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## A.L.F. GUIDELINES

**TO** liberate animals from places of abuse, ie laboratories, factory farms, fur farms, etc. and when ever possible, place them in good homes where they may live out their natural lives, free from suffering.

**TO** inflict economic damage to those who profit from the misery and exploitation of animals.

**TO** reveal the horror and atrocities committed against animals behind locked doors, by performing non-violent direct actions and liberationist.

**TO** take all necessary precautions against harming any animal, human and non-human.

**Any individual or group of people who are vegetarians or vegans and who carry out actions according to the A.L.F. guidelines have a right to regard themselves as part of the ANIMAL LIBERATION FRONT.**

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### PRISONER SUPPORT

- Letter writing: prisoners rely on letters as their link to the outside world. Letters to newspapers help inform the public about the plight of imprisoned activists.
- Publicity: articles for magazines, letters to the editor, public speaking, and other media work such as radio broadcasts help fundraise and raise awareness. Of course any press work that is done under the name of the North American A.L.F.S.G. must be approved by the NA-A.L.F.S.G.
- Distribution/Subscription drives: if you can help us distribute *Underground* or increase subscriptions, that helps us educate about animal liberation.

### MAIL SECURITY

If you are a member of an active A.L.F. cell, send us any clippings, or your own report, with date, time, place and a few details about the action. Send your reports on plain paper, using block capital letters, or a public typewriter that many people have access to. Wear gloves at all times so your fingerprints are not on the paper, envelope or stamp. Do not give your address, and don't lick the stamp or envelope; wet it with a sponge. Remember, you should expect that all of our mail and any other SG's mail is opened and read by the authorities. DO NOT inform us of upcoming actions BEFORE they happen.

## Waves of Destruction

All in the beginning  
we have seemed to achieve  
an uncontrollable mess  
if though our minds  
were set in motion  
in advance  
to wipe out the total existence  
of every living molecule  
Why the madness?  
war  
famine  
genocide  
only the start of the devasta-  
tion process  
chop the trees (so I could  
write this poem)  
pollute the air  
increase the chance  
that next generation  
won't have an ozone layer  
Three Mile Island  
Chernobyl next  
Hey, did some expert say  
that "Nuclear power is safe"  
Leaving toxic caste  
by the bundle  
to kill all the insects  
with DDT  
only MOTHER NATURE  
turn the tables  
on mankind species Some  
how we can't  
get the shit under control  
what's our problem?  
Keep on producing  
things never intended  
millions of guns  
chemical warfare

## EDITOR'S NOTE:

And here we go again, another issue of *Underground* — at long last! In the short period between each issue (roughly 3 months) so much seems to happen within the animal liberation movement that it sometimes seems impossible to keep up. But we do try. In this issue you'll find all sorts of interesting reading, including a special section in which A.L.F. and E.L.F. activists share their experiences and offer some tips to others considering actions of their own. Also inside is the Diary of Action (of course) with listings of liberations, economic sabotage and all round trouble-making activities. Always a good read and an inspiration...

Our thanks go out to everyone who has helped us put this issue of *Underground* together and who have passed on info, offered support, lent a hand and so much more. Special thanks to the A.L.F., Darren, A.L.F.S.G. (UK), Catherine, the DADF, Gina, Rod, JP Goodwin, David, the E.L.F., Rabbix, Simon, Roach, Barry and Sue (keep up the fight!), the dogs for scaring off the RCMP, No Compromise, Who's Emma, Profane Existence, Factsheet Five, Hilma, Pat and Gary (Chatham 3), and to all of you who continue to show such generous and selfless support for the SG and the A.L.F. in general. Without you, we couldn't pull it all together.

It is important to note that this is a rough time for many activists within the movement. Police investigations continue to focus on the upsurge in animal and earth liberation actions, and raids and arrests continue. It is so important each and every one of us offers our support to those facing hard times ahead. Write a prisoner a letter. Send a support committee a donation. Set up a collection, a benefit, an info booth, and raise awareness and funds. Contact any recently arrested/raided activists in your area and tell them you care, tell them their efforts were appreciated, lend them your support. Set aside your petty disputes and be there for them. It's the least any of us can do.

yer editor,  
t.

bombs galore  
nightstick bashing  
lethal injection  
we use those knives  
a little too often  
hoping that our problems  
would be solved  
within a moment's time  
building ideas  
on oppressive techniques  
Only  
Homelessness  
unemployment  
welfare cuts  
concentration camps  
Educational deductions  
are being manufactured by  
such  
Reactionary Solution  
what are we to do,  
overthrow the criminals  
into it for the Money?  
Hell fucking yes!  
way in advance  
before annihilation of  
the masses  
turns into an incurable  
reality.

By D.A. Sheldon

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"We think the butler did it, Sarge"



# Letters to Underground



## SUPPORT NEEDED

A.L.F.S.G.:

I am writing to you to see if you can help me and my fiancée out. We were recently (about one month ago) arrested for a mink farm raid. One other person was arrested but he wrote damaging statements about us, so we don't include him in anything. We have some legal fees to pay plus some back pay we owe. It would be greatly appreciated if you could send us some *Underground's* to distro to help us out.

We run the risk of losing our only car to the police (our only way to get to our jobs), so we are in need of funds badly. I heard the Mass 4 received \$3,000 worth of fines each, we would be screwed if that was our case.

A little about our case: We were arrested on Wed. July 9th. I spent six days in jail and Stephanie spent eight. We have been charged with six felonies, two Break and Enters, two vandalisms, and two possession of criminal tools. An incident at the same "farm" happened two days earlier. We are also being charged for that incident. On this night spraypainting was done and breeding cards were destroyed. The 2nd night more spraypainting happened and 40 mink were released.

If you can't do anything, I understand. I'm aware 13 other people face felony charges for A.L.F. activities. Joshua Ellerman from SLC seems the most needful for funds and support since he's facing 16 charges. If you have contact with him, send him our best. He's in our hearts and our minds, along with all the brave warriors across the world.

Thank you very much!

Jesse & Stephanie Parsh

**Please send Jesse and Stephanie your support, financial and otherwise. They can be reached by writing:**

**Cleveland Animal Defense League  
Box 29492, Parma, OH 44129, USA**

## VEGAN PRISONER WRITES

Greetings,

A friend of mine recently gave me your address. I'm in prison and I had asked him about receiving a vegan diet without professing to a Christian religion I don't believe in ... I was also interested in other things: being active while in prison, contacts, information, etc. Any info would be way cool or just write and say "hey" ...

I've been involved with the punk rock scene since the early 80's -- anarchist politics, zines, mail art all have been like a saviour to me during my time "down" -- I believe in respect for all creatures. I also believe in radical tactics in order to liberate both mind and body. As I said before, I've been told the only way I can receive a vegetarian diet is to have my religion

changed to a Christian oriented belief system. If I were to claim I was a buddhist or something like that (which wouldn't be as bad) I would have to have a written letter from a registered monastery saying I was a part of their organization. At any rate, none of that should be necessary.

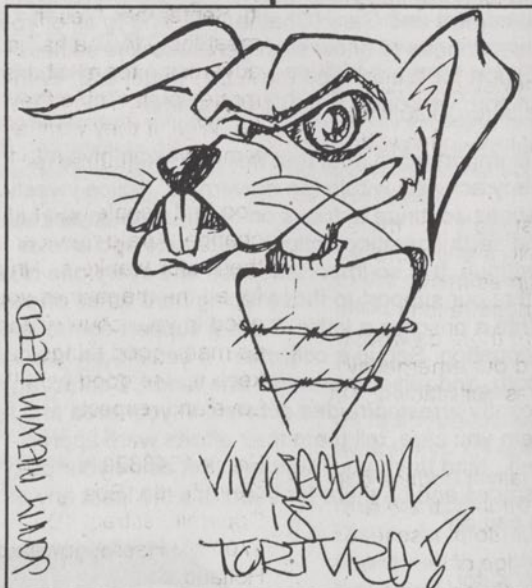
Thank you very much for any help you may be able to give me, I totally appreciate it and will be looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours in Liberation

Jonny Melvin Reed, #93033  
Arizona State Prison  
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Florence, Arizona, 85232

**North American prisoners with similar concerns about accessing a proper vegan meal should consider contacting the Vegan Prisoners Supporters Group (see letter below). Also check out page 27 for information about class war prisoner Harold Thompson's legal proceedings for vegan meals.**



## VEGAN PRISONER SUPPORTERS GROUP (VPSG)

Hi All,

Mel here, doing a spot of volunteering with the VPSG. Have you seen any of our literature before? Do you know if any similar organizations exist within the US for imprisoned vegans/prisoners of conscience?

We introduce ourselves to any new prisoner as a support group who will intervene on their behalf in order to obtain vegan food/toiletries etc. directly with the governors and have had many successes in these areas, as the enclosed information shows.

We've been contacting US prisoners regularly and are willing to extend our practical assistance to these as and when requested to by the prisoner concerned. At the very least we can send in dietary and nutritional sheets of information, and when we become more acquainted with the US prison system we could perhaps achieve for prisoners there what we have done so far here.

We also produce an inter-prison newsletter which the prisoners contribute to. It all helps build up solidarity and moral support and keeps people in touch with each other on the inside.

We're also working on a new arrest leaflet as there's a huge new influx of young campaigners around who've never dealt with the sometimes heavy handed nature of the police at demonstrations before. This way, the guidelines are there on what to expect in the event of an arrest and our emergency helpline if remanded. It all increases our efficiency in helping.

Anyway, just really wanted to formally introduce ourselves and let you know of our position. If there are any similar groups set up in the US, do please let us know so we can extend our knowledge of working prisons and be better able to assist those inside.

Take care then,  
Best Wishes,  
Melanie Arnold

**VEGAN PRISONERS SUPPORTERS GROUP**  
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## WORD FROM HOLLAND

Hello There,  
Here's a little note from Holland. So, how are you all? I'm writing to let you know that I've moved. I'm here a week now and it's very, very boring here. I've got more freedom but there's simply nothing to do here. I'm glad I don't have to go that long anymore, otherwise I would go mad in this shit-place. Got to keep strong for 4 months and then I'm out! Time can't go too fast for me. Also, the summer has started for real, the weather is beautiful so when you see that you start to feel what you have to miss while behind bars. Ok, enough moaning already!

Well, I don't have much news to tell you. Only that the outbreak of swine-disease is still spreading. They're finally talking about a breeding ban. Farmers can't transport and murder "their" pigs so barns start to get really full. They started to kill baby-pigs already, 500,000 at the age 4-17 days. To make room! This already cost the government and farmers 700 million guilders -- I think that's about 350 million dollars! They expect that the disease will go on at least 'til September. Yes, it's not going that good with the meat industry, ha ha ha. They want to make a lot of advertising for meat this years, spend twice as much money on it. Thing they can use it better now, ha ha ha. Well, if they want an answer for all these problems, we can give it to them easily: GO VEGAN!

Too bad people won't listen or are too scared to change. Afraid they can't eat anything anymore, pathetic sick wankers. Alright, that's it for now, thanx for all the magazines you send me. It's going very good in your country and it warms my heart to see so many good things happening. Take care and keep up the good work!!  
Love and respect,

Frank 1648820  
Gev. Zuyder Bos  
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Holland

## ROGER TROEN RESPONDS TO INFORMER ALLEGATIONS

To the publisher of *Underground* Issue 6:

I can't find any names in your publication that would tell me who the editor or publisher is so how can you be held accountable for what you print? After reading over the FBI account and the comments by "anonymous" in *Underground* #6 I woked up at 4am on morning with what could be an explanation of the

source(s.) Knowing I was never interviewed by the FBI it is possible that at least five others would have had this basic information. One of those people dropped out of the movement right after my arrest but I would never say who! That person popped into my head that morning ... then others.

That said, here are some questions for the unnamed editor and/or publisher and then some for "anonymous":

1. Don't journalists usually interview both accused and accuser?
2. Isn't it somewhat unethical to print charges made by anonymous sources?
3. Since "anonymous" provided my address and phone number urging people to call me and visit and you printed them, couldn't you, yourself contact me for a more complete report?
4. In fact why even supply that information which was available in the phone book with the same phone number and address since 1936?!

Now some questions for anonymous:

1. When and where was I interviewed by the FBI?
2. What was I to gain by divulging anything?
3. Have you read the stipulated facts presented in court?
4. Are you aware I was not required to testify during the "trial?"
5. Three years after the sentencing, serving my house arrest, paying restitution, completing 350 hours of community service, etc. what was I offered for any information?
6. If I revealed anything why didn't it result in further arrests that could have spread the \$35,000 restitution out among more participants?

By some accounts I transported 100 rats, 30 mice, 11 hamsters, and 20+ rabbits to:

- a. Five rabbits to a farmhouse a mile off the highway,
- b. Five rabbits along I-5
- c. 20 rabbits released in some "hills."
- d. Various rats, mice, and hamsters to Canada.
- e. Three rabbits delivered to Nanette Benson on the Oregon coast.

