

Recent News and Communiques on State Repression and the Grand Jury in the Pacific Norhtwest

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the Grand Jury and Recent News

We Will Not Cooperate

What We're Facing, What We Must Do

On Wednesday, July 25th, 60-80 heavily armed FBI and JTTF (Joint Terrorism Task Force) agents raided three homes in Portland, OR. They used battering rams and flash grenades, and carried assault rifles. Electronics (computers, flash drives, cell phones, etc.) were confiscated along with some personal items. All legal documents related to the searches and the Grand Jury are sealed, and the FBI will only say it is related to an "ongoing violent crime" investigation. But based on interviews with residents, and what police told them at the scene, this is clearly related to the ongoing demonization of anarchists and the Occupy movement, and the actions of My Day.

On the same day, the court issued subpoenas for a Grand Jury which began on August 2nd. There have been eight subpoenas issued in total, three in Portland (one which has been thrown out), four in Olympia, and one in Seattle. At the moment of this going to press, only three of these subpoenas have been served for the Grand Jury to convene on August 30th.

Police, FBI and JTTF agents have been lurking around houses and tailing people in all three cities since the 25th in an attempt to intimidate and to search out people who have not yet been served their subpoenas.

The intention of this Grand Jury is undoubtedly to gather information on anarchists and anti-capitalist in the Pacific Northwest for the purpose of further surveillance and repression, and to disrupt communities of resistance by creating fear and distrust. We have seen the state use Grand Juries in this way in the recent past, especially against enviornmental radicals they believed to be associated with the Earth Liberation Front and the Animal Liberation Front (visit greenisthenewred.com for more on this ongoing wave of repression).

Grand Juries basically force witnesses to choose between snitching and serving time. "Cooperation with the Feds is a euphemism for coercion. If a witness chooses to cooperate with a Grand Jury but does not answer their questions (by pleading the Fifth Amendment, among other legal strategies) they are often found in contempt of court, or later charged with perjury (in this case saying "I don't know). If a witness chooses not to cooperate, to not enter the process at all, they will e found in contempt of court. Snitches are always promised leniency or a reduction of punishment, but this is almost always a fucking lie. In a Grand Jury situation, you can be incarcerated for as long as the Grand Jury is in session, which could be up to eighteen months, with three oportunities for six month extensions. (For more information on how Grand Juries operate, find "Grand Jury Investigations, FBI Harrasment and Your Rights" on zinelibrary. info).

Cooperating with authority is never in your interest. It makes you unfit for freedo and friendship. We will not cooperate with this process, with this jailer's world. Moments of repression reveal the depths of our beings and remind us that defiance in the face of power is the greatest form of dignity.

Ahead

What We Cannot Know

Thinking About the Next Eighteen Months, and More

We cannot know what to expect of this Grand Jury. We can read about how they've gone before and how some have acted, but for the most part we are waiting, merely speculating, and fear is dancing circles around us.

But we cannot let fear and distrust inform our friendships, we cannot fall into paranoia and instability. We cannot speculate in unending spirals, and we cannot sit and wait. We need to be good to each other, to care for each other, and to continue to act. That being said, we must think critically.

It is likely that more peple will be subpoenaed in the upcoming months. It is important that we share information with one another when this hapens, despite the state's plan to keep us all in the dark.

If you are affected by the Grand Jury and need support, please first contact a lawyer, along with this non-profit organizational support network:

resistthegrandjury@riseup.net

Also, look to the Pacific Northwest Grand Jury Resistance at:

www.saynothing.info

A Callout for Coordinated Action posted on pugetsoundanarchists.org

Grand juries and the repression surrounding them are focused specifically on isolation in an attempt to strike fear into the hearts of anarchists and all those associated with them. Whether you are close to those involved in the recent wave of Pacific Northwest anarchist repression or not, its impact has most likely touched your region.

In an attempt to counter that fear and isolation the days of August 24th to August 31st are being called as a week of solidarity with anarchists in the Pacific Northwest. Lets turn that fear back toward our common enemies and drive the impact of their repression into expressions of solidarity. Consider acting in ways that communicate the passion for freedom that those in the Northwest have continued to express by their refusal to cooperate with the State's witch hunt.

