

tional Rivers Network, Friends of the Earth, and the Environmental Defense Fund. 50YIE's platform calls for "openness" at the World Bank and IMF, and "sustainable," "resource-conserving development." At the World Social Forum in Pôrto Alegre, Brazil in January 2001, 50YIE distributed thousands of flyers inviting people to Washington for demonstrations between Sept. 28 and Oct. 4.

AFGJ members will be part of a rally on Sept. 29 demanding an end to Plan Colombia, which (supposedly) targets the narco-insurgency there, and an overall takedown of what it calls the "phony War on Drugs." Then it will join in a "symbolic encirclement" of the White House.

### **The Ruckus Society**

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On April 6, 2001, ABC News showed members of the AFL-CIO at a boot camp established by the Ruckus Society for the MGJ April 8-17 events in Washington; the unionists were seen in near-jungle conditions on the banks of Peace River near Arcadia, Florida, training with students on spring break. The Ruckus Society's quasi-military training included how to use "pugo sticks" to combat riot police with shields and batons.

The Ruckus Society was founded in 1995 by Mike Roselle, a former national direct action coordinator for Greenpeace and founder of the Earth First! and Rainforest Action Network eco-terrorist groups, which were all active in Seattle. Director John Sellers was held on \$1 million bail in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania last August, for his role in the riots against the WTO meeting in Seattle in 1999.

According to several sources, one of the leading funders of the Ruckus Society is Ted Turner, who was, until recently, married to "deep ecologist" Jane Fonda. Another top funder is Elaine Broadhead, a Chicago heiress and anti-nuclear activist, who held two of the 18 Ruckus training camps at her 150-acre estate in the Northern Virginia fox-hunting country at Middleburg.

The Ruckus Society will conduct an Action Camp at Broadhead's Middleburg estate during Sept. 14-18.

More broadly, the AFL-CIO is being drawn into providing cover for the hard-core terrorists who are being used by the very people the AFL-CIO is opposing on policy, to discredit the opposition and shut down real debate. Coming out of its Executive Council meeting in August in Chicago, the AFL-CIO issued a "Call to Action" for a month of activities during the August Congressional recess, to "galvanize opposition to Fast Track" of the latest amendments to the North American Free Trade Agreement. The activities will culminate with a Global Justice Week, Sept. 26-Oct. 1 in Washington, D.C., with a massive peaceful rally and march on Sept.

30. While there is nothing wrong with such peaceful protest, the Ruckus Society is training people for terrorism—not peaceful civil disobedience.

### **Homes Not Jails/D.C.**

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Founded in 1992 in San Francisco, where it has opened hundreds of abandoned buildings for squatters, Homes Not Jails created a branch in Washington, D.C. coincident with the IMF/World Bank protests last April.

HNJ plans to host a "People's Repo" squatters summit from Sept. 21-24 to "take what we need," and has been linked to the "Black Bloc" anarchist group known as the Anti-Capitalist Convergence.

### **Continental Direct Action Network**

www.cdan.org

Begun as a coalition of activist groups to shut down the WTO meeting in Seattle on Nov. 30, 1999, using large-scale street theater and mass direct action. To coordinate future non-violent direct actions, the affinity groups created a continental network, adopting "Principles of Unity" inspired by and derived from those of People's Global Action.

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## **Chronology**

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# **'Anti-Capitalist' Mobs Do Oligarchy's Dirty Work**

by Michele Steinberg

The summit of the Group of Eight in Genoa, Italy in July 2001, saw "anti-capitalist" street fighting that left one person dead and 400 wounded, in a spectacularly staged action that is the latest event in a process that has been funded by the world's wealthiest "capitalists." The backers of the street mobs include leading figures in various echelons of the British royalty, ranging from His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, to the family of the late, lowly, but "filthy rich" Sir Jimmy Goldsmith.

