

# **Against The New High Security Prisons in Greece**



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**NEWS, ACTIONS AND SOLIDARITY  
ATTACKS CONCERNING THE NEW HIGH  
SECURITY PRISON LEGISLATION IN  
GREECE**

**“In the chaos of our own existence we are a part of the imponderable element which organizes subversion, plans mutinies, that leave even ourselves dazed. The translation of texts, letters, communiqués, etc. so that comrades in other countries around the world can read about the desires and ideas and projectuality of the comrades in Greece, is one more weapon at our disposal. What began as a simple desire and a challenge, has brought us into a new field of experiences, acquaintances and responsibilities. Now that we’re here, they will not get rid of us easily.**

**We have become another aspect of the asymmetric threat. The war to the end, has already begun. ...”**

**This is why, as individuals with our actions and solidarity, we will continue with all means possible as anarchist revolutionaryinsurrectionalists, to express our thoughts and desires, whether it’s through the letters-texts of our fighting comrades who are hostages in the hell-holes of Greek democracy or through the actions of the comrades outside in the streets day and night with all means untilsocial liberation for Anarchy.**

**Actforfreedomnow – Boubouras**

## **Slogans on walls inside Koridallos prisons**



**The blood is still flowing seeking revenge**



**(A) We don't forget, we don't forgive (N)**

prisoners. Its prototype is the model structured for those arrested in the summer of 2002 for the 17 November.

Its aim is to legalize and standardize a similar regime of isolation. So that the resonance of the political prisoners does not reach the society which is seeking anti-system directions. However, just as in 2002 the struggles of the prisoners and the solidarity movement subverted these plans, reversing political isolation, this is what will happen now too.

We call for all political prisoners, fighting prisoners, the solidarity movement, the fighting society to unite their voice and actions, so that this fascist legislation does not pass. This Struggle is a piece of the struggle against the memorandums that destroy all of society.

P.S. The legislation is applied to the prisons before it is even voted in. The eliminating of leave days, the closing of every decompression valve, already leading to tragic results: the knife in Malandrino prison was held by the three who had the inspiration for this legislation.

**Kostas Gournas**  
**Dimitris Koufodinas**



## Concerning the murder of Ilia Kareli

### **The war is raging.**

As long as the world of authority buries people alive in the prison dungeons, there will be moments of insurrection and disobedience that return the violence to the rulers. Just like that moment when a prisoner, Ilia Kareli, after 16 years of incarceration and repression, transformed his desperation into rage and turned his knife against a human-guard.

A human-guard whose hagiography is now being projected by the means of mass deceit, silencing the fact that he was a torturer who when the prison system chose to show its toughest face, turned the expression of his sadistic rage on to the bodies of prisoners, with imaginative methods such as whipping them with electricity wires.

The dogs of authority made sure they avenged the death of the human guard in a way they know well: torturing to death. Ilia died from internal bleeding after repeated beatings by cops and human-guards.

We could not expect anything better from the tools of the regime. But the responsibility is also on those who reproduce the propaganda of the Media about the unfairly lost family man human-guard, participating in the festival of covering up the specific torture inside the prisons but also the hated social role of the human-guards generally.

The wager is to break, with words and actions, the monologue of authority which was peaked with one more State murder.

One more murder which the mass media rushed to attribute to known unknown unspecified circumstances, even to pathological reasons,

in a desperate attempt to bury the stench of the corpse-eating democracy of capital.

Just like so many other mysterious deaths of people, the names of whom we learnt after their deaths. Just like Katerina Goulioni or the recent example of Ezzo Shakram Haitam in Grevena prisons.

Those natural deaths which come to sit next to some other, slow, daily and torturing deaths inside the cemented routine of the correctional brothels.

**There where people are hurt in the timelessness of prison...**

**People who get sick in their loneliness, who go crazy with the sound of silence...**

**People-numbers, fooled in the fairytale of delusion, paying with their blood the drugs sold by the correctional shop.**

**People buried in the disciplinary cells, forgotten in their sentences, and EXHAUSTED by transfers and isolation.**

**People who carve on their huge sentences and years of incarceration dreams of a short free future...**

On the ashes of the prisons, the small or great moments of disobedience that carve scars on the allegedly unscathed face of the correctional service, on the cut bars and dug out tunnels...

There where revenge will carry the accumulated HATE from every humiliation, torture or murder...

***LETS ORGANIZE OUR ATTACKS***

***FIRE TO THE PRISONS***

***Initiative from the network of anarchists and fighting prisoners of Koridallos and Avlona***

## **Letter by K.Gournas member of the Revolutionary Struggle and D. Koufodinas member of the R.O. 17 November concerning the legislation about the prisons – Athens**

The legislation for the prisons is creating the Greek Guantanamo.

Those incarcerated in these special kinds of the prisons:

-Are deprived of all the rights the other prisoners have (days of leave, probation etc.)

-Have their visiting permits and phone calls reduced (almost eliminated).

-Remain locked in their cells for up to 23 hours a day.

