PRISONER SUPPORT

Russian Anarchists Arrested

SOLIDARITY APPEAL

Two anarchists from St Petersburg Denis Zelenuk and Andrey Kalenov as well as a Chechen from Novgorod Hasan Didigov have been kept in prison on trumped up “terrorism” charges. Andrey Kalenov is on hunger strike. There is information that the authorities have tried to force feed him.

Andrey and Denis are being held in jail in Novgorod. Its address is ul. Bolshaya Peterburgskaia, 25A phone 7 (8162) 984900. Both anarchists now have lawyers who represent their interests. It is clear that lots of money will be needed for legal fees (up to 3000 euro).

The St. Petersburg comrades have created a beneficiary bank account to raise some money to help the prisoners:

beneficiary Bank: Bank VTB24 (JSC) In favour Acc 30301 840 2 00001060000, St.Petersburg , Russia Bank VTB24(JSC) Branch7806 Swift: CB GU RUMM Beneficiary 40817978603060007327 Ekaterina Vargina News from: ABC-Petersburg Participants of Anti-war Committee

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Camping to save the world

Anarchists think that the camp for climate action was one of the most important protests of the year. It was important not only for the environment but also for the class struggle.

Here an AF member explains some of what went on:

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Campers and pickets

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Community support

“Their support was a huge boost for the pickets. Many people were willing to help in any way they could.”

SHEFFIELD

“On Monday, they held a film night at the picture house. The film they screened was Chavez tried to ban. Exploitation in Venezuela’s oil fields.”

Details: sheffield@af-north.org

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Setting up the world to organise their own actions on this day, both inside and outside immigration prisons, in a global united cry: NO TO IMMIGRATION PRISONS; NO TO RACIST BORDER REGIMES! Details: www.noborders.org.uk 27th September: “Day of music and politics to raise money for the Oaxacan struggle in Mexico.” Details: shffield@af-north.org

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The UK No Borders network is calling on all concerned individuals and groups all over the world to join us in an international coordinated day of action against immigration prisons everywhere on 22 September, 2007. While we realise that resistance is continuous and not confined to ‘days of action’, we call out the world to organise their own actions on this day.

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“There was a lot of support from the local community in Sipson that matters will. It is a working class area. BAA plan to demolish the village to build a new runway. The camp had a lot of support from the local community; many people camping with us, as well as getting involved in the actions.”

The choice of the site this year’s climate camp made it so successful. It was somewhere which already had a local struggle being fought. What the climate camp has taught us this year is that class struggle is not something that clashes with environmental struggle, but is rather two struggles that are part of the fight against the same problem – global capitalism

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When going on demonstrations stay sober, don’t talk to the police and if you’re arrested give only your name and address then say “no comment” to any other questions. For more info visit: www.ldmg.org.uk

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