7. Isn't this a bit much for one person to have done?
8. And why stop with those 168 animals?
9. Didn't I also have the 24 cats and kittens?
10. Did I dump them too?
11. How did I manage to cram 168-192 animals into a two door sedan?
12. Wouldn't I have had to have cages in there with me?
13. If I did all this alone shouldn't I be entitled to "brag" about this to children?
14. Where did I do this bragging?

15. Why was the report written using the grammatical third person?

16. Doesn't this suggest to you this account was cobbled together by someone besides me. Perhaps those who consider you terrorists? The FBI????!!!

17. Why don't you (whoever you are) and anonymous get together and write a screen play about this phenomenal event?

18. Better yet, why don't we both do this and see who can sell it to some movie producer? I'll bet my truth will be stranger than your fiction. In the meantime I have more serious things to do than refute anonymous allegations. In fact I am ashamed to have spent even the last couple of hours on this questionnaire.

VIVA THE ALF,  
Roger Troen

## VEGAN SALUTATIONS

Dear Comrades across the Pond Vegan Greetings!  
Many thanks for your letter of support and the very interesting issue 7 of *Underground*.

As you can see I've been moved to another perfectly crap jail, but aren't they all?!

In the middle of May I was sentenced to a total of eight months for completely trashing the centre of a dead and rotting animal flesh shop, causing an alleged 2,500 pounds of "criminal" damage. I was also convicted of theft -- though not unfortunately of any animals from the University of Cambridge's Dept. of Pathology. Here, in the UK, prisoners serving less than four years only have to do half their sentence with something called "good behaviour" (??). So, all going well, I'll be out in July!

I would describe my brief spell away as highly constructive, giving me a much needed rest -- and most importantly the time to catch up on some necessary reading and research. If "they" knew this, I'm sure they'd never have stuck me away!

The severe lack of like minded folk in these places has been more than made up for by the overwhelming letters of support and offers of practical support. The fear of isolation in prison is unfounded. It leaves the authorities quite bemused and somewhat more cautious about denying us our rights, and when they do, it most often back-fires as they are inundated with representations from our supporters and even their own bosses. We are stronger than them -- we are, after all on the right and winning side.

When I am released I shall be going out to a nation

rid of two less evils. Firstly, the hunting of red deer has virtually been outlawed and secondly the Tory govt was well and truly ousted. The new Labour govt has begun to tighten up on the legislation surrounding live animal exports with the view to make it become virtually unprofitable... we will have to wait and see how genuine they are.

In the meantime people are well motivated, so the animals will embrace their revolution one way or another. Anyway, take care of yourself, don't follow my example and get caught, keep at them!

Yours for,  
love, peace, justice and all animal liberation  
Kenny Gloster HG3042  
**HMP Pentonville**  
**Caledonian Rd**  
**London, N78TT**  
**England**

P.S. It has just been disclosed that new legislation comes into effect next month (July) -- live animal exports will now almost certainly be ended! YES!

**A second letter arrived shortly after the first from Kenny:**

Yet again the Powers-that-be --whilst considerably better than the tyrannical Tories -- have demonstrated that any faith people put in their so-called democratic process is unfounded.

The P.S. attached to my recent letter to you was a case example. Unfortunately, I woke up and heard that Labour was introducing legislation and tightening up on existing laws and I jumped to the conclusion they were honouring their promise to tighten up on live animal exports that (if conformed to) would make it too unprofitable and therefore live animal exporters would be driven out of business. WISHFUL THINKING!! As the day developed it transpired that the legislation was so full of loop holes that it will make little or no difference. Yet another example of the state pandering to commercial exploiters and abusers. Ah well, I thought I'd better inform you of my mistaken report. Hope things are going alright with you over there. Anarchy is the Answer!

Love, peace, justice and all animals liberated,  
Kenny

## YONGE RECIDIVISTS FOR THE A.L.F.

Hello A.L.F.!

Is been a month ago, I wrote to you to subscribe at *Underground* and you did it and it was free because I'm in jail. Now I'm writing to say thank you, I think this is very cool on your part. Because over here I don't have money to give you. I made a drawing to send to you. It is cool on your part that you didn't forget me. If you can publish this nice Anti-vivisection drawing in a next *Underground* issue, that should be very great. Anyway, this is the most I can do for you and our friend the animal ... for the moment! So I must leave you here. Take care,

Vincent Gauthier  
3100 Bl. Lemire  
Pav Laforest  
Drummondville,  
QUE  
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Please try to publish my drawing. Excuse my english, I just speak in french!

## FRIENDS OF MOVE

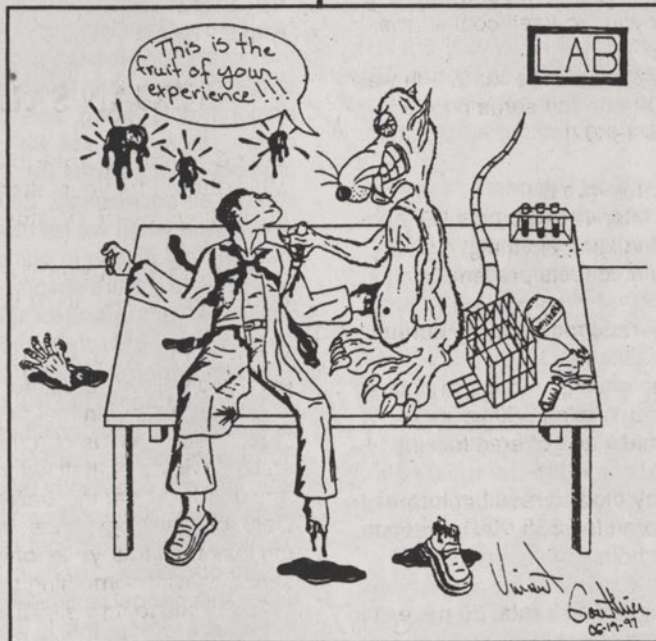
Revolutionary Greetings from Friends of Move U.K.

Glad to see your article about Move and thought *Underground* was a good mag. Per-

haps you would like to print the enclosed letter from Debbie Africa in the mag. Also, Our group in London has a new address and it would be very helpful if you could put in a notice of this. We have loads more information available if you want it -- just write to us.

Stay strong,  
Blessings,  
Sister Ruby

LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION!  
ALL PRAISE TO THE ORDER OF LIFE!  
THE POWER OF TRUTH IS FINAL!



### On the Move

To all nuclear resisters, environmentalists, animal rights rebels, Earth liberators and freedom fighters for all of Life.

We of Move want to commend you for the extraordinary work you are doing for Life.

I've gotten your newsletters and news magazines but don't always respond to every issue; with the worldwide correspondence it is almost impossible to respond to everybody individually and maintain any regular schedule.

The stand you are taking against this system for the enslaving, torturing of animals; uprooting, raping of the Earth; the stand against nuclear tech and environmental danger is *right* to take and has not gone unnoticed. The dedication you are showing in your effort to protect Life is *not* in vain and is not taken for granted. This work is urgently important! This system is not taking your work lightly. You *are* making a difference.

On behalf of the Move 9 Political Prisoners I want to send a personal message of encouragement to *keep up the good work!* It might appear that everybody's fighting for individual causes and appear to be unattached, but the truth is that we are *all* very much attached, because *all* of Life is *connected, attached*. This is what John Africa teaches. **LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA!**

When an Earth protector saves *one* tree, she or he is saving thousands of animals as well -- for the tree is *not just* the mate to the Earth, the natural boundary of the land or the protector from disasters. The trees are shelters that feed, rest and house the creatures of Life, making the Earth liberator indeed an animal protector too. When an animal activist saves *one* animal, the animal activist is indeed promoting the saving of entire species of Life, whether it be animal life, plant or marine life or saving the soil from erosion. The nuclear resister who stops the making of just *one* nuclear piece of technology is saving human, animal, plant life, marine life, saving the air, water and soil from poison.

The nuclear resister is an environmental protection ally without question. So you see just as all of life is connected, *we* are all connected. **LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA!**

For the past 25 years, the above-ground Philadelphia chapter of Move Organization has taken Our fight directly to the perpetrators of *all* this madness -- to the courts, judges, the legislators of these crimes and this is the real issue behind the Move 9 being in

prison, because move tells the truth about this system, how it's *killing* Life for the sake of industry, money.

Move talked to these judges about Life and they talked to us about court procedures; we talked to these judges about Life's freedom and they talked to us about court procedures; we talked to these judges about Life's order and they talked to us about court procedures as if Life don't mean nothin'. This system is full of these kind of people like these judges who think they're somebody, think they ain't got to *account to life* for nothin', people who will ravish a *whole forrest* and when we tell them it's wrong, they act like we are *crazy; dump poison* in the ocean that belongs to Life and when we tell them we got the right to *stop* them from dumping poison *in* the ocean, but they ain't got no right to *dump poison* in the ocean, they look at us like *we're crazy* and threaten to but us in jail, but the crazy person is the person that is wrong, and it is *wrong to poison the ocean, the air, the soil, life, , and right to confront anybody that poisons life*. These are people that poison the air *unceasingly, 24 hours a day, , which is wrong*, and when we *tell* them that we don't want them putting poison in our air, which is *right*, they look at us like there is something *wrong* with us, because we want to *protect the breath of life* from their *insanity*, want to *protect* the air they got to breathe from that *godaming poison* they can't breathe, and these judges *damn the law of God* in the *same way* as these idiots just described are damning *God's air, God's water, God's soil, God's life*. It is *right* to be safe; Move is constantly talking to these judges about *safety*, danger is *wrong*, these judges involve themselves in danger, get mad 'cause Move won't involve *ourselves* in danger, put us in prison for *resisting* this danger and give the public the impression that we are wrong, this is what the *syphilitic ravished judge Malmed* did ... *John Africa* explains very clearly that these judges think they got power because they can legislate these laws that hurt, cripple, maim, kill, Life treating Life like they know more about how to treat the lives of people than *Life*, yet without the force of Life, they couldn't even lift that damn gavel; these judges have spit their sickness on the *health of Move*, they have spit their sickness on *all of Life* and they are payin' for it, with weakness and sickness, bad health, weak lungs, retardation -- and the list goes on because remember, to blockade Life's plan is cruel, fatal, blind, deadly to those that imprison the force to be free... **LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA!** Nobody can tamper with any one form of Life without upsetting the entire balance of all of Life, because all of Life is connected. To quote *John Africa*, Move's coordinator (quote):



In Natural law we trust, all praises to the order of life, the presence of truth is the power of god, long LIVE God's power, the force we relate to, the power, the source the life force of Move, long live the rabbits, the beetles, the frogs, snakes, lizards, snails, buzzards, wolves,

jackal, fox, cougar, the birds in the field that without Life is dead, the voice they obey when their young chirps, for balance, the worm in the field that connects birds' existence, the fruits of the orchards of life THEY are kin to, the tree that springs pregnant with fruit for all subjects, from soil that drinks in the rain it relates to, the breeze that skip 'cross the family of wheat fields with meaning that's gentle and smooth as united, long live the sun that forever must shine, the oceans that rise up full force when Life's threatened, the wind that distributes Life's seed of existence as rivers, brooks, streams, springs of life it is linked to, the Thunder that shakes free the germ of stagnation, the lightning that plucks out the weak in Life's presence, long live our mama who suckles, feeds, cuddles all subjects of Life with no notion of RACE, no exceptions of color, of creed, rank, POSITION, no commitment to anything breeding division, the force of our power is mama, the source, the force of God's law that's as mighty as thunder, mom's strong as lightnin' bolt, swift as the wind, stout as the ocean that beats at man's door, mama's reaching as rain, broad as her snow, outstretched as sunshine



that blankets ALL subjects, rich as her dirt, tough as iron-oak, bold as the mountain that cuddles the valley, she is the blizzard before Move, the quake at our flank, the gale at our back as we rid Life of sickness, mama's all that we need to turn 'round this intruder,

so long as we all Move together as one there can be no divisions to pull us apart ... No matter how hopeless Life's work may yet seem, the power that's needed will NEVER betray us, remember how water seems pent-in and trapped til the dam breaks and crumbles and dies like its maker, remember to blockade Life's plan is CRUEL, FATAL, BLIND, DEADLY to ANYBODY that imprisons the force to be free!! LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA!!

On the Move,

Debbie Africa  
Minister of Education  
The Move  
Organization.

Let this be clear that the information you have just read is coming from the wisdom of John Africa and only John Africa. I am just a student of this wise and brilliant teacher.

LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA THE COORDINATOR OF MOVE!

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## LONDON POLICE RUN OFF THEIR FEET

From the *POLICE REVIEW* (March 21/97): "In the last five years, the Metropolitan Police has had to deal with 510 separate policing operations classified as being concerned with environmental groups — and the trend is upwards."