Since 1997, when the professionals of the new "New Left" and anarchist international gathered in El Indiano, Spain, under the auspices of the European support networks of the Mexican separatist/terrorists, the EZLN-Zapatistas, there has been a systematic deployment of a core of "professionals,"



*The bloody banner of the Genoa riots is being raised to rally the troops for more bloodshed at the IMF meeting in Washington.*

whose job is to perpetually tour world capitals in the wake of the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, the World Trade Organization, the Group of Eight, the Organization of American States, and other “world-class” organizations that control the world financial system, to grab headlines as the “opposition” to the speculators and usurers who have brought the global financial system to collapse. But as the accompanying dossiers indicate, this “house opposition” is totally coordinated with speculative looters like George Soros and the IMF, with the *same* agenda—destroy the nation-state and annihilate the concept of government “of the people, by the people, and for the people.”

The following timeline identifies the leading street actions, and the planning meetings, conferences, and staged media events that have created a core of veteran “urban guerrillas”—sponsored by the financial oligarchy—leading up to the latest, and most serious level of violence to date: Genoa. The Genoa incident where a protester was killed by police, is now the bloody banner of the next round of protests—target-

ted for Washington on Sept. 30-Oct. 1, where the networks hope to create even more bloodshed.

In the interim, an extremely important conference will be convened in Cochabamba, Bolivia, on Sept. 16-21, that will include the narco-terrorist armies of Colombia, Peru, and Mexico, and will represent a potential further escalation of the terrorist capability.

**January 1994:** Zapatista National Liberation Army (EZLN) took over Chiapas, Mexico.

**1994:** Founding of the International Forum on Globalization, a Goldsmith front.

**1997:** Meeting in El Indiano, Spain, immediately after the Second Intercontinental Meeting for Humanity and against Neo-Liberalism, organized by the Zapatista support network in Europe. At that meeting, the idea for the People’s Global Action (PGA), as a network process, was born, and it was decided to convene a conference to create the PGA in Geneva in February 1998.

**Feb. 23-25, 1998:** Founding conference of the PGA in Geneva, with 300 representatives from 71 countries, and all continents. Organizers of the conference stated: “The global enemy is relatively well known, but the global resistance that it meets rarely passes through the filter of the media. And here we met the people who had shut down whole cities in Canada with general strikes, risked their lives to seize lands in Latin America, destroyed the seed of Cargill in India or Novartis’ transgenic maize in France.”

**September 1998:** Convenors committee met in Finland and planned the second conference of PGA for India, where they would craft the intervention against the WTO meeting in Seattle, an Intercontinental Caravan for Solidarity and Resistance, and the Global Day of Action against Financial Centres on June 18, 1999.

**Nov. 20, 1998:** Siena, Italy, Teddy Goldsmith issued the Siena Declaration, a phony attack on the IMF, blaming world poverty on the Bretton Woods system.

**June 18, 1999:** Rampage in the City of London by witches, warlocks, Reclaim the Streets, and J18. The era of anti-globalization Jacobins has arrived.

**August 1999:** Second PGA conference in Bangalore, India.

**Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 1999:** J18 riots come to the United States (Seattle) on the eve of Y2K and parallel to deployment of groups that were allegedly planning Y2K terror.

**April 8-17, 2000:** Washington, D.C.—very well-organized street guerrilla actions against IMF/World Bank interim meetings.

**September 2000:** S26 in Prague, at the assembly of the IMF/World Bank, was a Global Day of Action, with 110 demonstrations around the world. The PGA considered the Prague action to be one of its greatest triumphs, as the following quotes from its literature show: “15 to 20,000 demonstrators besieged the assembly for hours. Delegates attempting to

leave were injured and were finally evacuated by underground,” on the first day of the meeting. On the second day, “many preferred to stay in the safety of their hotels while the remainder voted to cancel the third day of meetings.” This was a “victory won in the face of 11,000 police,” which also “marked the fall of the Berlin Wall for the anti-capitalist movement.” A new generation of activists from the Czech Republic, Hungary, and Poland “said what they thought of their supposed free world, ten years after freeing themselves from the communist oppression.”

**Jan. 25-28, 2001:** Davos, Switzerland—“Counter-Summit” to the World Economic Forum.

**Jan. 25-30, 2001:** Pôrto Alegre, Brazil—Massive gathering brought “alternative bankers,” intellectuals of the terrorist ideology, narco-terrorists, and anti-IMF forces to week-long planning and indoctrination operations.

