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FROM RAIDS TO RESISTANCE...



NYSE EURONEXT UNDER ATTACK

GOLDMAN SACHS TARGETED

Deep in Surrey is a town where a certain mystical managing director of Goldman Sachs lives. If you had gone down to 20, Quarter Mile Road, Godalming the other night you would have witnessed quite a show. We donned our special and hid a few things up our sleeves as we approached a very expensive looking car. We magicked away the paintwork, and with a swift

BARCLAYS ACTIONS

17/09/08 – Hampshire - Paint spilt over walls, 'Murderers' painted and locks glued

17/09/08 – Sussex - ATM glued, foam applied and bank walls painted

23/09/08 – South - Cash point, lock glued and walls painted

24/09/08 – London - Cash points glued by London ALF

25/09/08 – East - Three cash points glued by the ALF

11/10/08 – South - ATM glued

12/10/08 – Midlands – ATM, door and butchers glued

15/10/08 – East - Three cash points glued by Eastern ALF

16/10/08 – Hampshire - Slogans painted over walls, locks and cash point glued

prod of the wand, entered the inner circle of the tyres!

now for our next trick, Paul, we'll need some little helpers. three should do it...

DIRECTOR HOME VISIT

In the night of 6th October we went up to the house of Vincent van Dessel, an important scumbag of NYSE Euronext in Belgium. You live in a luxurious house with a huge garden. [...] As long as HLS is still listed on NYSE Arca we will live in the night [...] This time we just paintstripped the two motorcycles in front of your door, punctured the tires and threw blood colored paint on your walls and door. We were with quite a lot of people so it gave us some time to redecorate your garden. We basically threw around all of your nice little flowers and plants, we hope you liked it! It is serious Vincent [...]

Innocent animals are suffering and are being killed in Huntingdon Life Sciences. It is us who have to stand up and make HLS history. [...] It's your choice NYSE Euronext [...] Make the right decision or we will be back [...] ... Animal Rights Militia

HLS ASSOCIATES UNDER ATTACK

NOVARTIS VIVISECTOR

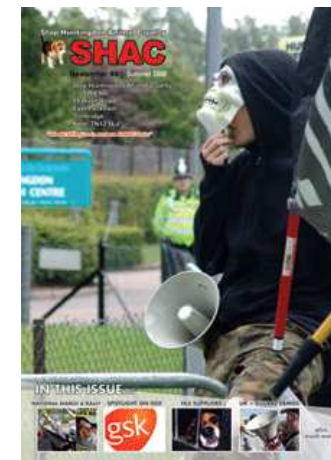
Steve Charlton,
7 St Christophers Close,
Horsham, RH12 2EH.
Give him a ring 01403 242230.
Steve thinks its ok to abuse animals. think again you sick pervert. did you really think this was all over? we found you and came for you in the night, and this time was just a fucking warning. next time you won't be so lucky and only get your garage painted. at least all your neighbours know just how you and your sad wife holly get your blood money. Not happy with your new garage doors steve? didnt like the late night visitors outside your house watching you? contact NETCU and ask them about how they are forcing people into illegal direct action.
See you soon steve.....
Animal Liberation Front

VIVISECTION BREEDER

September 2008-
Set within the Kent countryside is a dirty little secret the vivisection industry didn't want us to know: Blades Biologicals a commercial breeder of frogs and other amphibians,

destined to die in HLS and other labs countrywide. Security lights were disabled to allow us to work undisturbed in the dark. An empty polytunnel (used for breeding frogs) was cut to shreds. Anything with wheels was popped. Locks were glued on the main facility and damage was done to the peripheral. As a finishing touch we prized open a window, inserted a gushing hosepipe, fixed it on with expanding foam and flooded the place. This is just the beginning in the war against vivisection- your barbaric ways are OVER. VENGEANCE FOR THE DEAD, FREEDOM FOR THE ENSLAVED UNTIL ALL ARE FREE.. A.L.F

SHAC NEWSLETTER



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UK ROUNDUP

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51 TURKEYS LIBERATED



Santa's little helpers have been deployed early this year, and they're already noting down the mean people onto their naughty list.....

One person set to receive a lump of coal is a turkey farmer in north Somerset. This man harbours thousands of turkeys for the purposes of murdering them and selling their dead bodies for people to tear apart across the christmas dinner table.

Had he looked out of his window last night, he would have seen several little elves carrying big presents through the mist. Inside each one, a gorgeous Bronze turkey escaping the concentration camp and being taken to safety.

