for profit while simultaneously destroying the environment and injecting pollutants into our air and water.

Financial crises, war and environmental degradation share a common thread. They are born of the prevailing economic system, which is only interested in maximizing profit and increasing growth. This system is predicated on maintaining vast levels of inequality, where a small number of people have incredible amounts of wealth while the masses are locked in poverty. A recent report published by Oxfam International states that the 85 richest people possess the same wealth as the poorest 3.5 billion people combined. Rather than providing wealth and opportunity, or having a trickle-down effect, the current system enriches the few at the expense of the many. This is not a particularly radical analysis, this is the only rational interpretation of how society is structured. Even such a

mainstream figure as the Pope recently said: "As long as the problems of the poor are not radically resolved by rejecting the absolute autonomy of markets and financial speculation and by attacking the structural causes of inequality, no solution will be found for the world's problems or, for that matter, to any problems." Rather than addressing these structural causes, Western governments do everything they can to foster the status quo that leads to the problems.

The current situation in the world is urgent and much needs to be done. I truly believe we can build a new system that puts human need and the needs of the environment ahead of the interests of business. At some point, we need to decide if profit, innovation and economic growth are more important than the long-term sustainability and well-being of our species and planet. I understand that this proposition might not sound so good to someone who is financially benefiting from the current system but we are running out of time. We have enough resources to make sure every person on this planet has health care, food, an education and a place to live. There is no reason why people should be homeless and begging on the streets while food is thrown away en masse and foreclosed houses remain empty. There is no reason why such massive levels of inequality should persist in the modern age. These systems are antiquated and must be fundamentally transformed.

It was not, and has never been, my intention to scare or hurt anyone. I want to build a world based on the values of love, compassion and understanding; not fear and intimidation. I take responsibility for my actions and apologize to anyone who felt fear as a result of them. Before closing, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to my family, friends and supporters. This process has taken an incredible toll on myself and especially my loved ones. It means the world that they have stood by me through it all.

Thank You  
Joel Bitar

## Eva Botten released!

By Guelph ABC – October 23, 2013

Last Friday was a good day. In the cool of the morning I walked with my arm around a friend I had never touched before, a friend who I met through thick glass, a friend who I only had spoken to through a phone line, recorded. A friend whom I had only exchanged letters with, those letters read by the screws that caged her. Eva carried a shopping bag full of papers and letters and a huge smile on her face. She climbed into our borrowed

vehicle and thanked us for bringing her real coffee. We laughed and joked about how we had both cut our hair short.

Before Eva flew off to her warm home filled with cats and loved ones we had a few hours to spend together. We resolved to head to Crawford Lake and we found a short loop trail to hike. Along that path we discovered an apple tree. Together walking and talking, snacking on apples, we enjoyed that autumn day to its fullest. And even though our conversation was a bit heavy at times our laughter echoed

into the forest. It was a good day.

Eva Botten, convicted of six counts of mischief and one count of wearing a disguise from events that occurred at 2010's G20 in Toronto, who spent 10 months in cages of the state was released into the arms of her supporters, friends, and cats on Friday,

October 18th 2013.

# Youri and Guillaume released

On December 18th, 2013 Youri and Guillaume were released on parole from the provincial prison in Bordeaux after serving a third of their six month sentences in relation to the G20 protests in Toronto. Below is a letter written by Youri while still incarcerated in the prison of Bordeaux. Welcome back!

## Under a Bordeaux Sky

There are several unwritten rules in prison. More often than not, they boil down to a simple matter of respect - a sacred value among all prisoners here. The most nebulous among them is the restriction on whistling, where a simple reminder is all it takes to get someone to stop. The reasons for this limitation are different at each prison. At Maplehurst, in Ontario, you will hear that only the songs of free creatures, such as the birds, can be left to resonate across the barbed-wire walls. At Bordeaux, meanwhile, it consists of a silent homage to the hanged of days past whose whistling marked their last steps towards the scaffold - a structure that still reigns in the compound.

We are all makeshift bureaucrats here, measuring layer upon layer of our sentences: our lives divide into a sixth here, a third there, two thirds over there... We each speculate as to when so-and-so will be released, according to criteria that are, at base, relative and arbitrary. It's a common joke to say that someone is "past due" before his complimentary carton of milk expires -not so funny for the vegans. You'd have to see it for yourself to fully understand the mournful excitement of a caged man pacing the length and width of our tiny wing -26 people in a space with a capacity of 16 -in the final days of his sentence.

Prison is a complex assemblage of rules and protocols which, if ignored or compromised, can be another hell altogether for new recruits. The authorities have found a solution to overcrowding in the establishment of a caste system among prisoners. At the bottom of the ladder we find the "dodos," the temporary squatters who sleep in a dormitory of 30 bunk beds. Above them we find the regulars who have the luxury of an actual cell and therefore certain rights over the dodos who are mere guests, if not intruders in the wing. Finally, among the regulars are those who, by choice or not, are assigned as members of the committee: from the president to the representative with respect to the screws. This last one and his assistants are paid to perform dinner and general cleaning services -unless these tasks are reassigned to the dodos.

The workers have a similar structure, yet form another class apart. The base salary is \$12 a

week but certain positions can raise this revenue after other prisoners "retire". To be sure, certain blocks differ in their practices: a better partition of rights amongst the dodos, or an even harder time for them under the rule of tyrannical committees, such as those run by street gangs. Regardless, the role of a dodo is a hard one to live through. I've been told that the record is 27 days in this type of situation. It's hard for me to admit that my natural reaction is to hope for the "good life" of a regular -it's a major change of perspective when you start to see having a cell or the 'privilege' of working as a luxury. My anarchism is being tested.

Prison is the veritable antithesis of the world that anarchists would like to see -a world of solidarity, mutual aid, voluntary cooperation, equality and freedom. Prison is the epitome of this deeply broken and insane society. "Toronto will never be the same" said the Crown prosecutor as my sentence was pronounced. Nothing short of prison could have brought me to realise the colossal size of the task that lies ahead for us. "A university in a capitalist society is like a library in a prison," claimed one banner during the 2012 student strike. Here, if we get authorisation, we have 20 minutes a week to go to the library - including travel time.

There is much more to say; many stories to recount; but I have to find myself a cell before the next lockdown...

Youri



work to maintain their own prisons but they will now have to pay to be imprisoned. This pay cut is part of a broader trend in which prisoners face worsening conditions - from longer sentences, stricter parole, double-bunking, and fewer programs in prison."

November 3, 2013: Revolt in youth detention center

Six youths at the maximum security youth detention centre in the Rivière-des-Prairies—Pointe-aux-Trembles borough barricaded themselves inside a room and armed themselves with makeshift weapons. It took the police several hours to get them to surrender. Unfortunately, we don't have any information as to what caused the revolt. The detention centre houses approximately 140 youths between the ages of 14 and 17.

November 26-27, 2013: Yuppie businesses attacked

Sometime in the the night of November 26, yuppie businesses in Hochelaga were attacked. The restaurants Le Chasseur, Le Valois, In Vivo, and Bagatelle all had their windows smashed. Graffiti was painted too. A leaflet was left behind explaining the action:

"You and your collaborators of gentrification, you come here, in Hochelaga to rot us with your 25 bucks table d'hôte, your crap condos and your hip businessman ideals. It seems quite obvious that your not welcome here. Your presence makes us want to vomit. We know the song too well. Under your cheerful young entrepreneur and unscrupulous airs, your only goal is to colonize our neighborhoods and adapt them to your interests. You have big cash and the cops for your SECURITY and that's how you plan to succeed. Well you better get the fuck out of here because we want nothing of your sanitized world.