Remember that the next grand jury hearing is on Thursday August 30th at the Federal Courthouse in downtown Seattle. If you live in the area, please come to the Courthouse on 700 Stewart St. at 12noon for a demonstration outside. If you live outside the area, consider planning a solidarity demonstration in your city or an event about grand jury resistance.

May their attempts at repression only make our aim stronger!

International Call Out For Actions of Solidarity: For Those Facing The Repression of The Grand Juries in The Northwest!

This an international call out for solidarity actions on behalf of all those facing the repression of the grand juries, fbi, and joint-terrorism task force in the Pacific Northwest. All of these incidents are related to the Grand Jury that will Occur in Seattle on August 2nd. We have reason to believe that the Grand Jury is related to the attack on the Federal Courthouse in Seattle on May Day. So far, four have been served subpoenaes and another person has a subpoenae out for them but has yet to be served.

Our solidarity must be the continuation of the struggle that triggered the repression. We have been in touch with some of those receiving the subpoenas and while some of them will chose to do different things, some of those who have been subpeonaed have vowed to remain totally non-cooperating through out this whole procedure, no matter what.

Any acts of solidarity are welcome as long as they do not seek to appeal to power. Examples of this would be affirming the notion of rights and pushing the innocent-activist theme. Things which some of those who have been subpoenaed stand firmly against!

Their actions are meant to spread fear, let them spread strength instead!

Solidarity with Anarchists Facing Repression World-Wide! Fire To the Prisons and Those That Maintain Them! Long Live Anarchy!

Solidarity Actions and Statements

July 26th, Noise Demonstration in Solidarity with PNW Rebels

From Bloomington, Indiana

On July 26th, after a small anti-repression assembly in Bloomington (less than 20

people), there was a spontaneous solidarity noise demo at the Monroe County Jail.

The same chants as usual, reflecting the fact that our basic methods will remain unchanged: active solidarity, the spread of rebellious attitudes and actions, and strong

affinity as a basis for our practice.

Solidarity means attack, against repression, let's strike back. Much love to the revolting PNW.





July 27th, Police Van Vandalized in Solidarity with Victims of Northwest FBI Oppression

From Edwardsville, Illinois

In the early morning of July 27th in a Metro East St Louis city, Edwardsville, Illinois, the parking lot across the street from the Edwardsville Police Department was visited with knives and spraypaint. Although we left the hammers at home this time and despite us only deciding on spraypaint, we arose to the call of international solidarity with our small action of spraypainting "Stop Northwest FBI Oppression" on the St Louis City Police Department Probation van. The only reason other vehicles of pig mobility weren't attacked as well was only because their pig cars were out oppressing others.

We saw their red and blue pig lights illuminating prison bars down Main Street and were filled with disappointment until finding the remaining probation van. We are promising one action a week, and as oppression intensifies so will our actions. Actually, hell with it, if this northwest FBI oppression bullshit doesn't just end we will intensify our actions.

Regardless, this action also coincides with complaints of tenants in the city against landlords who repeatedly invade the privacy of their tenants, act on racist motives, ignore domestic disputes until the police come pigging and neglect maintenance of things such as plumbing, air conditioning and mailboxes.

Solidarity Statement from the Bay Area To Friends and Comrades of the Pacific Northwest

It has sadly come to our attention that a coordinated Federal assault has been launched on political activities in the cities of Olympia, Portland and Seattle. We have learned that homes have been raided, grand jury subpoenas have been served and comrades are stalked day and night by the FBI and other agencies.

This statement is meant to convey our solidarity along lines of compassion as well as anger. While our support goes out to everyone affected by this new wave of Federal repression, we are not satisfied to respond in the usual means: to stand by idly, to gather commissary or shout outside the courthouse. This attack goes deeper than the obligatory motions(all necessary) and requires an emotional response to their threat of removing our loved ones from our lives. The stakes are not simply political; this is an attack on our relationships, our friendships, our comrades' well-being as well as ours. To assume the threat of jail for silence will only affect those subpoenaed is a mistake. Here in the Bay, we support each other in the process of non-compliance and offer this letter as a step in that direction for the NW as well. We refuse to act and organize as if this attack on our 'neighbors' is not an attack on us as well, and we mean to respond in kind.

