

**„Santa Claus craves for funeral feast“
demonstration against racism, chauvinism of prosperity and capitalism
and for the freedom of movement and social rights for ALL humans**

*Even in the snug „calm holy night“
are the european borders meticulously guarded
and while families pray under their x-mas trees
human rights are being tread upon.
Since Europe refuses refugees the right to live,
& Sarrazin indoctrinates racist theories,
we'll drag the dead through the streets
and loudly scrutinize the spending spree,
which praises the circulation of goods,
and doesn't give a shit about the planet and human life.*

***So we are here and we will fight
you bloody fuckin' x-mas night!***

On Saturday, the 18th of December we are calling for a broad antiracist and anticapitalist demonstration in Berlin-Mitte. We want to use the last shopping weekend before x-mas to point out the connection between capitalism and the (post)colonial mechanisms of exploitation and repression, chauvinism of prosperity and racism, migration control and the militarisation of the european external borders. In doing so, we want to refuse their contract and claim the freedom of movement and social rights for ALL humans! We understand this as a declaration of war against the murderous and destructive social relationship of production. This production legitimates itself with the illusion that the constant exploitation of human and natural resources for the sake of production, circulation and consumption of goods in a free, deregulated, and liberalized global market serves the general good of humanity. Yet, the goods producing society expands for the needs of the market and doesn't give a shit for life, freedom, or the integrity of human beings, not to mention continuity and integrity of other life on earth. This gets tremendously visible if you view the formally colonized countries and the people who flee from them in hope for a better life. Thereby it becomes apparent that racism, as a power relationship, marks the border not just politically and socially, but also economically. Thus it hopes to show how necessary it is for neoliberal globalization to even work.

„My little world, my ideal little world“

While thousands of people are dying all year long on the doorsteps of Europe - drowning in the Mediterranean or in the Atlantic while they try to reach continental Europe or the Canaries, or while they perish in the desert after being deported by countries such as Lybia, Tunisia, Algeria, Marocco or Mauritania - the people in this country are about to celebrate x-mas in the circle of their families, enjoying a juicy x-mas roast and a lot of precious new presents. The ideal little world, decorated with a beautiful green x-mas tree, tinsel, glitter balls and many tiny candels, is supposed to reunite the family, to cover up conflicts and to make desperate thoughts forgotten. The family, which wants to be an every day refuge for the grueling and difficult evil (working-)world outside, should give way to the demands of every day life and in these days becomes exaggerated as a place of calmness, of togetherness and of contemplation on „inner“ values. All troubles, that are all to willingly pushed away, are now just denied. „Let's enjoy ourselves today“ means within the same breath „The main thing is, that we are fine.“ No place for critical self-reflection and even less for thinking about the abuses of this society and how one shares in its responsibility. And thus it's not questioned, how all those nice pretty things became an x-mas gift. „I don't give a shit, if others are down.“

„We are here, because you are destroying our countries“

The latest fancy t-shirt is, for example, made of cotton from Burkina Faso cotton, the same cotton that was once brought by masters to forced laborers in the colonies. Today peasants and small scale farmers are still forced to cultivate cotton in monoculture rather than to grow food for their own need. That's because the International Monetary Fund and the Worldbank are constraining the „deprived“ states to export only cotton. But the residents in Burkina Faso don't have much of anything as a result of the cultivation of their hand-picked raw cotton. There are no factories for processing, value creation can't take place and monoculture destroys the ground, the desert expands further and further. But Burkina Faso is not the only country the rich industrial states – first and foremost the EU and the USA – and their multinational companies do everything apparently to ruin them. They are destroying local economies and are robbing the resources of countries, which have been exploited since colonialism. They are signing contracts with corrupt elites, equipping dictatorial regimes with weapons, and are financing war – for the benefit of the own return and to sustain their old colonial privilege in a world that is permeated with the free market of globalized capitalism, that strives to exploit every niche.

„Human rights are no privilege!“

Refugees and many migrants are leaving their homes because of existential distress and threats, which the German government and German companies are largely responsible for. The German government and the governments of the other EU-states are assuming that migration could and has to be controlled globally, instead of receiving refugees and letting them share in the general prosperity, a prosperity which is based on the ruthless plundering of their homes and war economy. The EU has set the intense selection of migrants according to economic criteria as a political goal. Migration that strengthens economic growth and competitiveness as desired by the EU is supported with so-called „blue cards“ being granted to experts from foreign countries. The „unwanted“ are refugees, who appear in the eyes of the EU as a threat to their sovereignty and ability to act in controlling migration. Therefore an extraordinarily restrictive border and migration regime has been installed which includes the „securing of external borders“ with repressive methods which serve exclusively economic interests. A restrictive refugee law, in the Dublin II ordinance regarding deportation, basically discards to the right of asylum. The protection of refugees under the Geneva Convention, that should protect the persecuted, threatened or war-fleeing humans, is annulled by other violations of human rights through deportations in third countries, or countries of transit or origin. Refugees, who only have a chance to reach Europe if they are not discovered by border patrol, use escape routes via the mediterranean sea or the atlantic ocean off the westafrican coast which have proven to be very dangerous – they have grown to be mass graves in recent years. To avoid getting deported immediately, refugees accept the risk of traveling in smaller and smaller boats over longer and more dangerous distances. In 2006 the number of people who starved or died in open sea close to the Canary Islands was estimated at more than 6.000, but the real number could be much higher. The European Union accepts risking these lives in order to continue pushing their humanrights-destroying politics which strengthen the european border.

“Sarrazin shut up”

This continues without disclosing information to the public. On the other hand, the european border security firm Frontex finances and coordinates an armed border patrol with over 70 million € (2008) annually to provide fences, partoll boats, air planes, helicopters, prisons, and refugee camps. They claim that it is necessary in order to prevent an overwhelming wave of refugees from flooding into Europe, swallowing up the prosperity that people worked so hard for it. That scares the average German citizen. Since the 90's the media has built upon this fear to make the threat of refugees an accepted form a racism in everyday German life.

Sarrazin has recently added fuel to the fire. In his book there are no new ideas, but the integration debate has been put back on the table with renewed public interest. Why is it so strange that Muslims, despite years of exclusion and discrimination in German literature, still want to hold onto their customs and traditions? By making his rhetoric, he claims that there is hostility against Germans by the ethnically Turkish/Arabic youth. His sickness paints a picture of cultural conflict while negating the structural educational racism in German schools which understandably leads to dissatisfaction. By ranting about the collapse of Western culture because of the minarets in Neoköln, he repeatedly defines a demarcation line of exclusion. On the one hand he arouses fears, that pension rights are destroyed by the supposed „laziness of migrants“. But at the same time he dreams of a disciplined meritocracy, in which everyone stays in competition with everybody. We refuse to accept this inhuman logic of economic utilization and are counting the hours until Germany really self-destructs – and takes capitalism down with it.

Because everyone has the right to live how and where they want, migration is unstoppable and uncontrollable. It is in human nature to want to move and no wall is high enough to stop the drives, hopes, and needs for free movement. A world without borders that organizes itself in solidarity where the needs of ALL humans are respected is not utopia, which will never be realized, but for which we can and have to fight.

We demand free movement for everyone and global social rights for all.

No border, no nation, no capitalism.