You are not safe in our neighborhood. Your owners' union can do nothing against us. Against your aggression, we attack. Tell your friends and your bourgeois insurance companies that Hochelaga is a hostile environment for investors and will remain so.

In solidarity with all those who struggle."

January 14, 2014: Prisoner escapes

While being taken for a medical visit at a facility in the Lanaudière region, 23-year-old Francis Lafortune-Gauthier outsmarted his captors and escaped to freedom. He was last seen driving off in a car to the disappointment of the pigs guarding him.

February 7, 2014: Disruption of Petrocultures conference

The Faculty Association building of McGill University was occupied by a group of twenty-five people and held for an hour. This coincided with an academic conference organized by the Institute for the Study of Canada, aiming to move towards consensus and common understanding within Canada on the subject of resource development. They dropped a banner

# MEXICO 5E3:

## Update on the situation of Amélie, Carlos and Fallon

(excerpt of original)

On Sunday, January 5th, two groups of people threw rocks and molotov cocktails at the offices of the Ministry of Communications and Transport and at the vehicles of a Nissan dealership in Mexico City. The same night, Carlos, Fallon, and Amélie were arrested in downtown Mexico city for these attacks. Initially detained by the Ministry of Public Safety for the Federal District (Mexico City), their case was shortly thereafter transferred to the federal jurisdiction.

On January 9, the comrades were placed under arraigo, a special investigative measure, based on allegations from the Prosecutor's Office of federal crimes, including terrorism, sabotage, organized crime, and damage to public property. The arraigo allows the Prosecutor's Office to hold any suspects up to 40 days pending investigation without appearing before a judge and without formal indictment.

At the end of the arraigo, Amélie and Fallon were transferred to the Centre de Ré-adaptacion Santa Martha, a women's prison where they are still detained, and Carlos was transferred to Oriente, a men's prison. Both are state-level prisons.

On the 20th of February, the comrades appeared before a judge. In light of a lack of evidence, the federal charges for which the arraigo was granted were not pursued. Amélie, Fallon, and Carlos are now facing: breach of peace, and damage to property while acting as a group.

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In Mexican prisons, all services and needs are paid for out of pocket. This includes calling cards and personal effects, as well as water, food, a place to sleep, etc. Thus, while Amélie, Carlos, and Fallon are detained, there is a significant need for money. Money fundraised at this point will go to pay the restitution and bail amounts for all three comrades; if the restitution and bail are ultimately denied, the money raised will continue to support the three while they are detained.

To contribute financially to support efforts, make donations online via CLAC:  
[www.clac-montreal.net/mx#\\_1](http://www.clac-montreal.net/mx#_1)

Write a cheque to: Convergence des lutes anti-capitalists (PLEASE INDICATE MEXICO IN

THE SUBJECT LINE) and send to:

CLAC-Montréal c/o QPIRG Concordia  
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Freedom for Carlos, Amélie and Fallon !  
Freedom for Mario, Salvador and Fernando  
Freedom for all!

To send letters to the comrades:

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## What is the Secreteria de Comunicaciones y Transportes?

The Secreteria de Comunicaciones y Transportes (Ministry of Communication and Transportation) is the federal regulatory body in Mexico for any decisions that are made regarding the infrastructure and development of transport (metro, ports, railways, airway, highways, etc.) and communications, both internationally and nationally. SCT Metro is responsible for the metro system in Mexico City. In December 2013, SCT Metro made the unpopular decision to increase the price of a metro ticket in the D.F. (Central Mexico City) by 67%--from 3 pesos to 5 pesos.

The SCT is also a partner in JWC—the Joint Working Committee on Transportation and Communication. This is a binational group (USA and Mexico), born out of NAFTA. There are several other governing bodies that are partners in this Committee, including the Customs and Border Protection of the Department of Homeland Security (USA). The purpose of this Committee is to cooperate on land transportation planning for cross-border transportation movements. Officially speaking,

its role is to basically regulate the flow of material goods between USA and Mexico. Under the guise of increasing the efficiency of border crossings for the flow of economic goods between U.S. and Mexico, there are several technological and infrastructural improvements with which the SCT is involved. These technological and infrastructural improvements don't only affect the flow of commercial goods—but the flow of information and humans, as well. For example, the SCT partners with a similar US governing body (Department of Transportation) to implement:

- information and data sharing across the border
- increased surveillance on roadways with a focus on USA homeland security (via Intelligent Transportation Services)
- US VISIT (Visitor Immigration Status Indicator Technology) program at all land entry ports, which collects, maintains and shares all information--including biometric identifiers

(fingerprints, eye scans, DNA)--on foreign nationals to determine the immigration status of an individual (if they can cross legally or not).



# Letters from the prisoners

## Fallon, January 11, 2014

Hello friends!

We are here together, us on this side and you maybe on the other side. To use the language of the state, there's years and kilometers that are going to separate us, but the thing we share is bigger than distances or time. The state thinks that it creates distance between us, but on the contrary, we're going to be closer than ever before! Today is the 8th of January, we have been traveling between fuckin cop cars and provincial and federal detention centres for the past 60 hours, and even though they've decided that we will stay here for another 48 hours, they don't have anything because silence is stronger than repression.

The most important thing right now is to build a force stronger than prisons. We have

## Carlos, January 11, 2014

With lots of energy and rage I write these brief lines to tell you about the conditions of my kidnapping by the government of Mexico City, but also to ramble about some topics that interest me at the moment.

My political situation has not yet been decided, and for obvious reasons I can't go into details as to not screw up my legal defense. The night of the 5th of January, our comrades Fallon and Amélie and myself were detained by members of the police for being the alleged perpetrators of molotov cocktail attacks against the Secretariat of Communications and Transportation, and for the fires of several cars of a NISSAN dealership.

Until today, wednesday, January 8th, we are being accused of terrorism and organized delinquency and destruction of private property.

We are fine, strong and united and have reached the third day of detention between questions, attempts at scaring us, and elaborate ploys. Like the curious case of the fake human rights group, who once were alone with me, told me that they had been sent by a comrade and told me her name and physical attributes. I initially believed them and I began to chat with one of them who seemed very interested in the case. But it's easy to identify the methods used by a porker (apologies to the pigs) and I immediately knew he was a cop.

With his supposed intention to defend us, he showed me several photos that pictured me and some friends, and in a friendly fashion he

the context of building international relations. For me solidarity is friendship, I am not a victim or a political prisoner, I want to use the reality that we live now, to build a stronger, bigger friendship. I am ready to fight authority inside here, like on the outside and I'm never going to stop.

Prison is a normal reality and I will use this experience and I hope that you do too, in order to develop a stronger individual strength, that gets more powerful every day. We are here and we are going to be here to confront both the reality of prison and the reality outside.

A great embrace to you all.  
Against authority here and outside!

Fallon

asked me for names and places and I immediately thought "How can a cop try to act like a comrade, when in his heart there is no dignity?" Well, in their training they are domesticated like hunting dogs at the service of their master, without questioning, they only act and don't feel, giving them one single way to drool and a gleam of malicious harassment in their eyes.

On the personal side of things I am an insurrectionary anarchist, what I mean by this is, the rupture with all forms of domination through daily struggle, thinking and re-thinking methods and objectives, using as a point of departure the will of the individual and the organization of social relations in a horizontal fashion, capable of deciding our own lives, starting with the destruction of our own mental paradigms that tie us to obedience and submission, to transcend into conflictuality in a permanent and informal manner.