The MET police force is for London alone. British police do make a differentiation between Animal rights and Environmental groups (recognizing about a 50% cross over). So, according to this report, London cops are called out to an environment related action every three to four days "and the trend is upwards!" -thanks to Ecovegan

## AUSTRALIAN ACTIVISTS STAMP THOUSANDS OF BATTERY EGGS!!

March/97

In the early hours of the morning the Animal Liberation Action Rescue Team inspected Victoria's largest battery hen factory HAPPY HENS EGG WORLD for the 16th time! Thousands of battery eggs were individually stamped with the words "made with cruelty". The egg industry consistently misleads consumers with false advertising. The time has come to tell the truth. The health of Victorian people is seriously at risk. The appalling, filthy and cruel conditions in egg factories is a disease outbreak just waiting to happen. A minimum of 30 dead rotting green

decomposing bodies were pulled out of the cages in a short time by the rescue team. Living hens were forced to live and lay their eggs on these corpses. Mice were seen running through the cages. Many violations to the State's Prevention Of Cruelty To Animals Act and Code of Practice were videotaped and photographed. Four very ill hens were rescued and taken to a veterinary surgeon, one had to be euthanased (she was severely emaciated, only had one eye and suffered a long-standing wound). Two of the hens rescued were half their normal body weight.

## [UK] Cats liberated from Hill Grove Farm

April 26, 1997

ENGLAND - Hill Grove Family Cats in Minster Lovell, Witney, Oxfordshire is a farm/bed & breakfast business that also breeds cats for vivisection. It is run by a Christopher "Farmer" Brown and has been the focus of demonstrations for some time.

On Saturday 26th April during the Day of Action in Oxford, Hill Grove Farm had to be protected by dozens of riot cops who only prevented more damage being done by sheer force of numbers. The breeder had been raided by activist the week before and at least 20 cats were rescued. Farmer Brown is rumoured to be suffering from panic attacks. As this is only a small family run business with no large companies behind it, it is particularly susceptible to pressure from activists and is an ideal candidate for closure.

## 3rd charged in Weber fur arson

April/97

The owner of the pickup truck allegedly used in the attempted firebombing of the Montgomery Fur Co. has become the third suspect charged in the case. Bret G. Walton, 18, of Bountiful, was charged in 2nd District Court with attempted aggravated arson, a second-degree felony.

Although the Animal Liberation Front has claimed credit for what it calls an aborted attack, Walton's attorney said his client has no links to radical animal-rights groups.

Walton waived his preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty. Trev J. Poulson, one of two men arrested days after the March 19 arson attempt, also waived his preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to attempted aggravated arson. Also charged was Cameron Michael Kraus, 18, of Centerville, had his preliminary hearing on an attempted aggravated arson charge delayed until May 14.

Court documents show that police believe Poulson and Kraus used Walton's 1992 Toyota truck the night of the arson attempt.

## NOOSE REBEL HALTS RUNWAY BAILIFFS (UK)

MAY/97:

ENGLAND - A protester with a noose around her neck halted bailiffs trying to clear the site of Manchester's proposed second runway.

The young woman, who attached the rope to a tunnel entrance, would be hanged if the trap door to the tunnel were opened, Randal Hibbert, the Under Sheriff of Cheshire, said. The device made opening the door "virtually impossible", he said.

The protester, one of four holed up in a tunnel at the Sir Cliff Richard OBE Vegan Revolution Camp, had also attached herself to reinforced concrete in an attempt to thwart the bailiffs. The activist had volunteered to put herself in this position "to stop the bailiffs entering the tunnel and to delay them as long as possible".

A diagram showing her position and that of the noose was pasted on the door to the tunnel and the woman was not expected to be in any immediate danger, a spokesman said. Authorities were also told that protesters had embedded butane gas cylinders into concrete blocks which could explode, injuring bailiffs and tunnelers. The "booby traps" around the camps, were said to include glass, barbed wire and nails.

The Cliff Richard camp, where up to 30 protesters in seven tree houses 50-60ft above ground were defying climbing specialists, and presented the worst obstacle for builders.

## MASS 4 SENTENCED

July, 1997

PITTSFIELD — Four CAFT activists accused of vandalizing a Hidsdale mink farm last year were ordered to pay \$3,100 in restitution and stay out of trouble for one year. Prosecutors were hoping for at least 6 months in jail for the four animal liberation activists. Sentenced were Jaime Roth, 19, Alex Smolak, 20, Warren Upson, 18, and Grant Upson, 16.

Without entering a plea, the group admitted that the commonwealth had enough evidence to prove their guilt. The case was suspended without a finding.

The group had been arrested last November after a second release attempt at the Carmel Family Mink Farm. Charges included breaking and entering in the nighttime with intent to commit a felony, larceny over \$250, malicious destruction of property over \$250 and trespassing after notice.

## DNA DATA BASE

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M — Law enforcement agencies announced in May that New Mexico will start building a DNA data base over summer. Everybody who is convicted of a felony will be required to give police a DNA sample, said state Democratic Sen. Cisco McSorley of Albuquerque. DNA samples will be extracted through blood samples, he said.

## DAM PUT ON HOLD -- NEW ARRESTS

ITOIZ RIVER, SPAIN — Plans to dam the Itoiz River in the Basque Country in Spain were put on hold after acts of sabotage forced the authorities to abandon the project. Villagers in the area would have been flooded out by the dam waters, but in April of 1996 activists used circular saws and cut steel cables used to transport concrete to the dam wall. Eight people went to prison for the action, but after public pressure, all eight were released early.

Since then, however, two more people have been arrested and sentenced to three years, despite the fact that neither participated in the action. The two are Patxi Gorraiz and Daniel Unziti. Ad-

resses for Patxi Gorraiz are unavailable, but Daniel can be reached at:

Daniel Unziti  
Iruñeko Gartzela  
San Roque Kalea z/g  
Iruñea-Pamplona  
Spain

**Any support for this environmental activist would be greatly appreciated!**

-thanks to Ecovegan

## US HUNGER STRIKE CONTINUES

September/97:

ATLANTA - Sentenced to jail for 45 days for her part in a peaceful picket at the residence of the chief of Yearkes Primate Research Center, animal rights activist Sue McCrosky has engaged in a hungerstrike from behind bars.

Jailed Sept. 3, Ms McCrosky has been refused life-saving medications, has been put in a cell without a bed, and housed in another cell with no running water. As her condition worsens, her jailers have moved Sue to isolation, restricting visits by family and supporters.

Animal rights activists continue to rally in support for Sue, and have been joined by longtime civil rights leader Hosea Williams in demanding humane care for McCrosky.

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## The DIRECT ACTION DEFENSE FUND

Animal and Earth liberation activists are on the rise and with them a renewed effort by local, state and federal authorities to capture and imprison those responsible. The support needed to sustain criminalization of environmental and animal defense requires much organization from our movements. Prisoner support, legal defense and consultation, fund-raising and public awareness all play an important role in ensuring that we do not let our warriors on the front-lines down.

The DIRECT ACTION DEFENSE FUND (DADF) was established as one small beginning of this vital network. But DADF is only one step in the foundation building of direct action prisoner support and it needs others to contribute if we are to successfully support and aid our imprisoned comrades in their sincerest times of need.

DADF is nothing more than a few activists from the animal, earth and indigenous liberation movements who believe that more is required to support direct action groups like the A.L.F. than just moral or vocal support. DADF's primary purpose is to raise funds to be used in a completely legal manner to help post bail for activists arrested for illegal direct action in defense of animals and earth.

DADF's advisory committee is made up of volunteers active in prisoner support and every donation is used 100% for activist defense. DADF has no overhead, we do not print a newsletter nor invest in expensive equipment. All of our resources are devoted to those behind bars for animal and earth liberation.

Fundamentally, DADF believes the direct action warrior's decision to take action involves the acceptance of responsibility to never cause an injury or loss of life. That responsibility also entails the acceptance of the possibility of imprisonment without compromising information that endangers fellow warriors. If potential direct action warriors are unable to accept these responsibilities or believe that their freedom is more valuable than others, the DADF absolves itself of all involvement and association with such individuals. DADF's limited resources are only available to those activists who adhere to these basic guidelines.

In recent months DADF has assisted imprisoned activists including posting \$1,500 to bail out a mink liberator in Ohio and helping get fund raise for the Chatham 3 in Ontario. Though DADF's primary purpose is to act as a bust fund, we also use our combined experience and resources to help arrested direct action warriors any way we can.

DADF is currently assisting Delyla Wilson of the Bison Action Group who was federally indicted on felony assault charges for her actions in defense of the free-roaming bison of the Yellowstone ecosystem. Though our finances prevent us from covering legal expenses, DADF is helping Wilson with legal research in preparation for her federal trial.

Though Wilson's actions were more in the area of civil disobedience DADF believes her federal indictment warrants our support as the use of federal law enforcement, the grand jury process and the threat of a federal conviction for non-violent action all have far-reaching implications for both the animal liberation and the radical environmental movements. It will not be long before other activists find themselves the targets of federal prosecution and in violation of new federal "anti-terrorism" legislation such as the Animal Enterprises Protection Act.

DADF wants our movements to be prepared to fight this repression and in order to do that we need your help. If you are a paralegal or know one that is willing to donate their time and energy please contact us. If you can organize fund raisers for the DADF bust fund, let us know and we'll provide you with educational materials for distribution.

As other revolutionary struggles have learned, our worth as a movement is reflected by how we treat our prisoners. Please help us in our efforts to support direct action warriors. @

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**SPECIAL SECTION  
IN THEIR OWN WORDS:  
A.L.F./E.L.F. ACTIVISTS TALK**

## YOU DESERVE A BRICK TODAY

**Fun and Games at Your Local McDonald's care of the A.L.F.**



### Attack McDonald's from the Roof!

One of the most effective ways to damage and interfere with regular operation of McDonald's is to directly attack the equipment they use to fry dead animals into food. Fortunately, you don't even have to go inside or make excessive noise to shut them down.

First, find a way onto the roof. We found a ladder that belonged to McDonald's sitting behind the dumpster. Some McDonald's have built-in ladders on the exterior that aren't locked or just have a padlock on them. All you really need on the roof is a dim flashlight, bolt-cutters, a socket wrench set and maybe a banner and cans of paint. Once on the roof, you will notice a series of steel domes and other equipment. Almost everything on the roof we were on had power switches at its base. First, turn everything off, then start removing the nuts on all the dome lids with your socket wrench or sometimes they come off by hand. When the fan belts stop moving, cut them with bolt-cutters and discard them. Next, find any electrical cords from the domes and cut them. [USE CAUTION AND SOME RUBBER HANDLED GRIPS!] Cut the metal cords last because they explode. If you see other important looking wires then cut them too. To finish it off, you might want to warn any activists on ground level that you're dropping the bomb -- pour paint or drop paint grenades down the hatches if there is nobody inside. NOTE: Often times there are people inside even when the store is closed.

By disabling all this equipment on the roof there are different things that will result. You could cause short circuits and power-failure. You could cause smoke to fill up inside since the exhaust fans won't work. Hopefully enough smoke will force an evacuation. You might damage the air conditioning or heat units and make it unbearable inside. Our spy went in the next day to find out that they were only serving hotcakes and muffins at least until 11:00am.