We are inspired by the immediate acts of solidarity from the Midwest: the enactment of vengeance. Our hope is for the responses to spread. As the Grand Jury in Seattle is set to convene on August 2nd, comrades here in the Bay have declared a commitment to consistent actions under the banner of solidarity with the Northwest. With this unified spirit of persistence and rage we will combat the harassment and attempted entrapment of comrades across the US. We are invested in "creating the conditions where an offensive can sustain itself without fading, of establishing the material solidarities that allow us to hold on."

WE WILL NOT COMPLY. WE WILL NOT COLLABORATE.
WE WILL NOT DESERT EACH OTHER.
WE WILL NOT SIT BACK. WE WILL NOT WAIT.

With love and determination, from all of us in the Bay.

No More Raids: Committee Against Political Represion

Resist the Grand Jury!

On Wednesday July 25th, the FBI conducted a series of coordinated raids against activists in Portland, Olympia, and Seattle. They subpoenaed several people to a special federal grand jury, and seized computers, black clothing and anarchist literature. This comes after similar raids in Seattle in July and earlier raids of squats in Portland.

Though the FBI has said that the raids are part of a violent crime investigation, the truth is that the federal authorities are conducting a political witch-hunt against anarchists and others working toward a more just, free, and equal society. The warrants served specifically listed anarchist literature as evidence to be seized, pointing to the fact that the FBI and police are targeting this group of people because of their political ideas. Pure and simple, these raids and the grand jury hearings are being used to intimidate people whose politics oppose the state's agenda. During a time of growing economic and ecological crises that are broadly affecting people across the world, it is an attempt to push back any movement towards creating a world that is humane, one that meets every person's needs rather than serving only the interests of the rich.

This attack does not occur in a vacuum. Around the country and around the world, people have been rising up and resisting an economic system that puts the endless pursuit of profit ahead of the basic needs of humanity and the Earth. From the Arab Spring to the Occupy movement to now Anaheim, people are taking to the streets. In each of these cases, the state has responded with brutal political repression. This is not a coincidence. It is a long-term strategy by state agencies to stop legitimate political challenges to a status quo that exploits most of the world's people.

We, the undersigned, condemn this and all other political repression. While we may have differences in ideology or chose to use different tactics, we understand that we are in a shared struggle to create a just, free, and liberated world, and that we can only do this if we stand together. We will not let scare tactics or smear campaigns divide us, intimidate us, or stop us from organizing and working for a better world.

No more witch-hunts! An injury to one is an injury to all.

July 31st, Banner Drop in S.F.
Yesterday, July 31st, we dropped a banner in downtown San Francisco saying, "Puget Sound: Keep quiet, stay strong. love, the Bay".

This is a small gesture of solidarity for those who are resisting the grand jury in the Northwest. Our hearts are with you.

with love, some bay area anarchists

P.S. We were happy to read that Leah and Dennis made a statement of noncooperation. It's a good precedent to set... keep it up!

July 31st, Banner Drop in Oakland
On the early morning hours of July 31st we set out to show our friends that they are not alone. Friends don't let friends talk to the FBI. That was our slogan we painted on some cloth and hung above the West Oakland 980 freeway headed inbound towards town. Our gestures whether large or small are what help to manifest ourselves as the social force we are capable of. Through all the witch hunts our rage still burns and our hearts still beat as we fight for another day of fighting.

If we cannot speak of joy in these dark times, let us speak of the consequences of our relationships, every proud action we take helps our efforts come to fruition.

Death to Grand Juries and to those who are responsible for their function. Total freedom for all us prisoners.

July 31st, Banner Drop in Seattle

Posted to PugetSoundAnarchists

Banner in Seattle dropped downtown that read "Against State Repression (A) Grand Juries are Witch Hunts"

Text found on the fliers thrown into the streets:

Against the FBI, The Secret Courts, & the Repression of Anarchists!

"On the morning of Wednesday July 25th three suspected anarchist houses were raided by the FBI and the Joint Terrorism Task Force in Portland. Six people in Portland, Olympia, and Seattle were ordered or served with subpoenas to attend a Grand Jury* at the Federal Courthouse in downtown Seattle on

August 2nd at 12:00PM.

The actions of the the FBI and the JTTF are a clear attempt at suppressing anarchist activity. As the State orders it guard dogs out for yet another inquisition, we must also come together not under false commonalities but through our shared desire for the destruction of everything that makes this prison and police world possible. While they attempt to spread fear and turn anarchists against one another, we will spread strength and aim our attacks directly back at our enemies.