I know that anarchist solidarity is strong like an oak tree, and that always goes farther than simple words

Solidarity with Gustavo Rodríguez, Mario González, Amélie Pelletier, Fallon Poisson, Gabriel Pombo. Felicity Ryder and all the comrades who face deportation, who are fugitives or in prison.

Carlos López "El Chivo"  
Attorney General of the Republic's detention centre, Camarones, Mexico City

from the top story windows which read "Shut Down the Tar Sands".

February 14, 2014: Anti-police demo in the Village

A group of about one hundred people held a demonstration in opposition to calls for increased policing and surveillance in the Gay Village. The demo lasted about an hour and marched through the Village behind a banner stating "Bash Back! Fuck le SPVM" while distributing anti-police flyers. In the weeks leading up to the demo, a satirical broadsheet about the role of police in society was distributed throughout the neighbourhood. The action coincided with and disrupted a rally called by a citizens' group that was calling for more policing in the village.

February 20, 2014: Cop cars torched

Someone took it upon themselves to set alight two police cars at Station 27 of Ahuntsic by throwing Molotov cocktails into the parking lot. Unfortunately a 26-year-old man was detained and interrogated for the incident.

February 24, 2014: Strike, blockade, demonstrate, occupy

5000 students at UDM went on strike in reaction to the re-appointment of Guy Breton as rector of the university. Breton is despised for his role during the 2012 student strike when he was among the loudest advocates for a tuition hike across the province; he also called riot police onto the campus on multiple occasions. Early morning blockades prevented all vehicle traffic from entering the campus for an hour. A lively demonstration in the evening roamed through the campus and inside university buildings, ending in a brief occupation of the FAÉCUM offices.

February 25, 2014: Blockade the war machine

Twenty people set up an early morning blockade of the Shock Wave Physics Group's research labs at McGill University for a number of hours, effectively preventing anyone from using the space. The lab is responsible for conducting research for the Canadian and United States' militaries in the field of thermobaric weapons, also called fuel-air explosives.

March 14, 2014: Blockade the war machine, round two

Twenty people set up an early morning blockade of the Aerospace Mechatronics Laboratory at McGill University for three and a half hours. The blockade aimed to affect the lab and the offices of two McGill professors involved in military research. The action ended when police were called onto the campus and physically confronted the blockaders who dispersed in a quick and organized manner avoiding arrests. The lab is receiving funds from the Canadian military to develop autonomy software for drones to be used in urban warfare.

## Carlos, February 3, 2014

A big hug to all comrades!

I was very pleased to learn of the gestures of support from outside towards us three anarchist prisoners. We remain firm and strong despite the silly accusations made against us, and intimidating comments (here, they tell us that we'll spend much time in prison) wanting to break our identity. They aren't successful, because we are strong and have conviction.

Today they brought us to declare, expecting us to declare ourselves innocent or guilty. On this point I want to openly make something clear, personally I do not accept either of the two positions. Guilty? Innocent? That would give legitimacy to the stupid laws of the State, of which I do not recognize the authority. After all the State and its laws are just generators and regulators of privileges, injustices,

## Amélie, February 23, 2014

From Santa Martha prison, Mexico DF

On the evening of January 5, I was arrested with my comrades Fallon and Carlos for allegedly attacking the office of the Federal Secretary of Communications and Transportation of Mexico, and also a Nissan dealership. Windows were broken and molotov cocktails were thrown inside the ministry, (according to what the evidence says) and inside the new cars of the dealership. Damages are evaluated to more than 70 000 pesos at the ministry and 100 000 pesos at Nissan.

Indeed, I'm an anarchist and live in Montreal, Canada. I was traveling in Mexico, and now my trip is being prolonged some time.

After being arrested, they locked us up for 96 hours, and then transferred us at the Federal Centre of Arraigo – without prior having seen a judge. We were held captive for 40 days. In a cell, 23 hours per day, a cigarette a day, smoked in 10 minutes; 3 meals per day, but with only 10 minutes to eat each time, without talking; not allowed to have a pencil; 9 minutes of phone per day... In short, it was a long wait, and there was nothing more than Mexican “telenovelas” playing on tv all day. Luckily our friends sent us some books! Thanks, I don't know how I could have survived without.

On day 40, the General Prosecutor of the Republic (PGR – federal) transferred our files to the PGJ (state police) because they have no evidence to charge us of a federal crime. Thus, since February 17, Fallon and I are at “Santa Martha” State penitentiary for women in Mexico City, where we were transferred, and Carlos is at “Oriente” State penitentiary for men 20 minutes from us. Here, it's a micro-society surrounded by cement and barbed-wire, but where you can do as you wish inside.

. At the moment of writing this text, its 7:30

exploitation and domination.

I learned something that turned my stomach, in which they link us with the 132 movement, #Posmesalto, and others similar. I clarify that I do not in any way accept this. I do not recognize any movement of institutionalized hierarchical organization. No way!

I want to spit my hate for the prison system, I don't know if anyone is really convinced by “reintegration”, ie, that from being imprisoned people are domesticated and go on to lead a quiet life in harmony with people and flowers around them. I'm looking for it and see only one thing; KIDNAPPING, for the deprivation of liberty of a person is called kidnapping. Through prison they want to shut down the will of those who struggle for a new world,

am. I'm in the yard and I'm looking at the sun rising behind the watchtower occupying the scenery. Actually, I almost feel like I'm in the yard of an apartment block when I look at the building with clothes hanging from windows without bars. There's plenty of pigeons, garbages, yellowed grass, and barbed-wire. There's also plenty of people with their own stories.

Prisons are necessary for maintaining social peace, as are cops. It is the domination and control that permits this sickening world to persist. Prison means fear, the unknown, shame, solitude, isolation. Society is the domestication of individuals into “good citizens”. Thus, my strength as an individual takes root in the refusal of fear being a limit in my life. For sure I'm afraid, like everyone, of many things, but my desires of freedom are stronger. Fear is often constructed, and is deconstructed when we face it. What's important is to see further, beyond the boundaries and borders, beyond the walls, mountains, rivers and oceans.

I don't know how long I'm here for, but I don't feel sorry for myself. I'm confident that outside the struggle goes on, and people meet, love each other, hate each other, and live, dammit. In fact I'm not comfortable with people focusing on our case without engaging their own struggles in their own contexts. I believe that the best solidarity is built in the sharing of individual and collective strengths. The worst thing for me would be that nothing goes on outside while we're held captive, but I know my friends continue despite the difficulties we must face. My reality as an anarchist in prison is a fact among others with which we have to adapt. The most difficult is often to maintain and protect bonds of trust with comrades whom we have affinity with, for long term thinking. When it is possible, unimaginable possibilities emerge.

and call violent, danger to society, terrorist, whom rebels. The only terrorist is the State, the main generator of violence, who has the monopoly of weapons, torture, and the rape of our natural rights.

It is the system of domination that aggresses us daily, paying us wages of misery, exploiting the workers and seeing them not as a human beings but as a money making machines. It aggresses us when it destroys nature to build shopping malls, It aggresses us with its television programming, trying to mold our thoughts.

AI FERRI CORTI WITH THEIR METHODS OF DOMINATION.

Carlos López Marin.

In that sense, my ideas and analyses remain the same as outside. That's why I don't feel like changing my discourse to get peoples support. I greatly appreciate the efforts of solidarity that have been done till now, although, I distance myself from certain initiatives that have been taken in solidarity with us. In Montreal: during a demo that took place in front of the Mexican consulate, the speech denounced torture and human rights violations by the Mexican State. The UN was mentioned in a reformist and progressive tone. Honestly, I appreciate that many people feel concerned with our case, but I refuse to use that illusory reformist discourse. As I see it, injustice, torture and human rights violations are integral parts of the world as it is. Rights are regulated by the State and are suspended at any moment as needed. Furthermore, it promotes democratic ideology (rights for citizens), the biggest of illusions. And most of all, to support our ideas with references to instances of power like the UN cannot build a strong anti-authoritarian struggle. It's not by trying to influence public opinion with reformist discourse that we will build strong foundations for a struggle that 's impossible to recuperate.