Somehow, even though we murder gentle and intelligent creatures for the sake of consumption, we still call ourselves a 'civilised' society. At what point is slicing an individual's head off and feasting upon his or hers decaying flesh 'civilised'??

One day humankind will look upon animals as the intelligent and worthy individuals that they are. Until that day, we will be raiding your farms and animal abuse establishments until all are free...

ALF uk

FLY FISHERY TARGETED

On monday 22nd members of the angling retribution squad visited bank house fly fisherie in caton lancaster uk. We ripped down competition pictures and generally made a mess of their little club house of death. Before leaving we trashed 3 windows including a big glass door. We want to make it clear this is just the start of our campaign and unless bank house fly fisherie stops the slaughter of innocent life for their perverted pleasure we will return and things will be taken to the next level. The choice is yours
Angling Retribution Squad

KITTEN RESCUED

On wednesday 8th october members of the animal liberation front visited a pet shop to inspect the conditions of the animals held captive inside. The conditions were so disgusting that we felt the need to act straight away so we liberated a tiny ginger kitten. The owners were so away with the fairies that we just opened the cage and took the kitten and walked straight out of the front door. This kitten will now live out its life in a natural and clean enviroment and to the rest of the innocent beings don't worry we wont forget you and we will be seeing you very soon.
Animal liberation front

24 HENS FREED



We may only be a small group and a new cell but we are more determined than ever to fight animal abuse in the best way we can. In recent times we

20/09/08 – Midlands – Slogan painted on pet shop selling skunks, rabbits and chinchillas
22/09/08 – Yorkshire – 4 grouse butts trashed to stop shooting
23/09/08 – South – Cattle trailer and farm vehicles vandalized
23/09/08 – Hereford – 250 chickens rescued and rehomed
29/09/08 – Farnborough – Car belonging to manager of HLS customer Baxer redecorated
02/10/08 – HLS shipment sent via Fedex was destroyed and resent
04/10/08 – Yorkshire – Six chickens freed, eggs trashed at egg farm
05/10/08 – Midlands - Signs for Midlands Game Fair ripped down
05/10/08 – Signs for Circus Mondeo ripped down
05/10/08 – Bradford – Five birds liberated from Yorkshire Poultry Products slaughterhouse
06/10/08 – Yorkshire – Grouse butts trashed, locks glued on huts to stop the Ilkley moor shoot
14/10/08 – West – HLS supplier DHL van gets locks super-glued
14/10/08 – Gloucester - Cotswold Countryside Alliance supporter's vehicles scratched, paint stripped
15/10/08 – South – Tires slashed, paintwork tagged and lock glued on HLS supplier Fedex van
17/10/08 – Chicken rescued by passing activists from a 'free range' chicken unit
20/10/08 – Yorkshire – Windows smashed at fur shop no.6
23/10/08 – West – Lock glued for HLS supplier DHL



water and shit. These hens were bathed in warm water, had their feet chisled of crap and wrapped in fluffy warm towels before being put back outside with fresh food, water, grass and sunlight. All of the hens are now recovering from a life of slow torture for the sake of cheap eggs. We'll be back. Fuck NETCU & all forms of animal abuse. Yorkshire ALF

CHEF GETS WARNED

Andrew Pern, a person known widely as a supporter of extreme animal cruelty, has just received a warning from the Animal Liberation Front. The Star Inn van had a dose of paint stripper whilst all the tires were slashed. The lovely new windows of his new building were spraypainted with 'Ban Foie Gras' as was the Inn next door, we also took the time to have a good poke around the customer car park, and his little deli over the road, just in case we need to go back.

It's time to put your skills elsewhere, using the fatty bloated livers of tortured ducks and geese will not be tolerated. North Yorkshire ALF

have seen lots of people persecuted by NETCU and the British Government for peaceful protest so we decided to bypass the troublesome options and go for the more direct ones instead. thank-you NETCU for the inspiration! In the start of October we went to a large battery farm in West Yorkshire. We got into the sheds through an unlocked door leading to the shit compartment underneath the cages. There we found many hens living in hell. We did some research and this is actually illegal for the hens to be left to drown or starve in this shit filled hell. So we did what was right and took all of the hens from all of this part of the sheds. Some of them had been there so long they had hardened shit stuck to their feet and one hen was totally encrusted because she was found dying in a puddle of

LOBSTER LIBERATION FRONT

LLF RETURN FROM COAST-TO-COAST

A RETURN TO THE SOUTH

Ahoy there mateys, its been a while since we had some fun down on the sandy beaches, arrrr t'was fun, we found them using our treasure map, and x marked the spot of the animal abuse. Lobster pots were smashed to smithereens and we hope the owners timbers will be well and truly shivered after the many dubloons worth of damage caused. We also hope that the scurvy sea dog is not a smoker as when he walks the plank back to his boat as there is petrol and other chemical spewing from the watery depths of his engine after our swords went to work smell rather like cannon fodder.