Each repressive measure by the State only makes our targets that much clearer! *A grand jury consists of 16 to 23 jurors who are not screened for bias. The

grand jury operates in secrecy and the normal rules of evidence do not apply. The prosecutor runs the proceedings and no judge is present. Defense lawyers are not allowed to be present. If an individual refuses to testify they can be held in contempt for up to 18 months in prison."

August 2nd, Attack in S.F. For the silent ones.

In the early hours of August 2nd, tires were slashed and windows were etched on eight San Francisco Police Department cruisers and one San Francisco Sheriff's van while they sat in a maintenance vard.

Greetings of solidarity and complicity to those resisting the grand jury in the Pacific Northwest. In whatever way you choose to resist state repression, we will act to spread and strengthen your struggle.

We also extend this action to comrades facing repression in the Midwest: St. Louis, Chicago, Cleveland.

For the silent ones. For the social war.

August 2nd, Attack in Seattle/Kirkland

In the early hours of August 2nd, we attacked a municipal court building in Seattle's bedroom community-Kirkland. In addition to multiple broken windows and doors, fliers were left inside the newly "opened" building indicating that our small act was in response to the latest round of State repression of anarchist activity. We refuse the greatest mechanism of the Grand Jury - fear - and let it be known they cannot quell our joyous rebellion. Get them, wild ones.

Long live anarchy! It's easy to attack! Anarchists

August 2nd, Attack in Oakland
Before dawn on August 2, 2012, we covered the windows and windshields of 2 unmarked Oakland Police Department vehicles with glass etching fluid, as well as slashing all the tires of one of the cars. We also covered the door and 5 windows of the nearby OPD recruitment center with etching fluid. The windows of the recruitment center had boards behind them due to being attacked when the Oakland Commune encampment still existed, but the glass was still accessible. These targets are located at the North end of Oscar Grant Plaza, where the Oakland Commune materialized last year.

We did this to coincide with the first day of the grand jury in Seattle, and to continue our struggle against the forces of the State and Capital at home. Even when overt social conflict seems minimal, there are always targets lying in wait. (Also, who needs a reason or something to react to....fuck 'em!)

For the destruction of this prison society. May the spirit of revolt spread, from Anaheim to the Bay to the Northwest. For the silent ones.

August 2nd, Attack in Oakland

In the early morning of August 2nd an attack on an Oakland police substation near Lake Merritt was made. One window was damaged and a lesson was learned. What thick glass they have, next time more Big L and a bigger cannon. For the silent ones.

August 2nd, Solidarity Demo in Minneapolis

Text giving context for the event:

"On Wednesday July 25th, the FBI conducted a series of coordinated raids against activists in Portland, Olympia, and Seattle. They subpoenaed several people to a federal grand jury, and seized computers, black clothing and anarchist literature. This comes after similar raids in Seattle in July and earlier raids of squats in Portland.

The subpoenaed activists are ordered to appear before the grand jury in Seattle this Thursday (8/2). Anarchists and radicals from the Twin Cities will hold a simultaneous demonstration in solidarity with our friends and comrades who

are refusing to cooperate with the grand jury.

Though the FBI has said that the raids are part of a violent crime investigation, the truth is that federal authorities are conducting a political witch-hunt against anarchists and others working toward a more just, free, and equal society.

Political repression is also happening here in the Twin Cities as local organizers from Occupy Homes MN are currently facing riot charges for defending our neighbors from foreclosure. From the Midwest to the Northwest, repression will be met with resistance and solidarity.

An injury to one is an injury to all!

Against the grand jury!

Solidarity with our comrades in the Northwest!"

August 2nd, Solidarity Rally in Asheville, N.C. There was a small noise demonstration today in downtown Asheville, NC in

There was a small noise demonstration today in downtown Asheville, NC in solidarity with the hundreds of prisoners on hunger strike at multiple facilities throughout the state. This action follows a larger demonstration that took place at the Central Prison in Raleigh on Sunday.

We rallied in the downtown square before marching to the courthouse and jail, stopping to make some noise at the jails construction site, where the state is building even more cages to put us all in.

We wish to send a message of love and solidarity to those who find the strength to fight from behind bars.