I hope this works for you as well as it worked for us. There is probably different security at different McDonald's so be careful when you plan. Good Luck! @

## A.L.F. Bulletin to all Fur Farm Raiders:

By now I'm sure you've all read the *Final Nail* and know of a bunch of fur farms in your area with animals eager to be liberated. Due to the recent continent-wide barrage against the animal torturers, you should expect security to be tightened. If you the would-be raiders, here are some tips:

1. Guard dogs may be an option but they probably won't be near the cages. Security guards may be hired. Cameras may be placed at some of the larger fur farms. Still undeterred? Read on. Always survey the area before-hand, possibly on a different night than the raid.
2. Tools: thick gloves (unfortunately leather is the only real option); common-brand shoes which will be thrown away later; flashlight with red cover over light, red attracts less attention and does not blind you or take away your night-vision (the red cover can be made of red grocery bags and tape if need be); razor/knife to cut the nets around each shed, bolt cutters for fences and locks etc.; small wrecking bar; walkie-talkies, perhaps if this is a team effort. Carry no ID or key sets or change. Individual keys, like the key to your getaway van, can be carried as long as they don't rustle. Emergency money bills should be carried.
3. Fur farms that imprison mink and fox hold between a hundred and a hundred thousand animals. They are made up of long sheds side-by-side with open sides. Inside are row upon row of cages about three feet off the ground. The sheds are always aligned north to south to make for even light distribution and proper pelt development. Sometimes there will be a wall surrounding all the sheds, sometimes each shed is individually enclosed in a net or fencing.
4. After a survey of the area decide on an escape route for your animals away from roads. Then decide on escape routes for yourself in case you wake the neighbours. You may wish to place a member of your troupe as "watch-dog."
5. Gloves at all times, no fingerprints. Do all the setup work first. Cut the bottom of the nets or fence around each shed. Open up sections of the fence around the perimeter, only a few will do.
6. Start at the shed farthest from the farmhouse. You'll figure out how to open the cages. Start opening at one end and work your way down. Don't worry about the animals, they'll find their way out. After you've finished the first row of cages, go onto the next. Some of the animals will fight or play. You can separate them or leave them alone. The noise can be unnerving, though. You'll notice sounds from the mink that they didn't make in their cages. The animals will coo as they run along when before all you've heard were hisses and shrieks in the cages.
7. After you have finished the last row of cages in the shed closet to the farmhouse go back and check on the other cages. If breeding cards are on top of the cages, you can take them. It will be an amusing scene of mayhem. Animals will be jumping out of cages and running about everywhere. They will be frolicking and darting through the exits you created beforehand. You can leave when all the cages are open -- the animals will find their own way out.
8. But your party may be disrupted early. If the farmer is awakened by you he will probably come running with a flashlight. Immediately leave quietly. He may know what is going on and call his neighbours and police before coming out to try and surprise you. CAREFUL!
9. At the very least, the priceless breeding info will be lost forever. And chances are the "lost" animals will not be insurable either. Each animal saved is about a \$35(US) kick in the ass to the fur farmer. Multiply this by 1000 or 10,000 and we're talking major eco-tage.
10. Be careful if fur farm raids have occurred in your area. Be extra careful if you hit the same farm twice.@

**Now get out there and have fun!**

## AN INTERVIEW WITH AN E.L.F. MEMBER

*The following interview was sent anonymously to Underground, postmarked England.*

**INTERVIEWER: You say you are a member of the E.L.F. What does "E.L.F." stand for?**

**E.L.F.:** E.L.F. stands for Earth Liberation Front. It's like an eco-A.L.F. In fact, most Elves [E.L.F. members] support the A.L.F. Animal Liberation and Ecodefense are all tied in together, you see. It's impossible to cause ecological and environmental damage without harming animals as well. Take road building for instance. Roads tend to cause a lot of ecological damage. They are built through woodlands and other important ecological sites.

What would be the point of a hunt sab, running around all day trying to save the life of say, a deer, but then allowing the same deer to die at the hands of a construction company that is destroying its natural habitat. It's crazy. Likewise, most animal abuse fucks up the environment.

**INTERVIEWER: When did the Earth Liberation Front first form? How did it come about?**

**E.L.F.:** That's easy. The E.L.F. was born in Britain in 1992. Back in 1991 the radical American ecology movement, Earth First!, came to Britain. EF! arrived at just the right time and became popular very quickly. With its message of Deep Ecology it appealed to a large number of animal liberation activists, like myself. It also gave the power back to the people, allowing us to take control and defend our own local environment. It was all very inspiring.

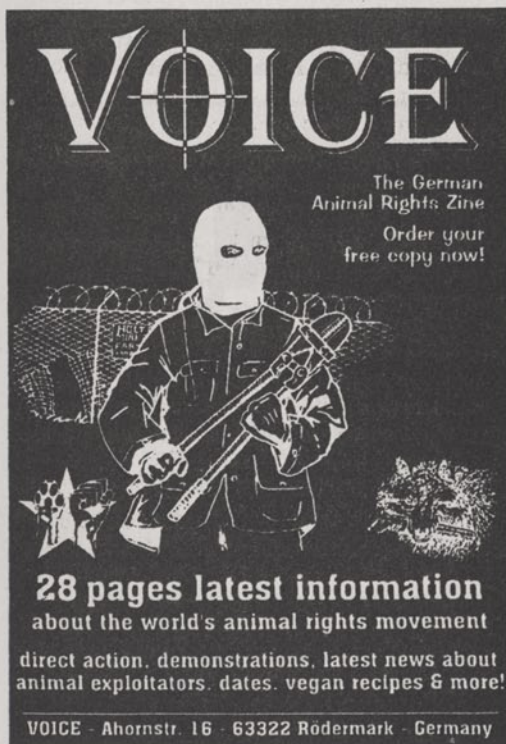
Because EF! was so popular and had so many backing it, it became concerned about public appearance. At the first British EF! gathering it was suggested that if British Earth First! was lined with overt law breaking, (monkeywrenching, etc.) then it could lose some of its support. It was decided that Earth First! would strictly stick to the "Politically Correct" stuff. You know, civil disobedience and such. Meanwhile, other forms of action — meaning monkeywrenching — would be claimed under the banner of the Earth Liberation Front.

**INTERVIEWER: You are a self-confessed Tree Spiker. Why do you spike trees?**

**E.L.F.:** Tree spiking is carried out to stop the destruction of woodlands. The destruction of a woodland is a direct attack on nature. Chainsawing trees destroys ecological sites and deprives animals of their natural habitat. The reason the Red Squirrel is dying out in England isn't because of the introduction of the Grey Squirrel. It's because the natural habitat of the Red is being destroyed. Likewise, you can't save bears and wolves in North America if you allow all of their habitat to be destroyed. Across the world both animal and plant species are becoming endangered because their natural habitat is being destroyed. Tree spiking is a way to fight back and save natural habitat — to preserve wildlife.

**INTERVIEWER: But isn't tree spiking considered a "violent" act? Isn't the E.L.F. committed to nonviolence?**

**E.L.F.:** The Earth Liberation Front is totally committed to nonviolence, and tree spiking is an act of nonviolence. Tree spiking is the hammering of pieces of metal, for example, headless six inch nails, into the trunks of trees. When a tree is chainsawed, it is then taken to a sawmill. If a tree has a spike in it, as soon as the sawmill blade hits the spike the blade is damaged. There was one "famous" incident in America where a sawmill blade shattered upon hitting a spike. The truth is this sawmill blade wasn't well maintained and it could have shattered if it hit anything hard. A bullet from a hunter's gun could have been in the tree. That was a one off. A well maintained sawmill blade will not shatter if it hits a tree spike and will not harm anyone.



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**INTERVIEWER: One of your main targets when spiking trees has been the Forestry Commission. Why?**  
 E.L.F.: The Forestry Commission is obsessed with planting pine. They move into a natural woodland, chainsaw all the trees and then plant a mono-crop of pine to harvest later. With its acidic nature, pine pollutes the soil and kills off all other flora in the forest.

As well, as a vegan animal liberation activist, I have another reason to hate the Forestry Commission: they kill deer. Just recently, in Scotland, the Commission slaughtered a number of heavily pregnant deer outside of the hunting season. They did this to stop the deer from eating saplings. Most of the deer were only six weeks away from giving birth. After the does had been shot, the unborn fawns were cut from their mother's womb and left to die by her side. So horrific was this particular cull that even local hunters objected to its barbarism.

**INTERVIEWER: Besides tree spiking, the E.L.F. is also known to target angling buildings. Why?**

E.L.F.: Angling, like all blood-sports, is an attack on wildlife. The Earth Liberation Front is committed to defending all forms of wildlife, be it animal or plant.

The reason I personally choose to target anglers rather than any other sort of blood-junkies is simple. Angling is a neglected blood-sport. In England we have thousands of sabs out every weekend trying to save the lives of the cute and furry. But fish aren't cute, so they tend to be ignored. Yet, as a deep ecologist, I know that all life is equal and all life must be protected.

**INTERVIEWER: Do you ever worry about being caught and going to jail?**

E.L.F.: Of course. Doesn't everyone? But in the end I know I can't just sit back and watch as woodland areas are destroyed, as animals are terrorised and abused, as ecological destruction takes place and as the human race turns planet Earth into a rubbish heap. We must fight back. We can't wait for others to do it for us. We must do it ourselves — and if that means ending up in prison, so be it. Besides, I've been arrested three times now, and it's not half as bad as you're led to believe. You do get kind of used to it after a while.

A song I used to listen to as a teenager had the words:

*"Everyone is looking for a hero. Everyone is looking for the Preacher man. Everyone is looking for the hot shot, waiting for the person that can ... But what they don't know, They don't see, It all comes down to you and me."*

And fucking too true that is. Don't sit on your arse all day waiting for someone else to trash the local Earth wreckers machinery or rescue the animals from the local lab. Go and do it yourself. Just get up, and get active!@

# A FIGHTING chance

***The following is the story of just one of the many mink farm raids that have taken place in North America in the past year and a half.***

Late one night, I sat on a small patch of grass under the stars, listening to the dried leaves rustle in the wind. A few moments had passed when I saw the headlights of a small vehicle turn the corner and head towards me. After loading my gear into the trunk, I climbed into the front seat and exchanged anxious smiles with the driver. She gave my hand a quick squeeze before steering the care (rented in an untraceable manner) back onto the road. We were on our way.

As we drove, the sun came up. Stopping only to eat and refuel the car, we continued driving all day. A few hours after the sun disappeared, we met up with another man, well known to us and trusted wholeheartedly. Together we headed to a dark clearing near a small lake, and sat and discussed our plans.

Afterwards, taking special care to be sure we didn't have unwelcome company, we hit the road and headed for our final destination. Using detailed maps, we made many, many turns off the main road. We found the address we were looking for and quickly found some thick brush where we hid the car from sight.



We had brought with us a radio scanner which had already been programmed to monitor all the local and state law enforcement frequencies. One of my comrades double-checked that it was working and the controls were set appropriately, secured it in her jacket pocket and inserted the small earphone in her left ear, leaving the other ear unobstructed. Throughout the reconnaissance and the raid, she would listen carefully in case the farmer or a neighbour reported any suspicious activity or in case an undetected alarm caused an officer to be dispatched to the farm.

We also made sure that no one was carrying any loose articles, wearing jewellery or anything else that could inadvertently be left behind. The last thing we did was hide the door key near the car so one person would be carrying it (if that person should run into trouble, the others would have no mode of transportation). Our pockets were empty except for the scanner, flashlight and gloves. We were ready to go.

Our team knew how important it was to be familiar with the area, so we scouted around on foot for about an hour. Of course, while on or near roads, anytime we saw or heard a car in the distance we hit the ground or bush and made ourselves invisible. We located a creek which ran through the area nearby and out to open, wilder spaces. We also made note of the darkest areas for hiding and which side of the country road was least lit. We set up an emergency rendezvous point in case we were separated.

When the wind was just right, it carried the stench of the fur farm to us — an overwhelming assault on our senses. When I inhaled I could taste the blood and filth, I could hear the cries of pain, I could see the suffering and I could feel the terror of this place. It was (and is) pure evil.

We cut across several large fields to get to the back fence of the mink farm. When walking in open spaces, we hunched over and let our arms hang down so that, if anyone was watching, we wouldn't look human. As we travelled we often had to pull strands of barbed wire apart and squeeze through to get past perimeter fences. We made friends with the many cows and other animals we passed on our way towards the farm.

After checking for alarms, trip wires and video cameras, we easily climbed the back fence and entered the concentration camp. Still watching carefully for alarms, etc., we hurried through the many sheds. Our presence brought the many thousands of mink to attention. They became very excited, rustling around in their tiny cages and "talking" to each other with short, high-pitched squeaks. With our small flashlights, we could see their curious little faces and inquisitive eyes — truly beautiful creatures! I imagined the fate that would have awaited them if we had not come to intervene: their necks snapped or their lungs filled with gas after a few more months of enduring the psychological and physical torture of being imprisoned in this hell.

We took note of the cages: four rows in each shed. Filthy, corroded cages which provided no bedding for mink that normally nest in the wild. Simple latches held most cages shut, but some (the breeders) had a piece of heavy gauge wire twisted around the wires of the cage, securing the doors.

Our reconnaissance told us what we needed to know and we retreated to the back of the field that ran behind this farm. We sat under an old willow tree for a few hours, watching the compound to see if anyone was aware of our intrusion. On this evening we would leave the critters behind, but we would return. We hiked through the fields and creeks, back to the vehicle, and drove for about an hour. We then camped for the remainder of the morning.

At mid morning we rose and began to further discuss a plan of action, detailing tools we would need and delegating duties. We had brought with us a radio scanner, dark disposable clothing, flashlights, wire cutters, gloves, spray paint and ski masks. We would need to purchase packaged envelopes, paper and stamps (to send a communique after the action) as well as back up batteries. We fuelled up the car and drove by our target once (and only once) during the daylight to further familiarize ourselves with the surroundings.

The rest of the afternoon/evening was spent taking apart all our equipment, and wiping it down inside and out. We went over every detail of the plan in our heads and prepared ourselves mentally for whatever we might encounter, including any consequences we might face.

It began to rain. We double checked our inventory of equipment, and then set out. We made our way back to the concentration camp, again making sure we were not followed. Just like the night before, we checked and secured the scanner, emptied our pockets and hid the key to the vehicle. Again, we followed the road part way, diving to the ground with the coming of headlights, and then crept through the dark, still fields, towards the many mink awaiting their freedom.