I must say I honestly have nothing to do with student and worker unions, and that even in the “syndicalisme de combat” [transl. combat unionism] very fashionable back home, in Montreal. Those organizations are formal and bureaucratic. They reproduce “direct democracy”. Those are the same structures I want to destroy, which impose distance between individuals, and the way they relate to the world and to the living. Formality, bureaucracy, law, and institutionalization transform the relationship between people. They immobilize the constant possibilities of transformation, exactly as political parties do. They try to organize and lead the “formless masses”



Therefore, there is an obvious contradiction: we've received support from student associations in Quebec. For my part, I have no problems with accepting money which will without doubt help us out of prison. But I must say that these organizations have nothing revolutionary about them. They're rotten to the core. They're based on Maoist organizational structures and are totally formal, with their politicians procedural code. This language is incomprehensible. Charismatic speakers manipulate the votes of the masses by expressing what the majority wants to hear rather than speaking from the heart. Crowds of 100 000 people march like zombies, sing and repeat the same reformist slogans and then return home, to their daily routine.

In the situation in which I find myself, waiting for my sentence or my release, to express openly that I am an anarchist can put me in a

precarious situation. I chose to do so anyway. Many times, I felt the need to communicate with other anarchists who have experienced similar situations. When confronting State repression, there are several ways to react. I think that using a moderate discourse provides privileges, such as getting out of jail faster, obtaining financing or social acceptance. But I think as long as the words and deeds will be moderate, it will be difficult to spread insurrectional and anti-authoritarian practices. That is why it is important to communicate my ideas openly and knowingly.

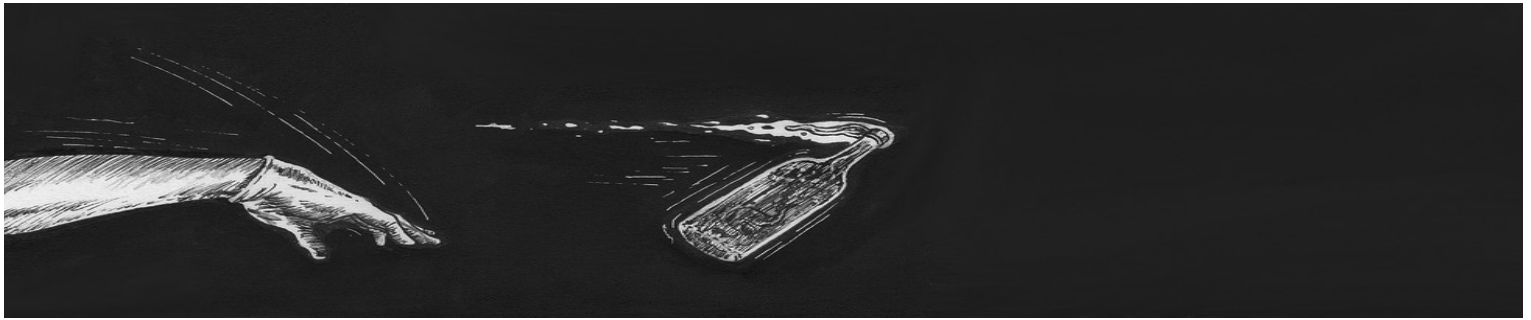
I do not know how long I will be locked up here, but one thing is certain: it will not be for a lifetime. I am fortunate to have great friends and comrades in struggles, and I do not feel alone. The strength and courage are found first in oneself. There is a universe of possibilities, here as elsewhere. All forms of domination are

to be fought, those that create the structures and institutions as much as those who interfere in our relationships. There is no heaven or perfect world. Freedom is the permanent movement and conflict, in confrontation with the world of images, symbols and appearances. Freedom is the destruction of the structures of domination over our lives. In Mexico, Montreal, France, Vancouver, United States, Spain, Greece, Chile, Egypt, Belgium, Italy, Germany, England, Holland, I greet my friends and comrades of struggle. For total freedom, I wish for links to be forged in the struggle.

In solidarity with Carlos "Chivo" and Fallon

With love, down with all the prison walls

Amelie



## Fallon, March 14, 2014

I want to begin this letter with a huge hug for all the compxs who are on the run, all those who are fighting for their liberty, and all those who are locked up and for whom this world of domination is trying to quell their rage. There is no cell, no wall, no authority to whom I give enough power to quiet my rage and my desire for liberty. I've had these feelings since I was a little one and now, in my heart and my head, they are stronger than ever, and there isn't a day that goes by where I don't think of you guys, my friends. I can imagine, and they tell me as well, that the situation outside is very precarious. This doesn't surprise me, as us deciding to be in conflict comes with repression. It isn't simple, it isn't easy, and there are many emotions that are all mixed up, but the specific emotion that we all have in common is our force; individually and collectively. No-one can cage this feeling—neither a prison nor a border. Friends, I am thinking of you all with much love, especially Marc, who is locked up in a prison in Kingston, and I'm thinking of the compxs from the che who were tortured by the comite Cerezo, of the cumbia ballerina, and of Tripa, Amélie and Carlos. Let's stay strong, regardless of the distance!

I feel a little weird writing a letter without any specific destination, I have this feeling that I'm writing to a galaxy that seems a little bit far away. I want to say one thing: I want to be clear that I am not writing this letter to retain support or to portray myself as the victim. My

intention is to use the pen and paper to communicate with friends, and to share analysis.

I think that the situation of being imprisoned is a very special opportunity to get away from the 'fetichisation' of prison and to make it a reality in a contextual manner. Today, I am writing this letter from Santa Marta, but who knows what is next.

When we were arrested, January 5th 2014, to me, it was a bit of a joke, with the 7 cop cars blocking the street, it felt a bit like a scene from a play, and from this moment onwards, this feeling never left. Everybody has their role. I remember this moment, at 2 or 3 in the morning, when we were transported from the PGJ to the scientific centre for tests. We were three, in 3 different cars, with 2 cops on either side of us, and with a minimum of 10 cop cars with their lights flashing in the deserted streets of DF, and with the scientists who were still almost asleep when we arrived at the Centre. It was such a show; CSI Miami in Mexico.

And the Arraigo Centre, ouf!

This was the most theatrical thing I've lived through in my whole life. When we got there, the street had been closed off for our arrival. The men with their soap-opera muscles and machine guns were outside in the street, as well as inside the car with us. I couldn't stop laughing—laughing at their authority that

I don't even have the smallest amount of respect for, laughing at the way they take themselves so seriously. "Ken and Barbie" with federal police uniforms. And the prisoners, who don't have names but instead have the good luck of having a colour. Mine was orange. The worst was that the girls in my cell were taking on the roles of submission, of fear, and of authority between each other, so seriously, as if they were in an audition for a Hollywood movie.

Sorry to the people who think that I'm making everything seem absurd, but, this is the way it is! A joke, the playing of a role.