Also it is important to acknowledge our comrades in the northwest resisting the grand jury in Seattle today, as well as our friends of the Asheville 11 whose lives are still being held hostage to the states madness.

Until every cage is empty. Fuck the police.

August 2nd, Attack in Edwardsville, Illinois

The Madison County courthouse located in the Metro East St Louis city of Edwardsville, Illinois had a door defaced with spraypaint with another message of solidarity on the early morning of Friday. We take this opportunity to remind comrades of the radical history of the Metro East of St Louis, which saw the General Strike of 1877 in East St Louis, Illinois.

After careful deliberation amongst ourselves we have determined that to continue a weekly attack would exhibit discipline that we consider death. Death that is the state and it's institutions which are formed out of discipline. This is not a resignation of militancy, however. The purpose of these actions is the endorsement and encouragement of wildness. If we determine the time is fitting for another action of solidarity we will be inclined to take it.

August 2nd, Banner Drop in NYC
In the early morning hours of August 2nd, we dropped two large banners from the Williamsburg Bridge in New York City facing traffic. One read "SOLIDARITY WITH NORTHWEST ANARCHISTS" while the other read "FUCK GRAND JURIES." We did this as a gesture of solidarity with the Anarchist fighters of the northwest, currently facing down the investigative apparatus of the state. Strength, comrades! Whether on the street, in a courthouse, or in a cell, our passion for freedom is stronger than their prisons.

Northwest revolutionary forces, you have inspired many of us while instilling fear in the hearts of politicians and police in your region. You have consistently shown nothing but love for your comrades in struggle and nothing but hatred for the reactionary forces of law and order. Repression does not mean you have done something wrong, it means you have done something right.

We would also like to take this opportunity to send revolutionary greetings to the Cleveland 4 and the Tinley Park 5. Your struggle is our struggle.

TOTAL SOLIDARITY TOTAL COMPLICITY LONG LIVE ANARCHY

August 2nd, Attack in Milwaukee Dear Northwest

On the night of of august second we dismantled 3 police cruisers and 1 paddy wagon. Then attacked the NYPD (pizza shop) changing the signs to say suicide our cops a reference to a milwaukee hardcore band from the past. On August 3rd we smashed the windows out of the obama campaign center. Leaving where is yr god on the wall. expect more.

Fuck it, just do it. Milwaukee

August 2nd, Solidarity Demo Outside Courthouse

of Convened Grand Jury in Seattle, WA
Hours before the subpoenaed were to show up for their scheduled court appearance, scores of supporters gathered on the steps of the federal court house for a solidarity rally. Leah, one of the subpoenaed, read the statement posted below on the courthouse steps. 80 or so supporters cheered her on as she entered the courthouse. She returned to us less than an hour later to more ecstatic cheers. The prosecutor issued her a new subpoena for August 30, 2012, at 1pm.

The remaining recipients of subpoenas either did not show up to the grand jury, had August 30 or another date on their subpoena, or have not been served.

Statement from the Subpoenaed in Portland, OR

The two of us, Dennison Williams and Leah-Lynn Plante, were subpoenaed to the secret grand jury to begin meeting on Thursday investigating anarchists.

We are releasing this statement to make clear our intention to resist the grand jury. We will not co-operate with their investigation. If we appear before the grand jury, we will not answer any questions other than our names. If we are asked additional questions, we will invoke our First, Fourth, and Fifth Amendment rights. Under no circumstances will we talk about other people.

This grand jury is a tool of political repression. It is attempting to turn individuals against each other by coercing those subpoenaed to testify against their communities. The secret nature of grand jury proceedings creates mistrust and can undermine solidarity. And imprisoning us takes us from our loved ones and our responsibilities.

But our passion for freedom is stronger then the state's prisons. Our refusal to cooperate with the grand jury is a reflection of our own desires for a liberated world and our support for others who are working to bring that world into being. We support the efforts of all those who will be resisting this grand jury.

If you would like to join us, please visit: nopolitical repression. wordpress.com. There you can find out how to sign on to a solidarity statement, donate money to our defense and support campaign, and write us should we be imprisoned.

More importantly, though, you can show your solidarity by refusing to co-operate with any police force and encouraging your friends and families to do the same. The police do not protect us, and do nothing to bring justice to those who have been hurt by others. If we want real safety, and real justice, we need to continue creating liberatory alternatives to the state's institutions.