We opened the cages. After opening roughly a dozen cages in the dark, I paused for a brief moment to shine my flashlight across them and caught sight of a shiny, sleek figure, hopping out of her hell-hole. The mink scurried across the ground and out of the barn. While I wanted to focus and appreciate each and every animal as they found their way to freedom, I knew I couldn't do so at the expense of those who would be left behind. I had to spend every moment on the farm opening cages to allow as many as possible a fighting chance at a natural life.

I continued my work, frantically unlatching and cutting wires. While I worked, several mink ran across the top of the cages while others scurried about my feet, squeaking with joy. Before long, these feisty critters were all over the place, running this way and that, playing and fighting with each other. Now and then I would briefly stop my work to separate two of the little guys and shoo them towards the outer fences, where they would find their freedom. RUN LITTLE GUYS, RUN!

Suddenly I heard -- or thought I heard -- a slamming noise. "*The mink have woken the farmers,*" I thought. "*Here he comes.*" I looked to the end of the barn towards the farmer's house. Struggling to adjust my focus for such a distance in the

darkness, I made out a light colored, upright figure. Were my eyes playing tricks on me, or was someone standing there? I grew very uneasy and almost nauseous, as I imagined 'Farmer John,' angry as a wasp evicted from her nest (but much more dangerous), standing in the doorway, holding a rifle. I prepared myself for the worst and tried again in vain to focus on the end of the shed.

Better safe than sorry, I reminded myself and quickly left the shed. I looked for my partners, and, not finding them, my anxiety increased. I moved across the adjacent field and hid in some thick, dark bushes, and watched the farm for about 20 minutes. I saw nothing out of the ordinary and no lights were turned on, so I eventually crept back and cautiously re-entered the compound. I ducked into the sheds where my friends were working, to be certain that all was well. I found them working away undeterred. I went back to my shed and continued opening the cages.

The work was exhausting and I could feel my bones ache with the monotony of the routine. But I kept going -- I could never live with myself if I didn't open as many cages as was humanly possible. I lost count at 500.

I finished my shed and checked on the others to see if they needed help. Finding their sheds empty, I moved on to the next one, and we finished that one off together. Sadly, we came to our pre-designated cut-off time. Though there were many more sheds full of prisoners, we had to leave -- the farmers would wake soon and the rise of the sun would provide no cover for ours and the minks' escape.

We marked some of the now empty sheds with spray-paint and then retreated. As we fled, we chased many mink to the holes cut in the fence. Once on the other side, we stopped for a moment to watch the many dark figures gliding and scampering through the fields towards the creek which would lead them to their new prospective homes.

Using the moon as our guide, we found our way back to our hidden vehicle. We briefly shared our experiences as we

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# RIOT at CONSORT

April 19, 1997

ENGLAND - Animal liberation campaigners protesting laboratory experiments gathered to march on Consort Kennels. There were 500 loud, angry, compassionate people prepared for anything there. And this is a force to reckon with.

Protesters gathered outside the premises. There were a number of police present, and many more police hiding in the area and also inside the compound. Protesters waited till the last ones had arrived and then, suddenly, moved off, down a track and around to the back of the beagle breeding place. There police had put up a fence, with barbed wire, and some 15 police officers, some with dogs, tried to keep the crowd off at this point. About 100 yards behind the police was the actual breeding place which was again surrounded by a wall with razor wire all around.

Suddenly, without much build up of emotion, people stormed passed the police to the razor wired wall and fence. Some tried to climb it (and a few managed), but most just got stuck outside. Two guys managed to enter the compound and take one beagle dog and flee up onto the roof of one of the buildings inside. At this stage riot police moved in (as people were seriously tearing on the fences outside). The riot police surrounded the building with the two men and the dog visible on the roof.

It was at this point, when all the people in the crowd saw the dog and the two men surrounded by police and barbed razor wire, that the protesters showed their true strength of feeling: they tried with all means to get into the place and to free the men and the dog.

First some fence on one side was torn down and people managed to get far enough inside to wreck two sheds and destroy everything inside it, and drag it out and set it on fire. This included a small tractor. However, riot police managed to stop the protesters from moving further inside the area, although they were showered with rocks.

Next some protesters tried it a bit further down and managed to overcome the fence by putting bits of an asbestos roof over the razor wire fence, but again riot police managed to beat people back.

One has to imagine the scenario at this stage. There are these two masked liberationists on the roof with the beagle dog. The house on which they are up on is surrounded by maybe 50 riot police in full gear, with helmets, shields, batons, the lot. Then there are some more 50 or so police buzzing around inside, with many police crews filming, and there is a helicopter above the scene, also filming I'm sure. And around all those police is a heavily protected fence with a rock wall on some parts, and razor wire and rolls fixed over it all the way. And all this is surrounded and besieged by an angry crowd of protesters, attacking from all sides, determined to get those men and the dog out.

Next, a large crowd of protesters attacked from the entrance gate side again, this time smashing up the windows of the cars of employees and of the manager of the place in the car park. Protesters were not aware of one arrest that had taken place earlier, with the arrestee sitting in the police van in this very car park. As I shared a police cell with him in the following night, he told me that he felt all those rocks raining onto them, but police had pushed him firmly to the ground so that he couldn't show himself to protesters. Otherwise he might as well have been de-arrested.

For those not used to such protests, in order to give you a full picture I would like to add that most protesters were totally masked up. Also, it was not just one or two throwing rocks, no, it was really everyone. And the people on megaphones shouted "go on, do it, don't be afraid, smash the bastards" etc. It was mayhem. And also, protesters constantly changed clothes with each other so that no particular protester could be pointed out. Protesters were constantly on the alert against police snatch squads, and effectively de-arrested immediately when such a squad tried their luck.

Next some protesters managed to break through the razor wire by dragging a bath tub to the fence, tearing the fence down and putting this tub over it. So within minutes, hundreds of protesters entered the inner area, surrounding the house with the two men and the dog on top. A line of police posed little resistance, and soon hundreds of people reached the side of the house, smashing up the garden fence and invading the front area. Police with batons stormed in from one side, and riot police from

the other, but protesters resisted. A wall was broken down and split into handily sized rocks as missiles. Another fire was started in the garage and sheds just beside the house.

About five protesters were cut off by police inside the garden, as the police had managed by then to move protesters slightly backwards. At this stage the two men appeared on the roof just above protesters and lowered the beagle dog straight into the arms of the protesters. Then one of the men followed. I don't know what happened to the other. The protesters had managed to resist riot police attacks by then long enough so that one of the guys from the roof and the dog were safely hidden in the crowd. Next, half the protesters moved off, broke through police lines and managed to get the beagle safely out of the immediate area. About 40 people made off with the beagle.

Unfortunately, they were spotted by two overenthusiastic police officers, one with a police dog, who gave chase. Also, the police helicopter was alerted and stayed above those protesters. At this stage all the 40 protesters took their jackets off and rolled them up and held them in front of their hands as if they had a beagle dog and made off in different direction. This confused police and the two officers chased different people in different directions. However, the people were not running fast enough, so more and more of those running off were caught and checked, and more and more police officers were getting involved in the chase, being drafted in from the roads. After a two mile chase the people with the beagle dog were discovered. The police dog was set on the people and two were severely bitten. 13 protesters then piled together onto a heap and hid and protected the beagle underneath their bodies. More and more police officers were drafted in and eventually they moved in and beat the 13 away and took the dog. All 13 were arrested under suspicion of theft.

In the mean time protesters continued to fight police in the area of the beagle breeding farm. It was then that CS gas was used, and many protesters ended up needing hospital treatment. Also, the road was blockaded in protest for a while, using equipment taken from a near road building site. Later on the day, three employees and the manager of the beagle breeder had home visits and got their houses thoroughly smashed up.

Altogether 24 people got arrested. One was immediately released as the arresting officer could not be found. The reasons for the arrest for the remaining 23 varied from theft to burglary, criminal damage and assault.

As far as I know, no-one was charged and everyone was released during the same night and the early hours of the morning.

I was arrested under suspicion of burglary and theft. Just prior to my arrest I was attacked by a police dog and severely bitten. The dog handling police officer encouraged the dog all the way through this attack and praised him/her afterwards. I had to remove the dog by stuffing my sweatshirt into his/her mouth and just removing him/her manually.

On the drive to the police station I had the beagle dog on my lap while I was hand-cuffed which made it impossible to comfort the poor soul in the way she would have needed it. The dog was a young female, and pregnant. Later during the night she was retrieved by an unknown man from the police station. Protesters who besieged the police station managed to drive him off at first, but eventually, with a heavy police escort, the dog was removed. Most likely, she will be dead by now.

I wish to say for myself that, apart from the sad end for the beagle, every second of this demo was worth it. It was such an empowering experience what 500 compassionate people with bare hands can do against an army of well-armoured riot police with batons and CS gas, and barbed razor wire.

I am humbled by the self-less determination those protesters showed. There was no fear, there was just simply no fear. @  
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## FIGHTING CHANCE *(Continued from page 18)*

walked -- one of our team had been bitten while attempting to open a cage. All of us had found several mink, dead and decaying in their cages.

We piled our soaked, sore, and muddied bodies into the car. We made frustrated faces at each other -- we were excited but knew we could not talk in the car. We drove silently back down the dark roads to our campsite, where we sorted out our things, throwing all clothes and shoes into the campfire and placing tools into bags to be discarded safely and immediately.

We talked a little more about our experiences, including what we could do better next time. We made plans to meet again, and shared warm hugs before embarking on our long journey home. During the following day's drive, we heard news reports of the raid on the radio. We smiled proudly with the satisfaction that many that many mink had a chance at freedom that day, that the fur trade had just become a little less profitable, and that 'Farmer John' just might go out of business. @



# DIARY OF ACTION

## CANADA

APRIL 19/97: Kitchener, ON - A bomb threat was phoned into the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium during the Garden Brothers Circus by someone representing the A.L.F. Local paper, *The Record*, also received an anonymous fax threatening "direct, militant action" against the circus because it continues to enslave, abuse and exploit animals for entertainment. A.L.F.

JUNE 20/97: Waterloo, ON - McDonald's at King and Columbia streets spraypainted and sabotaged from the roof. Electrical cords, exhaust fans and more were damaged to prevent regular operation of the restaurant. Spraypainted slogans included "McDeath," "Dead meat," "McFuck You" on walls and sidewalks. A.L.F.

JUNE 23/97: Waterloo, ON - McDonald's on King St. in Kitchener was spraypainted with "Eat Shit," "A.L.F.," and "McLibel." Windows were also smashed. A.L.F.

From the Communique: *"Both actions were executed in solidarity with the McLibel Two to commemorate the end of the six year court battle with McDonald's. We maintain that all statements made in the original pamphlet are true. Some statements were difficult for the two self-represented defendants to prove against the McDonald's law team. Regardless of our problems with the verdict, we are still considering this case a victory and McDonald's everywhere will be forced to face their human, environmental, and animal rights violations as long as they exist. McDonald's will see the justice they deserve."*

**SEE PAGE 13 for tips on having fun at McDonalds.**

MAY 17/97: Scarborough, ON - butcher shop owner Tony McPherson called it quits after a visit to his shop from the A.L.F. Meat King Butcher Shop, at Kingston Rd. and Eglinton Ave. E., had been ransacked. In green and yellow spray paint vandals activists had plastered Animal Liberation Front slogans everywhere, including on both of the freezer doors in the kitchen. McPherson said about 25 similar messages were scattered throughout the restaurant, including one that read "I'll Be Back." Fear of further attacks and the higher insurance cost costs have

made him decide to close his business down, he said. *"I don't know what else to do. It has turned me off completely,"* he told reporters. Even if he cleaned up the mess and re-opened, McPherson said he would still end up thinking about the vandalism every day, worried they would do it again. *"It's opened my eyes to how much animal rights there is out there."*  
-A.L.F. VICTORY!

## UNITED STATES

MARCH 13/97: NYC, NY - Approximately 20-30 locks glued in the meat district, 25-35 locks glued in the fur district as well as the locks to the store security system. Anti-fur messages spray painted. To the surprise of activists doing the action, several locks had already been glued that night. -A.L.F.

MARCH 15/97: Huntington, LI- Huntington Furs', Village Furs, and a leather store have all locks glued. Several trucks belonging to a meat wholesaler received the following: locks glued, sugar poured into gas tank, freezer lines cut, and random wire cuts. *"We were prevented from doing more due to sparks shooting out of one of the cut wires."* -A.L.F.

MARCH 16/97: Westbury, LI- Long Island Fur Factory locks glued.

MARCH 20/97: NYC, NY - Many locks glued in the fur district.

APRIL 1/97: NYC, NY - Once again most of the store in manhattans fur district get their locks glued.