See you on the high sea's

LLF

ON THE EAST COAST

Ahoy me mateys! us scurvy dogs have been out on the high seas again, this time on the East coast. There where many lobster and crab pots left in pieces of 8. the loss of many

more dubloons will surely befall those who gather riches from such debauchery. fishing nets found of the port bow where slashed as our swords glinted in the moonlight.

see you on the high seas!

EASTERN LOBSTER LIBERATION FRONT

TWO NEW PRISONERS

On October 13th four activists were arrested and eventually remanded for SOCPA charges and criminal damage. Two activists have been released, with two who will remain remanded until the 19th December when the trial start.

Please send letters to the two who are still remanded:

Dean Cain (WJ4309) & Luke Steel (WJ4308)

Both at: HMP Lincoln, Greetwell Road, LN2 4BD

Updates - www.vpsg.org

ANTI-MCDONALDS DAY IN MEXICO

A GIFT FOR 10:30AM

On the morning of Oct. 14, in the commercial area of the town of Coacalco in Mexico State, a unit of the Frente de Liberación Animal (FLA), together with the Milicias por los Derechos de lxs Animales [Militias for Animal Rights] (MDA) and anarchist individuals for economic sabotage, left various slogans on the walls of a McDonald's, but not only that, something resembling a time bomb was left at the entrance of that multinational. One of the painted slogans read, 'A gift for 10:30 am' so the manager and other workers quickly called the cowardly local police, the fire brigade, the torturers of the federal police and the violators of the ASE. [Agencia de Seguridad Estatal (state security agency)]

All these bastards were alarmed by the planting of our false bomb, made of putty, wires and a wristwatch, because of it they had to close part of Avenida Lopez Portillo to traffic and the business did not open for a few hours.

All this we did as a response to the extermination of animals

that year after year, day by day and hour after hour, is carried out by those who as humans take an anthropocentric view of other living beings capable of feeling and experiencing pain and subject them to cruel treatment that is seen today as something normal, like the simple fact of eating meat; it was our small but radical response to the ecocide that McDonald's and other multinationals such as KFC, Burger King etc., bring about to acquire more and more capital.

We continue forward in the same way on the international day against McDonalds, because we believe that it does not just depend on a single day to attack this and other multinationals, but that the conflict should be permanent, continuously causing damage through sabotage and direct action.

Similarly, this action was not only for animal liberation and the earth but also for human liberation; we want freedom for our comrades arrested and imprisoned in the confrontation of October 2 in the capital of the country; solidarity should be given to these different fronts,

legally and illegally. Where are all those who call themselves radicals and who boast about social war? It's time to put direct pressure and to attack the fascist state of Calderón, to sabotage the shops who accuse our imprisoned comrades of theft, destroy the institutions that are accomplices of the state, set fire to the police headquarters in different municipalities and states, to take schools, prisons, factories so that the insurgency expands for the freedom of the prisoners.

This time it was only a scare but the next bomb will be truly destructive.

For the liberation of animals, humans and earth, sabotage and subversive direct action! There is no longer room for words in the current situation, now only actions count! We are everywhere!

underground Mexico.

ALF ARSONS IN MEXICO

17/10/08 – A Truck belonging to Pilgrim's Pride, an American chicken company; was torched by the FLA - Distrito Federal.

19/10/08 - An incendiary device was placed outside Burger King and various slogans painted.

STOCKHOLM FUR WAR

DBF (ALF Sweden) press release reported to the Swedish ALF SG:

18/09/08: All three windows are destroyed with etching fluid at Figorola Palsatelje

18/09/08: Locks are glued at the fur shop Elsons palsatelje.

