

NEWS★ FROM THE FIELDS AND BEYOND

newsletter for a global anti-g8 process

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HELLO

Only a few more moments and we will finally meet all in the fields (and beyond) around Heiligendamm. Sorry for making you wait that long since the last edition, but we saved all our energy to produce this lovely last newsletter before the last G8 summit. In this issue you will find all the last updates you will need for joining our resistance.

This resistance has proven already to be undefeatable. Raids in forty objects in Germany have triggered nothing else than strong spontaneous solidarity demonstrations. This has shown: we are ready to fight back!

**Rebels of the world,
swarm to Heiligendamm!**



GO FOR PLAN B AND MEET AGAIN

Certainly we will all give our best to seize the longest and most effective blockades of a G8 summit ever. Still there might come a moment where the analysis of our collective experience will urge us into new directions. Those of you who have read the last extra issue of „calls & reports“ carefully know about the argument that we need to stay mobile and intervene suprisingly. Our tactic should be one of mobile raids, not one of an unwinnable siege. Therefore be ready

for Plan B. If we are successful with the various plans to block and attack the g8, we will continue the struggle in a city nearby afterwards, trying to stop the flows of capitalism more directly. In case we come to the conclusion in the evening of wednesday, the 6th of June, that effective actions appear to be impossible we will move there earlier.

Another important point for staying mobile in the future is to sustain the networks that we built throughout the last years and

come to a collective analysis of what happened in Heiligendamm, and what we will do in the future. Therefore, we invite all of you now already to make time for the next international gathering, at the end of July somewhere in France. The precise date and place will be communicated through the usual websites and mailing lists. Stay updated, be mobile!

+++ NEWSTICKER +++

13.3. kühlungsborn: anti-g8 graffiti from town-hall down to the sea +++ 16.3. berlin: „militant group“ sets fire to a building of commerce in solidarity with political prisoners in italy and turkey +++ 17.3. winterthur, switzerland: protests against the economic forum wifo and g8: „globally or locally - delete the elite!“ [www.aufbau.org] +++ 17.3. potsdam: 600 activists offer the g8 ministers of environment unlimited support in killing off the planet. +++ 18.3. basel: colour to the italian consulate to support the revolutionary movement attacked by the state +++ 18.3. berlin: 10 renault vans on fire to support political prisoners of action directe +++ 22.3. alleiningen, germany: fire destroys a fascist bar +++ 24.3 berlin: eu-promotion-bus in flames, accompanied by the call to „fight g8“ and „smash capitalism“ +++ 25.3. berlin: the demo against the 50-years-eu summit scandalizes the neo-colonial, militarist and imperialist policies of eu and g8 +++ 27.3. paris: fights with the police, smashed windows and proletarian shopping at gare du nord [paris.indymedia.org] +++ 29.3. chile: on the „day of the young fighters“ 42 demos in 21 cities demand justice for people killed under pinochet, but also strive for better education and public transport. in santiago, as in 7 other places people build barricades and attack the police [www.temuko.sumariados.info] +++ 31.3. faslane: international activists block the gate to the scottish nato-submarine base for three hours with lock-ons [www.faslane365.org] +++ 2.4. clownarmy occupies the kempinski hotel in halle +++ 4.4. berlin: antinuclear fire to a siemens car +++ 5.4. budapest: start of the eastern bike caravan [g8-bikerides.net] +++ 7.4. bürgerende, baltic sea: „easterpainters“ write „NO G8“ all over the front of a huge empty apartment house easy to see from the summit place three kilometers away +++ 12.4. lüsewitz, near rostock: anti gm activists are hindered to erect a 17 meter tripod on a gm field [gentech-weg.de.vu] +++ 14.4. hamburg: colour and stones to „hanse gate“ - the building of a shipping company well known by sailors and harbour workers for low wages and bad conditions [interim 654] +++ 18.4. lüsewitz: colour bags on the gm-science-center „agrobiotechnikum“ accompany the destruction of a gm-potato-test-field. +++ 19.4. berlin: a laptop with information about the setting up of the g8 press center in kühlungsborn gets stolen inside house of representatives +++ 21.4. aachen: a demo visits jagdfeld, the owner of the hotels in heiligendamm in his private villa +++ 23.4. malandrinos, greece: jailhouse rock after an imprisoned anarchist got beaten up. one day later the revolt spreads to 8 more prisons +++ 26.4. bonn: clownarmy protects the meeting of g8-sherpas from democratic ideas [clownarmy.org] +++ 26.4. berlin: „money or life“ drops banners inside and on top of parliament, adjusting the german constitution to reality: „the wishes of german economy are inviolable“ [geldoderleben.blogspot.de] +++ 27.4. berlin: „parcours global“ runs and rolls through the inner city to companies like unionist-killer coca-cola and landmine-producer rheinmetall +++ 29.4. kopenhagen: more riots around „ground 69“ +++ 29.4. heiligendamm: 21 years after tschernobyl some hundreded activists protest against nuclear power and the g8 +++ mayday in ghent: anti-g8-bikers of the western gr8chaoskaravaan enter the socialist demo and stage and present a fiery speech of solidarity with the struggles worldwide [gr8chaoskaravaan07.net] +++ mayday worldwide: to mention some would leave out too