A special police force comes into these prisons with classified duties and authorities.

This asphyxiating regime of detainment reminds us.... of the American Guantanamo. This legislation of Samaras, Dendias and Athanasiou is of fascist inspiration. It is an expression of a state of permanent emergency. It is the equivalent memorandum for the prisoners.

The micro-society of prison has not remained unscathed by the full-on attack on Greek society. The moment that at a global scale neo-liberal capitalism, in order to overcome the crisis, is stepping on decades of vested rights, it is applying to Greek society the most inhuman version of this strategy.

This strategy leaves no decompression valves, on the contrary it compresses, besides human dignity, every desire for resistance. This logic expresses the legislation for the prisons: it creates the fear of C type prisons. Fear for the prisoners, but also all of the fighting society. First target of the legislation is the isolation of political

liquid social situation will increasingly continue to feed the prisons with those who fight or simply those who are unnecessary to capitalism and the State.

What is needed is to realize that prisons are one more field of anarchist revolutionary intervention and prepare for that.

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## **SOLIDARITY ATTACK RESPONSIBILITY CLAIM**

On Tuesday April 8th, the car (a silver Opel Vectra) of the known prison guard G.Bardakis was attacked with a grenade on 33 Zaimi street, in Egaleo. This attack is a minimal act of remembering the murder of prisoner Ilir Kareli.

Kareli, tired of hurting from the beatings, electroshocks, baton strikes, buckets of frozen water, humiliations by the prison guards, finally "escaped" from the hands of his torturers with his death.

We know his death will soon be forgotten. Just like the dozens of deaths forgotten and which will be forgotten in the hellholes of the prisons, by illness, smack, desperation...

The prison-guards-murderers, no matter how much they tried to wash away the blood of the dead from the isolation cell with chlorine, did not succeed. It remained there, a stain on the wall to remind us... that blood can be washed away, only with blood.

Now it's our turn...

Night is our friend and its darkness embraces us. We pull our guns out of the stash, take our motorbikes and go hunting.

Because tonight we are hunting correctional officers.

Our eyes and ears are everywhere.

Whichever bastard lays their hand on prisoners will have it cut from the root, whoever demeans and humiliates prisoners will personally meet us at their house, the gym they frequent, the traffic light where they wait in their car.

All you who have made violence a towards locked up people profession, now you will pay with the same coin...

We send Strength and greetings to those prisoners inside who support the pan-hellenic mobilization against the fascist legislation for the construction of isolation type C prisons.

Respect to the urban guerillas of the Informal Anarchist Federation.

Solidarity and complicity to the anarchists of praxis, who on Sunday April 6th attacked the riot cops, outside Domokos prisons.

**THINK REVOLUTIONARY ACT AGGRESSIVELY**

Warning:

All the prison guards who participated in the group torturing/murder of Kareli, are now WANTED.

We inform those who were not detained, that their names - are already known through the indictment but also in the circles of prisoners - are on a list for permanent elimination.

Whatever little village they hide in, whatever profession they might change, they should know that we will find them and they will fall in our ambush.

Concerning the detained prison guards/torturers, they should know that whatever prison and protection wing they go to, they

will meet their bounty Faith. All prisoners are informed and we have friends everywhere. Their days are numbered... (and hard...)

**Nihilist Gangs of Revenge**



and recognition of differentiability.

Upon this base some of us together with other prisoners created the Initiative of anarchist hostages of Koridallos and the Network of anarchist prisoners.

These two formations operate on initiative, which means with no steady composition on few common agreements aiming at our intervention, word and action, in various incidents so much inside as well as outside the walls.

We also promote the coordination and cooperation between prisoners in different prisons, anarchists or not, who recognize the importance and necessity of organized and aggressive action against the prisons.

A community of anarchist prisoners can play a catalyst role and sabotage the smooth function of the prison. Depending on the anthropography of every wing and the degree of transaction it has with the service can cause explosions against the institution, just as it can easily accept oppression from the prisoners themselves in order to maintain the equilibrium. It might seem foreign for people outside but the reality of prison is that if you choose to attack one of its structures and whatever it represents, you must take into consideration not only the reactions of the service and state authority generally, but also the prisoners themselves.

This of course does not mean that we will stop attempting these excesses and seek to share moments of struggle with other real people inside and outside the walls.

We do not need to argue about how the conditions of economic crisis, social polarization, the appearance of new revolutionary projects, the consequent intensification of oppression and the general

to not accept prison as as a space and way of function. For us the fact that an anarchist revolutionary is hostage for a period of time does not mean they forget the reason for which they went to prison, nor that they will compromise with the situation till they are out again. Thus, independently of the points of conciliation with which we compromise by necessity, we cannot but stand against the service and the authoritarian groupings as well as the logics of subjugation and cannibalism they promote.

We have felt very clearly that prison is a place where conventions dominate, we experience as intense as ever our weakness to directly clash with the enemy, we are enraged that even the elementary needs such as seeing our loved ones are mediated. Prison as a space and as relations that govern it has its way to disappoint, isolate and individualize. The condensed reality inside the wall has made us back down to conventions and tolerate situations which we would have never thought of outside.