And here, in Santa Marta, there are many neighbourhoods from A to H, there is a 'park', apartments, and neighbours. There is a corner store, sex workers, drugs everywhere; there are people who reproduce the gender roles of 'girls and boys', and there are also tons of babies. There is a school, a doctor, a court. There are studies to classify us in Santa Marta, there is corruption, formal and informal power, schedules, and many emotions, many histories, lots of time to share together, rage, and definitely lots of cigarettes and coffee to share. If it isn't already clear (here my spanish fails me a bit), but now, Santa Marta is my new city, 'A' is my new neighbourhood, 107 is my new apartment, and Amelie, my neighbour. For me, this is clearer than any theory.

And so, I end my letter.

A note:

First, I wrote this in spanish because, it's sometimes easier. So, I also want to give a big thanks to all those who do the translation, I will try to translate other letters into French and English.

This is the first letter I've written in a long time because in the Arraigo centre it was very difficult; pens, like everything else, were prohibited!

For me, it was important to write this letter with a touch of humour and sarcasm, not because I want to minimise the impact that prisons can have on people, but to minimise the impact prison can have on me. What I tried to express, in simple spanish (I hope to one day master it) (I also hope it's understandable), is that since my imprisonment, the elements that have had the most impact on me have been the game of roles and city-prison, prison-city. I won't lie to you—it isn't always easy, we are surrounded by barbed wire, but there is one thing I am certain of and it's that freedom starts in our heads, regardless of where we find ourselves. In mine right now, there's a lot of rage, a lot of force, and yes, despite everything,

there is more freedom than ever.

Thanks to the friends who came to visit! To those who took our collect calls. To those who are organizing, despite the tensions. To those who nurture the fire and who attack this rotten society RAGE AND ANARCHY!! (A)

And solidarity with Marc, the compxs from the Che, Tripa, the witch cumbia dancer, Amélie, and Carlos.

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Santa Marta, Mexico, March 14, 2014  
And Happy March 15! (A)

## Actions in solidarity with the 5e3

The following is a partial list of solidarity actions that have taken place around the world for the three comrades, not including the many info nights and benefits. All this information was compiled from various anarchist and anti-authoritarian counter-information websites.

09/01/2014 – Montréal, QC: Demo at Mexican consulate

A group of about 75 people gathered with a banner stating Ni Culpables, Ni Inocentes, Solidarité (“neither guilty nor innocent, solidarity”). Statements were read about the situation of the comrades and flyers were distributed.

09/01/2014 – Vancouver, BC: Bank firebombed

An HSBC bank on East Hastings Street, in occupied Coast Salish territory (Vancouver, BC) had an incendiary device lit in its ATM area. The action was also claimed in solidarity with Mi'kmaq warriors and protesters who are facing charges in relation to the anti-fracking protests that occurred in Elsipogtog, New Brunswick.

11/01/2014 – Montréal, QC: Another demo at Mexican consulate

About 60 people gathered with a banner stating Ni Culpables, Ni Inocentes, Solidarité (“neither guilty nor innocent, solidarity”) and read letters from Carlos and Fallon.

12/01/2014 – Hastings, UK: Banner drop

A banner was hung that read End State Terror! Torture and Murder. Eng.-Mex. Free Carlos, Amélie, Fallon, G. Rodriguez.

17/01/2014 – New York City, USA: Demo at Mexican consulate

A gathering was held with a banner stating Solidaridad y complicidad con Carlos, Amélie, Fallon (A) (“solidarity and complicity with Carlos, Amélie, Fallon”) and flyers were distributed.

Late January/2014 – Bloomington, USA: Glued locks

Bloomingfoods, an eco-capitalist cooperative, had its locks glued. The action was also claimed in solidarity with Westville Correctional Facility inmates on hunger strike against the low quality of their prison's food. An excerpt from the communique explains the choice of target:

“Bloomington is seeing the proliferation of small, chic eco businesses like Bloomingfoods, which disguise the real nature of capitalism and exploitation via “cooperative” forms and “ecologically-conscious” products. Along with this spread of disgusting yuppie businesses comes the extension and deepening of repression and surveillance through expanding the police force and increasing the number of CCTV cameras throughout downtown. All of this is done to eliminate the homeless, the vandals, the poor, and all those who, through their actions or their very existence threaten the gentrification of this town.”

Late January/2014 – Paris, France: Banner and flyering

A banner was hung stating De Mexico à Alençon, détruisons les prisons! (A) (“from Mexico to Alençon, let's destroy the prisons”). Flyers were distributed; they had info about the situation of the three comrades and, more broadly, about the repression that has targeted the social movements in Mexico during the last few years. The action was also in solidarity with the revolt in the prison of Alençon.

11/02/2014 – Seattle, USA: Demo at Mexican consulate

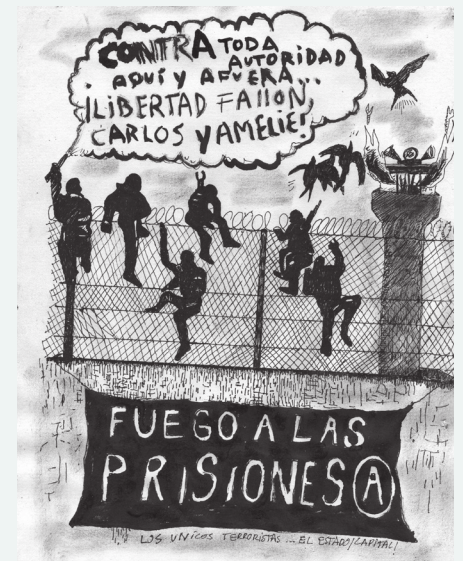
A group of about 20 people gathered and read statements of solidarity with the three prisoners and distributed flyers. Two banners were displayed bearing the slogans Solidarity to all captured comrades and Solidaridad es mas fuerte que los carceles! Presxs a la calle! (“Solidarity is stronger than prisons! Prisoners to the street!”)

17/02/2014 – Bloomington, USA: Police cars attacked

Several cars in the parking lot of a police substation were attacked with rocks. Along with being an act of solidarity with the comrades in Mexico, it was also claimed in solidarity with the prisoners in the Westville Correctional Facility in Bloomington “refusing disgusting bland worthless sack lunches and demanding better food and conditions”.

20/02/2014 – Istanbul, Turkey: Excavator torched by ELF

In the Poyraz rural regions of the Anatolian part of Istanbul, an excavator was arsoned. ELF and FAI/IRF graffiti was left at several locations around the site. The attack took aim at various “ecocide” projects in Turkey. The action was also claimed in solidarity with comrades across the world who have been killed, imprisoned, or who are currently on the run.



Carlos, March 28, 2014

It is said, that to comprehend a reality, it is necessary to live it, and here in the Oriente prison, I can clearly observe, that in an overwhelming statistic, the raw lived reality is caused by a system of domination designed for the control of everything, that because of them can be controlled.

When something or someone results outside of the parameters of their structure, that someone or something is transformed into an error and they rapidly "repair" it with their inflexible institutional methods.

We the prisoners (of conscience, political, anarchist, etc) are the parts that failed in the system.

Talking with some of the prisoners in this jail, I've become very curious, they have related

tales of some of the crimes they have committed, like robberies for example, which is one of the most common ones, and done to get easy money or to cover basic necessities, but digging into their past, almost all of them have suffered hunger in their childhood, misery, exploitation, drug addiction etc. marking the individual and condemning him to become part of this failure.

That is part of the game of the system, they being the makers of "criminality" and then they "criminalize" it. I'm not claiming to justify the "infraction", only expressing my feelings of how this emerges from the cogs in the system, like the division of society into classes, the unjust distribution of the wealth that the workers create and that the exploiters enjoy, social programs for the re-routing of resources, well manicured reforms that benefit those up

top, media manipulation, etc.

