

NO AGRESSION WITHOUT RESPONSE



About the case of
anarchist comrades
Juan Flores, Nataly
Casanova, Guillermo
Durán and Enrique
Guzmán, on hunger
strike since April 14th
in Chile.

Sin Banderas Ni Fronteras

No aggression without response

Arrested since September 18th 2014, comrades Juan Flores, Nataly Casanova and Guillermo Duran are accused of involvement in bomb attacks occurred on July 13th, claimed by International Conspiracy of Revenge, and September 8th 2014, claimed by Conspiracy of Cells of Fire (Chile). They deny charges but claim themselves as anarchists.

On April 6th 2015, was arrested Enrique Guzman, solidary comrade and friend who visited comrades on prison.

On April 14th 2015, the four comrades started a hunger strike demanding:

- the release of comrade Enrique Guzmán
- the immediate transfer of compañera Nataly Casanova from solitary confinement to a wing/tower where she will be able to have contact/relationship with other inmates and more hours in the yard
- the end to harassment of their close environment
- the end of assaults and disciplinary sanctions towards Juan and Nataly;
- end to DNA-based prosecutions.

This brochure includes texts by the comrades, about harassment against them and their closest environment. Also, we includes a solidarity call that we have published with another solidarian groups. Most of the text were translated to english by the comrades of Act for Freedom!.

SOLIDARITY-COMPLICITY-ACTION AGAINST POWER

**Sin Banderas Ni Fronteras,
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Words from anarchist comrade Juan Flores on the recent events in the Santiago 1 prison

The inquisition has begun!!! Brothers and sisters: six months have already passed since the tempestuous and fatal day of September 18 when we were hunted down by the tentacles of the repressive octopus in a violent and resentful attack. That is how my brother and sister Guillermo and Nataly and I were abducted and subjected to the holy tribunal for the formalization of the charges, all based on the antiterrorism law, and accused of having placed several explosive devices in the capital, an accusation that we deny having anything to do with. Once again we see how power and its repressive forces points the finger at us and criminalizes our political ideas and idea of freedom, turning our arrest into unquestioning Social Peace before the citizenry.

Our brother Guillermo has been put under house arrest, whereas my beloved comrade and I have been sent to the cells of power, where we struggle every day against imprisonment and the distance from our loved ones...

Historically 'we' who don't show an attitude of submission to power and the dominant system are struck by heavy repressive blows, and clearly this is not the first time that the State/Capital has unleashed political persecution against the most dignified men and women, those of us who are not prepared to be collaborators of the capitalist system, a system that has made the real meaning and essence of life disappear completely.

When one decides to reject any dominant and/or higher person and/or structure and sees freedom as the most precious thing that we can give to this sad history that 'we have to live', this is obviously independent of any situation or place dictated by circumstances and means being aware of the consequences... So, I am going to "relate" what happened on Monday February 23.

Monday, February 23, 7pm: after the cell doors are locked, a drove of pigs/lakayos of the Gendarmerie violently enter the cell I am kidnapped in. First they had gone to cell number 1 because their records said that was where I was locked up. I had been held there earlier but decided to get moved to cell 20 due to 'questions of panoramic view'. So, not finding me in cell number 1, and after seizing a prisoner's telephone, they come to cell 20, open the cage door and drag me out into the corridor.

Unaware of the reasons for this procedure, I simply say, calmly and without insulting them, 'Do what you like, the cages are yours, but all my stuff and papers are in there and I don't want them removed or damaged'. About 5 minutes go by.. I hear that they are starting to go through the gestures of solidarity sent to me by Kompas for whom indifference was not an option. Solidarity is a dangerous weapon, there is no doubt about that...

Being somewhat annoyed I demand that the jailers get out of the cell (there were about 25 servants of the GARP, support and early response unit under orders of captain Pincheira); when I ask the reasons for this violation the screws start insulting me 'chanting slogans' as most of them are from the south, ignorant, and been raised with insults and beatings, devoid of any caresses or gestures of affection...