This is why we consider it is very important to create a community with political characteristics. A community which will function anti-hierarchically in its interior, with no mediation concerning the service, that is to say, it does not intend to be transformed into one more intermediary between service and prisoners and extrovert, seeking to connect with prisoners who are susceptible to these values as well as with comrades and structures outside the walls.

Community in no case implies identification of ideas. Since its aim is the spreading inside the walls and the connection with anarchist projects outside, experiential courses and perceptions. It aims at the proposition of our defense against the alienating condition of our imprisonment and attack on the institution of prison. It seeks to build relations based not on the prison-macho culture of bravado, herd-like force and imposition, but relations based on co-respect

## **Iilir Kareli did not die the other day...**

Iilir Kareli did not die the other day... he was murdered 16 years ago when he first entered the meat machine that is called the Greek correctional system. Since then he died every day he was not free, just like so many comrades die slowly in the State cells. Until the moment tolerance and endurance reached its limit and he decided to go against the system of paranoia of the prisons and react.

But authority does not leave margins of resistance and so it crushed one more disobedient fighter. His attitude however towards State authority must become an example. So don't fool yourselves, the only path is that of clash, we must strike first, crush them until every being on this planet is free again, until we abolish their laws, until the last prison wall is torn down...

We stand next to any comrade who defends their choices in the struggle, **independently of the attitude they choose to keep in the court room, since we are raging a common struggle that knows no borders, nor walls even**

if those are prison walls. Solidarity with captive comrades cannot be a sterile and automated process. On the contrary it is a crucial point of the anarchist struggle, aiming at the liberation of all comrades, the destruction of the prisons and the complete attack on State and capital, through constant struggle.

Until we level their prisons, until we bring the imprisoned anarchists back to the streets where they belong, constant struggle for freedom and anarchy.

Act for freedom now!



Of course, apathy is perpetuated also by the abundant supply of psychiatric drugs, decompression valves which inevitably are created by the condition of imprisonment and the means of control, imposition, profitability and strengthening of the economy and the informal economy.

In the frames therefore of the aforementioned balances and given the condition of existence of hierarchical poles of authority in the interior of the prison, it is important to try to clarify to a degree the way these two connect.

The groupings of prison do not differ much from those of the rest of society. They are structured based on either race or "network" interests, often both.

We have therefore a way of organizing (complicated in many cases) based on the power of negotiation we described earlier, with quite liquid relations so much in the interior as well as between the groupings, where the decisions for major matters of prison are taken by the top of the hierarchy. A direct result is of course the fragmentation of the "community" of the prisons, something supported and promoted also by the service in the logic of "divide and conquer" with as an ultimate aim, always, the smooth functioning of the prison.

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We on our side ought to clarify to our comrades outside the walls, the way with which we seek to move around in here and the reasons for which this is happening.

In prison we came into contact with people we did not know, exchanged opinions, agreed, disagreed and realized that one of the things we agreed on was our desire to not be assimilated and



In this way discipline and control are individualized, whether because someone is a snitch and the service needs him, or because he gives percentage of his dealings to the service, or because he has people outside who can apply pressure, or because he is a public figure, or because he is an old timer and has influence over other prisoners. Every prisoner wins his position in the system of prison depending on his “negotiability” power with the service. And this power is defined by the degree-force of influence he has in groups of prisoners which usually have racial characteristics or are organized based on race.

Generally prison is a world of balances, balances between various hierarchies and groupings of prisoners, balances between different poles of authority of prisoners and people-guard, balances between prisoners and the service (whether as individuals or as a whole).

1. the wannabe bully
2. subjugated prisoner because of his position
3. the bouncer/thug!
4. lower level prisoner who gets paid to run errands as a servant of other prisoners

This, together with the various ideologies which are widespread here as well as outside, with fear and with a variety of internal and external factors leads most prisoners to a state of apathy. They wait resignedly for their torture to end, “get through their sentence” closed in their microcosm tolerating many times insults from other prisoners and the service.

Actually we experienced this in the days following the attack on the human-guard since people we had friendly relations with and shared a mutual sympathy, although distressed with the attitude of the service and other prisoners did not have the possibility to react, basically remaining uninvolved.

## *Greece: Report back from solidarity intervention at Domokos prison*



### **Against maximum security prisons**

ON SUNDAY APRIL 6TH, 2014 comrades from several parts of Greece came together to protest in close proximity to Domokos prison against the new prison reform bill of the ministry of Justice, and to send strength and warmth to the prisoners held in there.

At around 1pm, buses from Patras and Athens arrived right at the road leading to Domokos prison, finding there was a police blockade half a kilometre away from the prison, so they couldn't get any closer than that. Comrades from Karditsa, Volos, Trikala, Larissa and other cities had gathered beforehand in the central square of the village as planned, to march toward the prison. Protesters from Thessaloniki arrived later due to problems with one of their buses.