August 5th, Sabotage In Atlanta
On the night of August 5th, we used industrial adhesives and a hammer to dismantle every parking meter on Edgewood Avenue in the Old Fourth Ward neighborhood of Atlanta (45 parking meters total). On a large wall next to the biggest section of parking meters we spray-painted "FUCK THE GRAND JURY

— <3 FOR PNW (A)".

This is just a small gesture of solidarity with comrades in Portland, Seattle, and Olympia who are resisting the grand jury which released 6 subpoenas late last month. We know that the point of these hearings is to stultify the rebellion of those in the Pacific-Northwest who have helped to escalate the unending social war of which we are all apart. All across the country — in San Francisco, Oakland, New York, East St. Louis, the Twin Cities, Seattle, and elsewhere anarchists have decided to meet this repression with further attacks against the dominant social order. We hope that our humble act warms the hearts of all who resist.

Additionally, there is a profound hatred of the privatized parking enforcement in Atlanta. We have chosen this target for the immediate effects it will have on our lives and to stoke the flames of rage against paid parking enforcement and law enforcement in general.

For more information visit http://saynothing.info It's easy to attack! -Anarchists

August 5th, Attack in St. Louis
Late Sunday night, two ATMs in St. Louis were disabled in solidarity with those facing Grand Juries in the Northwest. We wanted to do more, but it's hard to find an ATM in this city.

As long as our comrades face repression, the attacks will continue. Back off!

love for our comrades, hatred for the feds, some anarchists

August 6th, Banner Drop in Atlanta

Early this morning we dropped a banner over Freedom Parkway in Atlanta that read: FOR THE SILENT ONES <3, fuck grand juries @. We did this to show our love for those in the Pacific Northwest who are resisting the grand jury subpoenas there. May the revolt continue to spread in spite of repression by the state. Solidarity with all who rebel. -some a's

August 7th, Graffiti in Athens, Greece
On Tuesday, August 7th, we painted slogans and

stencils as part of the ten days of action against repression. We chose to highlight, as much as possible, two different cases and show our solidarity by means available to us.

We made the first series of stencils and slogans in solidarity with anarchist Marco Camenisch, who is solidarity with anarchist Marco Camenisch, who is



incarcerated for 20 years because of his eco-anarchist actions and subversive stance. It is obvious that the prosecuting authorities, across Europe, consider Marco Camenisch as a permanent threat to the system of domination, so they try to keep him in prison in every way they got, despite the fact that he has now served 2/3 of his prison sentence and therefore is entitled to be released. His name's involvement in the repressive 'operation boldness' that was recently launched by the Italian Inquisitors is yet another attempt to keep him captive for life. As Marco announced through a recent letter from the Swiss dungeon, he plans to begin a hunger strike in late August, in order to denounce the special regime in prisons and the fiasco of the latest informal prosecution against him. We send him all our strength and cry out FREEDOM FOR MARCO CAMENISCH!

The second thematic concerns the call for actions in solidarity with those who resist the Grand Jury proceedings in the United States. The Grand Jury is an institution of the federal legal system of the US, having the jurisdiction to indict or not individuals suspected of involvement in 'organized crime'. Essentially, this is a special inquisitorial body of citizens/jurors (who are not even screened for bias) that investigate the activities of political adversaries of the US democracy, working in complete privacy/secrecy (obeying the will of the federal prosecutor/US attorney). Thus, the grand juries also comprise a first stage towards indictment charges in accordance with the anti-terrorism legislation.

Since early August, anarchist comrades and activists have been subpoenaed to testify before the Grand Jury under a repressive operation against the radical space in the Pacific Northwest. Those who resist grand juries, by refusing to cooperate with the authorities and to provide evidence or testimony to this legal body, are threatened with pretrial detention up to 18 months or until the Grand Jury decides whether they will be brought to trial.

Direct actions in solidarity with Grand Jury resisters have already taken place in St. Louis, Atlanta, New York, Oakland, San Francisco, Seattle and elsewhere, while events for financial aid are on the way. We believe that the international anarchist movement has a responsibility to support comrades who do not cooperate with the US prosecuting authorities, the FBI and the joint terrorism task forces, so we tried to make the issue known here, too, with this small symbolic action. From the 24th to the 30th of August, solidarity groups are calling for a week of joint actions in as many places as possible, given that the next meeting of the Grand jury is scheduled for August 30th in Seattle.

