# IT IS FASCISM. Start Acting Like IT.

Yes, Trump probably has a Master Plan to use riots to justify military occupation. And just like his Master Plan to use tariffs to bring back jobs, *it is completely idiotic*.

They believe they can beat and intimidate us into submission. But this will backfire.

If every city in America

fought like the angels on the first nights of the LA uprising, the regime wouldn't stand a chance.

# THE DECISIVE MOMENT HAS ARRIVED

Trump has deployed active duty Marines to Los Angeles and threatened to use "equal or greater force" across the country if people dare to resist his agenda.

The Democratic Party, the courts, and all the existing institutions of government have failed. The law is now Trump's weapon and the police, ICE, DHS, FBI, the National Guard, the Marines, whatever — all of them are now his footsoldiers.

This is fascism. You know it. Now is the time to start acting like it.

The regime will not be swayed by empathy with peaceful protestors or opinion polls or the threat of a blue wave in the midterms. That is no longer the country we are in.

When the law becomes the weapon of tyrants, we are all above the law. That is what it means to say the people are sovereign.

## DISRUPTIVE, COURAGEOUS ACTION IS OUR ONLY CHANCE

The first days of the Los Angeles uprising showed us what effective action looks like: not an army with guns, but everyday people collectively dismantling police equipment, preventing ICE and the cops from enforcing Trump's commands.

In a democracy, you vote a president out. In fascism, you prevent the Dictator's functionaries from carrying out his will. A King is only a King when his wish is your command. When the people refuse to let his wishes come true, he becomes a clown.

Now is the best chance we have to topple this regime. If we wait, they will consolidate control of education and the media. They will rewrite history and churn out a generation of loyalists. In the months and years to come, it will only get harder to fight for freedom.

### A WARNING

We're being told that disruptive demonstrations are just "playing into Trump's hands" by giving him a pretext for military dictatorship. The regime doesn't need a pretext. They will invent whatever reasons they want to justify what they are going to do.

*"Peacefully making our voices heard" will do nothing to stop them.* They don't care. You know this. With judges and politicians unable or unwilling, it is up to us to stop the fascist machine.

The opening moves of the LA uprising shows how to stop it. It began with people refusing to stand by during an ICE raid and surrounding ICE agents. It moved to burning their cars, throwing rocks and fireworks at the police.

This is not new: **you remember the summer of 2020**. The George Floyd Rebellion opened with a police precinct burned, cop cars disabled, corporate stores looted across the country. It was only after weeks of riots that this memory was publicly erased and it was turned into a "largely nonviolent movement." This was its *defeat*. We are in this mess now because we didn't dismantle the police state then.

#### FIGHTING BACK IS COLLECTIVE STRATEGIC INTELLIGENCE

Tyrants are nothing without police to carry out their commands. Police are nothing without their tools — and guns are the least of them. It is their cars, cameras, stations, and the toys of tech-fascist companies like Palantir, Flock, G4S and others that create the illusion of their total power.

We know, from the summer of 2020, that masses of people can make quick, easy work of ths illusion. We win not by appealing to the ruler's conscience, but but dismantling the machines and companies that enable their rule.

Peaceful demonstrations, to be effective, need to be part of this overall disruptive movement: refusing to condemn those who take risks on all of our behalf, hanging banners in support of them and insisting that normal life cannot be continued until the regime falls.

They will call it "chaos." They will call it "insurrection." They will use it to justify more force. And then they will lose.

Because they cannot govern America by force alone. They require our cooperation, our obeying in advance, our submission to their unjust peace. When we withdraw it and become an obstacle to their power, they lose.

#### IF WE FIGHT, WE WILL WIN

In a dictatorship, we are not "citizens" with "rights." We are earthlings, being threatened with extinction by a small group of psychopaths. We have a choice: we are either *under* Trump's rule, or we are *above* all his laws.

All acts of resistance to tyranny are acts of community self-defense.

What is at stake now are the lives and freedom of those we love. It is time to act like it.