2011: the worst Year ever

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2011 was the worst year in the history of Italy, since World War II. We lost our democracy and our independence, we became poor, we are in the absurd condition of being "represented" by parliamentarians who betrayed the mandate received by the citizens. After the italian President appointed in an informal way a new government that was not elected by the citizens, the parliamentarians could follow two legitimate paths. They could refuse to vote the confidence; or they could resign from office, returning all decisions to the citizens. They did not do so, and now they keep alive an illegitimate government. Saying YES, they prove to be unable to do their work, which they are delegating to others; therefore they are also receiving a salary to which they are not entitled.

This is the situation, and this means that a despotic government has been established; as it was publicly stated, it does not have to respond to anyone about what it is doing (at least the past Kings – though they were absolute rulers – were responding to God for their actions). Behind the grotesque mask of a fake democracy, this government has an absolute and inquisitorial power; freedom and privacy have been abolished. Revenue authorities and bankers were transformed in a new police force, at the government's service.

There is no possible justification. Whenever the holders of power have established despotism and state terrorism, they always pretended they had very good reasons to do so. The current rulers are no exception. Banks are now hunting for tax evasion, but this is merely a modern form of search: the new 'Inquisition' is enforcing the observance of the Easter precept, with a public condemnation

on the San'Angelo bridge. People change, but those in power are always the same: they feel safe and are delighted by their power only if they oppress their subjects.

What can we do? I've said it many times and I have to repeat it: the only ones who can legitimately take us out of this situation are the parliamentarians. They just have to vote NO against any new regulation of the Monti government: for example against the new rule prohibiting the use of cash, which will force people to open a bank account if the sum exceeds 1000 euros. If they vote NO they will put an end to their illegitimate behavior, with a simple and noble claim for our rights to have democratic freedom.

And what about the national debt? There is nothing to add to what everyone knows very well: we must return to the monetary sovereignty, go back to the Lira. A few days ago, in an interview on the periodical Avvenire, mr. Lucio Caracciolo explained the matter with concise and clear words: there is no hope for the euro. We are wasting money, sacrifices – even the lives of those who commit suicide because of the cruel credit crunch – all goes inside a huge "gap" created by the ambitions of the builders of the single currency. Simply, we can not wait any longer. The highest liability of mishaps in history never belonged to the highest power-holders, but to those who did not oppose their fits of madness when they were still in time.

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