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## BANNERS DROPPED IN SOLIDARITY Against Cop City

SEATTLE—Southbound I-5 commuters were greeted the morning of June 26th to three banners dropped over the 45th st, 50th st and 70th st overpasses in Seattle.

The banners read "STOP COP-CITY" "RIP TORTU-GUITA", in solidarity with the fight against Cop City and in memorial of Manuel 'Tortuguita' Terán, a gender non-conforming activist who was murdered by Atlanta PD while defending the Weelaunee forest.

On the heels of Seattle's corporate-sponsored Pride weekend, we remember our queer siblings who are killed by the same governments and corporations that feign tolerance and inclusion until we become a thorn in their side. May these thorns infect and destroy this bureaucratic machine.

REST IN PEACE TORTU-GUITA

COP CITY WILL NEVER BE BUILT.

## ANTI-TRANS CONFERENCE IN Olympia & tacoma disrupted 2ND year in a row

OLYMPIA/TACOMA—Sovereign Women Speak were planning to hold a conference in Olympia, despite last year's disruptions (burrito feast) which led to a last minute location change. When we heard news that they were planning on coming back this



year, our gremlin brains got to work on how to prevent them from feeling comfortable and safe to be anywhere near here with their transphobic agenda.

While the conference was originally scheduled to be at the Capitol building, with security from 3%rs advertised on their website, they made a last minute decision to relocate to an undisclosed location (once again).

We got information about where their conference would be held this year, and immediately got to work scheming. A huge banner was prepared, reading "TRANSPHOBES GTFO!" and we made our way to their private event at the La Quinta in Tacoma (where they plan to be until the 21st if you are reading this before then...)

A banner was dropped and chained above the parking lot, we wanted to ensure that they would see it and know that they are not welcome, and not alone. We also wanted to make sure the banner would stick around, so we glued up some locks and secured it as well as we could, before then pulling the fire alarm and sending them out to see it. The banner drop alone didn't feel like enough to shut down the conference, we needed them to get the message and stop. So we pulled the fire alarm.

The alarm went off, funneling the TERFs out. The reason we

chose to do it at 1pm, was this was the start of their only public facing part of their weekend, a youtube livestream which we managed to disrupt. In their livestream they say "women just want to talk about their bodies," meanwhile these groups contribute to endangering and criminalizing trans people simply for existing and exerting bodily autonomy.

We did this because it was fun, it only took a couple of us coming together, without any need for a large demonstration or mass organizing. One of our biggest takeaways is- don't wait around for public calls or widespread consensus on what to do, you and a couple friends can make a lot happen!

While we wish the address was publicly available sooner, we eagerly jumped at the opportunity for disruption, and once again show them they aren't welcome, and that we will always respond.

We suggest reading the report back from last years transgender burrito feast in Olympia, which expands more on the anti-trans ideology and the importance of a response to this group.

-some mischievous trannies

## TWO REPORTBACKS FROM 9/7 Noise demo at thurston County Jail

OLYMPIA—Admin note: both of the following reportbacks from September 7th were submitted anonymously. They both note that no arrests were made at the noise demo. At the time of publication, one day after the noise demo, Olympia Jail Support reported that one person was arrested at their home, remained silent when questioned about the demonstration, and was quickly released.

First reportback:

### Thurston County Sheriffs Can Gargle These Nuts

On the night of September 7th, a small group of people dressed in all black converged on Thurston County Jail. With instruments, pots and pans, and fireworks in hand we went in and circled the jail, making noise and shooting off roman candles and mortars to break down the isolation between those held captive on the inside and those of us on the outside. People made a getaway before the police could mount a response and there were no arrests. In a word - we came to the stronghold and home turf of the police, made fools of them and got away. They're not so scary nor so smart after all.

We've been trained not to think about jails and prisons, to not ask certain questions about them. Who are these people? Where are they from? Who is missing them? Why does the United States have the largest prison population not only in the world, but in history? Why is there a multi billion dollar "corrections" and security industry that wants them there? Why does the county and the sheriffs get money from having them there? Why have we normalized an armed force of the state disappearing people from public life?

The police spend millions per year in public relations and propaganda materials to convince us that they are necessary, to convince us that there is a natural class of criminals that need to be managed by them and their industries. We reject these myths.

We reject abdicating the responsibility of our safety, of our ability to engage in conflict, and handing it over to state backed warlords who act as they please in defense of their masters and their own interests as a distinct social caste.

We wholesale reject the world and order that the police protect – the world of hierarchical domination, the world of cowardice, submission and obedience. We reject the world that at gun point steals and encloses the means of life – which are the collective birthright of all living creatures – and forces us to sell our one life away for paltry bits while the warlords and their masters feast on the spoils of our continued exploitation. And not content with that they also demand we bow down to them and sing their praises.

Against all of that we affirm freedom, life, dignity – Anarchy! Rejecting the bloody hand of the state we accept the dangers of life and freedom. Rather than submit to the dominators, the occupying army and their bloodthirsty cheerleaders, we embrace the dignity of revolt. And choosing this we can not accept the indignity of others – that some are without food, clothing, housing. That some are disappeared from



society and locked in concrete tombs. We do not simply want to carve out a little hole for ourselves – an empty playground surrounded on all sides by the wolves of capital and authority – we want to make links with other freedom loving peoples, those who cannot turn away from oppression and injustice, and wage a total war of extermination against the masters.