Inevitably a quarrel transpires, one of the dogs leaving the cage, clearly frustrated at not having found what they were looking for, goes into cell 21 and asks the prisoner: 'What is Flores hiding?' Of course, he would never have said anything for ethical reasons; I wanted to know about my letters, things, etc ... and so I take a step towards the cage, when a screw grabs me by the arm and quickly twists it under his own!!! I am cowardly restricted by several lakayos ... struggling, insulting them and throwing them a few kicks. Obviously I have no intention of showing myself subdued, but I am overpowered by their force and number, handcuffed with two shackles pulled very tight and struck on the ankle with one of them. They order me to kneel but I insult them clearly showing them I won't ... they then beat me in different parts of my body (legs, ribs, back), seize a USB cable and a chip, take me to the internal guard and then to the infirmary in order to check for injuries, a thing they never normally do. Back to the internal guard, I meet the prisoner whose telephone they had taken, who had been charged and taken back to the wing. According to the GARP dogs' statement I allegedly said: 'When I'm free I'll find you and kill you'... death threats, another trial, for which investigations will have to be carried out and findings given. If I had made these threats I'd have acknowledged it without any problem, but as I said, I didn't make any threats...

I am punished with 10 days' solitary confinement for possession of prohibited items, without knowing what would happen after the cops' false statement, and am taken to the disciplinary and confinement module 88 in my underpants just as I had been taken out of the cell. It is around 10pm. The next day a prison mate that I relate with quite a lot brought me some clothes. That same day I was visited by my civil defence lawyer to whom I explained what had happened... he said he would call for formal inquiries.

I was in the solitary confinement unit in module 88: I went to the yard/cell for only an hour in the morning and an hour in the afternoon. On the fifth day, as is the custom, a contingent that never goes unobserved in this prison, composed of 5 screws of TAR (High Risk Transfer), turned up in module 88.. When we reached room 15 of the Corte di Garanzia I noticed my father and a friend/brother and saw they were sad and disheartened, it seems they knew...

The judge established that the days of solitary confinement for possession of prohibited items was an excessive punishment and asked the gendarmerie HOW such items could be brought into a Maximum Security wing; as well as that the 5-day punishment was finished and that such threats should be put under investigation...

The lawyer of the gendarmerie, the council of Las Condes (claimant) and prosecutor CLAUDIO ORELLANA asked for the imposed sanction be respected...

Immediate transfer to the wing was ordered...

Refusal and not recognizing the law as a daily act of my life is based on my desire for total liberation; the journey on the road to freedom is full of difficulties, the powerful octopus is prepared to do anything except when its ruling system is challenged and put in question by those of us who are still irreducible ... The cefalopod clearly saw itself as vulnerable and this wounded it; its social peace built on the incarceration of those of us who remain ungovernable and untouched by its mass hypnotising bourgeois / commercial system is inexistent and is only the power to domesticate our lives, creating more resentment and hatred of its reign of lies.

‘No wing will be maximum security, nor will I recognise high risk transfer’

Juan Alexis Flores Riquelme

**1st Wing
Santiago 1 prison.**

Some words from comrades on hunger strike: Juan Flores, Nataly Casanova, Guillermo Duran and Enrique Guzmán.

Words from comrade Juan Flores

“this is our clear response repudiating and spitting without doubt to the last repressive coup against our environment”

This is our response to the harassment of Power and its repressive forces against our solidarian circle, relatives, friends and comrades. Day by day, they are victims of persecutions, harassment, intimidation, and kidnappings by the cops; in front of this, clearly because of our criteria and our conviction it is impossible for us to stay with crossed arms.

From April 14th 2015, we initiate a mobilisation in protest and in response to the emotional blackmail we are suffering by the power and its repressive institutions. We turn into practice our discontent, in an unsubmitive way, as is our essence, using our body as a barricade, initiating the paralysation of our activities and a hunger strike inside prison (...)

INDEFINITE HUNGER STRIKE

Juan Alexis Flores Riquelme
1st Wing, Santiago 1 prison

Words from comrade Nataly Casanova

Since Monday, April 13th 2015, I have started a hunger strike (only drinking water) against the reprisals of state apparatuses to our closest environment (relatives and friends). (...)

In front of this Power's play, we put our consciousness, loves and ideas, rejecting the imposition of their antiterrorist laws –or whatever, because their legislation only defends their order of privileges and parasitic lives.

