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The use of the blac bloc tactic in all situations is not useful. As a matter of fact, in situations such as the one we have in Oakland, its repeated use has become counter-revolutionary.

Yesterday in Oakland was a good illustration of this, in which the blac bloc kids- besides busting up bank windows- also busted windows of parked cars and threw stuff at another car- to which the Black driver of said vehicle got out looking to fight the crowd.

Similarly, the crowd of folks at Somar were there for the end of Matthew Africa's memorial- DJs and artists, and generally a group of folks who collectively probably know everybody in Oakland- I'm not exactly sure what or if anything happened before I saw the scene, but folks poured out of the club en masse to protect it, yelling at the march and telling folks to go home.

If ?the job of the revolutionary is to make the revolution seem irresistible?, the use of blac bloc has been making a revolutionary movement pretty damn resistible in Oakland, CA.

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A GROUP OF OAKLAND RESIDENTS, NATIVES, AND OCCUPY ACTIVISTS IDENTIFY THE "OAKLAND COMMUNE" AS AGENTS OF MASS VANDALISM; DENOUNCED AS RACIST, CRIMINAL ORGANIZATION.

A group of ideological extremists relocated to Oakland in order to foment chaos and destruction, as a means of achieving their political goals. These attacks have targeted Black and Asian owned businesses such as art galleries, copy shops, clubs, and offices. These actions have driven out businesses owned by people of color, and cost many Oaklanders their livelihood and sense of safety in their own neighborhoods. They boast of an attrition strategy, that by destroying Oakland's economy the chaos

will trigger revolution through a class-war. This strategy is strikingly similar to the one espoused in the novel *The Turner Diaries*, which has inspired many acts of terrorism by racist groups and militias.

At some point Jasper Gregory linked to an anarchist discussion board where the Oakland anarchists were gloating about the damage they inflicted. I just cannot understand that sort of selfishness, to come into someone else's community and smash things. It is just incomprehensible to me.

Permit me to make an obvious observation, if this were a white neighborhood, neither the mayor nor the police chief would permit the violence, and our precious *revolutionaries* know this very well.



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