

Demand release of arrested climate activists

Protest imprisonments of spokespersons

Stop police violence against protesters and delegates

After the arrests of almost 1,000 demonstrators at the huge climate demonstration Saturday with 100,000 participants, police oppression of civil protests at the Climate Summit has continued and escalated.

Many, many hundreds more have been arrested in police mass arrest actions, making the number of arrests exceed 1,800. Police uses pepper spray and beat people to an extent previously unheard of.

At Wednesday's Reclaim Power demonstration hundreds of delegates were prevented from participating in the *People's Assembly* taking place outside the Bella Center. Many delegates were beaten repeatedly by police truncheons.

The last few days known spokespersons for large civil networks have been "preventively" arrested. This is a gross attack against freedom of speech and freedom of organisation.

Release spokespersons

We demand the immediate release of all those arrested – and especially the following spokespersons:

Dr. Luca Tornatore, from the Italian 'See You in Copenhagen'-initiative

(arrested in Christiania Monday evening after debate with Naomi Klein and Michael Hardt)

Tadzio Müller, spokesperson for Climate Justice Action

(arrested Tuesday by plain clothes police while leaving a press conference at the Bella Center)

Mads Kissow, spokesperson for Climate Justice Action

(arrested at his residence Wednesday morning before Reclaim Power demonstration)

Stine Gry Jonassen, spokesperson for Climate Justice Action

(arrested Wednesday during Reclaim Power demonstration)

Tannie Nyboe, spokesperson for Climate Justice Action

(arrested Wednesday during Reclaim Power demonstration)

All these spokespersons represent networks using civil disobedience, but with a strict non-violence code. We congratulate all these networks with being able to maintain this non-violence code in spite of police violence at Wednesday's Reclaim Power demonstration.

Demand the immediate release of all spokespersons and other civil disobedience activists. Sign petitions:

<http://www.petitiononline.com/Tadzio/petition.html>

<http://www.petitiononline.com/freeall/petition.html>

A new movement is being born

Mass arrests and arrests of spokespersons is the response of a failing system to protests against the lack of solutions to the climate crisis from rich country leaders at the Bella Center. In spite of persecution and oppression these protests will continue.

At the massive demonstration on Saturday 12. December 100,000 people from far and near, from movements and NGO's, and not least tens of thousands of so called ordinary people, who are worried about the climate crisis and the inability of political leaders to provide solutions.

This demonstration showed that a new movement is being born. A movement which will demand climate action now and climate justice. A movement which will demand the necessary systemic changes before global warming threatens life and welfare for hundreds of millions of people worldwide.

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