APRIL 17/97: Virginia Beach, VA - during the early morning hours the construction site of a partially built McDonalds was attacked by activists. Cell members gained access to the building through an unlocked back door. Nine windows smashed, boxes of screws dumped out, slogans left, including "A.L.F." and "For the Animals." Damages estimated at between \$15,000 and \$20,000. -A.L.F.

APRIL 17/97: Virginia Beach, VA - Construction site of a Golden Corral also hit by the same A.L.F. cell as above. Activists destroyed electrical system wiring, extension cords, power tools, lighting fixtures, manuals, five freezer doors, on freezer fan, and a water generator. Then bags of concrete and plaster were poured on the floor. 10 to 15 slogans painted, ranging from "meat is murder," to "Stop the Slaughter" and "Animal Liberation Front." -A.L.F.

Before leaving water hoses were turned on in hopes of flooding the building and mixing the concrete. 22 windows also smashed. Damage estimates near \$20,000. A.L.F.

APRIL 20-MAY 8/97: Lakewood, OH - Novotny furs and Fashion was hit 3 times, 1st receiving two broken windows and painted walls (Fur is Dead), the 2nd having 6 windows smashed and again slogans left. The 3rd visit included a bucket of red paint on the walls and the sidewalks were painted. Also hit during this time was Sabu Furs, with painted walls, and two broken windows, and a leather outlet store that had "wear your own skin" painted on its walls, with two windows smashed out. A.L.F.

APRIL 29/97: Southeastern VT - 5-30 Doves liberated from cages.

MAY/97: Kirkland, WA - A.L.F. cut a hole in the fence of a meat distributor, painted the trucks and smashed the windshields. The owner of the meat distributor was a former Seattle Seahawk. News reports place damages at \$1500+. -A.L.F.

MAY 2/97 -NYC, NY - McDonalds on 28th St & 6th Ave has "meat is murder" and "ALF" etched into 3 windows. Banana Express (a meat market) has "ALF" etched into the window. -A.L.F.

MAY 3/97: Eugene, OR - McDonald's office at 1471 Pearl St. had its windows shot out. A.L.F.

MAY 10/97: San Diego, CA - A.L.F. attacked Kentucky Fried Chicken - windows were broken, glues were locked, and "ALF Meat is Murder" was spray painted. - A.L.F.

MAY 11/97: Parsons Fur Farm in Maryland raided. Approximately 500 mink were released. This is the same farm where a few years ago PETA got undercover footage of the furrier using Blackleaf 40 -- a nicotine-based insecticide -- to kill the mink. This insecticide causes the lungs to stop, and the victim to suffocate.

MAY 11/97: Lakewood, OH - A.L.F. activists celebrated mothers day by painting trucks at Blue Ribbon Meats. Trucks hit with slogans, including "Meat is Murder," "Blood money," "Vegan Power," and "A.L.F." Windows were etched and one truck cab was doused in gasoline and set ablaze. WE WILL CONTINUE FOR THE EARTH AND ALL HER CREATURES!!! -Northern Ohio A.L.F.

MAY 15/97: Jensen Beach, ? - A.L.F. activists hit Scoozzi's Italian Restaurant causing an estimated \$200,000 in damages after an arson attack. At least 6

fires were set inside the restaurant. Twice last year activists visited the restaurant, writing "Veal is an innocent meal" and "Veal is dead." Activists warned the owners "next time it burns to the ground." Obviously Owner Bob Muzzo didn't pay enough attention to the warnings about removing veal from the menu. A.L.F.

MAY 17-18/97: Chevy Chase, MD - An artistic masterpiece was created at the Miller's Furs. The front of the store was covered with the following slogans: "STOP OR BE STOPPED," "MURDERERS," and "ALF"(3 times). The art continued onto to the side of the building with "FUR IS DEAD," "ALF," "STOP NOW!" and "KILLERS." -A.L.F.

MAY 20/97: South Florida - A truck at Anderson's Meats in Palm Springs was spray-painted with slogans, and had its windshield covered with etching fluid. A.L.F.

MAY 20/97: West Palm, FL - Tandy Leather had locks glued and slogans written on windows. A.L.F.

MAY 21/96/97: Kirkland, WA - meat distributors (715 8th St.) Activists returned for 3rd time to find a fence surrounding Meat Distributors seven trucks. Access gained with boltcutters. All trucks received painted slogans and windshields smashed on six trucks. Media reports \$30,000 damage. Also reported is the formation of a special taskforce by local authorities to address A.L.F. attacks in East King county. A.L.F.

MAY 21/97: Seattle, WA - E&E Meats (3922 6th Ave S.) has holes cut in fence and four trucks painted and windshields smashed. A.L.F.

JUNE 1/97: Mount Angel, OR - Activists released thousands of minks from their cages on a fur ranch. An estimated 8,000 to 9,000 animals were freed in what may have been the largest A.L.F. attack on the U.S. mink industry according to the Fur Commission of U.S.A. Marion County Sgt. David Hussey said Friday's loss could amount to several hundred thousand dollars. Arritola said the intruders got past his alarm system. *"They were professionals. It took a lot of people to do what they did,"* he said.

JUNE 28/97: Seattle, WA - Macdonald Meat Co. (2709 Airport Way S.) access to lot gained by hole in fence. All five trucks received painted slogans and smashed windshields. A.L.F.

JUNE 29/97: Seattle, WA - Vitamilk Dairy Products (427 NE 72 St.) 19 trucks received painted slogans and smashed windshields. Better Meat Inc (305 NW 82 St.) 2 trucks painted and windshields smashed. A.L.F.

JUNE 30/97: Seattle, WA - A&J Meats and Seafood (2401 Queen Anne Ave N) 20 windows smashed. Varlamos Brothers seafood (8279 Lake City Way NE) 3 trucks hit with painted slogans and smashed windshields. A.L.F.

JULY 2/97: Tukwilla, WA - Petschls Quality Mats (1150 Andover Park E) three trucks receive painted slogans and smashed windshields. A.L.F.

JULY 3/97: Burlington, WA - Galbreth Packing Co. Slaughterhouse raided during the early morning hours.

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Masked activists broke into the killing room where millions of pigs met the end of a miserable life with a bloody death. Using boltcutters, the sole killing mechanism, a captive bolt air gun was taken, assuring at least one blood free day in the slaughterhouse. Once outside, the meat transportation truck was put out of commission. Muriatic acid was poured into the refrigeration unit, slogans painted ("Animal Liberation Now!!!" "A.L.F."), and the windshield smashed. A.L.F.

JULY 4/97: Mt. Hood, OR -- from the communique:  
*"the morning dew is erased by the heat of the sun  
as another workday has almost begun  
men arrive eager to clearcut Mt Hood  
to destroy the wild for profit from wood*

*only this day is different as they find work done at night  
by elves who sab machines and disappear from sight  
remove six valve covers and oil caps  
add sand and the monsters are scraps*

*so next time you bid for a sale on public land  
remember elves are everywhere  
and there is plenty of sand..."*

Mt. Hood: 1 feller buncher, 1 dozer, 1 articulated loader ruined. E.L.F.

JULY 13/97: Cougar Hot Springs, OR - three dumptrucks (Eugene Sand & Gravel), 2 hydraulic excavators, 2 front loaders, 1 dozer destroyed. E.L.F.

July 21/97: Redmond, OR -- A.L.F. paid a visit to the Cavel West Horse Murdering Plant at 1607 SE Railroad Ave. About 35 gallons of flammable "vegan jello" was brought with the team, who drilled a number of large holes into the rear wall of the slaughterhouse, bypassing any alarms on the doors or windows. The "jello" was poured into the numerous holes near the refrigeration units and three electrically-timed incendiary devices were assembled and activated. Other team members left 10 gallons of jello in a storage shed/office. Two gallons of muriatic acid was poured into the air conditioning vents to destroy any horse flesh that might survive the fire.

As the devices were being set a spark from a battery started the entire area on fire. At least \$1,000,000 damage had been done and the entire plant is out of operation. - A.L.F. Equine & Zebra Liberation Network (EZLN)

JULY 23/97: Murrieta, CA -- An under-construction International House of Pancakes restaurant on Radisson Ave was destroyed by an arson attack. Damage estimates range from \$150,000 to \$250,000. From an A.L.F. communique, "Cliff, I'll have my tofu scrambled now. A.L.F."

SEPTEMBER 13/97: Indianapolis, IN — R & M Leathers is visited and has three windows smashed out, locks glued and slogans painted. The action was done in solidarity with Barry Horne and Sue McCrosky's hungerstrikes.

## ENGLAND

Hunt Retribution Squad 96-97. Sussex:

1. August/96: Eight shooters' vehicles trashed.
  2. August/96: Huntsman's cheque-book "acquired" and account wiped out on bondage and fetish gear. Three months later he was dead (not sure if he was wearing nipple clamps at the time)
  3. August/96: Hunt Supporter's bank account emptied
  4. September/96: Six shooting pens demolished and birds released.
  5. September/96: Hunt supporter's car tires slashed.
  6. May/97: "Toby Stone," a hunter, has his grave smashed.
  7. July/97: Over 600 pounds damage done to anglers' cars.
- Don't normally claim stuff but though you might be interested. H.R.S.

APRIL 19/97: Ross-On-Wye: Animal Rights campaigners broken into kennels which breed beagles for laboratory experiments. Around 500 people came to the kennels in Ross-On-Wye and some broke through a police cordon and entered the area where the dogs are kept. One dog was temporarily rescued before police discovered the dog's whereabouts. Activists laid wreaths outside for all the animals killed in laboratories. The protest was held to coincide with "World Day For Laboratory Animals". Police used CS spray to disperse the crowd. At least 27 people were arrested. **(see page 19 for a first-hand account of this action).**

APRIL 19/97: Oxfordshire: Hill Grove Family Cats in Minster Lovell, Witney, was raided by activists. Over 20 cats were liberated and cages and doors were left open to allow the rest (roughly 250) to wander outside. Several of these were picked up over the next few days and taken to safe homes but the rest were recaptured by Chris Brown and presumably "destroyed". The cats are "Specific Pathogen Free (SPF)" so have to be raised in sterile conditions otherwise they can't be used in research.

MAY 13/97: Ross-On-Wye - Consort Beagle Breeders at Harewood End Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire raided and 25 dogs were liberated.

## SWEDEN

EARLY 1997: Activists burned the main building of an empty fur farm, damaged a second building and the Swedish A.L.F. released two red fox from a fur farm.

MARCH 16/97: Alunda - tranbyns fur farm is visited by animal libbers and two red foxes are released into the wild. Action dedicated to U.S. prisoners on hunger strike as well as in solidarity with Rod Coronado.

MARCH/APRIL/97: Ostersund - Fur shops get slogans painted on their windows.

APRIL/97: Malmo - Advertising signs for McDonalds spraypainted.

APRIL/97: Umea - The department of Zoophysiology at Umea University is attacked and one security camera is smashed, three searchlights and one window smashed, and three litres of yellow paint was thrown on walls.

APRIL 4/97: Vingaker - two hunting towers destroyed.

APRIL 18/97: Eksjo - Ugglekarrs fur farm is hit by the group "The Wild Minks" and all breeding cards (300) are destroyed. The office was also destroyed, important papers stolen, a feeding machine is destroyed. The fence around the farm is cut and 46 black mink, all breeding males, are freed from their cages. Slogans such as "bloody scum" and "die" were painted.

APRIL 18/97: Nassjo - a fur/leather shop is attacked and shit from a fur farm is thrown on the building. Slogans painted and three windows smashed. Estimated damage is \$10,000 US.

APRIL 24/97: Norratlje - Swedish A.L.F. (DJURENS BEFRIELSE FRONT) rescued 25 rabbits (among them were eight rabbit-children) from a breeder for vivisection. The rabbits were in poor shape: inflammation in the eyes, one rabbit's back leg was paralyzed and another rabbit's claws had grown into its feet, causing bleeding. Thanks to professional and loving care, all rabbits are expected to be healthy and safe. This action is dedicated to all animal rights prisoners all over the world. D.B.F.

MAY/97: Huddinge - the only fur shop in Huddinge is attacked several times and windows are smashed, slogans sprayed. The owner of the fur shop had her



car smashed and destroyed at her home.

MAY 1/97: Hoken - Polar-Pals fur Shop has five windows smashed and "Fur is Dead" and "Murderers" sprayed.

MAY 1/97: Klomarden - The Wild Mink attack another fur farm. 750 breeding cards are destroyed, slogans painted and 8 male mink are released. - The Wild Mink

MAY 3/97: Eskilstuna - Fur shop locks glued and slogans painted, including "fur is murder."

MAY 4/97: Oskarshamn - Fox farm is attacked and 50 foxes are released. 10 cages destroyed, breeding cards stolen, slogans painted and a killing device stolen. THIS FOX FARM IS NOW CLOSED! VICTORY!