Set up and maintain counter-information infrastructure!

Crash the regime's media and the domination everywhere!

-Anarchist cell of propaganda for international incendiary solidarity



August 10th, Banner Drop in Vancouver, BC
On the morning of Friday August 10th, 2012 (prisoner justice day) we dropped a banner

from the roof of the building next to a probation office on Commercial Drive. The banner read "Solidarity With anarchists Under the Gun – Fuck the Law". We did this in solidarity with anarchists facing repression all over, and most specifically with our comrades south of the border facing raids and grand jury repression.

In addition, posters were also put up throughout the Eastside expressing solidarity with comrades all over the map. On the posters there was an image of a white rose which traditionally (in the European sense) is a symbol for silence! Don't snitch! No one talks, everyone walks!

Also freedom to Kelly Pflug-Back! Freedom to all prisoners whether they want to be labeled political or not! Fuck the Police!

When the banner was dropped on Commercial Drive, confetti and leaflets were thrown, explaining and exclaiming the action, below is the text from the leaflet.



August 15th, Attack in Paris, France
Overnight on August 15th, some tires rebelled against their existence and decided they'd

rather deflate than carry out the task imposed on them:

An Orange utility truck (this [phone] company exploits prisoners)

A Veolia car (nuclear energy company)

- A Red Cross truck (the Red Cross manages the Paris Roissy airport's "waiting area" and the CRAs* in several countries)
- A Sunland Energies of the Future utility truck
- Two Vinci cars (this company builds jails)

A Police headquarters car

- A SPIE car (nuclear energy and video-surveillance)
- 17 Vélib' tires also committed suicide, tired of carrying Bobos (Bohemian Bourgeois) from work to home. The same happened to some S.U.V.s and a Porsche.

This small action is a modest contribution in solidarity with the anarchists imprisoned in the U.S. Northwest after attacks against domination –or rather, in solidarity with those who remain silent as they face Grand Juries. This is also dedicated to those incarcerated as part of the "Ardire" and "Mangiafuoco" operations.

Hoping that an epidemic of tire suicides will ensue,

Truly yours,

Some deflated tires-deflated, yet not resigned.

- * "Zone d'attente", "Centres de Rétention Administrative": jail-like structures where immigrants deemed illegal are locked up.
- ** The french expression "dégonflé" both means "deflated" and "chicken/coward"

August 17th, Banner Drop in Vancouver, BCOn August 17, 2012, a group of anarchists converged on the corner of Georgia and Richards in the heart of the downtown vancouver cluster fuck of consumerism for a banner drop they will not soon forget. The banner read "FUCK THE FBI (A)(E)", and along with the banner flew down four hundred of leaflets explaining the action to bystanders and future comrades. This is only a minuscule action in solidarity with grand jury resisters, the Cleveland 4 and all imprisoned anarchists worldwide. We will continue our fight for Total Freedom. FUCK GRAND JURIES! FUCK THE PRISONS! FUCK THE COURTS!

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Solidarity Statement from NYC Group

AFFECT is a grouping of radicals based in New York City. We wish to add our voice to those denouncing the recent terroristic raids carried out on comrades' homes in the Pacific Northwest, as well as the related federal grand jury, obviously intended to intimidate.

Battering rams, flash grenades, helicopters, search warrants, wrong houses . . . it shouldn't surprise us that the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Joint Terrorism Task Force have taken an interest in our comrades in the Pacific Northwest, but that their investigations are apparently most interested in our clothes and books seems a little disproportionate to such a show of force.

That our philosophical curiosities, potential politics, supposed ideologies might themselves be seen as some crime, means that more than ever, we should acknowledge that our movements towards liberation are real. We shouldn't let the state take us more seriously than we take ourselves.

The illusions and pretensions of liberal democracy are rapidly dissolving in the heat of this clash of classes. Our abilities to express ourselves, form opinions, associate with others, to simply have friends – those basic "rights" we're supposed to feel grateful for – are under constant attack. Prisons are overflowing with young Blacks, Latinos, and the poor, with the revolts inside multiplying. So-called "immigrants" who dare to ignore spurious divides imposed by the state are being imprisoned and deported by the millions. Muslims, as well as political dissenters, are finding themselves spied on, harassed, and locked in cages, too.