It's the same system that forced our comrade Mario López "El Tripa" to live underground. Friend and comrade Tripa, with these line I send my solidarity and join you in brotherhood. To break with the establishment, to be consistent and to search for freedom is part of anarchist living, and it's part of your life. And even though evasion is the price you pay, I know that you will confront it with strength and dignity, carrying with you the old saying "It's preferable to live on your feet than to die on your knees"

Living Anarchy!  
Confronting the dominant system!

Carlos López "Chivo"  
Oriente Prison



## Cruz Negra on Carlos' situation

By Cruz Negra - March 28, 2014  
(excerpt of original)

...We want to expand a bit on Carlos' situation, explaining a bit more about the conditions that are lived by thousands of prisoners in the jails of Mexico City.

On these centers of imprisonment exists a great network of corruption and complicity between the authorities and some prisoners, who reproduce the logic of the jail by assuming the role of jailers of the rest of the prisoner. This network of corruption and complicity, not only serves to strengthen the disciplinary role of prisons, but it is also a great business, as the majority of prisoners are forced to pay for everything: visits, roll call etc. in exchange they will not be beaten by those other prisoners who enjoy the protection of the authorities, and who receive in exchange part of that

money. These prisoners maintain control of practically everything in the jail.

A few days ago, we heard that Carlos had a problem with a prisoner, and had a scuffle with him, which then led to the prison guards to beat both of them up and locking them up for 9 hours in solitary confinement. Once they were released from solitary confinement, Carlos was taken from the intake area for classification. There he was required to pay so that he could skip the cleaning task known as "fajina" Our comrade decided not to pay. The "fajina" consists of cleaning a determined area but under the frame of tough exercises. During the first day of the "fajina" Carlos was once again beaten up by the prisoners, who were trying to make him buckle so that he would end up paying.

Today we know that our comrade is sick, as a result of the humidity in solitary confinement

and he has back pains due to the beatings. But he remains strong and firm in his convictions.

Amelie and Fallon have not gone through similar situations. We call to express our solidarity with the 5e detainees. We will continue updating their situation.

Freedom for Carlos, Amelie and Fallon!

Solidarity with Mario González!

A greeting to our comrade Tripa, may you never stop!

Cruz Negra Anarquista México

For complete text and further updates:  
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## Mario Lopez “Tripa”, first letter - February 3, 2014

*You are waiting for the revolution! Very well! My own began along time ago! When you are ready — God, what an endless wait! — it won't nauseate me to go along the road awhile with you! But when you stop, I will continue on my mad and triumphant march toward the great and sublime conquest of Nothing! Every society you build will have its fringes, and on the fringes of every society, heroic and restless vagabonds will wander, with their wild and virgin thoughts, only able to live by preparing ever new and terrible outbreaks of rebellion! I shall be among them!*

-RENZO NOVATORE, MY ICONOCLAST INDIVIDUALISM

Comrades, it's been a long time I haven't communicated nothing public, apart from a few things I wrote on the development of the juridical process against me for attacks to the public peace; this time, I'm not communicating to tell you something about this process or about juridical issues that don't matter much to me right now and in reality I didn't care much about to begin with. This time I'm writing to re-declare myself – again – and position myself about what's going on in México, in respect to the current repressive attack that the Mexican State is articulating and beginning to unleash, it's clearly well learned, from its Italian and Chilean buddies; because in the end it is nothing else than a pitoresque reproduction of the Marini style set-up or the « caso bombas », but made in Mexico; a set-up that can only be considered as an immediate response of the enemy in front of the pressure exerted by groups and anarchists individualists (Ni) and libertarians – night and day, public or covert –, before the dangerousness of such ideas for the social good, and it must not be taken in a mediated sense that would make us victims in front of a system which we decided to fight against, by any means or through any organizing model. A setup with apparent leaders, a hierarchical organizational structure and an organized criminal structure with terrorist objectives in which even a judicial team was tasked to take us out of jail when that would happen; a structure that bears more similarities with any group of narco-traffickers, guerrilla or marxist organization of any ideology (Leninist, Maoist, Marquista, Stalinist, etc..) than the way we anarchists conceive organization; organization of any manner, calling itself public or closed, especially when its labeled as informal. A set-up where the principal promoters of anarchist action are comrades from other countries that came to Mexico for X motive and following what the bastards from the Attorney General's office say, that they are the funding source of the struggle; a set-up where they seek not only to harm a specific sector of the anarchist movement but various sectors of local anarchism; a police set-up where the mass media of the State/Capital are playing an im-

portant role in constructing. But well, what the State/Capital could do or think in this issue is not my business, first because I don't think like power, and precisely because I'm not a person of power and authority. My mind cannot think in this authoritarian way and I prefer not wasting time in worrying about how and what the enemy is thinking about, or otherwise wasting time in correcting the image it conceives of us with the objective of lowering the severity of our charges or punishment. Everything said in this letter is addressed to the comrades in the struggle, mainly those who are libertarians and with anarchist affinities.

Well, as it is already known, I was arrested again on January 20th while leaving the magistrate's court on James Sullivan avenue in Mexico City, where each Monday I had to sign the register following the requirements of the conditional release. While leaving the building, a tall man stopped me, unsure of himself, asked me if I was the right person, and told me that he had to bring me under an order to appear he had against me. I will tell you the complete story later, in a calmer mood, because I find it quite interesting, mainly because of the way those PGR bastards behave.

Finally, while being at the PGR agency in Camarones and after hours of bothering me, interrogating, bluffing and trying to be friendly interrogators, the chief of the Ministerial Federal, a certain comandante Silva, notified me that they had an order against me to appear in front of the Federal Public Ministry as a supposed witness, and a warrant for the crime of manufacturing explosives without a permit, which is a violation of the Law on Firearms and explosives, to be used exclusively by the army. This was an order that was expedited by a federal judge of the sixth district, since November 2013. Moreover, they would take me to the Oriente prison to comply with the order. When my lawyer came – private – they brought me in front of that nun – I would call her witch, but witches have my total respect – that Public Ministry told me that she ordered to bring me because I was a suspect in a federal investigation for terrorism and organized crime, in the juridical case of the comrades of Canada and Carlos Chivo ; she showed us the record and the part in which I'm linked directly with the other suspects, including with the anarchist comrade of insurrectional affinity Carlos “el Chivo”, and it was at that moment when we could see how their set-up is being structured. At the end of the session they took a mobile phone I was carrying, a pair of USB keys and a cable to charge an Mp3 player, a booklet on anarchist tension written by A.M. Bonanno, a booklet from Costantino C. on the Anarchist Project in the Post Industrial era (which is too bad because it was quite beautiful) and the Prison and its world booklet written by Massimo Passamani

(I mention it because the Ministerials and the MP showed a lot of excitement about what I was mysteriously carrying in my backpack) and a few unimportant papers. They bothered me a little bit more and then they transferred me to the Oriente prison and brought me in front of the judge. The next day the lawyers of the GASPA arrived and argued that the accusations were not valid, for being founded on evidence that had not been certified because they had been brought in from my other prosecution for attacks against public peace, of which I didn't have a judgment yet, so the proofs were not valid. The judge had two options: the first was to free me after 6 days to the request of my lawyer at the end of constitutional term, and the other was giving me a cheap bail – cheap when compared with the other bail I had to pay previously and others that they gave to other comrades -. And when asked by my lawyer on what would I'd like to do, I freely chose to pay the bail, but not to give more money to the State (in reference to criticism that was made when we were detained in the Chilean embassy incident) or because of fear, but because I, freely and without the tips of anyone, took the decision that the moment I put one foot in the street I would runaway. Everything was clearer than ever to me, the harassment and repression against me from the State and the PGR.