Some slogans were chanted initially, but people didn't know whether inmates could hear anything due to the distance, so the cheers went down until there was phone communication with prisoners, who confirmed they were hearing the shouts on the inside. A smaller group of comrades found there was a way to get closer to the prison facilities by going through the fields surrounding the prison, and from there they sent their warmth to the prisoners. Soon afterwards, there were small-scale clashes with the cops who were positioned on that side of the building. Tear gas was thrown but the wind did not blow in favour of police squadrons, so it did not have much effect. Intermittent clashes continued for more than an hour, with the rest of demonstrators waiting nearby not to leave others behind.

At about 3.30pm, there was quite a fun moment when comrades attempted to attack a patrol car and a secret police vehicle. When

spontaneous criminality with organized crime and at a second degree organized crime with "white collar crimes" comes about. A connection and co-overlapping which totally compose the economy. It is a space where discipline, hierarchy and mediation (from formal and informal authorities) are consolidated and reproduced to an almost absolute degree in relations.

The correctional character of the prison does not lie in the creation of law abiding citizens but people who espouse and reproduce the above values in its functioning.

Prison is not a romantic community of illegals, it is a "community" imposed by the penal justice as such. Thus, people from basically irrelevant (between them) social categories are made to co-exist and correlate. The bouncer, the smack dealer, the junkie, the passion criminal, the bank robber, the kiosk robber, the "pickpocket", the contract killer, the smuggler, the inadvertent killer, the bomber, the "terrorist" (with many belonging to more than one category), are "stuffed" under the common denominator of criminality, a homogenization led by the penal justice, the punitive coded ideology of capital.

Thus, this community that someone might believe that the common experience of limitation, oppression and exclusion would raise the mood for struggle and resistance is artificial and false.

This is why the feeling of community and the mood for struggle are undermined by resignation, apathy, racism, commissioning and mediation.

The brutality of capitalism is perfectly reproduced with more crass terms in prison. From the *spatholouro*(1) and the *legeni*(2) up to the "bouncer"(3) and the "taxi"(4), every prisoner finds a position in the hierarchical complex of prison. A position which is directly intertwined with the amount of power each prisoner has.

As soon as the first blood flows, the crazy ones lose their self-control. There are piranhas roaming the halls looking for easy prey. After the clashes appear always two or three people have been smashed without having anything to do with the initial incidents. A young guy with his head smashed in the toilet where they surprised him while he was taking a piss. A guy with ten holes from a knife, having done nothing.

(...)

Up against that, not even a prisoner can recognize law or justice. Not even if he is blinded. They only see an opposing gang fortified with tones of stupidity, shit structures, criminal refusal of any responsibility and arbitrary humiliations. A gang always ready to do the minimum possible and avoid any change, any dispute. The individual that enters prison with cuffs on his hands and legs must know that he will be transformed into a slave of a slimy war leader and his armed men. All the rest, as well as those rumors about a correctional community, it is nothing but stupidities for the the gallery and the Parisian committees.

**Jean-Marc Rouillan**

The fact that prison is the most sadistic institution of capitalist society is a fact that no one can dispute. What is disputed when you cross its gate is the axiom that since prison is an inhuman and repulsive institution, its subject must be sanctified.

We consider it therefore useful to mention a few things concerning the reality of prison and the way it functions, at least as we have perceived it up to now, clarifying of course that from prison to prison there are differences, just as there are from one wing to another inside the same prison. Thus, some of what we write might apply to a different degree or even not at all in other cases.

Despite all this, one thing is sure and does not change depending on the prison and this is the very specific role it holds in capitalist society. It is the main space where the osmosis at a first degree of

the three cops realized it, they jumped into their cars and drove the hell out of there, leaving a trace of tires on the asphalt.

**Slogans against prisons and cops, but also for anarchy were mainly chanted, like:**

*Neither penal nor political prisoners; fire and explosives to all the prison cells.*

*Listen up you prison guards, hands off the fighters.*

*Those whose heads are full of shit cannot understand anything about freedom.*

*That's right, that's right, that's right, bursts of Kalashnikov to make it stick in your mind.*

*Not a single teardrop for Tsironis; cops, pigs, murderers. (Giorgos Tsironis is the prison guard who was fatally stabbed by prisoner Ilia Kareli.)*

*Freedom for those who are in prison cells.*

## **Concerning the murder of Ilia Kareli by cops in Nigritas prison**

**Letter sent to the ministry of Justice from the 1st wing of  
Koridallos prisons:**

**To the Ministry of Justice,**

We the prisoners of the 1st wing of Koridallos prisons today Friday March 28th 2014 refuse the prison food because of the cowardly murder of our fellow prisoner Ilia Kareli. You speak of a State of justice but you are a State of murderers. It goes to show that it was one more matter of revenge for the ministry of justice and the minister in question.

Congratulations once more for the state of justice you allegedly have. We pay our crimes with life sentences and long convictions.