The United States government is increasingly centered on something it calls "Homeland Security," seemingly oblivious to the various nightmares conjured up by this term, disasters that prided themselves on creating a "secure" – sealed and pure – "homeland." Is it any surprise that anarchists, those who consider themselves to be without a homeland – or at least, without a state – should be targeted by the vast, cancerous police apparatus dedicated to "homeland security"? That this apparatus would attack those who understand that their real enemies – those who would control their lives – are not overseas, but at the summits of power in this country? More and more, the US finds itself in the clutches of a prison-security-industrial complex.

The US has long harassed, intimidated, imprisoned, and deported those it has seen as a threat to its interests. And its interests are now to defend a system that has brought a level of economic and social inequality unseen for generations. The state's only response to our resistance against austerity and crisis is repression and brutality, all opportunities for economic re-integration having been exhausted.

We'd like to think that this attempt at intimidation will fail; that every act of state repression only increases our resolve. But for this to be real, our friends, spaces, projects, networks, groups, collectives, assemblies, will need to create even stronger shows of resistance and refusal; to activate and mobilize even more, or else we will continue to suffer such abuses. This should extend beyond signing statements, writing texts, sending messages to one another, dropping banners, spray-painting slogans, keying a cop car, etc. We will do all this and more, but let's also commit ourselves to organizing against these conditions we're in. This commitment is the only solidarity worth having. True solidarity means rejecting compromises with the system and immersing ourselves ever deeper in the struggles of our comrades and all the oppressed.

We are committed to supporting our comrades, those engaged in struggle against this world. Our love and solidarity goes out to those who find themselves on the front lines in Olympia, Portland, and Seattle.

I Tell 'Em Slow Down, You Know You Can't Catch Me

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I would like to start by saying that I send nothing but love and unbreakable solidarity to my alleged subpoenaed non-cooperating comrades, especially Leah. Whether we called each other friends in the past or have never even met, through this experience our struggle is even more connected.

About two weeks ago I received some information that led me to believe that the FBI was searching for me in order to serve a subpoena. While in all actuality, and in the eyes of the court, this is nothing more than someone playing a cruel joke on me, I remain very startled. So startled, that i decided I should get out of town for a while, to a place where I would feel more safe. Luckily, I have more than enough support from my friends and loved ones to make this situation bearable. I want to thank all the comrades and friends who have helped through the beginning of this rough situation. Whether they be on the West Coast, East Coast, or anywhere else in the world.

My hesitation at even the thought of participating in Grand Jury does not have anything to do with "rights" or "justice". While yes, technically a Grand Jury would be a violation of my civil rights, I do not want spend time on getting caught up on words that have such little meaning to me. I have no desire to view myself as a victim, or someones whose rights have been violated. Instead, I understand that the state views myself and my comrades as enemies, and they will do whatever they can to stifle our struggle, providing they can get away with it. The gathering of this Grand Jury is not surprising or unexpected, but that does not make it hurt any less. I completely understand that others in a similar situation want to exercise their rights to be kept out of prison, and I will absolutely stand by whatever the other allegedly subpoenaed comrades chose to do. Different people chose to resist in different ways and this is fine, as long as everyone remains non-cooperating I see no problem with any decisions that my comrades would make.

It is clear that the State is trying to send us a message, and may they hear our response. Our passion for freedom is stronger than their prisons! But our passion for each other is stronger than any feeling the vultures of the State will ever know! I am so happy to see how much support there has already been in response to this event! Much love to Seattle, Bloomington, The Bay, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Atlanta, and any other place I forgot, your actions and words make this experience a whole lot easier. All the material, emotional, and monetary support I have also received means the world to me, and I'm very thankful to have such great friends and comrades. It has been a wonderful experience getting to know new people on this journey thus far. But each time I'm introduced to someone, it's very hard to not think of all those friends who I will not see for a long time. I imagine this is going to get easier with time. At the very rare chance that I am actually being subpoenaed this Grand Jury, I could not find myself in a better situation. I have the support and love from my friends, the feeling of safety, and the unbreakable solidarity that I share with my comrades. To quote a famous contemporary poet. "Tryna keep up wit me, but it's nothing to me."

I love you all and hopefully I will be seeing you soon. Long live Anarchy! Anonymous

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