21/09/08: The last fur shop in Kungsholmen has windows etched and repainted

21/09/08: A bicycle lock is used to lock the gate to the fur shop Lundegren och Peters AB and slogans are painted with spray paint

22/09/08: 'Close' is spray-painted at the fur shop Korsnar Goran Larsson

22/09/08: Paint is poured outside the entrance to the fur shop Korsnar Lundmark

22/09/08: Gate locked and slogans painted at the home of fur shop owner Ake Andersson at Kungsholmen

22/09/08: The last fur shop in Soder got slogans sprayed

22/09/08: A bicycle lock is locked at the gate of the fur shop Lundegren och Peters

23/09/08: Locks changed at fur shop Elsons Palsatelje

23/09/08: Tar is poured over the building of the fur shop Figorola Palsatelj

MINK FREED ACROSS THE GLOBE

1200 FREED IN SWEDEN



On the night of September 16, activists from Djurens Befrielsefront (DBF) in Sweden managed to make a new way into Akes fur farm in Skara, an area with many fur farms. A big hole was cut in the main gate and friends of the animals got in there and into the sheds where the mink were held captive, 3 mink in every little cage. The big hole was soon followed with about 100 small holes in the fence. Several hundred breeding cards were stolen. One of eight sheds were emptied and a total of 1200 mink set free. Only a few minutes after the first cage was opened, the activists witnessed how one mink was already on the other side of the fence, at a nearby river. The animal lovers followed the mink into the forest and to their freedom where they will

continue to follow their natural instincts - to raid Swedens fur farms, one after another. – DBF

DOUBLE RAIDS IN ITALY

9000 RELEASED

The Italian news agency ANSA reported that on September 24 approximately 9,000 mink were released from cages at the Savi fur farm in Conco (Province of Vicenza). The fence was cut in many places. As many as 3,000 of the mink made their way outside of the fence and have not been recovered. An office/storage building at the same farm was destroyed in an arson attack in November 2005.

2000 RELEASED

Before dawn on Tuesday, September 30 activists returned to the Anipel fur farm in San Martino Buon Albergo (VR), cut 40 meters of fencing and released 2,000 mink who had been recaptured following a raid a week earlier. Luca Begnini, son of the owner of the farm, told a local newspaper that the family may not be able to continue in the fur business. This farm has been targeted four times in the past two years.

6000 RELEASED IN SWEDEN



In the early morning hours of Friday 3rd October as many as 6,000 mink were released from Hulans fur farm outside Svenljunga.

Fencing was cut and surveillance cameras on site were disabled. Ten of the 23 sheds on the farm were emptied of animals.

"Din förlust - deras frihet" ("Your loss - their freedom") was painted on a wall.



The Hulans fur farm was raided once before, in October 1997 when 5,000 mink were released from cages.

1500 FREED IN OREGON, USA

In the early morning hours of October 17th, a lone activist infiltrated the fur farm at 92659 Simonsen Road in Astoria Oregon. About 1,500 mink were released from their cages with at least 200 of these being breeding stock. The fact that there is no fence around this farm should help ease their escape. This action is being claimed for the vegan straight edge community, not as a self-congratulatory ego boost, but in the vain hope that it might spur others into action. It has become apparent that the combined tactics of record collecting, sing-alongs, and militant posturing have failed to stop those who abuse innocent life. once we accept this then we can stop squandering our potential and choose a more effective plan of action.

I would like to close by offering a piece of advice to the owners of this farm, to the owners of the other farms in the Astoria, OR area (it was simply by luck of the draw that your farms weren't chosen), and to ALL fur farmers: find a new profession. fur farmers are a dying breed. get out before you are forced out. 'your laws will have no meaning past the setting of the sun.'
--VSE

CRACKDOWN ON SHACTIVISTS ACTIVISTS RAIDED FOR DROPPING A BANNER

SchNEWS – ISSUE 652

The British Govt's attempts to smash the animal rights movement have long been catalogued in SchNEWS over the years, but this week it turned from the pernicious to the ridiculous as Police stretched their already tenuous use of the word 'blackmail' with regards to animal rights protest...

Last Tuesday (14th) some activists did a banner drop protesting against Ciba Vision, a subsidiary of Novartis, from an overpass over the motorway near Ciba Vision's premises at Hedge End, near Southampton. Ciba Vision make contact lenses, and are a client of vivisection lab Huntingdon Life Sciences (HLS). The protest was just outside the exclusion zone which limits protests near the premises of a list of companies associated with HLS as named on the injunction against SHAC. The two were not arrested, and only had their details taken by police for a possible court summons.

But things turned serious last Friday at 10am, when police kicked the door down at the house they were staying. With a

search warrant regarding Tuesday's banner-drop, 25 coppers arrived - including Hampshire Police's two 'animal rights specialists', Martin Foster and Andrew Tester - and some plain-clothes CID to do the interviewing. The two banner-droppers were arrested for criminal damage and conspiracy to blackmail – because, the police said, they had used spraypaint to make the banner, and that spraypaint had been used in other actions against HLS targets previously! Their clothes were confiscated for forensic analysis, to see if they could be linked to a recent 'home visit' on the manager of a HLS client which involved paintstripper on his car and other nasty surprises. As one of them said, "It's as though police think we're the only people in Hampshire with spray cans".