★ THE ACTIONDAYS ★

FRIDAY, 1ST OF JUNE - SETTLING BOMBODROM

„Every target is a home“ After discussing the implications of the planned bombing range in Wittstock on several camps, activists from the region, together with bike caravans, euromarches and other anti-g8 protesters will enter the bundeswehr-areal, march to „pink point“ where some actions are announced and stay there overnight [www.g8andwar.de +49 174 3558963]

SUNDAY, 3RD OF JUNE - ACTION DAY ON GLOBAL AGRICULTURE

The action day on the 3rd of June wants to invite as many people as possible to be part of the diverse forms of action. It begins with a protest march with tractors and large puppets through the inner city of Rostock and ends with a gathering and village party at the ‚Agro-Bio-Technikum,‘ which operates the GMO trial fields in Gross Luesewitz, 15 kilometres east of Rostock. This is the destination of a rally passing through several stations with info and creative actions in relation to the G8 and global agriculture: grain silos in the port of Rostock, strawberry plantation with questionable employment practices, factory farm, fast-food restaurant, institute for animal tests, food discount market, and more. There are no limits to creativity during the actions or to the way of participating in the rally. Representatives of small farmer associations, farm worker organisations, and GMO-critical networks from North and South will be participating [g8-landwirtschaft.net]

MONDAY, 4TH OF JUNE - ACTION DAY ON MIGRATION AND BORDERREGIME

We plan decentralized activities in the morning, first of all a siege or blockade of the local foreign office in Rostock (where just in moment - as an example- a lot of deportations to Togo are organized). Meanwhile a remembrance-action will take place in Lichtenhagen, where 15 years ago one of the most significant racist pogroms took place. Simultaneously at the main public place in the inner city of Rostock we want to be present with exhibitions, information-stands, street-theater and installations. At 1 p.m. we want to start our main demonstration from the local refugee-camp in Rostock to the inner city. The demonstration will end in a manifestation with a concert. For the evening a big discussion-event under the title „freedom of movement against global apartheid“ is proposed [g8-migration.net.tf - g8-migration@no-log.org]

TUESDAY, 5TH OF JUNE - ACTION DAY ON MILITARIZATION, WAR AND TORTURE

Due to the 24-HOUR-POSTPONEMENT OF THE BLOCKADE OF THE AIRPORT ROSTOCK LAAGE TO WEDNESDAY THE 6TH we will now organize events in Rostock on the 5th. We will have an antimilitarist tour through the city to make visible the belligerent politics of the G8. The tour will start at 11 from the Rostock Camp and will reach the first hot spot of militarization by 12. Look for announcements, especially at the infopoints, as the whole planning of this day is pretty much ad hoc.

THE INTERNATIONAL PRESS GROUP

Nobody obviously can represent all the groups being involved in the protests, this is already decided upon and agreed upon for over a year within Dissent! Germany. Still there might be many groups that want to make reports about their actions and motivations. And still there is a necessity to create channels to present our own viewpoints. What we would like to offer then is a supportive structure for groups that want to create international media attention.

In Germany there already exists such a group that works based on the ideas of transparency and participation. They have taken care for media contacts and circulated press releases of different groups organized within Dissent! or the Interventionist Left. They function as contact for interview requests and also built up a pool of groups and people that are interested in giving an interview.

The idea is to do international press work along similar lines and cooperate with the Campinski group where pos-

sible. Since they will issue a lot of press releases in German, a main focus will be to translate those into English to offer resources of information for internationals. The material can be used by others to make presswork in whatever country.

