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**IN MONTREAL, IN TORONTO AND EVERYWHERE, THE WALLS MUST  
FALL!**

The Anti-Capitalist Convergence's (CLAC-Montreal) Statement in support of Jaggi Singh and everyone accused during the G20 in Toronto

**Montreal, April 28, 2011.** Today, Jaggi Singh pled guilty to counseling people to bring down the fence that separated the G20 leaders from the people during the G20 summit which took place in June, 2010 in Toronto. Along with 17 others, he was accused of conspiracy, among other things, and has been living under severe bail conditions for several months.

Videos of a press conference held on June 24, 2010 where he stated, "Starting tomorrow and the days that follow, the executive board of world capitalism will meet here in Toronto, behind these fences. They are people responsible for enormous misery and oppression, and they are people who deserve to be confronted ", are part of the evidence held against Jaggi Singh.

CLAC supports this completely legitimate statement because the fence represented much more than pieces of metal, it was a tangible monument used to force the population to obey the global elite who want to exploit us and to silence those who do not want to continue to suffer state oppression and social injustices taking place in Canada and elsewhere. Like us, many people think that the fence is illegitimate, as all fences around the world are. For this reason we must all support those who take the risk to say it publicly.

We support Jaggi Singh's remarks, but we also support him because of his endless work for the community in Montreal and elsewhere, and for his dedication to the struggle against social injustices, especially for immigrant rights, despite the legal repression that he has suffered over the years. His arrest at the G20 is a clear attempt to silence him for being a voice of political dissent that the state fears, because his ideas, similar to those who stand up against the state, resonate throughout the population and spreads to those who no longer accept misery. For these reasons, we consider the charges against Jaggi to be absolutely illegitimate and categorically reject the fact that he is facing up to six months in prison for daring to express his ideas.

We affirm our support for all the G20 arrestees, especially for the people who still have charges related to this Summit. Many face prison sentences for daring to express their disagreement with those who exploit us and force us to live in poverty in order to enrich themselves. The arrests that took place during the G20 summit in June 2010 were politically motivated, and were not intended to merely prevent vandalism, but rather, to prevent us from opposing injustices. We support all those who opposed the G20, through popular education, chanting slogans on the street, engaging in civil disobedience or direct action against the symbols of capitalism, because we can not stand idly in the face of exploitation of the poor by the wealthy few, of repression against political dissent, environmental destruction, the annexation of land, the injustices against women and minorities, and all forms of apartheid throughout the world. These injustices are designed by world leaders at summits such as the G20.

Throughout history, many walls have fallen and many revolutions have happened. The people who have taken these actions are initially considered as thugs because they refused to obey the exploiting class and refused to suffer the injustices, but because of their actions social injustices have come to an end and tyrants have fallen.

On May 1st, International Workers' Day, we invite you to join us in the struggle against this misery and oppression and come to the anti-capitalist Mayday demonstration at Place Emilie-Gamelin, metro Berri-UQAM, at 3pm. Here and everywhere, we have a reason to riseup!

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\* Links to Jaggi Singh's statements near the fence :

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ymRoN54CCc>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v9NnAorPigc>

Documents related to Jaggi Singh's legal pleadings:

<http://www.clac-montreal.net/jaggi>

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