

First of October Antifascist Resistance Group

GRAPO Communique concerning bombing of Franco's tomb

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In the dawn of April 7th, an active commando of our organization, the First of October Antifascist Resistance Groups (GRAPO), has demolished by means of a powerful explosive charge the interior of the Valle de los Caidos Basilica, the funeral monument where the mortal remains of the main heads of the Spanish State are buried and which was inaugurated by the dictator Franco forty years ago.

The Valle de los Caidos Basilica is one of the most clear examples of the persistence of the fascist regime and has always arisen the hatred of the masses since it represents the sweeping away of their democratic rights and liberties.

The fascist regime is still standing and this is also proven by the fact that, after more than twenty years of "democratic" reforms, the men and women that fought against it the most are still in the prisons. Many of them for more than twenty years - even when they have already served their sentences. It is also proven by the amnesty given to those who were responsible for the GAL [so-called Anti-Terrorist Groups of Liberation, in reality government death squads responsible for the killing of 27 Basques between 1983-87 - ed.] while at the same time it imprisoned the National Leadership of Herri Batasuna and continues the dirty war with their practice of torture and political assassinations such as that against ETA member Jose Luis Geresta Mujika.

This action against the Valle de los Caidos Basilica joins others recently carried out by our groups of which we highlight the following:

- Placement of explosive devices in the facilities of the Cope Radio Broadcast in Barcelona on August 5, 1998, in the Temporary Employment Agencies "Alta Gestion" in Vigo on November 6, 1998 and "Adecco" located in Marques de Vadillo in Madrid on November 25, 1998.

- Bombing of the Temporary Employment Agency "Unitrab" located on Lerida street in Madrid on November 12, 1998, and the National Institute of Labour, Health and Security in Ciudad Lineal, Madrid on November 13, 1998.

- Bombing of the central offices of the Catalanian Employer's Association in Barcelona and of the Young Businessman Association of Baix Llobregat in Cornellà, both on December 30, 1998.

It is clear that under this regime, we, the workers, cannot expect a solution to the many problems that affect us directly and that the capitalist economic crisis is sharpening more and more each day.

Neither can we expect the least economic, social or political concessions of the Spanish oligarchy in a peaceful manner. The ones that have imposed themselves by means of arms and terror and are still maintaining themselves in power by arms, must be overthrown by arms. For this reason, we have to fight the resolutely, uniting the popular masses and increasing the resistance everywhere.

There Is No Truce Against Fascism! Join The Resistance! Let's Unite Our Forces! Forward With The People's Resistance Movement!

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