Another task we would like to take on is to create a pool of people willing to give interviews (print media, radio, television) in each language. If you will be in Germany and you are willing to give interviews in any other language than German, please write us and leave your contact details. Also, it would be great if people can send us lists with press contacts from their countries so that we can start to build up a comprehensive list for sending press releases from our email account!

[g8-press-int@nadir.org, +49 160 92437902]

It would be great to get at least some people from each country involved in this project!

THE INFOSYSTEM

Fixed i-points are planned for the camps and the convergence centers; additional at Rostock, Bad Doberan and Kröpelin; a mobile i-point will try to always be at the right spot during the action days. Our i-points are nodes in a network. We ask everybody to be part of it. Come along to the i-points or call us for reports about the situation in order to create a counter-publicity from the viewpoint of the participants.

We regard it as our task to collect timely and secured information and to support a competent and true assessment of the situation for everybody.

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many...we are not only everywhere, but sometimes even somewhere together - and determined, even if the state tries to crush all like in istanbul [youtube.com/watch?v=IDZo-IVoeHU]...grüzi züri [de.indymedia.org/2007/05/174902.shtml] +++ 2.5. ruhr area: stones and colour to five police stations +++ 3.5. managua, nicaragua: no g8 spray paints the wall of german embassy +++ 5.5. berlin: demo and solidarity squattings against the sale of the köpi +++ 6.7.8. may, france: 1000s of angry people, barricades and more than 700 cars burned after sarkozy got voted president [thibautcho.free.fr] +++ 9.5. police raids in germany unite the different factions of protest against g8: numerous press releases and spontaneous

★ WHAT YOU MAY EXPECT FROM THE POLICE ★

This is a short overview of some typical measures of the German police. It is just a selection, and far from complete. For more background material on repression and police tactics in Germany go to the English section on www.dissentnetwork.org.

Exaggerated police measures have been happening during all the recent summits. On the other hand, protestors often managed to invent creative forms of resistance. Always be careful, but never let them intimidate you!

IDENTITY CONTROLS (§ 29)

can be done by the police in order to prevent immediate danger in special situations. If you cannot show an identity card, they can take you with them to the police department.

CHECKS BY THE POLICE (§27A)

The police can stop people and vehicles within a distance of 30 km to Heiligendamm and Rostock. They can do that as well on all international airports and train stations as a preventive measure against crimes of high order. They are entitled to check you, your clothes, and everything you wear on your body, for example your backpack. Moreover, the German Minister of Internal Affairs announced that the Schengen treaty will be suspended for the period short before the summit

STREET BANS (§52)

In Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania ban orders can be given for a certain place, a region or even a whole district (for example a whole town). They can last up to ten weeks. They have to be given to individual persons. Moreover, the police announced recently a general ban on demonstrations in designated areas around the red zone.

OBLIGED BLOOD TESTS (§53,4)

With the excuse of the danger of HIV infection the police of Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania is entitled to make blood tests if it is a case of „immediate danger“.

EQUIPMENT AND ARMAMENT OF THE POLICE (§102)

The „equipment“ consists of handcuffs, water canons, technical barricades, dogs, horses, vehicles, gas (CN, CS and pepper spray) and explosives (may not be used against persons). Arms are amongst other: truncheons, pistols, revolvers, guns, and machine guns.

IDENTIFICATION OBLIGATION OF THE POLICE

Nope. The German police is not obliged to identify, which makes it very difficult to prove that a certain police officers has been acting criminally.

OBSERVATION AND SURVEILLANCE

will happen in various ways: undercover, from helicopters, cameras, tapping phones, but also with automatic car number plate recognizing systems (§43a), especially at exits of highways. In Germany it is forbidden to prevent identification by disguising your face! (by the way, also passive armament, such as body protection, is not allowed) Always remember that your cell phone indicates them where you are, also when you don't phone. The only safe way is to take out your battery or leave it at home.

ENCIRCLEMENT

This is typical practice of the German police to immobilize (parts of) demonstrations. A ring of police officers may walk next to a demonstration or stop it. Often they keep you for a whole while in the encirclement and then only leave you with an identity check. Sometimes it is very foreseeable when an encirclement is going to happen.

