

Not giving power to the state and the cops:

Why we must speak of the eviction attempt



In forest occupations, or as here, in the context of the climate movement, in the occupation of the village of Lützerath, there is always talk of *THE* eviction. In the form that *the* eviction is an event that cannot be prevented and will happen anyway, unless some court, i.e. the state, postpones the destruction a bit. We go into the occupations with the intention of being evicted in the end, suffering physical and mental damage in the process.¹

But if we look into the occupations, we can see that there is not much preparation for the stress and violence of an eviction. In the occupations more or less always the same thing happens: too high demands, wrong prioritization, no attentiveness to each other. Boundaries, needs and fears are not considered and not addressed. As a result, people burn out already during their time in the occupation. Then, when the cops arrive with all their technology and capacity, there is no resistance and the people on the ground usually don't even think about actively resisting. As a result, more and more people break down. At the moment this leads to the fact that we lose more and more people and they are not able to live in the next occupation because they are traumatized by the last one.

Therefore, let's talk about the eviction attempt and change the circumstances!

Let's start by not giving the state and the cops, when they attack us, the power that they attribute to themselves and that we have been giving them until now. When the cops march into Lützerath and want to smash our home, nature and village, we have to start to defend ourselves - "defend Lützerath" (German: verteidigt Lützerath) is written on many banners. Let's not let them get to our structures and houses without fighting back, mistreat people in lock-ons or on tree houses and lock them up in prisons. Let's shift the struggles for occupations away from our structures so that they will never reach them.

We need to get away as a climate movement with our allies from "getting in the way" to protest. We need to lose faith that if we are just many who get in the way, there will be a change in thinking by the state. The state will always see us as a danger and enemies. Any demand to the state will fade away, end in divisions or in a bad compromise.

So let's stop interacting with the state and fight back!

The cops last attacked and cleared the Osterholz forest. And in a few weeks they will come to Lutzerath to attack us, to destroy our free spaces and dreams. Let's let the Osterholz forest be the last eviction. Let's start to let every attack of the cops on us end in a failed attempt to evict us. Let's not give them that psychological power over us. If we start talking about the eviction attempt instead of the eviction that is already determined, then we can start a process that allows us to reanalyze and change the circumstances.

We are stronger than we think. We just have to discover this strength first. For this, let's also look to other countries and other ZADs². If we are many and fight back with all means, nothing will stop us. Our spaces we will defend and rebuild. Our dreams will only grow stronger with each attack of the state. And our will to revolt together with our companions becomes unstoppable. They will come and TRY to evict, abuse, arrest and imprison us **no matter what we do**.

Let them come, we will prepare and give them nothing but our hate! We will do everything so that their attack fails and we can stay and continue to fight.

Let them leave trembling when they have failed with their eviction attempt!

Bijê berxwedana Lutzerath !

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¹ Where are we going and what do we actually want? - About the climate movement and where it can come to

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² ZAD: zone à défendre, french: area to be defended