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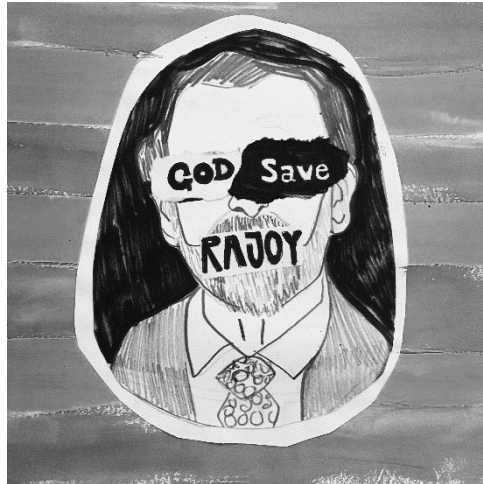
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FRANCO IS NOT DEAD

By Ariadna Gimenez

Catalonia is an autonomous region of Spain located in the North East. The Catalan community has more than 2000 years of history, and since 1714 after we were defeated, our constitution was suppressed and the Spanish Monarchy ruled a community that didn't belong to them – and no one was fucking happy with that. Since then the Spanish Government has given Catalonia a degree of autonomy, with a separate Catalan Government (alongside several other regions) under the supervision of the central Spanish Government. But once again they took that away from us with the Spanish dictators, first Primo de Rivera in 1923 and then Francisco Franco in 1939 until his death in 1975. Franco decided it was OK to takeover and make Spain, as a whole, fucking miserable. He banned Catalans from using their own language and celebrating their culture, and people became more and more discontent with the Spanish Government.



ART BY ARIADNA GIMENEZ

After that bastard Franco died, democracy was brought back to Spain and we had our Parliament returned, but us Catalans have never felt truly Spanish, and as time goes on we have only grown angrier. We get few advantages from the Spanish Government, now led by conservative Mariano Rajoy, but increasingly unfair taxes and a bunch of stupid tolls that do not benefit the Catalan Government (amongst other problems).

The Catalan community, after years of this crap, finally decided to stand up for themselves. A referendum was set up for the 1st of October to vote for or against independence from Spain. Clearly Rajoy and the Spanish

Government don't want us to abandon them, as we are one of the most affluent regions of Spain and would never agree to make this referendum legal. But sometimes communities have to stand up and go against stupid laws, imagine if women had never stood up against the government to earn the right to vote.

Catalans began to queue for voting the day before the referendum was scheduled to start, just in case the Spanish Government sent the national police to close up the polling locations. Then, early that morning, Catalans began voting. Everyone who was there was happy as fuck, celebrating, waiting peacefully to vote while singing the Catalan anthem.

Then things got fucked up.

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The author is originally from Barcelona, and her family and friends have been involved in the recent conflict in Spain. This article is born from conversations with her relatives and friends who are experiencing these events firsthand.

TRUMP MESSES UP. AGAIN. (WHAT A SHOCK, RIGHT?)

By Elena Perelló Sender

Donald Trump cannot keep his nonsense out of his Twitter account, there's no news there, but this time, between trading insults with North Korea, he found some time to tweet this:

"Very important that NFL players STAND tomorrow, and always, for the playing of our National Anthem. Respect our Flag and our Country!"

It all started in 2016, when NFL player Colin Kaepernick decided to stay seated while the national anthem was playing as a protest for the police brutality against

people of color. Of course, this brought some controversy from the bigoted citizens from the land of liberty but it didn't seem a big deal until other players started to join Kaepernick as Trump kept "making America great again".

Of course Trump found something to say about such a "disrespectful act" against his country! Accusing the NFL manager for not being able to enforce respect from their players. He even ordered a boycott by fans for Christ's sake!

But the really important point in this matter, is that he has achieved his goal to overshadow

other issues facing his presidency. Including the failure of congressional Republicans to repeal and replace the nation's health care law, the catastrophic hurricane season, the back-and-forth between the U.S. and North Korea over missiles and nuclear weapons, and much more.

So the last thing I have to say is good job mister president. I guess.

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TRUMP OR NOT?

"No one has better respect for intelligence than Donald Trump."

DID HE FUCKING SAY THIS?

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DEFINITION OF THE WEEK

SOCIALIST

A person who believes that the economy and means of production should be owned and run by the community as whole.

WOMEN IN SAUDI ARABIA CAN DRIVE – FUCKING FINALLY

By Ronan Porter

King Salman of Saudi Arabia has decreed that from June 2018 both men AND women will be allowed to drive, a revolutionary move that has women across the country celebrating. Once a powerful symbol of oppression, could this new freedom allow for further developments for Saudi women?

Having the freedom to drive

empowers Saudi women in many ways, primarily in that many women who were employed spent half their salaries on taxis and private drivers which discouraged seeking employment in the first place. It also represents a valuable sense of independence, the simple knowledge of knowing where you are going and having the power to decide when you want to leave at your own discretion.

So what's next? The Saudi women activists that are celebrating this new liberty have their eye on the next goal, the guardianship laws which give Saudi men undue power over their female relatives.