Well now, and by my own decision, I decided to validate my judicial rupture (or anarchist-antijudicialism as it is usually labeled), my negation to continue – and to collaborate – in this judicial circus against me and other comrades, because from the point of view of my individuality, it is the most congruent option with my discourse, ideas and way of conceiving life that I found, which is anarchy. There's nothing more, now we know that the orders of search and arrest targeting me circulated because I ran away from justice in the trial for: attacks to public peace, the federal crime of manufacture of explosives, and the federal investigation against me for terrorism and organized delinquency, and also outrages to the authority for what happened at the Chilean embassy last year. Dangerous, isn't it?! Ha ha ! Dangerous are the ideas and the practices!

This is now another phase of the struggle that I decided to enter a long time ago, it is a phase which is common in the life of the individual that has decided to take a path of insurrection and permanent conflict – interior and exterior – against power, a phase that can't be reduced, and that maintains itself in struggle with all means for the destruction of the State/Capital; this other phase that for me doesn't mean clandestinity (the fact is, I am very critical of the clandestinity position when it's auto assumed or voluntary as a form of “struggle”) but which is rather a measure imposed by the enemy that delineates and defines new conditions to bring

about anarchist struggle.

Taking advantage of space while being brief, I want to make public the harassment the police has been conducting towards me (N2) – like the time when the SSP and the PDI arrested me and let me go in 10 minutes, in a park in Mexico City when we had a public meeting to see how the situation of our jailed comrades was going, or the visits by the PGR where I was supposed to be living but in reality was the home of my sentimental partner, or the constant overt surveillance, or the search of my partner's house where they broke the fucking fence door, etc. As well as the surveillance and harassment against my partner and her young daughter, and that if something ever happened to them, the culprit would clearly be the State/Capital; And I don't say this to demand for their institutional protection or to make victims of ourselves, I do it to expose the situation that they are also living. Also, I take advantage of this space, to send a greeting to all of those who, behind my back, said that my comrades and I collaborated with the police so that we could get out of jail, because of the Chilean embassy incident, and even said that me and some comrades were cops... Time and the harvest of the short, medium and long term struggle will exonerate whoever is right. I, we, continue in the struggle... What about you?

## Mario Lopez "Tripa", second letter - March 16, 2014

Briefly, I would like to write with respect to the week of support for incarcerated comrades in Mexico, which is supposed to happen between the 16 and the 24 of March.

First, I'd like to say that it isn't my intention to sabotage the week in question, not at all. However, since the text made reference to me, mentioned my name, and used a quote from a public letter that I wrote from jail, I would like to establish my position on the matter.

So; the end of this call for solidarity uses a quote from a communiqué that I wrote from prison, and at the end, it's signed with my name. Not only this, but at first glance, it appears as though (and this could be due to a poor translation into Spanish) the text itself or the call for solidarity is signed with my name. This is impossible, for a number of reasons:

First: Because I don't agree with weeks of solidarity and support for prisoners (at one time I did, but now, I don't). This isn't because I don't agree with solidarity with comrades, because clearly solidarity is a principal of the ideas and practice of anarchy, and solidarity is an individual ethic that is brought into practice in our daily lives. More so because I consider the necessary support and REVOLUTIONARY

That is all for the moment, I say goodbye and send a strong embrace to all! A special hug to my mother, whom I had not the opportunity to say goodbye to and who's also been harassed like my partner.

On the one hand, there is the existent, the customs and their certainties. And what's certain is that this social poison is dying. On the other hand is insurrection, the unknown that interrupts everyone's life. The possible beginning of an exaggerated practice of freedom.

Support jailed anarchist comrades!

A fraternal greeting to Felicity R. Nikos Mazeotis, Pola and the little Lambros Victor. Solidarity with anarchist comrades, anti-authoritarians and libertarians on the run! Solidarity and total support to the comrades being investigated in Mexico for a terrorism and organized delinquency case! Solidarity with Amelie, Carlos and Fallon!

We are not defeated and we have no regrets!

I don't give up, we don't give up!

Live anarchy!

In struggle against the state, Mario Antonio López Hernández. Tripa.

Planet Earth February 3rd, 2014

N1: Here I refer to the ongoing situation, in no instance do I attempt to use that Maoist rhetoric, that the validity of our struggle and actions goes according to the enemy's response, which is the same than to measure a supposed dangerousness that doesn't have the same degree of dangerousness than the enemy gives us; in this way limiting anarchist theory and action to the existence of the enemy. The struggle against the State/Capital is a part (an important one) of what we conceive as anarchy. I don't know how so many come to or have come to make use of that phrase that also appears in the commercial movie on the German RAF.

N2. I relate this to expand the repressive panorama, without desire to make a minimizing comparison of what they have been doing to other comrades, and the general harassment against anarchism in the central Mexico region. This will come to light as with respect to what is happening.

SOLIDARITY (N1) with imprisoned comrades not to be a separate struggle; similar to how struggle against prisons isn't a separate struggle but rather is part of the struggle for the destruction of the State/Capital, an inseparable part of the struggle for freedom. So, to create a specific calendar of days that should focus on anti-prison action seems to me to be the same as obeying the revolutionary calendar of every year (the demo on the 2nd of October, the 1st of May...now also the 1st of December, etc.). This practice centers the action on only one day, and takes meaning away from actions that occur daily and that also keep imprisoned comrades in mind.

Second: Because strategically, it doesn't work if we give the cops advance notice about actions that will occur in the future.

Third: With regards to me personally, I never have nor would call for any week of solidarity, demonstration or action as such; because this individualizes, or rather "personifies" collective actions, distracts attention from the struggle and creates icons, fictitious leaders, and ideological gurus. It's well known that I'm against acronyms, leaders, vanguard groups, of synthesis or of past organizations (anarchist or non-anarchist) that try to mobilize people. As

opposed to this, I am for self-organization and self-management of struggles, autonomy, and informal anarchist organization. I would never collaborate with the judicial circus of power that always individualizes collective revolt, with the goal of finding false leaders (as with the investigations against me for having supposedly called for who knows how many fucking things), and in this way to seek to minimize insurrection, and to center it on a single person or a small group in particular.

Either way, I really appreciate all the support.

Warm greetings.  
Long live anarchy!

Mario López Hernández.  
16/03/2014

N1: To understand what I am referring to when I say "Revolutionary Solidarity", I recommend a text by Pierlone Porcu, whose exact title is 'revolutionary solidarity'.

# June 11th International Day of Solidarity With Marie Mason, Eric McDavid & All Longterm Anarchist Prisoners

Though it may not seem like it from the depths of winter, June 11th is quickly approaching. As a revitalization of the day of support for eco-prisoners, the International Day of Solidarity with Marie Mason, Eric McDavid and Long-term Anarchist Prisoners has seen a huge outpouring of support and love for both Marie and Eric from all corners the globe over the past 3 years.

Significantly, in addition to the well-spring of both material and immaterial support, we've seen the proliferation of solidarity actions in many diverse contexts spreading the spirit and contributions to our struggles of those the state has attempted to disappear. Coordinated international solidarity has begun to flourish, with information about long-term anarchist and environmental prisoners crossing many geographic and linguistic barriers.

These efforts have had very tangible effects in the lives of Marie and Eric (and many others). Fundraisers have helped them remain true to their vegan principles, loved ones have been able to visit regularly even across vast distances, new generations of radical folks all over the world have reached out to them in solidarity. In short, June 11th has been greatly successful in helping to keep Marie, Eric and many other long-term anarchist and environmental prisoners in our hearts and minds, and to keep them alive in our struggles.

