

ORANGE SQUASH *** MARCH ON THE HOUSE OF ORANGE
*** ANTINATIONAL AND BORDERLESS CALL TO ACTION ***

Amsterdam, 2-2-2002
Grand Festival of Resistance and Libertarian Tradition
A Halt to the Royal Wedding!

Dodgyness is the keyword in all the Dutch Royal Affairs. Not breaking the tradition of Queen Beatrix's marriage to a former hitlerjugend member and her mother Juliana's marriage to an up-to-1938 member of the German Nazi SS, Dutch crown prince Willem Alexander is taking the daughter of a minister in the Argentinian fascist junta in to matrimony.

Committee March on the House of Orange (COMODO) has taken a vow that a big gig of resistance and anarchy take place in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, on the day of the royal wedding, 2-2-2002, of the crown prince with his Argentinian fiance Maxima.

As the Dutch royal family, the Dutch parliament, the police and security services are preparing for the wedding, so should we. It will be a day full of action, joy and possibilities: so please strengthen us and journey to Holland on this day of wedding! Would you lend your assistance, you can reach us at comodo@squat.net.

SOME BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In Dutch newspapers and magazines the hype around the father of Maxima, Jorge Zorreguieta, who has been minister of agriculture in the Videla-junta in Argentina and was spokesman of the big farmers and landowners, has been raving for months now.

"Is it appropriate for such a person to attend the wedding of his daughter with 'our' prince?" Or: "Shouldn't he be unwell that day?". And the most progressive: "Should she not denounce the junta publicly before she be allowed the thrown?"

But for us, anarchists, the questions are much different: should there be royals at all and shows this case Zorreguieta not precisely what is wrong with an institute like the monarchy? The dutch royal family has made a strong tradition of contacts with "wrong" regimes and dictators throughout history. This is nothing new for us. Moreover, an institute like the monarchy is an expression of capitalism. When our vision is unblurred, we clearly see that no thing is truly democratic, just 'bread and plays' for the working people. Give us a queensday every year, a waving queen and people will be happy?

Friends, why should we longer bare retarded institutes like monarchies? Let us not accept this royal wedding! There can be no justification for the existence of a wealthy elite which stands above the law, consolidates hierarchic structures, is a stimulus for nationalism and a torturer of animals. We want the entire monarchy abolished.

WHY OUGHT THE DUTCH MONARCHY BE A TARGET FOR ANARCHISTS WORLDWIDE?

Well, it oughtn't. But it is interesting to note that our current queen, Beatrix, is one of the few permanent members of the Bilderberg group, and very respected in those high circles that discuss what should become of our world. The secretary general of this group is a Dutch economic professor, Victor Halberstadt, and has been appointed by Beatrix of acquainting Maxima Zorreguieta with the finer aspects of Dutch society, such as the world renowned policies of repressive tolerance.

The Dutch monarchy has a powerful hand in the global upper class and represents Dutch transnational corporations, such as Shell, Unilever and Philips, on the forefront of developments in globalisation. The Dutch tend to gain favour for international posts with their pseudo-neutrality, always wearing a coat of political correctness and compromise.

Recent example is the appointment of former prime minister Ruud Lubbers as United Nations high commissioner for refugees. In the eighties and early nineties he was the responsible cabinet leader for closing the borders, disallowing refugees to work, the Schengen and Maastricht treaties. In this time, the Dutch also invented the 'third way', now highly revered by social democrats worldwide, by starting the Dutch 'poldermodel' of permanent negotiation between unions and employers, in effect paralyzing what was left of worker's protests, whilst inequality kept growing.

When we go back another decade, the Dutch were one of the greater economic partners of the fascist Argentinian junta under general Videla. Tens of thousands of people, especially thousands of leftists and Jews, were the victim of gruesome torture, and murder.

"We have to separate the economic and political side of things", has always been the Dutch motto. Thus the Hollanders supplied the Fokker aircrafts with which the Argentinian victims where simply thrown into the ocean from above. "Now, now, we have to separate politics and romance", and thus make allowance for one of the fascist cabinet members to become the queen's father and have a direct line of influence in both Dutch and global affairs of politics. Surely, anarchists and antifascists may find the Dutch monarchy a worthy symbol of hierarchy, backwardness, the extreme right and, particularly, deceit and cover-up.

When you have taken an active interest in the histories of the Dutch royal family, please contact us at comodo@squat.net. Postal office box 2228, 2301 CE Leiden. <http://squat.net/beakomt>.

COMODO

Our Countrywide Committee March on the House of Orange (COMODO) was formed last year when queen Beatrix felt it necessary to visit Leiden on queensday (the 29th of april, the birthday of her mother) and emergency laws of repression were passed to prohibit us. However, our successful march and a public tribunal against the royals in Leiden was unhindered, and we had a load of fun.

Finally, we would suggest to you our manifesto, also available in English, on <http://squat.net/beakomt>. Furthermore, you will find there the opportunity to take up membership of our mailing list.

The Countrywide Committee March on the House of Orange
sends you her most festive greetings:

*No Royal House, Nor State, Nor Capital,
Let The Earth Belong Us All!*