

FREE JUAN

AND ALL PRISONERS

STATES ARE THE REAL

Once again anarchists in Italy are being accused of terrorism. This time it is public prosecutor Storari

trying it in Rovereto (northern Italy) after attempts had also been made in Rome (operation Cervantes), Pisa (COR investigation), Lecce (operation Nottetempo) and other towns. This time too, actions against precise symbols of the system are labelled as 'terrorist'.

HIGH COURT

OF JUSTICE!

Juan Antonio Sorroche, a Spanish comrade who has been living in Rovereto for a long time, is accused in Storari's investigation, the so-called operation 'One-thousand-and-one' (conspiracy to subvert the democratic order of the State, article 270bis). In June 2006 he had been arrested along with another comrade for resisting a police identification check in Rovereto. As they resisted the cops' attempt to drag them to the police station, police reinforcements were called in and the cops started punching and kicking. The anarchists reacted, six cops sought first aid and a cop car was damaged. Juan was sentenced to ten months in prison for this incident. In a statement from prison, he and his companion Mike described their resistance as an act of solidarity with immigrants who also face identification checks, which can result in deportation, or even being shot if they try to escape the control. In September 2006 Juan and Mike were put under house arrest and Juan, knowing he was under investigation for 'subversive association', decided not to give in to public prosecutor Storari and escaped to Spain. There he was unfortunately captured by the Guardia Civil (Spanish military police) in cooperation with the Italian carabineri in December 2006. He was imprisoned under the anti-terrorist regime in Soto del Real prison, Madrid, and eventually extradited back to Italy and sent to a jail far away from the place where he has roots (Rovereto).

Juan is accused of various acts of sabotage, in particular the burning of three train-units of Trenitalia Railway Company, responsible for the deportation of immigrants. Solidarity to immigrants was also the reason for a tenacious struggle led by Lecce anarchists, on trial today, and for which three of them have been held in prison or under house arrest for nearly two years. Article 270bis is the instrument that has been used in both cases to silence those who did not want to keep quiet and to scare all the others.

Millions of people are locked up, tortured and killed day after day in prisons, concentration camps and detention centres. A great number of people fall ill owing to pollution caused by factories, nuclear plants, antennas and genetic experimentation. Men, women and children die under the bombs of the many 'peace missions'. Rivers, valleys, mountains and seas are destroyed in the name of profit. More and more people are spied upon in their most intimate moments in the name of social control. Those who refuse to resign themselves are beaten up in the darkness of jails and police stations.

Once again we do not care if Juan and other arrested comrades are guilty or innocent. We think that those who attack jailers, prisons, police stations, banks; those who destroy antennas, erect barricades against ecological devastation, try to block surveillance devices and resist with any means necessary, commit acts of freedom.

shits in the halls of what they call 'Justice' to rack their brains on non-existent, more or les visible conspiracies.

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