This was the third time this same household had been raided in the past year, and police also took a computer, owned by another resident, who is currently one of the defendants in the upcoming SHAC trials (see below). A total of six computers, three printers and ten mobile phones have been taken from

this household during these raids.

How can a banner drop in a public place – for all intents and purposes a legal, non-violent action - blow out into a possible charge of 'conspiracy to blackmail'? With the evidence at hand this case would get laughed out of court - that is unless the police try to pin something on them – but this is just the latest chapter in the British Govt's tenacious and heavy handed campaign to smash animal rights activism in this country.

Said one of the arrestees -

"If they take what is legal protest, and use it to arrest people, it forces protesters underground because if they put their faces to actions – even legal ones – they risk having their house raided and being dragged into court cases with possible prison sentences. The Police are the biggest recruiters for the ALF."

"Any animal rights activist saying 'I will continue to protest until they stop' is now seen as tantamount to blackmail. But what is happening to SHAC and other animal rights groups is going to happen to other types of campaigns."

TRIAL & ERROR

Rumbling in the background to this weeks incident is the first of two SHAC trials, which is currently into its third week and is due to last over four months, ending in January. The second trial begins then, but it may be affected by the results of the first. Eight have been charged - two with blackmail and the others with 'conspiracy to blackmail'. Since then, four are on remand and three have pleaded guilty.

But what is all this 'blackmail' thing about? Since 2001 SHAC have published the names of companies doing business with HLS, and initially sent them polite letters saying, 'Do you know what HLS do? Please stop dealing with them.' Since then there have been demos and ALF-style actions against some of them.

It turns out that some of the companies involved did stop working with HLS. Many did so after being visited by police, who told their management that now they were on the SHAC website they needed to beef up security - warning staff of dire threats to life and limb and advising them to check under their cars for bombs. These companies include those

making cages, other torture equipment, and supplying transport and other services to HLS, as well as clients using HLS's 'research' on animals.

The police and prosecution are alleging that, by hosting the names of companies that work with Huntingdon Life Sciences, SHAC are giving a nod and a wink to ALF-style attacks. Yes covert attacks have taken place against HLS related targets – including paintstripper on cars, phonecalls and letters to directors' homes and more – and people have been prosecuted for various offences in the past – but these attacks against HLS (and associated companies) are not being linked to the SHAC defendants in this trial. Instead re-publishing public information and writing to companies about animal abuse inside HLS' labs is made to look like a scene from a Mafia movie where the don says "...we wouldn't want any nasty accidents to happen to you on your way back from the animal murdering lab, would we now."

This trial is just the latest court case involving animal rights activists, coming after the recent Sequani trials which saw Sean Kirtley banged up for four years for running a website. In May 2007 police made 32

arrests across the UK in 'Operation Achilles'. 700 police were involved as homes and animal sanctuaries were raided, with police seizing computers, mobile phones and cash in what a popular weekly direct action newsletter described as a 'fishing expedition'.

But while HLS are being protected by the bootboys and laws of the British state, they are in fact in a tenuous state. They took a loan from the British Govt in 2001, and are battling to repay it. Novartis are being targeted because they are a major client of HLS, which HLS would sorely miss, and their status on the New York Stock Exchange is another weak point for them. If they get kicked off the NYSE before 2011 – as has happened in the past due to the international efforts of SHAC – they will go into liquidation.

That animal rights activists are portrayed in Britain as 'extremists' or 'terrorists' is deeply ironic seeing as they are about protecting animals from torture.

* See also
www.shac.net
www.netcuwatch.org.uk

* Written by
www.schnews.org.uk

ARMS FACTORY CLOSED



A mass protest against Brighton-based arms manufacturers EDO MBM/ITT took place on 15th October. Organised by the Smash EDO campaign, the event was the third such demo this year, after the Carnival Against the Arms Trade in June. As the 400-strong march was prevented by police from reaching the EDO factory, 40 bottles of red paint were thrown over the back fence by a group of protesters who split off. The bomb factory was reportedly shut down for the day with at least 10 people arrested and some injured from police violence, including a photographer.



WHO ARE WE?



Antisppeciesist Action is a collective of militant antisppeciesists and animal rights activists committed to confronting animal abuse, suffering and exploitation of non-human beings through the use of direct action.

We believe in the 'No Compromise' philosophy, veganism and actively support the Animal Liberation Front (ALF) and animal rights prisoners.

We are opposed to capitalism and the state, understanding that without both entities, the universal exploitation of animals would not be possible.

Until Every Cage Is Empty!

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