Here, inside their prison walls, we are neither defeated nor alone, as they pretend; we continue unsubmitive,

free and dignified, fighting with our body as a weapon in front of those who wish to cage, and bury under concrete, the struggle, dignity, love and solidarity.

(...)

SOLIDARITY, AGITATION AND ACTION AGAINST THE REPRESSIVE ADVANCES

EMBRACING EVERY STRUGGLE AGAINST DOMINATION

Nataly Casanova Muñoz
San Miguel women's prison

Words from comrade Guillermo Duran

To relatives, friends and comrades. To public knowledge.

On April 14th 2015 I begin a hunger strike (only drinking water) This is a means of struggle and solidarity, in which we put our health and life at risk. (...)

I know that situations like this are not new in this country and in different parts of the world; we/I take examples of struggle wherever exist, that's why today, in my limited possibilities, I decide to abstain from solid foods in solidarity with my brothers and sister. We/I carry out this struggle against those who say they practice law and make decisions for the good of society(...)

I cannot stay inert and passive in the front of this repressive context that today strikes my brothers and sisters, so I stand in solidarity with the indefinite hunger strike (...)

Only struggle and solidarity give us what is negated by the State; only in this way we can confront this world constructed by them and for them.

Guillermo Duran Méndez
In total house arrest

Words from comrade Enrique Guzman

“No aggression without response”

As a response to the harassment on my comrades' close environment, we have decided to put on hunger strike from April 14.

(...) we know that this is not the first time that Power tries to punish to all of us who have decided to fight against the way they imposes us to live.

(...) I want to tell that I receive lovely every breath and gesture, sending fraternal greetings to all of those who do not doubt in confront Power, here and around the world.

Down with the Police-State

INDEFINITE HUNGER STRIKE

Enrique Guzmán
Santiago 1 prison

[Note: Comrade Enrique stopped hunger strike on the 2nd week, because of fysical and animic problems.]

**Poster in solidarity with Nataly Casanova,
Juan Flores and Guillermo Durán on hunger
strike since April 14.**



*‘Solidarity, love and their beauty are being
punished in Chile as in
Greece and Spain.’*

Natalie Casanova

We greet comrades Nataly Casanova, Juan Flores and Guillermo Durán, who have been on hunger strike since 14th April demanding the release of Enrique Guzmán (arrested in the night of 6th April and put on remand), the end of the persecution of their loved ones by the miserable institution of the Gendarmerie and the repressive forces of the State, and the end of the solitary confinement of comrade Nataly Casanova.

Over these months of pre-trial detention the comrades have faced the repressive manouvres of the jailers with dignity and without stepping back one millimetre from their convictions of War and ideas of freedom.

From the streets we express unconditional solidarity with them, recognizing them as comrades and part of our same struggle against Power and all forms of Authority.

**SOLIDARITY AND ACTION FOR THE COMRADES ON
HUNGER STRIKE SINCE 14TH APRIL!!
ONWARDS, ON THE WARPETH!!**

Solidarity call for the hunger strike carried out by Nataly, Juan, Guillermo and Enrique.

April 29, 2015

To comrades in Chile and around the world who confront all forms of power.

To all the rebellious minds and consciences that reject domination and long for total freedom.

To those who feel inclined to carry out actions:

We who address you, are individuals and organized groups active in anti-authoritarian solidarity with anarchists and revolutionaries prisoners.

Today we write to motivate the expression of comradely gestures in an urgent and combative manner with solidarity actions in support of the hunger strike carried out by our comrades Juan Flores, Nataly Casanova, Guillermo Durán and Enrique Guzmán.

Our comrades are resisting daily confinement with dignity, it is clear that they have remained un-subjugated to the attempts of the enemy to make its authority prevail, an attitude that makes clear to us that the only way chosen has been the struggle against all authority.

As individuals and organized groups that constantly seek to strengthen their ideas and practices for total liberation, we are not indifferent to the hunger strike that our comrades are carrying out, we are aware that it is a call to activate symbolic and material solidarity, to materialize the values that move us, the ones that give life to every revolutionary project, and define without any doubt the strength of each prisoner of war.