SNATCH SQUADS

mostly act in formations of 6 police officers. 3 are trained to snatch targeted individuals out of a crowd, 2 are trained to prevent other persons from interfering with the operation, and one police officer videotapes. Snatch squads are usually disguised, sometimes supported by undercover cops. They do not carry a shield. They often mingle with the crowd during big protest events. A good counter strategy is therefore to walk in blocs and in chains during demonstrations and to carry banners on the sides. However, snatch squads are often active after the end of actions in order to snatch people on their way home.

DETENTION (§55-56)

Beside of giving bans the police can detain people in the case of an „immediate danger for the security of the public order“. Preventive arrests can be done in order to prevent „criminal acts“.

In Germany arrested persons are obliged to give the following details:

- name and first name
- date and place of birth
- adress
- nationality

If you refuse to give this information you may pay a fine. For the rest you do not have to say anything and you should not. Never cooperate with the police!

WHAT TO DO?

Only give the above-mentioned information when you are arrested. Phone the legal team, if nobody of your affinity group saw you being arrested (you have the right to one phone call, but you need to pay it yourself, so always have some coins with you). Always write the number of legal team on your arm. For the rest, do not worry too much. Your comrades will support you, and there will be solidarity. Never believe a police officer telling that you will be released quickly when you testify. That is a lie. It is a good idea to think in your affinity group about what you are going to do when someone of you is arrested.

But never forget: we are stronger than they ever can imagine!

MAPS

The infopoint structure prepares maps of the protest-area. You can get hold of these maps at every i-point, convergence center and other central points of resistance. The maps will include raster graphics, to help finding the camps. The Camp Reddelich, for example, you will find on raster G4. On the map we will also list the numbers of the i-points, the legal team, web-adresses, etc.

PMR-INFO-RADIO

The PMR-Info-Radio is part of the infosystem. Like i-points and infotelephones it will inform you about the latest news about demonstrations, blockades and actions. You will receive it around Heiligendamm and Rostock-Laage during the action days on Wednesday and Thursday. PMR means "Public Mobile Radio". This is a small type of walkie-talkie that you can legally buy and

use. Due to EU-norms you can buy the PMR all over Europe for about 20 €. Make sure that there is a connection for headphones.

Wednesday, 6th of June & Thursday, 7th of June\

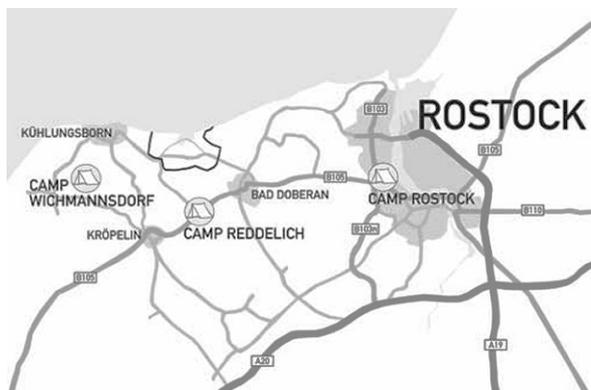
Each hour at xx:45 in periods of action on channel 3\

demos in more than 20 cities powerfully proof that we are surprisingly strong +++ 10.5. edinburgh: german embassy is attacked with lovely yellow colour by the black bloc of scotland +++ 10.5. tübingen: pro-köpi-anti-g8-colour to commerzbank +++ 10.5. lübecke: arson attack on mcdonalds by „no-g8-elf“ +++ 10.5. nürnberg: soli colour attack against novartis +++ 10.5. amsterdam: colour and stones to german consulate +++ 11.5. salzburg: colour to german consulate +++ 11.5. stuttgart: black colour to ministry of interior +++ 13.5. hamburg: colour, acid and stones to a five-star-hotel +++ 13.5. berlin: cars burning each night +++

THE CAMPS

All camps will be used by activists from all protest spectras (except Bützow, which everyone but the unions rejects) for reasons of visibility and security. There will be autonomous/anarchist/dissent groups and comrades on all three camps, through barrios we will have our own discussions and decisions. Communication with the groups on the other camps, the legal team and the infosystem will be organized. Medics will be present on all camps.

In general the camps are the people that camp there. The Camp Group will only organize the first plenary assembly and then transfer infrastructure & decisionmaking power to all the activists. The group will explain the concept of delegates structures, barrios, etc. in this meeting. The camps are absolutely non-commercial, but to finance the camps you will be asked to pay around 5 € per day - if possible. Food will be provided on donation basis by public kitchens which always need help. A self-organized camp means: Building showers, doing workshops or translations, help with transport, looking after the kids, etc.