But this process of remembering - of "keeping alive" - is a tricky thing.

Our struggles and movements are often mired by a lack of memory, a lack of understanding and connecting with the past as a way to inform our actions in the present. This is both a prod-

uct of the techno-alienation of our age as well as a consequence of tactical repression by state forces. The state, for the time being, has the ability to kidnap our comrades and bury them alive, to force them to languish in cold steel and concrete for decades on end. They're ripped from our communities, from our lives. And in their place exists a painful void.

The state, for its part, is banking on the veracity of the old adage "time heals all wounds"; it is hoping that this void will shrink and that we will "forget". If held in captivity long enough, so thinks the state, the actions of our courageous comrades will fade into the oblivion of history and we on the outside will be left without their constructive and loving presence in our struggles. We must fight against this repressive tendency; we must never forget.

Over the past few years we have seen a sharp increase in ecological defense and animal liberation actions all over the world. In this ever-increasing resistance it is paramount that we recognize the actions and struggles of the past, of the comrades who we must now unfortunately call "long-term anarchist prisoners." The continuation of their fights - their active remembering - must be kept alive.

To this end, for June 11th this year we're making a specific call. While in years past we may have emphasized certain aspects of long-term prisoner support (i.e. material support, building international ties, etc), this year we want to make it explicit.

As the June 11th organizing crew, we've often used the term "active remembering" to describe a process that feels crucial to us in doing long-

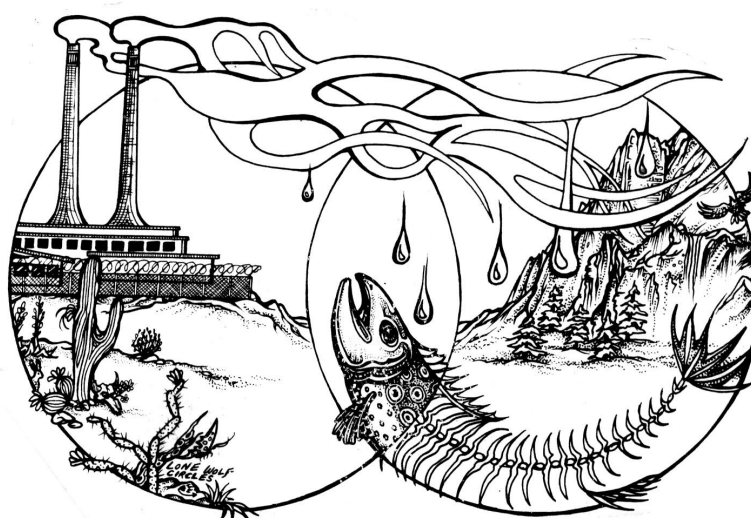
term prisoner support. That is, we've come to see the necessity of not simply passively holding onto a set of names to "honor and remember," but to work towards a mode of support that ties our relationships with long-term anarchist and environmental prisoners into action in our/their ongoing struggles.

Marie and Eric, being the focus of our June 11th organizing efforts, are both dedicated vegans imprisoned for acting in direct opposition to the destruction of the earth. In an effort to "actively remember" them and to engage with them in the present by connecting them to a continuance of their fight, we're encouraging people to tie their June 11th events into actively ongoing eco and animal liberation struggles.

This call is not proscriptive in any way; read what you want in these words and put them into action as you and your crew see fit. But remember, what we're calling for is not a ritualistic expression of solidarity, a once a year party in which we, for only an instant, call to mind those captured by the State. Rather, ours is a call to live the history of our imprisoned comrades, to take their names, their actions, and their struggles and to turn them back on the world that locks them up. Ours is a call to action.

In solidarity with Marie and Eric; with all long-term anarchist prisoners; in defense of the earth; until all cages are empty!

\*\*Check out the revamped <http://www.june11.org> for more information and history on the day, a longer piece on our goals, successes and failures, and plenty of resources to help you plan your june11th event or action.



# August 23-30, 2014 – Week for Anarchist Prisoners – Call for an international mobilisation

In summer 2013 members of several ABC groups discussed the necessity of introducing an International Day for Anarchist Prisoners. Given there are already established dates for Political Prisoners Rights Day or Prison Justice Day, we found it important to emphasise the stories of our comrades as well. Many imprisoned anarchists will never be acknowledged as ‘political prisoners’ by formal human-rights organisations, because their sense of social justice is strictly limited to the capitalist laws which are designed to defend the State and prevent any real social change. At the same time, even within our individual communities, we know so little about the repression that exists in other countries, to say nothing of the names and cases involving many of our incarcerated comrades.

This is why we have decided to introduce an annual Week for Anarchist Prisoners on August 23-30. We chose August 23 as a starting point, because on that very day in 1927 the Italian-American anarchists Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were executed in prison. They were convicted of murdering two men during an armed robbery at a shoe factory in South

Braintree, Massachusetts, United States. Their arrest was a part of a bigger anti-radical campaign led by the American government. The State’s evidence against the two was almost totally non-existent and many people still today believe that they were punished for their strong anarchist beliefs. Given the nature and diversity of anarchist groups around the globe, we have proposed a week of common action rather than a single campaign on a specific day making easier for groups to be able to organise an event within a longer target period. Therefore, we call on everyone to spread the information about the Week for Anarchist Prisoners among other groups and communities and think about organising event(s) in your city or town. The events can vary from info-evenings, screenings and benefit concerts to solidarity and direct actions. Let your imagination run free.

Till all are free.

325, ABC Belarus, Brighton ABC, Bristol ABC, ABC Cardiff, ABC Czech Republic ABC Finland, ABC Kiev, ABC Latvia Leeds ABC, London ABC, ABC Mexico ABC Moscow, Nizhny Novgorod antirepression group, ABC St.Petersburg

## LIBERATE ANARCHIST PRISONERS



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*“For the construction of a movement of real solidarity, and the destruction of all prisons!”*

## RESOURCES IN MONTREAL

### ANARCHIST SPACES

La Déferle, anarchist social space  
1407 rue Valois, Hochelag’  
au1407.org

L’insoumise, anarchist bookstore  
2033 Saint-Laurent  
(514) 313-3489

Bibliothèque DIRA, anarchist library  
2035 St-Laurent  
(514) 843-2018

### COUNTER-INFORMATION

SabotageMedia  
[www.sabotagemedia.anarkhia.org](http://www.sabotagemedia.anarkhia.org)

Montreal Counter-Info  
[www.mtlcounter-info.org](http://www.mtlcounter-info.org)

Média Recherche Action  
[www.mediarechercheaction.info](http://www.mediarechercheaction.info)

### LEGAL SUPPORT

Coalition against repression and police abuse  
[www.lacrap.org](http://www.lacrap.org)

COBP (Collective opposed to police brutality)  
[www.cobp.resist.ca](http://www.cobp.resist.ca), [cobp@riseup.net](mailto:cobp@riseup.net)

People’s Commission Network  
[www.peoplescommission.org](http://www.peoplescommission.org)

CLAC Legal Support  
[www.clac-montreal.net/soutien\\_juridique](http://www.clac-montreal.net/soutien_juridique)

La Solide, anarchist info-site against repression  
[www.lasolide.info](http://www.lasolide.info), [lasolide@riseup.net](mailto:lasolide@riseup.net)

### NON-STATUS SUPPORT

Solidarity Across Borders  
[www.solidarityacrossborders.org](http://www.solidarityacrossborders.org)

No One Is Illegal  
[www.nooneisillegal-montreal.blogspot.ca](http://www.nooneisillegal-montreal.blogspot.ca)

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