Though our action was modest, every action today contains the seeds of the future. We hope our ruckus annoyed the guards, and our sound and the light from our fireworks brought a moment of joy to those held captive by the occupiers.

Fire To The Prisons! Death To Authority! Long Live Freedom! Long Live Life! Long Live Dignity! Long Live Anarchy!

#### Second reportback:

Noise Demo at Thurston County Jail On the night of September 7th around 20 people came together at the Thurston County Jail for a noise demo. Dressed in black, with drums, horns, pots and pans, roman candles and a mortar people made a round around the jail making as much noise as possible - banging, shouting, playing, shooting off fire works. The entire loop around the jail took around 20-30 minutes and as we approached the exit the county pigs rolled up flashing their lights. They sat dumbfounded in their cars as we walked around them. People made a quick escape and no arrests were made.

We took this action partially inspired by the call to action from the Asian and Pacific Islander Cultural Awareness Group (APICAG) who have recently faced repression from the Washington Department of Corrections for organizing cultural activities. While Thurston County Jail isn't run by DOC (though we would like to remind people the DOC-run Probation Office is in downtown Olympia across the street from the City Jail) we felt inspired to confront the monstrosity of policing and incarceration in our own way. For most people it's out of sight – out of mind but for those of us who refuse to bow down to the bloodlust ideology of nationalism and authoritarianism we must not only confront jails, prisons, juvies, detention centers and mental institutions but we must make them a social problem for others, to bring the struggle against the confinement of life out of the shadows.

It's also important for us and anarchists anti-state antagonists to confront face to face jails and prisons so we can break the spell of fear they hold over us. To come flex on the enemy on their turf is - to say the least - intoxicatingly powerful. The police are neither all knowing nor all powerful. Jails, prisons and police departments aren't impenetrable fortresses (shout out MPLS 3rd precinct). We should never forget this, especially in the aftermath of the flames of 2020 police all over the country have been trying to project a strongman image (while at the same time crying that they are under siege and constantly in danger).

As the conditions of prisons get worse, as struggles continue to intensify we must not only continually push jails and prisons from the outside but continue to make inside connections and build our networks on the inside. Push them from both ends and the whole slaughterhouse collapses.

Nothing but hatred for the jailers and their cowardly defenders Love and Solidarity to all those held captive by the occupiers

Long Live Freedom!

Long Live Anarchy!

## NIGHT TIME ATTACK ON COP CITY Funder Subsidiary

OLYMPIA—On the night of September 9th a small band assembled to carry out an attack on an Arby's in Westside Stechass (so-called Olympia). The crew convened in the shadows near the target. Anxious at first, a shooting star blesses our action and we don the black masks. We briskly walk to the target, confirm we are still in, set a thirty second timer, tag it and smash the windows and disperse. In, out, no arrests.

This target was chosen as CEO Paul Brown of its owning and franchising company, Inspire Brands LLC, sits on the board of directors of the Atlanta Police Foundation (APF) who are behind the funding and political push for the urban warfare training ground and mass deforestation project known as Cop City. We take this small action against Cop City and its world and send love to those resisting the beast of police militarization in ATL.

Also, just in general, fuck Arby's.

Targets are everywhere, take aim and strike.

And remember, It's Easy to Attack!

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## PNW FUR INDUSTRY UPDATE

The fur industry in the Pacific Northwest is a shell of what it once was.

Since the first recorded ALF liberation at a fur farm in 1986, where 66 foxes were freed from a fox farm just outside of Portland, anti-speciesists in the PNW have waged a war against the fur industry. At least 20 farms have been visited, and over 31,000 genetically wild animals have been given a chance at freedom. All of these animals are native to North America and can survive and thrive in the wild.

Only 5 fur farms remain in Oregon today, down from 18 in 2007. The fur farmers cite direct action, aging facilities, aging operators, and low pelt prices as the reasons.

The five farms that remain in operation are:

Cascade Farms of Oregon 7582 Hunsaker Road SE Turner, OR 97392

Ruef's Fur Ranch 12305 Ruef Lane Mount Angel, OR 97362 Ruef & Sons (Oregon Mink / Ormink) 11658 Baron Road NE

Mount Angel, OR 97362

Slack/Masog Farms 32600 Fur Road Lebanon, OR 97355

Western Star Fur Farm 40801 Savola Lane Astoria, OR 97103 Washington has also seen numerous closures in recent years. 5 fur farms also remain in Washington. These farms are

Moore/Rodriguez mink farm Moore Quality Ranch 9471 or 9580 Mount Baker Highway Deming WA 98244

Deming, WA 98244

Marr mink farm 4800 Mount Baker Highway Deming, WA 98244

Roesler Brothers Fur Farm 33425 138th Street SE Sultan, WA 98294

Brick Road Fur Farm (possibly closed)

19780 NE 55th Place Redmond, WA 98053

Harvey Beck mink farm 17903 Engebretsen RD. Granite Falls, WA 98252

This is an industry incredibly vulnerable to attack. 2022 saw over 15,000 mink liberated from fur farms in Ohio and Michigan, with the second largest fur farm in the U.S., Lion Farms, closing as a result. Two farms have been visited with direct action in 2023, the Olsen mink farm in Independence, WI saw 4000 mink aided to escape, and a week later dozens of foxes were freed from the Tim Jahr fur farm in Arlington, MN.

Every animal on fur farms will be murdered for their fur in November. We have two months to act. For a complete list of fur farms visit finalnail.com