

A Summary of Some Thoughts and Suggestions for the XR Political Strategy Team Before the Autumn Rebellion

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Suggestions for the Autumn Rebellion

Focus on America. Realpolitik and Demand #1 dictate the following:

All focus in XR Europe and throughout the Anglosphere must be on America – specifically for “The American Spring” (not to be confused with the “Spring Rebellion” in April). Quick logical reduction explains why. Time is short. The fate of humanity currently rests on the shoulders of China, America, India, and Russia (in that specific order). All others are bit players. Britain’s only substantive relevance to the crisis is that London is the second-largest financial hub in the world. And it bred XR – *not an insignificant thing by any means!*

The crisis is global, and we are forced to admit that any amount of success in Britain will not have a substantial impact on the world at large (not even by setting a good example). China, India and Russia are too closed and authoritarian to target directly for rebellion. Which effectively makes America the logical choice to affect change across the globe (especially through the global financial system) to the extent that’s possible. Therefore rebellion in Britain is a laboratory for developing tactics that will work when transplanted to America.

But America should be the chosen battleground and loudly stated as such.

Get protest off the streets and focus on the Financial, Insurance, and Real Estate (FIRE) Industries. Old-fashioned protests, demonstrations and sit-ins in public buildings and on the streets are passé. Those kinds of tactics have proved themselves to be ineffective; too time consuming; too politically polarizing (“You are just stopping me getting to my job” etc.) and governments have perfected controlling, containing and spinning them to the point of an art form. The tactic of protest by civil disobedience and arrest is a financial and political dead end. Therefore the rebellion should be taken to the home ground of the Elites and global power brokers – the virtual realm, global logistics, and the financial and economic realms.

Date of the October Rebellion. A number of potentially chaotic geo-political events are converging on **October 31** (e.g. a no deal Brexit, possible war in Iran, growing possibility of a market meltdown around that time). The start of the autumn rebellion should be moved from October 6 to October 31 to take advantage

of potential mayhem. It's also Halloween, which is psychologically impactful in America. So call it the "**Halloween Rebellion**".

Nomenclature. Targeting the Elites is good, but I would drop the term "Elite" from rebel vocabulary. It's too fuzzy. Have the entire October uprising fly under the banner of "**Rebellion Against Unearned Income**".

Although "Unearned income" is an inelegant expression, it's the Elites own phrase so it strikes home. And it's a better tactic to target a practice rather than a class of people.

I would suggest getting everyone "on message" that the vocabulary for the "Rebellion Against Unearned Income" is the following:

- Replace "Banksters" (a hackneyed old phrase now) with "**debt-parasites**"
- Landlords, real-estate owners and [rentiers](#) with the phrase "**rent-parasites**"
- Ordinary working folk – "**debt-slaves**"
- Brokers, stock & bond traders, quants, insurers – "**debt-merchants**"

Public buildings, Parliament and Government. Avoid them like the plague. Publically shun them on the basis that governments in general "**no longer represent a legitimate or relevant force**". Except maybe for coordinating Deep Adaptation (mainly to get them to pledge non-interference with citizen-led disaster responses and to force them to share their civil emergency plans).

Heathrow and London City Airport. Both are too parochial (Anglo-centric) as targets and don't pass the "Ameri-centric Test". And the potential blowback is not cost-beneficial (e.g. rogue drones tarnishing XR's image, draconian penalties etc.). But thinking in terms of [counter-logistics](#) is good tactics. Maritime trade is a better (softer) target than aviation. So focus on China and India (label them unapologetically as "carbon criminals"). The overall intent, loudly publically stated, would be **to raise the cost of insurance**. Do this by targeting shipping and container terminals.

Targeting Maritime trade. Blockade the container ports at Felixstowe *and* Southampton (but that's all). Rebels in Europe should try to blockade Rotterdam, Antwerp and Hamburg at the same time. The rest of the world should help round the clock on the social media front and online propaganda wars. Stop and tag container trucks with Extinction symbols and strong anti-China and Anti-India slogans and anti-consumerist sentiment. Use drones (especially for live-streaming action on social media). Again, focus on America. Unfurl huge American flags and lay them down in front of terminal gates. Stencil a huge heart symbol and large letters that read, "**America this is all for you! We are counting on you! #AmericanSpring**" Nothing stirs an American more than a direct plea from a damsel in distress!