We await the answer of the minister of Justice for our murdered fellow prisoner Ilia Kareli.

Prisoners of the 1st wing of Koridallos prisons.

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### **Letter from the female and male prisons of Koridallos**

We the prisoners of Koridallos prisons tonight March 28th 2014, remain outside our cells for one hour after lock up time because of the brutal murder by beating of our fellow prisoner Ilia Kareli. This is the first blood spilt in the prisons before the upcoming new legislation for the C type prisons and the abolishing of all our rights. The blood has painted the hands of the minister of Public Order Dendias and the Minister of Justice Athanasiou who want to build the Greek Guantanamo and are ethical perpetrators of this murder.

guardhouse which is higher than the yard. But the real monitoring is the electronic one which is based on the presence of cameras everywhere. It is hard to avoid them. But the Management thinks of everything and has carefully made sure they left enough holes in this thorough monitoring, in order for the “monsters” to take care of their business without anyone bothering them. Unless it’s the business of the service itself with one or another bouncer. What does it matter if one or two poor devils are fried with boiling water or are disfigured with a home made knife? Of what importance is it?

The report will not even be three lines. The career of the “suit” is in no danger. And furthermore, a prison is run better like this, because there is always this rapid fratricidal violence. If at least it was for serious reasons, but it was always for stupidities. A notorious bully can say what he wants without anything ever happening to him or a racist responsible for attacks on Arabs can stroll around among them without a problem.

There is however always a sneaky and resentful person who keeps alight the fire of bitterness. The fire burns slowly for weeks and months, and after that some prisoners speed up their pace and the blows fall like rain. The halls echo of screams and kicks and the smashing of plates breaking and tables turning upside down. The defeated try to get to the blue door to get out of the island. A young guy walks by leaving blood stains on the floor, with his mouth ripped up to the ear.

In a moment weapons come out everywhere. A sock is transformed into something terrible when a petanque ball goes in it! A piece of plexiglas taken from a broken window is a sword that cuts like a razor.

to us to require the mediation of the service in our differences with prisoners using it even a last resort, so it was oxymoron to us to continue a hunger and thirst strike for a demand that did not affect us any more. We therefore decided to stop the strike and transfer to the 4th wing.

Self-critique is the most important factor of development and making our own we recognize our mistake of not realizing the extension and depth of the mediation the service uses, sharing with some prisoners the responsibility of maintaining the equilibrium in the prison. Despite that we managed defy the people-guards making it clear to them that we will defend our community, we were quite naive to overlook an invisible for us (until that moment) opponent, the informal hierarchical groups.

In the end however our hunger and thirst strike got us out of a very difficult situation, me managed to maintain our community when it was hit, just as our vested living conditions. And mainly with means which are consistent with the values of the anarchist struggle. We think that the strike would have been harder without the public moves of propaganda and direct actions. The two gatherings where our voices united with those of the solidarians and shook the disciplinary cells and the fires from the arson attack on Exarhia police station showed us that many bets are still on.

We thank the prisoners we met, “forgotten” in the disciplinary cells of the 3rd wing who supported us with food abstention, which in these conditions of absolute poverty, is almost a hunger strike.

We think this excerpt describes prison as we have experienced it in the best way.

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In the perimeter there are no guards, they monitor us from the

Support and Strength to all prisons who participate in the mobilization.

## **WE DO NOT FORGET - WE DO NOT FORGIVE**

Female and male prisoners of Koridallos



## **Volos, Greece: Arson attack on an ATM**

In the early hours of Monday morning, May 5th, 2014, we placed an incendiary device at the ATM of the National Bank branch which is located in Larissis Street.

By doing this, we salute the mobilizations of prisoners against the construction of maximum security prisons, and those outside the prison walls who stand in solidarity with inmates.

We stand on the side of whoever resists contemporary barbarity.

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## **Piraeus: Incendiary attack on G4S security company vehicle – Athens**

“And just a little bit below the number of your repression, they had opened a penetrating hole, the same size as a submachine gun, from where the enemy overtly stripped you day and night in the most ruthless way, and killed whatever you held secret and kept inside you. From there, they fired their murderous bursts incessantly upon you, and raked your body in its most sacred and inviolable moments. It’s the hole through which your enemy vomited out their worst kind of hatred with the worst rabies. It’s the relentless, most

Because of the difficulty of communication these converging pieces of information were not combined in time.

The morning of the third day, Grigoris Sarafoudis (who in the meantime had been transferred from the 5th to the 4th after his pressure) began a hunger and thirst strike.

In his now daily interaction with us, the sergeant told us that every punitive intention by the service was lifted and that if we made up with the prisoners in the 1st we could return there. A while later, by coincidence, it was announced to comrades of ours in the 1st by some prisoners that they do not want us to return to the 1st.

This was announced in the disciplinary cells by a comrade, so we realized the claims made by the service were valid. At this point we also ceased to desire to return to the 1st since we were not willing to give any guarantees that we would keep calm in order to become tolerable. The afternoon of the same day we pressured so that the comrades from the 1st, 4th and the disciplinary cells could meet to inform each other and decide our moves in front of this unexpected for us development.