Rostock (5000-6000 people)

Am Grenzschlachthof 1, 18069 Rostock – close to the river Warnow, south of the old fisher port in a former industrial zone. To reach by city train “S-Bahn” stations (marked with a green “S”) Rostock-Marienehe and Rostock-Bramow.

Reddelich (3000-5000 people)

Suhring 1-30, 18209 Reddelich. Directly at the federal road B105, three kilometers west of Bad Doberan, half an hour from Rostock, seven minutes to the train station. If the authorities do not cancel them, there are trains each hour from Rostock (4:12 until 20:06) and Wismar (4:42 until 20:42) – maybe a shuttle from Rostock will be organized.

Wichmannsdorf (1500-3000 people)

6 acre meadow south of Kühlungsborn, north of Wichmannsdorf on the “Hoppenberg” on the ridge “Kühlung”. Probably the most beautiful campground, but unfortunately there is no public transport going there. The camp is mainly organized by anti-nuclear-groups.

BANK ACCOUNTS

Infotur | International Workinggroup | Convergence Center: Netzwerk Selbsthilfe e.V., iban: DE13 1009 0000 7403 8870 00, SWIFT-BIC: BEVODEBB, Berliner Volksbank, Purpose: „Infotur“, „International“ or „ConvergenceCenter“

Antirepression: Rote Hilfe e.V., iban: DE75 4401 0046 0191 1004 62, SWIFT-BIC: PBNKDEFF, Postbank Dortmund, Purpose: „G-8 Summit“

★ ROADMAP OF RESISTANCE ★

21st of May - Convergence Space Berlin starts

Köpi (Köpenicker Str.137)
Bethanien (Mariannenplatz 2)
Mehringhof (Gneisenaustr.2a)

25th of May - Convergence Center in Rostock starts

Ehm-Welk School in Rostock-Evershagen (Knut Rassmussenstr.1)

25th of May - Convergence Center Hamburg starts

Rote Flora (Schulterblatt 71)

28th of May - Gate to global resistance

International Demo against EU+Asia Summit, the G8 and Capitalism
12:00 Reeperbahn / Spielbudenplatz in Hamburg, St.Pauli
legal team Hamburg: 040-432 787 78

Friday, 1st of June - Squatting Bombodrom

12:00 Food & Info in Schweinrich, Neu-Lutterow und Mahnsäule
14:30 Demonstrations from there to Pink Point (to be reached around 16:00)

Saturday, 2nd of June

12:00 Opening Demonstration in Rostock (ending at Stadthafen)
Starting Point 1 Schutower Kreuz/Hamburger Straße
Starting Point 2 [anticapitalist block...] Central Station

10:00 Antifashist Demonstration in Schwerin
starting point: Central Station

18:00 Move against G8 - Concert in Rostock, Stadthafen area

Sunday, 3rd of June - Action Day Global Agriculture

10:00 Protest march from University Rostock to New Market [starting from Faculty for Agricultural and Environmental Science, University Rostock. The march takes off at 11.30]

13:30 Rally from New Market Rostock to Gross Luesewitz [You can participate by foot, rollerblade, bicycle, tractor, car, bus. There also is a regional train every hour]

13:00 Gathering and village party in Gross Luesewitz

[besides: Transnational Network Meeting, 14.00 in CC Rostock]

Monday, 4th of June - Action Day Migration

Morning: Decentral Actions

Morning: Blockade of the Foreigner Office in the Wertftstraße in Rostock

13:00 Demonstration from there to the City Center

19:30 panel discussion

Tuesday, 5th of June - Actionday Militarization, War and Torture

11:00 Start of Antimilitarist Tour from Rostock Camp

Wednesday, 6th of June

10:00 Blockade of airport Rostock Laage with manifestations in Friedrichshof, the civil and the military entrance

Morning: BlockG8 big massblockades around Heiligendamm

Morning: Decentral Blockades

Evening plenary to decide upon further strategy

Thursday, 7th of June

Starmarch to the fence

Decentral Blockades or plan b

Friday, 8th of June

Decentral blockades of departure

or plan b

Climate Action Day

final manifestation in Rostock

Some days in the end of July in some beautiful place in France

International Gathering to discuss what happened and where we go from here...

<http://dissentnetwork.org>