

# NO WAR BUT THE CLASS WAR!

Anarchists in Derry took part in today's anti war demonstration at the city centre war memorial as we have done many times before with a clear anarchist message 'No War But The Class War!'

All of the speakers quite rightly condemned the continuing atrocities being inflicted upon the people of Syria and the entire Middle East, and the ongoing humanitarian crisis not witnessed on this scale in decades.

Twenty-four hour media manipulation on both sides of the propaganda war has deliberately created mass confusion as to who the real perpetrators truly are as Russia, Europe and United States attempt to gain the high moral ground while thousands are killed, millions left without homes and entire communities devastated.

Their unofficial policy of endless war and destabilization is an attempt to divert the world's working class into the dead-end of supporting their "own" states in the name of "civilisation", the same civilisation that allows 25,000 children to die every day from malnutrition and preventable diseases. All countries involved are attempting to reignite the flames of nationalism to divert attention away from the crisis of capitalism at home in their own national interests.

Amongst this confusion and chaos elements of the Left have already chosen one side against in bizarre scenes reminiscent of old Cold War battles, as if old scores need settled. For anarchists we make no such alliances. We are anti-imperialist and opposed to the continous wars orchestrated throughout the Middle East between Russia, USA and of course Europe.

Obama and Putin are terrorists, butchers and murderers, no less than their puppets al-Assad or Islamic State. They are all the enemies of working people. As working-class internationalists, we oppose this war and all other imperialist wars, and raise the slogan NO WAR BUT CLASS WAR!

Here in Ireland we must not fall into the trap of hopelessness which many are overcome by through television propaganda fuelled by BBC, RT, FOX, SKY, CNN or RTE.

Confusion and demoralisation by relentless images of war, devastation and death can take its toll but small acts of solidarity action on the streets can make an impact. Anti War actions such as today's in Derry are important to highlight issues such as Refuelling at Shannon, Palestine, Kurdistan or Refugee solidarity.

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#### **BARRICADE BULLETIN**

Welcome to the second of issue of Barricade Bulletin, news sheet of the Derry Anarchists.

It is our intension to issue this free news sheet every two months locally to help generate anarchist info and knowledge of class struggle anarchism to a wider audience.

If you would like to get involved with anarchists locally, to take part in anarchist activity, discussions and conversations, prisoner support or contribute to Barricade Bulletin, then drop us a line to our email:

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#### NO WAR BUT THE

## **CLASS WAR!**

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Acting locally and linking nationally and internationally can create a strong and effective anti-war movement. As anarchists, ultimately we call on all workers to reject all forms of nationalism - to unite in their workplaces, to strike in opposition not only to this war but all wars and to help bring about the transformation of society from the barbarism of capitalism to a free, just, and equal society.

Only the working class has the power to do this, just as the revolutionary action of the world's working class stopped the First World War 100 years ago. Strikes, occupations, formation of community or workers' councils - these were the actions the workers took against that war, and they managed to bring the slaughter to a halt.

That is why we continue to call for - No War But Class War!

#### 16 Days of Action in Derry

Activists from Derry and Donegal gathered in Derry City Centre today to mark International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women seen internationally as the beginning of 16 days of activism against gender-based violence. Many activists braved the cold at the lunch time protest in an effort locally to help raise awareness about gender-based violence as a human rights issue at the local, national, regional and international level. Several women activists spoke briefly to those in attendance about the importance of solidarity with women and that of their own personal experiences while also highlighting the connection between the struggle for economic and social rights.





### DERRY TO HOST FIRST EVER RADICAL BOOKFAIR 2017

We are pleased to announce Derry's first ever Radical Bookfair will take in Pilots Row Community Centre, Rossville Street, Derry on Saturday 28th January 2017. The Radical Bookfair will play host to participants from all over Ireland and beyond. The first ever Radical Bookfair will take place during a week of events hosted as part of the Bloody Sunday March for Justice leading up to the annual Bloody Sunday March, with a series discussions and debates, film and theatre centred around a wide range of local, national and international contemporary social justice issues. All participants are welcome to the Radical Bookfair with different visions, ideas, practices and radical traditions. This year the Derry Radical Bookfair Collective will host a one day radical book fair as an opening in support of small press publishers and independent book sellers and producers, circulating radical reading materials and information from independent distributers, non-party political campaigns and groups to share their publications and merchandise, most of which are hard or impossible to find at mainstream book shops.

Books of local, national and international interests including social and labour history as well as themes covering radical feminism, queer liberation, anarchism, marxism, republicanism and environmentalism. Derry and its surrounding hinterland has without doubt one of the most remarkable radical heritage which has shaped the world in which we now find ourselves.

A proud tradition of working class radicalism which has created many momentous events throughout the centuries and has at times forcibly changed society around us for the better.

In the docks the men organised, in the factories the women unionised and on the streets the people mobilised tearing down the walls around those who would prefer to see us in divided. It is no surprise that we continue in that spirit to build on that tradition by hosting the city's very own Radical Bookfair in an effort to allow our class to educate, agitate and organise ourselves with the ideas that continues to create change.



#### Aachen/Barcelona Trial Dates

The court of Aachen has set the dates for the start of the trial against the two comrades from Barcelona accused of expropriating a branch of Pax-Bank in Aachen in November of 2014. The court case will start on January 23 and a total of 25 sessions are scheduled.

These two comrades [whose names have not been publicly released] were arrested separately on April 13 and June 21 in a repressive operation carried out by the Mossos d'Esquadra and the German police, against the social centre Blokes Fantasmas and multiple private residences. Since then, the two comrades from Barcelona are being kept in preventative custody in jails in Aachen and Köln.

Let us not forget, that there is also a third comrade from Amsterdam who is being tried at the moment in an independent judicial process that is framed in the same repressive witch hunt that, stemming from the german bank robberies, has been carried out throughout Europe.

From Barcelona we reiterate our solidarity and unconditional support for these comrades and we invite all individuals and collectives to get together and be prepared for any new information or responses to the state's aggression against those who rebel against its order and misery.

# THE ANARCHISTS IMPRISONED IN GERMANY ARE NOT ALONE! WE WANT THEM FREE! WE WANT THEM AMONG US!

More info and regular updates please see the following link below:

https://solidariteit.noblogs.org/ Derry ABC: abcireland.wordpress.com Dublin ABC: dublinabc.ana.rchi.st

# What is Anarchism?

Anarchism is a revolutionary anti-state socialism. In practical terms, anarchists aim for the destruction of the ruling class and of all relationships based on domination and submission. This means taking over the industries and communities and changing them to meet the need of all, as well as the ecological needs of the environment. Without this takeover we can struggle within capitalism but never replace it.

Anarchism will be created by millions of people, not a dictatorial elite (we are not Marxist-Leninists), and all will have their part to play in shaping it.

Power will lie with the organisations thrown up by and for the revolution, not with the political parties who will try and dominate and destroy them.

The new society will not be born through abstract ideas, but will come out of the realities of struggle and the need for working class people to unite.

Such struggle doesn't just involve resistance to ruling class power (strikes, mass protests and other froms of direct action), but also construction - the building of new, locally based federal organisations (examples of which from the original Soviets and Collectives of the Russian and Spanish Revolutions, to the community resistance and collective organisation during Free Derry to that of the Miner's Support Groups of 1984/85 strike), plus the forging of solidarity and the willingness to go further.

There is no truce in the class war. The answer to the ruling class power is continual and widening struggle - for social revolution and anarchism.