MAY 4-5/97: Lund - two leather shops, one meat shop had slogans sprayed, including: "ALF," "SCUM," "Murderers," "Meat/Leather is murder."

MAY 8/97: Strangnas - a breeder of birds for hunts is visited and 550 pheasants are released into the wild. Damage is done to cages and pens and other equipment. A new group, ANIMAL LIBERATORS, claim responsibility. - Animal Liberators

MAY 10/97: Eskilstuna - Trangsas Fur Farm was hit by the Wild Minks and 600 breeding cards are stolen (destroying four years of breeding information), slogans sprayed and 70 mink breeding males are freed. - The Wild Mink

MAY 13/97: Kumla - Skyberga mink fur farm is attacked by the Wild Minks. 1000 breeding cards destroyed, fences taken down, slogans such as "auschwitz," "stop the torture Now!" and "The Wild Mink" are painted before 68 breeding males are released into the wild. -The Wild Mink

MAY 19/97: Horsnas: This fur farm receives a second visit by the Wild Minks. This time, 30 minks are released and the slogan "Hello again bloody murderers" is sprayed on a newly painted wall. - Wild Minks

JUNE/97: Karlstad - a furs shop is sprayed with slogans like "ALF" and "Fur is murder." -A.L.F.

JUNE 29/97: Hofors - Sweden's largest fox farm is attacked and 1200 breeding cards stolen, a car is re-decorated on the inside and the engine is destroyed, damage is done to several buildings and torture equipment is destroyed. Slogans also spray-painted.

JULY/97: Hudde - The fur shop in Hudde lost all five windows as soon as they had been replaced from a previous attack. Slogans painted as well.

JULY 8-9/97: Lund - two pet shops and one fur shop get slogans painted, including "Animal Liberation Now!" "ALF," "Murderers" and "fur is murder." -A.L.F.

AUGUST/97: Karlstad - a butcher shop is sprayed with slogans such as "ALF was Here" and "We see you." - A.L.F.

AUGUST/97: Lulea - two meat lorries are burned out for the first time in this part of Sweden.

AUGUST 13/97: Horsnas - the largest fur farm raid ever in Sweden is carried out against Horsnas Fur Farm (third attack). Over 1200 mink are released into the wild. - The Wild Mink

AUGUST 21/97: Wrigs - Local fur farmers were set to have a meeting when a bomb hoax was called into the local media, claiming to have placed 3 bombs at the meeting place. The meeting was cancelled!

SEPTEMBER 11/97: Hultsfred - Wild Minks strike again, visiting the Linde Magnussons fur farm. Foxes were found to be in very bad health. Over 100 foxes were painted with harmless henna-colouring making the fur worthless to the industry. Cages for other foxes were opened and roughly 80 fled into the forest. - Wild Mink

These are only a few of the actions that have occurred in Sweden. Almost every day, fur shops get slogans painted, locks glued and windows smashed out in Stockholm. Hundreds of circus posters have been taken down all over Sweden and lots of hunting towers have been destroyed during the summer of '97.

## FINLAND

SEPTEMBER 4/97: Riihimäki - raid attempted at a fox fur farm. Farmers spent at least two weeks guarding the farm 24hrs a day, but decided to go to sleep — activists struck and opened at least one cage and stole breeding cards. A guard dog woke the farmer, who passed within one meter of a hidden activist. No arrests made.

SEPTEMBER 15/97: Kaustinen - several hundred mink and a dozen foxes were released. Fences destroyed by activists. Action claimed by "Kaustinen Yopelimannit" (meaning Night Musicians of Kaustinen), playing on the fact the Kaustinen is known for its music festivals.

## NATIVE GENOCIDE CONTINUES IN KKKANADA

In recent months the kkanadian government has continued - and even elevated - its ongoing program of cultural and material genocide against the indigenous people of this region. The murder of Dudley George has been allowed to pass without sufficient response. The TsPeten defenders have been imprisoned after facing the longest trial in kkanadian history and the largest military land action staged by the government since the Korean war. And in both cases both federal and provincial governments have resisted calls for public inquests (-not that we necessarily have a lot of confidence in those - ro@ch-)

In the summer of 1995 two incidents of resistance to colonial rule brought the self-determination of indigenous cultures to the fore of kkanadian news. The first of these was the re-inhabitation of traditional Stoney Point first Nations land by the Aazhoojena people near Ipperwash, Ontario. This reclamation was centred on Stoney Point land that had been confiscated by the colonial military in WW II for use as a training camp and also encompassed nearby Ipperwash Provincial Park. During the weeks-long standoff hundreds of rounds were fired at unarmed Natives and - during one particularly tragic instance Dudley George was killed.

Ontario Provincial Police officer Clifford Deane shot and killed Dudley George. Dudley was unarmed at the time but was a vocal member of the group reclaiming their land and had been threatened on a number of previous occasions by the police because of his outspokenness. On Sept. 6, 1995 Officer Deane killed Dudley George and was subsequently found guilty of criminal negligence causing death - a crime that carries a maximum sentence of life imprisonment. This, the first time in decades that a police officer was found to be criminally responsible for a criminal act performed on duty, was greeted by wary good cheer. The record of the state in similar situations did not give much cause for high hopes. Unfortunately - and all too expectedly - the reservations of observers were borne out at the end of July 1997 when Deane was sentenced for his crime.

Judge Hugh Frasier, the presiding judge throughout the trial of Constable Deane showed his true allegiance to the state apparatus of kkanada. The penalty for an extrajudicial killing of an unarmed man was determined to be 2 years probation and a restriction of gun possession for the same period. Clifford Deane will not even lose his job as a police officer, he will merely operate as a desk pilot for the term of his probation, after which he will be returned to full duty status. This is a pointed denial of the

magnitude of the loss suffered by the family of Dudley George and the Stoney point people as a community.

At around the same time as the Stoney point people were engaged in conflict with colonial forces in Ontario, Shuswap traditionalists and their supporters were on the receiving end of state oppression in British Columbia. (1) Armoured personnel carriers, hundreds of troops and RCMP special forces officers, and tens of thousands of rounds of ammunition were combined with a well-orchestrated media smear campaign to produce a comprehensive attack on the practice of traditional rites on unceded land.

After a lengthy standoff characterised by brutality and duplicity on the part of the RCMP and followed by court proceedings which stand alone in infamy as bearing no relation to the concepts of truth or justice, 15 new political prisoners occupy space in kkanadian penitentiaries.

Shuswap traditionalist and elder Williams Jones Ignace - called by the name Wolverine is faced with spending the next four and a half years in jail for refusing to suborn his practice and belief to occupational military forces. OJ Pitawanakwat faces 3 years. Their actual sentences were 8 and 4 years respectively - each reduced by two times the length of pretrial custody. Edward (Pancho) Dick faces 3 years. Suniva Bronson - two years less one day. Grant Archie, Glen Deneault, Trond Halle, Mary Pena, Brent Potullicki, Percy Rosette and Flo Sampson all received sentences of 6 months. Ron Dionne and Rob Fleming are due for 9 and 7 month sentences plus 2 years probation. Sheila Ignace received a 6 month sentence and self-represented non-native Shelagh Franklin received a 1 year sentence - both to be served in the community.

Disturbing and blatant sentencing discrepancies appear when the slap on the wrist received by Clifford Deane is compared to the judgment imposed on the defenders of TsPeten. Kkanadian courts support cops as foot soldiers in the genocide. To see this principle in action it is only necessary to look to the treatment of one of the RCMP officers responsible for the TsPeten debacle. Peter Montague, the RCMP's chief media liaison officer at Gustafsen Lake was invited personally by the head of the British Columbia Liberal party to run in an upcoming election! (2)

Those who carry out the will of a genocidal

state are protected and honoured for their actions. Defenders of indigenous rights and practices are killed and imprisoned. Colonial governments in both the TsPeten and Stoney Point struggles have refused to investigate - let alone acknowledge - their culpability. As if none of this was enough the RCMP has petitioned successfully to purchase 8 armoured personnel carriers from South Africa specifically for use in future aboriginal uprisings(3) . This is a travesty.

Finally, two other short notes on recent developments. On the same day as the TsPeten defenders were sentenced, Mohawk first-nations warrior Ronald (Lasagna) Cross was apprehended. Cross was a vocal participant and defender of sacred Mohawk territory during the 1990 Oka standoff in Quebec. After five years of liberty, Lasagna turned himself in to kkanadian authorities to get it over with. Look for more information on Lasagna in a future issue of Underground.

The last bit of news is this: September 12 is Leonard Peltiers fifty-third birthday. Imprisoned in 1977 for fabricated crimes, Peltier has spent the last 20 years in jail so that the FBI could avoid admitting their enormous mistake. Each day that Leonard Peltier remains in prison is an indelible stain on the soul of freedom. He must be granted unconditional liberty immediately and without delay. There is currently a petition for executive clemency before president Clinton. All readers are encouraged to call the White House Comment Line at 202-456-1111 ( hit 0 to avoid the survey) and voice your insistence. Letters may be directed to :

President Bill Clinton  
Thw White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Washington DC 20500  
202-456-1111  
fax: 202-456-2461  
email:

president@whitehouse.gov

Pardon Attorney  
Margaret Love  
US Justice Dept.  
500 Firrst St.  
Suite 400  
Washington DC  
20530  
202-514-9351

Contact Leonard directly at:

Leonard Peltier, #89637-132, Box 1000, LVN, KS 66048.

(those wishing to donate funds to Leonard should know that he can only receive POSTAL money orders)

Settlers In Support of Indigenous Sovereignty is THE resource for those interested in and supportive of aboriginal rights struggles worldwide. They can be contacted at:

S.I.S.I.S. Settlers In Support of Indigenous  
Sovereignty

P.O. Box 8673, Victoria, "B.C."

"Canada" V8X 3S2

email: <sisis@envirolink.org>

WWW:

<http://kafka.uvic.ca/~vipirg/SISIS/SISmain.html>

Letters of Support to imprisoned TsPeten defenders should be sent (separately) to

Wolverine aka William Jones Ignace,  
Prisoner of War  
Matsqui Prison, 33344 King Road,  
PO Box 2500  
Abbotsford, BC V2S 4P3 Canada

James "OJ" Pitawanakwat, Prisoner of War -  
same address as Wolverine

For further information, contact:

Free the Wolverine Campaign  
Box 13-2147 Commercial Dr. Vancouver, BC  
V5N 4B3  
Canada

Spokespeople:

Splitting the Sky - Phone/Fax: (604) 543-9661

Bill Lightbown - Phone: (604) 251-4949

The **House on Fire** prisoner justice project is an anarchist response to a social order based on a hierarchy of oppression. House on Fire is dedicated to the ideals of peace, freedom and substantive equality for all. This project is dedicated to opposition of all tactics of force and coercion used by state or corporate entities. Through direct correspondence with prisoners, through letter writing campaigns to government officials and through public educational forums House on Fire defies the state where it is strongest.

House on Fire box 29056 55 wyndham st. North  
Guelph, Ontario n1h 8j4  
kkanada

#### **Vegetarian Prison Lawsuit Update**

Imprisoned anarchist and animal liberation supporter Harold Thompson has filed suit in Tennessee to have vegan/vegetarian prisoners provided with appropriate, morally acceptable food. The lawsuit has been stalled in the state legal apparatus for some time but this appears to be the product of beurocratic inefficiency rather than state vindictiveness.

A similar suit filed in South Carolina was successful in its goals so there is hope yet. Letters of support and solidarity can be sent to:

Harold H. Thompson # 93992  
Turney Centre Industrial Prison  
Route 1Only, Tennessee 37140-9707  
USA

# STAND BY ME.

by Rabbix: A defendant in the Gandalf Trial

In the animal lib movement we pride ourselves on the fact that if an activist goes into prison they will receive the support of the movement. Whilst as a remand prisoner, Keith Mann once wrote:

*"Most people in prison tend to find out the hard way who their real friends are. Its a different story for A.L.F. prisoners. The amount of support I've had from friends and people I don't know is heartwarming. Its easy to forget or ignore people in prison, but be assured if you end up off the streets you won't be forgotten." (TURNING POINT, July-Sept 1992)*

But what about before the activist goes to prison? What happens whilst they are on bail awaiting trial? How much support does the Animal/Earth liberation movement offer then?

On April 4, 1995, I was arrested by members of Hampshire CID who accused me of "Conspiracy to Incite Criminal Damage." On that occasion I was held a few hours, interviewed and then released without charge. Following my arrest, over the next few days, I worked up the courage to tell my friends that I had been arrested. At that time I had a number of friends, most of whom were either vegan or vegetarian Animal and Earth libbers. To my horror, rather than receiving support from my friends, most of my friends decided they wanted nothing more to do with me. This included a very dear vegan friend, who only months before had told me that my friendship meant a great deal to her.