Since the demand of the strike was to return to the 1st we thought we would insist, return to the 1st and then change wings at a time we would choose. There were good chances we would have succeeded, since as long as the strike continued the service was paralyzed and at some point it would pressure the prisoners of the 1st who did not want us there to back down.

But the hunger (and thirst) strike is a political means of struggle which aims at a political opponent, in our case the service, and not the informal hierarchies of the prison. It is completely substandard

no time for the service to plan their next moves.

The demand was to return everyone to the 1st wing since that was where most of our comrades were (besides those in the disciplinary cells), people we had friendly relations with and our stuff. Also the 1st wing was proposed in order to secure ourselves against a possible transfer of any of us to an isolation wing. The complicated condition that was created showed that it would have been wiser not to propose this specific wing but any other wing in the prison. Below we will explain why.

The hunger strike put the service in a panic and in the afternoon of the next day the sergeant came to ask us to stop by suggesting we ALL be transferred to the 4th wing. He also told us that the aim of the service was to keep us for five to ten days in the disciplinary cells and divided. We refused our transfer to the 4th since we considered it a form of softer punishment.

That afternoon Babis Tsilianidis also began the strike from the 4th wing where he was held. Later that day the sergeant came again pressuring us to stop the strike and accept our transfer to the 4th, explaining that it was not the service that has a problem with our return to the 1st but some prisoners. This infuriated us since we had no problems with any prisoner and we naturally considered it a bluff so that the service could succeed in transferring us to the 4th.

Later the same day a comrade who remained in the 1st and had communicated with prisoners there informed the comrades in the disciplinary cells and the other wings that some of the leaders of the wing expressed fears that our return would create unsettled conditions with searches by the EKAM (special forces) and other imaginative things, without however clearly saying that they had a problem with our return.

tyrannical controller and the worst killer of your private, hidden self. (...)

It's the spy hole, which tore apart the most unsuspected, the most own or private time of yours; as soon as you saw the glossy, cold eye of the hangman-controller peering through and permeating your inner being. (...)

Oh resentful eye, how I wish to seal you once and for all! To permanently end the sinister stripping and rapine of the soul in the hands of the executioners. Oh snitch of my most intimate gestures, how I hate you, and how I yearn for your death! Your destruction! Your doom!"

In the early morning hours of Tuesday, April 29th, 2014 we torched a technical services car of the G4S security company (formerly Group 4 Securicor) at the junction of Karaiskaki and Smyrnis streets in the Rentis-Nikaia region.

This company is one of the largest operators of the private parapolice institution worldwide. It operates and manages private prisons in England and America while being actively involved in security at the "wall of shame" in Palestine. In Greece, it has the largest fleet of armoured cash-in-transit vehicles, to safely transport the wealth of banks and other businesses, it has equipped most of the country's prisons with the latest electronic security systems, and will assume the management and operation of concentration camps for migrants.

Our action is part of the promotion of activities against the Greek government's intention to pass the new bill for special conditions of detention and maximum security facilities in the Domokos prison.

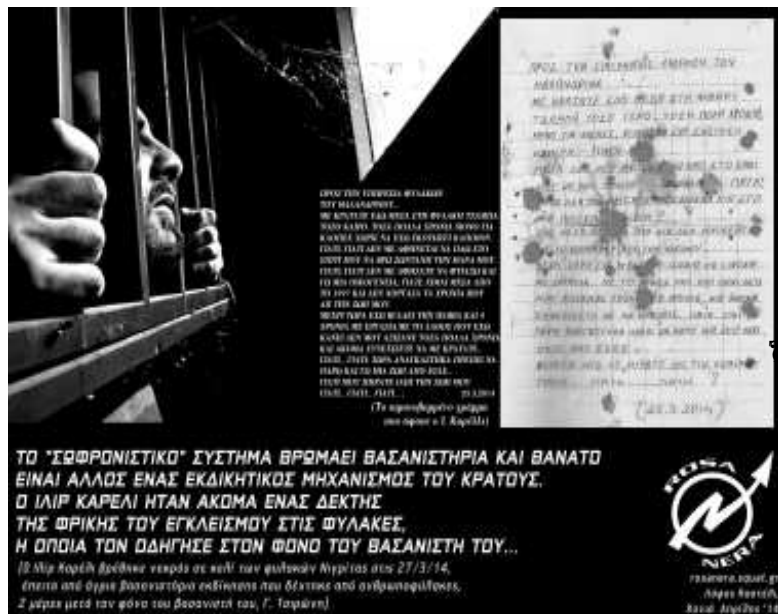
Solidarity with imprisoned and prosecuted fighters.  
Struggle until freedom, against the modern totalitarianism, by any means necessary.

“Woe to those who accept prison as a life condition”  
[The quotations come from a narrative of the 1990 Alikarnassos prison rebellion (on Crete), by ex prisoner Yannis Petropoulos.]

