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GATE TO GLOBAL RESISTANCE

International Demonstration against the ASEM - Foreign Ministers Conference of EU and Asian states as an approach to the G8 summit in Hamburg 28th May 2007

Just before the G8 summit the largest international conference under German EU presidency will take place in Hamburg on the 28/29 May. 1500 high ranking delegates and the Foreign Ministers of all EU and ASEAN members and other Asian states will hold that conference to push economic cooperation forward. Security Forces declared that they are expecting massive protest and announced the largest security forces deployment in the city's history. A security cordon will be erected in the city centre in order to protect the delegates.

FILLING THE GAP - AG TRANSPORT PROTEST TAKES OFF

Taking care of an extremely essential part of the protests infrastructure a transnational transport working group was founded in Warsaw. The AG wants to organize transports of all kinds of camp-, protest- and convergence center materials before the summit as well as during the summit itself. To bring materials, water, food to the activists and to bring the activists themselves from convergence centers and train stations to the relevant regions as well as immediately to the actions.

To achieve these goals the Transport AG is looking for 20 to 30 drivers owning absolutely legal drivers licences, at best also for driving bigger trucks. Additionally there is the need for more people to help out so-

metimes, as well as for some mechanics willing to offer their skills. Another possibility to join the group is to help organizing and coordinating transports.

The Transport AG moreover is calling for vehicles of all kind: busses, trucks, cars... If you know sympathetic bus companies willing to give us smaller or bigger buses for a cheaper tariff or even for free - or if you can think of other ways to contribute to the concept, please do it. Maybe you could also lend your car to others or to the transport group sometimes. [transportprotest@riseup.net - e-mail-list: transportprotest@lists.riseup.net - WIKI: http://wiki.dissentnetwork.org/wiki/Transport]

PARENTS IN ACTION

Some parents want to organize spaces and conditions collectively to be able to participate in the protests together with the kids. First idea is to do a big wall-painting near Heiligendamm in the week before the protests together with the kids, to express protest against the g8 in a relaxed atmosphere. More actions compatible to activist parents and kids are thought to take place on the bombodrom at the 1st of June. More parents, kids and ideas are always welcome. [szenerium@gmx.de]

JUNE 8 CLIMATE ACTION DAY

Friday, June 8 will be the 2007 International Day of Direct Action against Climate Change and the G8. After pledging in 2006 to invest trillions of dollars worldwide to expand oil, coal and nuclear energy production, this year the G8 wants people to believe that the world's richest countries are committed to reducing the 21st century's climate chaos by making an „orderly transition“ to „low carbon economies.“ We are not fooled! While the capitalist business of raping the planet's richest countries is directed against the EU Ministers of all EU and ASEAN members and other Asian states as an approach to the g8 summit it is one of the main actors of global exploitation. The demonstration is strongly connected with the Days of Action and the Convergence Centre, which is to be the point of contact and communication for all international activists. Different caravans are expected in Hamburg for that time. We call on everyone to take part and to join the demonstration and to obstruct the Hamburg summit. [summitblock@nadir.org]

Earth's mineral and natural wealth continues on and on as usual, the G8 is scheming to implement global „carbon trading“ so that polluters can profit from the climate crisis too. But while the G8 talks their talk, we will take direct action against the fossil fuel industries responsible for manifesting this mess of global warming. Join the world's biggest day ever of anti-capitalist climate action this June 8th! [risingtide.org.uk]

FIRST CAMPSITE FIXED

Weeks after first unacceptable campsites in Bülow was rejected by almost everyone but the unions, a first camp proposed to the authorities by the camp07 working group was accepted now. It will be located in Reddelich at the road B 105, right between Bad Doberan and Köppeln, only a little more than 10 km away from the red zone. Negotiations about further camps persist. [camping07@list.jpberlin.de]

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

As in the previous years Via Campesina, a worldwide network of small farmers organizations, calls for actions against the destructive policies of global AgroBusiness at the 17th of April. The anti-g8 „Action Network Global Agriculture“ wants to support the struggles of small farmers, agricultural workers and landless people for free access to land, seeds and water, for food sovereignty and a self-determined life in dignity. Up to now there are actions planned in Berlin, Bremen and Wittzenhausen. You are called to support this idea and think about what you can do in your city or region. The network can provide you with two short videos for public viewings and a brochure to distribute. If you want, your action can be mentioned on the website as well as by the press group that will try to reach a wider public. [aktionstag17_4@yahoo.de]