Out of all the friends I had before my arrest, excluding my then girlfriend, her family and my family, only two people stood by me. One vegetarian friend and a meat eating friend. NONE OF MY VEGAN FRIENDS STOOD BY ME. I can honestly say that if it hadn't been for people like Gillian Peachy (herself a remand prisoner at the time) and Zab, the then coordinator of the North American Animal Liberation Front Supporters Group, I don't think I would have got through the shock of my initial arrest. And it was a shock for me. I lost two stone in weight in just three days because of the stress.

I felt really afraid and alone after my arrest. This was made all the worse for the fact I knew that people I used to call friends no longer wanted anything more to do with me. Since my arrest, I have found out a number of other activists have had exactly the same thing happen to them. I have heard tales of people in both Britain and America loosing all their friends after their arrests. This has led to at least one person committing suicide.

Obviously, not everyone who is arrested finds their friends leaving them. A number of the animal rights prisoners I have spoken to about this have said their friends have stuck by them. This is excellent. However, as this article shows, this is not always the case. What I am trying to say with this article is if you know of someone who has been arrested, please do get in contact with them. Offer them support and friendship. **BE A FRIEND.** It might be what they are looking for.

Nine months after my initial arrest I was re-arrested and formally charged with Conspiracy to Incite Criminal Damage. After I was formally charged I was gutted made worse by the fact no one wanted to know me. I tried to make new friends, but as soon as they learnt I was on Police Bail charged with a criminal offense, people just didn't want to know. For two months my confidence hit rock bottom, and I admit I did consider suicide. However, luckily for me, I started doing things outside of the Animal/Earth Liberation movement. I started doing voluntary work for a homeless charity. Here, I discovered that people outside of the Animal/Earth liberation movement were much more supportive to me than the people from within the movement ever were, and I was able to develop new friendships.

As the date of my trial approaches, I have started getting some support from people within the Animal/Earth liberation movement. I think about five or six people have written to say good luck with the trial. So, I am now getting some support, and I would like to thank everyone who has offered me their support. To everyone else, I say, **IF YOU KNOW OF A PERSON WHO HAS BEEN ARRESTED AND IS AWAITING TRIAL, CONTACT THAT PERSON AND MAKE SURE THEY ARE OKAY.** Be supportive towards them, but above all, be a friend. You may literally be the only friend they have.

## Chatham 3 - The Story So-Far

In the early morning hours of Sunday, March 30th, five Michigan animal rights activists were arrested for allegedly raiding a Canadian mink farm. According to media reports, 1,500 mink were released from Ebert's Fur Farm owned by Tom McLellan, fences were cut and breeding cards were removed from the cages, effectively costing the fur farmer half a million dollars!

It is believed that McLellan will collect this sum in insurance money but that he will not be insured again. Further, it is probable that this action has put him out of business for good! (The Earth Liberation Front took credit for a similar action at Ebert's Fur Farm two weeks earlier when 250 to 300 mink were released.)

Those charged in the mink raid are Patricia Dodson, 48; Hilma Ruby, (now 60); Robyn Weiner, 25; Gary Yourofsky, 26; and Alan Hoffman, 47; all of whom live in Michigan. All are charged with breaking and entering and mischief. Robyn and Alan are also charged with possession of stolen property (breeding cards). Patricia is additionally charged with possession of burglary tools.

The five had several court hearings and several delays before they were finally released almost two weeks later, each on \$10,000 bail. By this time, two of the defendants -- Alan Anthony Hoffman and Robyn Rachel Weiner -- had made damaging statements to the police which were read in court. Alan gave an alleged blow-by-blow account of everyone's actions (including the scouting out of farms in the U.S.), and Robyn's statement included the implication of one of the other activists in a previous raid.

Robyn claims her informing was in the best interests of everyone. However, her co-defendants' legal cases have been seriously compromised by her statements and it has left them feeling betrayed. These "activists" have turned against their own and expressed their willingness to work with the authorities against their fellow defendants. This is NOT OK and must not be tolerated within a direct action movement. Once activists make statements which incriminate others or compromise the defense of others, they are excluded from support. Thus, the Chatham 3.

All five returned to court in Chatham, Ontario, three weeks later, where they were served with a \$3.5 million civil suit by Ebert's Fur Farms, Inc. The owners of the farm are seeking:

\$2,000,000 in general damages  
\$1,000,000 in specific damages  
\$500,000 in punitive damages  
plus legal costs.

The suit claims that 20 years of breeding information was lost; 1,542 minks were released (1,500 female; 42 male); 95 percent of females were pregnant with an average expected litter of six kits each; 1,500 females would have produced 7,125 pelts at \$70 per male pelt and \$50 per female pelt. The defendants are accused of cutting a hole in the fence, damaging or destroying 100 pens, damaging or destroying 400 drop-in nest-boxes, and damaging or destroying 2 gates. The legal fees and other costs yet to be incurred will undoubtedly be enormous -- any help raising funds would be greatly appreciated! Information on where to send donations and letters of support is in the box to the right of this article.

Robyn has pled guilty to the charges and waived her right to a trial. She was sentenced on June 30th to 400 hours of community service to be served in Canada on weekends and her \$10,000 bail was forfeited to McLellan with an apology to him for the "suffering she had caused". She also said that she was going to have to live with what she had done for the rest of her life.

This deal was worked out as she has cooperated with the authorities and promised to testify against the others at trial. The Crown's attorney (prosecuting attorney) said he will NOT show the Chatham 3 the same leniency because they "have not shown any remorse". The remaining activists face a possible 2 year prison sentence on each count.

In early August, a warrant was issued for Hilma's arrest as a result of Robyn and Alan's statements regarding their belief that she was one of the people who was involved in the earlier raid at the same farm. They said Hilma knew all about it and who else was involved. Hilma is expected to turn herself in on September 5 to be placed under arrest again. She may have to stand a separate trial for the new charges, cover double the lawyer's costs and possibly come up with another \$10,000 bail.

### CHATHAM 3 LEGAL FUND:

This ordeal has been financially devastating for those involved. They are burdened with enormous legal fees and don't have enough for separate representation for some of the activists, which they desperately seek. Good people who are accused of tak-

ing action to alleviate the suffering of innocent animals and whose lives have been subsequently turned upside down should not have to worry about how to pay for their lawyers of choice. The Chatham 3 have endured enough.

Please find it in your heart to contribute as generously as you can to the fund to help cover their legal costs. Donations will not be used to pay fines or to pay the mink murderers. If money is left over when the case has been resolved, it will be donated to the North American A.L.F. Supporters Group's prisoner support fund so that it can be used to help others who face serious charges for crimes of compassion.

### WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

**Donate** - Funds for the Chatham 3 legal defense are desperately needed and much appreciated. Please make checks payable to the NA-ALFSG and earmarked "for the Chatham 3".

**Write a Letter** - Let the Chatham 3 know that you support them. Write letters of solidarity to see them through this difficult time. Send a letter or card today!

**Raise Funds** - Help raise funds by organizing a benefit concert or other fundraiser. Let us know and we'll send you flyers to distribute at your event.

**Spread the Word** - Contact us for Chatham 3 flyers to distribute far and wide or for a prepared article to publish in your animal rights magazine or newsletter.

**Protest** - Plan to organize and/or attend a national demonstration in support of the Chatham 3 upon the release of the verdict. Continue to protest against the bloody fur trade and doing whatever you do for animals.

**Stand Up** - Take a moment to let Tom McLellan and his co-owner/son, Bill, know what a wretched mistake they are making by pursuing a lawsuit against accused freedom fighters: Ebert's Fur Farm, R.R. 4, Blenheim, Ontario, N0P 1A0 Canada, (519) 676-4969.

Letters of support, donations, requests for flyers and articles can be sent to:

**Chatham 3 Support Committee**

c/o NA-ALFSG: Box 69597, 5845 Yonge St. Willowdale, Ont. M2M 4K3, Canada

e-mail: [chatham3@envirolink.org](mailto:chatham3@envirolink.org)

## ANIMAL LIBERATION PRISONERS

### NORTH AMERICA

**Rod Coronado 03895000, FCI Unit SW, 8901 S. Wilmot Rd, Tucson AZ. 85706, USA**

Sentenced to a total of 57 months for aiding and abetting arson and handling stolen property in connection with acting as spokesperson for the North American A.L.F., and for damaging government property as a protest against the treatment of native Americans. (Rod is a member of the Yaqui Nation).

**Jacob Kenison, 450 South 300 East, Salt Lake City, UT 84111, USA**

Remanded on several charges.

### ENGLAND

**Dave Callender HV3314, HMP Birmingham, Winson Green Rd, Birmingham. B18 4AS, England**  
Sentenced to 10 years for conspiracy to commit arson to assorted animal abuse establishments.

**Kevin Chapman, HMP Lewes, Brighton Rd, Lewes, East Sussex. BN7 1EA, England**

Serving 4 years for conspiracy to cause criminal damage to do with the successful Shoreham live exports campaign.

**Darren Cole XD2301, HMP Shepton Mallet, Cornhill, Shepton Mallet, Somerset. BA4 5LU, England**

Sentenced to 3 1/2 years for an arson attack on a lairage used in the live exports trade.

**Tony Daly, HMP Lewes, Brighton Rd, Lewes, East Sussex. BN7 1EA, England**

Serving 4 years for conspiracy to cause criminal damage to do with the successful Shoreham live exports campaign.

**Kenny Gloster HG3042, HMP Pentonville, Caledonian Rd. London N7 8TT England**

On remand for alleged criminal damage to a Cambridge butchers shop.

**Michael Green AV2923, HMP Ashwell, Oakham, Leicestershire. LE15 7LF, England**

Sentenced to 5 years for conspiracy to commit arson on a slaughterhouse and attempted arson to cattle transporters.

**Barry Horne VC2141, HMP Bristol, Cambridge Rd, Horfield, Bristol. BS7 8PS, England**

Remanded on explosives charges. Category 'A' prisoner. At the time of printing, Barry has been on hungerstrike for over 5 weeks — renewing his call for the British government to act against vivisection. PLEASE SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR BARRY!

**Keith Mann EE3588, HMP Long Lartin, South Littleton, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 5TZ, England**

Sentenced to 11 years for criminal damage to meat vehicles, attempted incitement, possession of explosive materials, attempted arson and escaping from custody.

**Gillian Peachey RL3415, HMP Holloway, Parkhurst Road, London. N7 0NU, England**

On remand charged with conspiracy to use incendiary devices to cause criminal damage, and arson on a poultry farm.

**Mike Roberts GE3743, HMP Lewes, Brighton Rd, Lewes, East Sussex. BN7 1EA, England**

Serving 6 years for conspiracy to cause criminal damage to do with the successful Shoreham live exports campaign.

**Geoff Sheppard MD1030, HMP Parkhurst, Newport Isle of Wight. PO30 5NX UK**

Sentenced to 7 years for possession of a shotgun and possession of items for making incendiary devices.

**Charles Skinner 24250, HMP La Moye, St Beades, Jersey, Channel Islands.**

Sentenced to 4 years for causing over 322,000 worth of damage by arson to Jersey Zoo visitors centre.

**Joe Taylor TN2303, HMP Lewes, Brighton Rd, Lewes, East Sussex. BN7 1EA, England**

Serving 4 years for conspiracy to cause criminal damage to do with the successful Shoreham live exports campaign.

**Barbara Trenholm RL1292, HMP Durham, Old Elvet, Co Durham. DH1 3HU, England**

Sentenced to 10 years for arson with intent to endanger life.

**Justin Wright GE3046, HM Young Offenders Institution, Easton, Portland, Dorset. DT5 1DL, England**

Sentenced to 5 years for arson with recklessness.

## HOLLAND

**Frank Kocera 1648820, Gev. Zuyder Bos, Copernicusstraat 10, 1704 SV Heerhugowaard Holland**

Sentenced to 3 years with 8 months probation for criminal damage and arson attacks against the meat industry.

# THE NORTH AMERICAN A.L.F. SUPPORTERS GROUP VIDEO PROJECT CONTINUES!

Despite the authorities best efforts to slow things down (you

bastards, give us back the videos you took, already!) folks are working hard on producing a full length North American A.L.F. documentary. Thanks to everyone who has sent us videos — **but we still want more!**



Any video clips from television news, any action big or small — from fur stores that had locks glued, all the way up to footage of the Penn State Head Injury raid — **we need it!**

Any and all quality tapes would be appreciated. We will return any tapes after copying if requested, and can reimburse people the cost of postage for those who ask.

Federal authorities yesterday, attempting to listen in on our most intimate conversations. Joint FBI/RCMP video project, **THE A.L.F. - JUST WHO THE HECK ARE THEY ANYWAY?** due out this summer.

Send all video submissions to the following address:

**North American A.L.F. Supporters Group**  
box 69597 Yonge St. Willowdale, Ont. M2M 4K3, Canada





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