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**POSTER FROM: squat Rosa Nera in Xania,Crete about the State murder of Ilia Kareli – Greece**

**POSTER READS:**



**Text concerning the hunger-thirst strike of anarchist hostages of the 4th wing of Koridallos prisons. Athens – Greece**

This text is a presentation of what followed the incident and also some general thoughts surrounding the institution of incarceration and how we stand about it as anarchists. Our desire was for it to come out earlier, but our transfer to another wing, the beating of Giannis by the CCF and various other prison matters delayed it.

On 13/12/13, when the yard closed we returned to human-guard Giannis Milonas a small percentage of the violence he applies everyday while holding a key. This specific guy insisted on his quarrelsome behaviour when some comrades took him to task on some ironic comments he had made the day before.

This incident was, for the service, the reason for breaking up our community which had become a constant thorn for them. In recent times there have been numerous clashes since we had been trying with various means and for questions we considered nodal, (hunger strike of communists from Turkey, the placing of barbedwire above the yards) to sabotage, to the measure that is possible, the functioning of the prison.

The first move of the service was to transfer five of us to the disciplinary cells, two in the 4th wing, one in the 5th and three remained in the 1st wing. The first hours were acute and we immediately realized the intentions of the service to break us up and weaken us. The comrades who found themselves in the wretched disciplinary cells of the 3rd wing, in cells where a not even a dog would stay, decided to begin a hunger and thirst strike in order to demand the reuniting of our community and so there is



## **Greek prisons: “An act dedicated to our neighbours who are living in hell; from inside Koridallos”**

Since February 17th, 2014, nearly 180 patient-inmates at Aghios Pavlos ‘hospital’ in Koridallos prison are on strike, refusing meals and medications, to protest the horrific conditions.

Anarchists in the fourth wing of Koridallos men’s prison hung a banner out from the windows of ‘their’ cells, which are located directly opposite the prison hospital. The banner reads: “Strength, you guys! Break the sickening status quo you are experiencing (A)”. Hospital patients saw the banner and liked it a lot.

Strength to the prisoners’ struggle in Koridallos prison hospital!



**“To the service of Manadrinou prisons  
You have kept me here in prison for so long for no reason.  
So many years just for petty theft, without having killed  
anyone. Why? Why wouldn’t you let me go home and see  
my mother alive? Why?**

**Why did you not let me have a family? Why? Im inside  
since 1997 and I have not enjoyed my life.**

**Up to now I have served a life sentence plus 4 years  
counting my working days.**

**The mistake I made does not mean I deserve so many  
years and yet you still keep me... Why? Why? Now I have  
to take a life from you... Because you took my whole  
life... Why? Why? “**

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**(The bloodsoaked letter left by Ilia Kareli)**

**The “correctional” system stinks of torture and death. It  
is one more of the states revenge mechanisms, Ilir Karelli  
was one more reciever of the terror of prison  
incarceration, which led him to the murder of his  
torturer...**

**(Ilir was found dead in a cell in Nigrita prisons on 27/3/  
2014, after a vicious revenge torturing he recieved by  
human-guards 2 days after the killing of his torturer  
G.Tsironis)**

**Veria, Northern Greece: Action against the creation of maximum security prisons**



**In view of the holiday consumerist frenzy, we decided to paint five ATMs in the city centre of Veria on Friday night, April 18th, as a small token of solidarity with the struggle of prisoners against the creation of maximum security prisons. Isolation aims at physically and mentally destroying those who fight.**

**No one captive in the hands of the State...**

On the contrary, they refuse to spend this money, for the upgrading of the medical wing of Koridallos prisons, claiming that there is not enough. The conditions of medical treatment of prisoners is inhuman and nightmarish with prisoners piled one on top of another in a tiny dirty space lacking medical supplies.

Thus, people with simple fractures, cancer patients, AIDS patients and those with other illnesses are all in the same space. Additionally, our poor Greece is one of the 14 countries which fund the destruction of nuclear weapons in the Mediterranean.

Closing, we would like to mention that prisoners are people who happened to get arrested because of some mistake compared to the rest of us. If one considers that everyone has more or less broken the law (from a misdemeanour to a felony) they will see that thanks to attention or conditions they weren't arrested.

Besides, everyone is a potential murderer. Prisons are the mirror of society which authority puts a sheet over and the terrorized subjects simply fear to pull it back, settled in their ignorance.

*Freedom Goes Over The Ruins Of The Prisons*

*Anarchist Steki Utopia A.D.*

such: those who are on remand for debt and for crimes on property or wealth without violence will be held in the A type prisons. The State however made sure to leave some loopholes (for who we wonder?), since according to the new legislation whoever pays the sum for which they are accused could reduce their sentence from life down to 3 years.

Those who were tried for participation in the 17 November organisation, those accused of participation in the CCF, people judged dangerous for public safety and the country's order, as well as prisoners who have attacked prison guards or have escaped in the past will be "hosted" in the C type prisons.