Target a major target or targets in the City. Targeting the actual LSE building etc. is at best a symbolic gesture with limited impact. Trading is all done online now so rebels will have to get into cyberspace to have any significant impact on the FIRE industries. So experiment with a with a mass [bear raid](#). This tactic would be somewhat similar to a [DDOS attack](#) in cyberspace but transplanted to the financial realm and potentially far more impactful. Get substantial amounts (tens of thousands?) of rebels to open brokerage accounts online (with margin, so that they can take [short positions](#)). Target a small-cap, struggling [Chinese or Indian](#) bank. Have a big and highly publicized gathering (press briefing) outside the LSE to kick off the raid. Call it the “**Carbon Criminal Game**” with a prize for the correct draw. The criminal is drawn (supposedly “randomly”) from a big hat of carbon criminals. But obviously you carefully (and secretly) select the victim in advance. I would recommend a few private meetings with Young Turk City brokers to solicit their advice for a potential target. Keep the brokers informed all the way down the line (because they are going to be the actual bear raiders and muscle behind the scenes – they simply can’t resist trading on inside knowledge!).

Once the victim has been drawn from the hat with great fanfare, then you read out all its sins in public and announce solemnly that anyone that banks or invests in this entity is aiding and abetting crime (I don’t know of any banks that don’t engage in crime). Then the raid begins. Rebels (and just about the whole world, including the broker insiders, and everyone and their dog at home who is following this story and wants to make a quick buck) begin selling the stock short, driving it as low as possible and holding it there for as long as possible until you cover your short position or trading is suspended. Then go onto the next victim (quickly, so that the herd begins to panic). The media dialogue will likely be the legality of this, so XR spokespeople should be financially literate and extremely radical sounding. Hopefully someone uses the term “financial terrorist.” In which case, own it! Then point out that there is nothing at all to see here, it’s just one group of financial terrorists going after another group of financial terrorists. And then lay into HSBC’s record of literally funding terror (with impunity).

Where does the money for this come from? If XR could announce it was “bringing down a bank” and then go ahead and pull it off, that would be the rebel version of a nuclear weapon. But the odds of that are slim, because the Elites are likely to strongly defend the bank (considering how much is at stake in the bigger picture if this tactic becomes commonplace). If you could take down a small, struggling Chinese or India bank in the morning, by the afternoon you could be bringing down the arch-criminals [HSBC](#) and [Barclays](#) (and that’s why the debt-parasites would be forced to mount an all-out response). By the next day the world would be a very different place.

That outcome is an extreme long shot, but the short-term objective is Psy Ops. If the protest monkey is getting sophisticated and learning to experiment and fiddle with the Elites very own financial power levers, mass terror in the 1% is highly likely to ensue.

But how do rebels get their hands on cash (even a little seed capital to gets this going)? I would recommend that part of the “Rebellion Against Unearned Income” include a mass “**Rent Strike Against Unearned Income**” targeted towards rent-

parasites (which includes mortgages) that begins as the prelude to the Halloween Rebellion. The idea is not to completely renege on mortgages and rent payments, but just to temporarily “borrow” from the rent-parasites (with the intention of paying it back after the Autumn rebellion). But a word of caution: *If you take rental and mortgage payments, and divert them to speculate with short positions in the stock market, you are highly likely to lose the money, so rebels had better be able to take the consequences!*

You could conceivably make out like a bandit (in which case rebels should take their profits from the raid and give them to XR, after covering losses in a pool to catch up with individual rent and mortgage arrears).

To recap. Rebels fund the raid however they can (accepting the significant risks of losing the money), but preferentially by a #RentStrikeForClimate and #DebtStrikeForClimate. If possible, the rent-parasite money would be paid back and arrears caught up after the Autumn rebellion. Any surplus would go into the XR war chest. The specific timing of all this would be done by each participating rebel based on staying on the [right side of the eviction process](#) (assuming that the rebel cares about being evicted).

Precipitating a bank run. Simultaneous to the bear raid there should be an attempt to instigate a “run” on the target bank. If the target is a retail bank then get rebels to open accounts and deposit funds there (rather than holding withheld rental money in their regular bank accounts). On D-Day rebels stage a “panic” and start removing their money from the target en masse (evoking memories of [Northern Rock](#)).

Jury Nullification. In the wake of this, what the hardliners are likely to do is to try to prosecute as many rebels for stock manipulation and securities fraud as they can. I wouldn’t hold out much hope for a [“necessity” defense](#). The [longer version of this document](#) has possible legal defenses for this action.

Rebels should try to push for what’s known as a **“perverse verdict”** in the UK or [“Jury nullification”](#) in the US. At all costs, try to educate rebels and debt-slaves around the world that the current body of Law itself is unjust, and ***juries have the power to nullify the laws themselves.***

So the defense council should push juries to come to a “perverse verdict” conclusion. And rebels should not plea-bargain or settle under any circumstances.

Conclusion

These suggestions are just a brief extract from the [longer version of this document](#). In the long form document there is also a lengthy discussion of the overall strategy for XR and a case for repurposing Citizen’s Assemblies (CAs).