FEMINIST RESISTANCE

Join the feminist woman/lesbian/transgender resistance against the g8 summit! On the summit we protest patriarchal, capitalist, racist and any means of oppression as well as their internal links. We are opposed to categorisations such as men/women, black/white, poor/riche. We do not accept that membership of these groups, as well as norms of ideal bodies and heterosexuality, determine quite considerably one's status and prospects in this world. In the week of action we will organise a women's, lesbian and transgender area on camp and have blocs on the demos 2nd and June 7th. Let's fight sexist conditions. Let's fight for a self-determined life without oppression. [fem-g8@riseup.net]

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The Rostock-Laage Airport is part of the infrastructure of the G8 Summit Conference and the militaristic policies of the G8 governments. The participants in the Summit Conference represent the world’s eight mightiest governments, which help create the problems — for which they then decide upon the so-called solutions. They speak of „global governance” and of „humanitarian intervention”, of „strengthening civil society” and of „steps to peace”, but in reality they mercilessly use „might makes right” methods to make a world order serving the continuation of their own power and their capitalistic profits - as can be seen today in Afghanistan and Iraq. But the logic of war does not begin when the bombs fall and the shooting starts. Usually suppression and exploitation can be maintained without using weapons. It is sufficient to threaten exclusion from world trade or cuts in „development aid.” A worldwide network of military bases adds to the perceived threat. In neo-colonial and imperial systems, the militaristic policies of the G8 governments and their Summit Conference in Heiligendamm also define our security. The real sources of the conflicts – having to do with injustices, with a worldwide imbalance of power, with attempted cultural domination – are never addressed. While the apparently simple solution of „the war against terror” was supposed to provide security in the North, instead it produces terror and insecurity, whether in Iraq or in the London subway. The Bundeswehr (the German Military) is taking advantage of the growing economic insecurity, poverty, and the pressures on the unemployed. Working together with employment agencies, the Bundeswehr ever more aggressively advertises the benefits of the soldier’s „job.” Precisely those who are excluded from our economic system are the ones designated to enforce the same economic relations globally.

Militarization and war (re)produce patriarchal gender relations in both the „allied countries” and the „enemy countries.” The supposedly „male” virtues are promoted by military institutions. Sexist exploitation, violence and (forced) prostitution escalate wherever the Military goes, on so-called „peace missions,” in which they aggressively intervene in people’s everyday lives. The self-chosen „fighters for freedom and democracy” also create lawless places all over the world in the form of prison camps, torture prisons, and refugee camps. The permanent state of war in „the era of terrorism” creates the means for abolishing ever more democratic rights. The threat of torture and its increasingly open use has the goal of intimidating the opposition, creating a feeling of powerlessness, and undermining all resistance. The state of emergency becomes normal.

But what we must have to fear are the strategies for securing global power and profit opportunities. This is what the G8 politicians in Heiligendamm and elsewhere want to be able to discuss behind security fences.

Occupy the Bombodrom – Stop the War Games!

We do not want these self-appointed rulers of the world here or anywhere else.

At this G-8 Summit Conference, they shall neither have a secluded meeting, nor will they be able to peacefully land with their planes here.

Ya Basta! We’ve had it!

On June 1st, 2007, there will be a Bombodrom action there, as part of the anti-G8 Action Days. The place to be used in war games will be occupied and reclaimed for peaceful purposes.

Beginning on May 31st, caravans and marches from all over Europe will arrive in the Kyritz-Wittstock Meadows to launch the beginning of the Action Days against the G8 policies. On June 5th, we will be at the Rostock-Laage Airport in large numbers, with a multiplicity of actions, to demonstrate our opposition to the G8 Summit Conference, to militarization and war policies, and to capitalistic, patriarchal, and racist social relations.

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FEED RESISTANCE
Support the Vök! to coordinate public kitchens coming to the anti-g8-protests there is a contact adress out now: “cookthe8@gmx.net”. use it if you are a group of people willing to help with cooking or equipment, if you know cooking-teams that have not yet heard of the great idea to come to heiligendamm! as we expect around 20.000 people on the camps, around 30-40 vokis will be needed. every helping hand is welcome.

CONVERGENCE CENTERS & SPACES
Posters are out, places are clear! In Hamburg the Rote Flora will function as a Conver- gence Center from 25th of May till the 10th of June [convergence-HH@nadir.org], in Rostock an old school in Evershagen ser- ves as the place to come together, to make plans, to gather and to share information. some comrades already moved in, you’re welcome to visit, to help preparing and pro- tecting the place [cc-rostock@riseup.net]. In Berlin a slightly different concept is pursued by the idea of a Convergence SPACE, that will not only provide rooms to talk and pre- pare in well-known libertarian centers, but also wants to open up the process for not- yet-activist people, e.g. by having the daily plenaries in parks or plazas. It will be opened from 21th of May till 16th of June [mail. cc_berlin@nostate.net].


AGENDA