2nd Grassroots Gathering: taking back control of our lives

CORK, March 29th (from 7.30 on) and 30th (11 am till late)

Cork Autonomous Zone,

Knapp St. (beside Cork Arts Theatre / CATClub, across the bridge from the Opera House)

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Skills-based workshops by activists, for activists, to make links across movements:

worldwide networking against capitalist globalisation - direct action against war yoga - alternative economic organisation - the criminalisation of activism - drumming animal rights - where to after Sept. 11th? gender and activism - meditation - and more!

Easter Sunday – join the protest at the Old Head of Kinsale

A detailed timetable etc. will be available soon contact <<u>eoghanvryan@eircom.net</u>> if you need more details or phone Eoghan at 01-8828673 or 087-6575580.

The Grasroots Gathering aims towards a network which would

- Be based on the principle that people should control their own lives and work together as equals, as part of how we work as well as what we are working towards.

- Within the network this means rejecting topdown and state-centred forms of organisation (hierarchical, authoritarian, expert-based, Leninist etc.) We need a network that's open, decentralised, and really democratic.

- Call for solutions that involve ordinary people controlling their own lives and having the resources to do so: the abolition, not reform, of global bodies like the World Bank and WTO, and a challenge to underlying structures of power and inequality.

- Organise for the control of the workplace by those who work there.

- Call for the control of communities by the people who live there.
- Argue for a sustainable environmental, economic and social system, agreed by the people of the planet.

- Working together in ways which are accessible to ordinary people, particularly women and workingclass people, rather than reproducing feelings of disempowerment and alienation within our own network.

The Grassroots Gathering is a bottom-up network of activists from different movements

committed to anti-authoritarian radical action. You can see more about it on the Web at http://grassrootsgathering.freeservers.com