At the same time, there will be a special protocol for the rights of the prisoners. The right of leave is completely abolished (it reappears after 10 years of incarceration in the form of an application which we doubt will be accepted) while there will be strict limitations to all forms of communication with the outside world (i.e. receiving and sending mail, visiting permits).

Also, for the external guarding of these cells there a new repressive unit will be created which will report directly to the Greek Police. However, the vengeful mania of authority does not end here. The labouring in these specific prisons, which constitute a practice to decrease the sentence, will be carried out by prisoners of other prisons and not those in C type cells. On the other hand, those who choose the tempting path of snitching, ...their persecution can be postponed and they can be released.

Finally, in the trials of those held hostage in the new dungeons of democracy, the only things that will be said are what the chairman finds substantial. Their aim is the limited defence of those accused but also the silencing of their political resonance.

For the prisons, which they want to transform into fortresses, a large sum will be spent as much for the specially trained personnel as for their formation.

## **Athens, Greece: Protest action at Koridallos men's and women's prisons**

The State murders prisoners – Ilir Kareli

(A) We don't forget, we don't forgive (N)

Fire to the hellholes, bombs to the courts – A.C.A.B.

The blood is still flowing seeking revenge

If not now, when?

On Monday, March 31st, 2014, men incarcerated in the A wing as well as women prisoners of Koridallos prisons refused to return to the cells after the end of time on prison yards, staying outside for one hour (from 11am to 12pm) as a sign of mourning and rage over the recent death of their fellow prisoner Ilia (Ilir) Kareli.

In the A wing of Koridallos men's prison, slogans were painted on walls of the yard while inmates shouted slogans such as "And now one slogan that unites us all: cops, pigs, murderers," "The blood is still flowing seeking revenge," "Fire and arson to all the prison cells."

In the women's prison, prisoners chanted slogans against cops, prisons, Golden Dawn thugs, like: "Fire and arson to all the prison cells," "Fascist scum, soon you will be hanged at the gallows", "Rage and consciousness, negation and violence bring chaos and anarchy," "The States are the only terrorists; solidarity with armed guerrillas," "Fire and blast at this brothel."

Below is the text of men and women prisoners from Koridallos which was sent to the ministry.

Prisoners' announcement to the ministry of Justice:

Only a few days after the brutal assassination of our co-prisoner Iliia Kareli, and while his blood from the beatings of his torturers is still fresh, nobody from the ministry of Justice has done anything regarding this killing. That's why today the 31st of March we men/women prisoners in Koridallos will stay outside in the yards until noon, for one hour after lock up time, as a sign of protest.

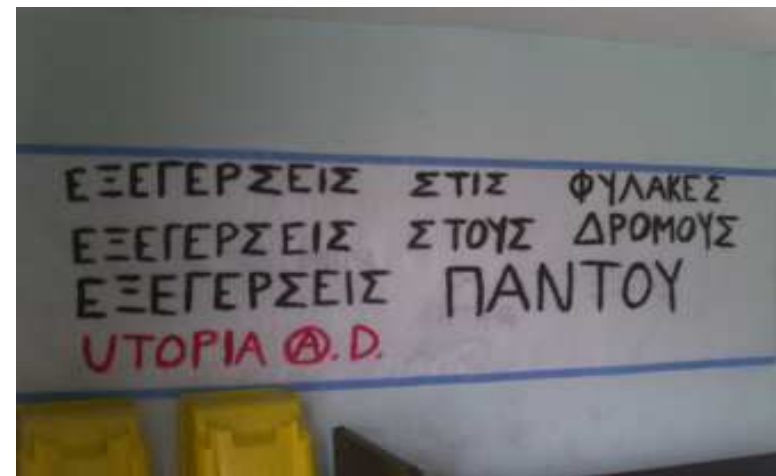
We demand that the Ministry apologize publicly to the murdered prisoner's family, and find and punish the uniformed murderers that killed Iliia Kareli. We owe it to our dead fellow prisoner, to ourselves and the dozens of prisoners who were tortured and lost their lives in the correctional galleys. We will either fight for our rights, or we will die slowly inside the prisons.

Men/women prisoners of Koridallos

PS: The mobilization against the fascist bill of the ministry of Justice for type C prisons continues until victory.



## Komotini, Greece: Text by Anarchist Steki Utopia A.D. about the new prison legislation



The State, after cultivating fear and hypnosis, spreading them right to the most active and disobedient groups, combined with poverty and misery, finds a fertile ground of indifference and selfishness in order to put through nazi-like legislation concerning the prisons and their new role.

The reason was found with the escape of Ch.Xiros, in order for the parliament to pass new legislation for the creation of high security prisons. This upgrading of oppressive methods of authority has as sole target the "qualitative correction" of the political and insubordinate penal prisoners.

The prisons that will be transformed are the 1st wing of Domokos prisons, the white cells constructed in Larissa prisons in 2003, the white cells of the female and male prisons of Koridallos.

With the new legislation therefore, the prisons will be organized as