It is common knowledge that Juan, Nataly and Guillermo were arrested on September 18th 2014, accused of taking part in attacks with explosive devices. Right now, the chant “Down with the police State” from Juan, which shows the three comrades’ dignified and defiant attitude in the face of the police and journalistic scum, has been turned into police, media and judicial lynching by the authorities.

The imprisonment of the comrades for more than six months now, with Juan and Nataly on remand, and Guillermo under house arrest, has been marked by the harassment, aggressions and monitoring of the comrades and their closest environment.

The most recent chapter of this situation, was the detention of Enrique Guzmán on April 6th. Enrique is a friend and comrade of Juan, Nataly and Guillermo, who was visiting them and was concerned that they didn't lack anything while in confinement. As a way to punish his solidarity and close relations with the comrades, the Fiscalía Sur (a prosecution office) accuses him of participating along with comrade Juan Flores in an attack against a police station.

Regardless of all this, the response of the 4 comrades has been of dignity and rebelliousness. It has become clear in the comrades' public communiques, where together with the rejection of the charges attributed to them, they declare themselves enemies of all forms of authority and recognise themselves as part of a community of struggle that is building its present continuation in a long history of rebellion, subversion and insurrections, who refuse domination by raising the values of solidarity, loyalty, love and revolutionary comradeship in pursuit of total liberation.

We know that the harassment and imprisonment of people close to revolutionary prisoners is a form of revenge and blackmail being used more and more by power against revolutionaries and their closest environment, as expressed in the case of detention of the family members and friends of the imprisoned members of the Conspiracy Cells of Fire in Greece and the arrests of anarchists and solidararian compas in Spain in the recent "Pandora" and "Piñata" operations, as also in the accusations against the mother of one of the comrades of the "Security Case", related to an alleged handcuff key for a non-existent escape attempt during a trial that took place in 2014.

We know that authority uses these kinds of tactic as a form of punishment against the rebellious and dignified attitude shown by the comrades in prison and as a technique to make them surrender, seeking to make them abandon their attitude of defiance and struggle against the screws and the system of domination.

We know that these kinds of tricks feed the ghost of “Terrorism” that allows dictator and democratic States to generate domestic enemies in order to align the population with the interests of authority, labelling as “terrorists” all anarchists, as a tool to later destroy every community in struggle that does not agree with authority.

We know and strongly reject the fantasies of the State and the FiscalíaSur concerning the hierarchy and leadership roles given to the comrades, something already used in the indictment against comrades arrested on August 2010 as part of the so called “Bombs Case”.

We know, first of all, that it is part of a continuous historical confrontation, of which the visibility from the field of the enemies of authority seeks to demonstrate the concept of how authority acts, far from any stance of guilt or innocence, never with victimization or legalism, but more like seeking to expand and go deep into the destructive critique on authority, to put it into practice while in pursuit of total liberation.

Therefore, against the attacks of authority and its media/judicial/prison structural framework, our answer must be action in all possible ways, and not remaining inactive and as simple observers.

We consider ourselves at war, and when the enemy makes us notice its tools, we show that we are here and we continue to resist and fight, keeping alive in our memory that the struggle inside the Chilean prisons has a wide historical legacy of strikes, riots, escapes and other different forms of expressing an attitude of dignity in struggle.

But this legacy now needs a response and should also echo abroad.

For all the above, we stand in solidarity and call for solidarity to the hunger strike of Juan, Nataly, Guillermo and Enrique:

- For the end of the harassment of their circle of friends.
- For the end of the aggressions towards Juan and Nataly by some of the screws.
- For the end of the indiscriminate use of DNA as evidence.
- For the release of solidararian comrade Enrique Guzmán.
- For the end of the isolation of Nataly Casanova and her transfer to another section of the prison of San Miguel.

We invite each comrade that feels inclined to act, to propagandise, go out into the streets, express their solidarity with comrades in any way they can.

That the mobilization in support to the hunger strike should be a way to put into practice the solidarity of attack, seeking to extend agitation against all forms of power and to deep the anarchist ties between comrades.

SOLIDARITY, COMPLICITY AND STRUGGLE AGAINST ALL FORMS OF POWER AND AUTHORITY

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[PRISON WILL NOT STOP THE STRUGGLE FOR TOTAL LIBERATION]

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