**April 20-22, 2001:** Quebec City, Canada—Meeting of the Organization of American States. Occasion for detailed street theater/training of “Black Bloc” terrorist component.

**June 25-27, 2001:** Barcelona, Spain—Day of Action called, but World Bank “cancels meeting in Barcelona due to massive anti-capitalist protests planned,” says the PGA.

**July 19-22, 2001:** Genoa, Italy—200,000 protesters, including thousands of “Black Bloc” terrorists, virtually invade the city, on occasion of the Group of Seven and Group of Eight meetings. One protester killed; and 400 police, protesters, and bystanders wounded.

**Sept. 16-24, 2001:** Cochabamba, Bolivia—Scheduled meeting of People’s Global Action, a gathering of narco-terrorist veterans.

**Sept. 27-Oct. 4, 2001:** Planned assault on IMF/World Bank meeting in Washington, D.C., also targeting Bush Administration “War on Drugs” and Plan Colombia.

## Genoa Riots a Staged Scenario for ‘New Global ’68 Movement

by Claudio Celani

The biggest fairy-tale spread by the media on the riots that took place outside the July 21-22 Group of Eight summit in Genoa, Italy, is that they occurred in the context of a large demonstration against globalization. A second fairy-tale is that the unprecedented “police brutality” deployed in Genoa shows the real “fascist” character of the Italian government of Silvio Berlusconi. The truth is, as we shall show, that both the demonstrations and the riots, were *in favor* of globalization. Moreover, the campaign against the Berlusconi govern-

ment is part of a British-centered operation aimed at fabricating an enemy-image to boost the creation of a synthetic, “new global 1968” movement, as announced by two of its controllers, Anglo-French millionaire Teddy Goldsmith and terrorist leader Toni Negri (see box).

What happened in Genoa was a staged confrontation, in order to prevent the real issues concerning globalization from being addressed—either inside or outside the G-8 meeting. The proof is that neither outside nor inside the G-8 in Genoa, did anybody address the issue of the collapsing financial and economic system, and the urgency of its reorganization. With that, we do not mean to say that all the 200,000 or more people who gathered in Genoa are supporters of globalization; indeed, many of them are reacting to what they see as an unjust economic policy; however, the leaders of the anti-globalization movement are controlled top-down by the financial elites, and have so far ensured that the platform of the movement consists of a leftist variant of the same free-market policies being implemented by the globalizers.

For example, one of the arguments of the Genoa Social Forum (GSF), is that globalization makes poor countries poorer; the remedy they propose, is for Europe and the United States to remove tariff obstacles to importing Third World agricultural products. But, this is exactly what globalization is about! As Italian Foreign Minister Renato Ruggiero, a former investment banker and former director of the World Trade Organization (WTO), stressed before the G-8 meeting, there is no principled difference between G-8 and anti-G-8 leaders on the issue. The final G-8 communiqué, in fact, states that an agreement was reached to re-open the Seattle WTO round of trade negotiations, which were supposed to introduce exactly those “reforms.”

The only GSF proposal that partially addressed reality was the so-called “Tobin tax,” a proposal to curb international financial speculation by a tax on speculative transactions. This measure, however, launched by the French-based organization Attac, led by *Le Monde Diplomatique* director Bernard Cassen, could only work in the context of the kind of world financial and monetary reorganization that Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. has indicated. But no such proposal was present in the GSF platform.

In reality, the Genoa events showed that the “peaceful” GSF merely acted as a cover for the deployment of the terrorist assault.

### ‘White Overalls’ and Black Bloc

One dead, 400 wounded (of whom 108 were policemen); 34 banks, 14 shops, and 16 gasoline stations demolished; 83 cars set on fire or damaged. For two long days, Genoa was transformed into a theater of war. Thousands of “Black Bloc” terrorists engaged in systematic demolition of selected targets and guerrilla warfare against the police, in an escalated repetition of what had already happened at international summits since 1999 in Seattle, Prague, and Gothenburg.