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INTRODUCTION

"Dirty Fingers in Dirty Pies" is depressing stuff. It confirms what we already suspect - that pain is an additional ingredient in a large proportion of the basic goods which we consume and use in our daily lives. At present, 7% of the people of the U.K. own 84% of the country's wealth - the 7% who own and direct every manufacturing concern within the broad amalgamation of the United Kingdom Company.

Broadly speaking, this means that the other 93% are subject to the decisions and preferences of those few thousand businessmen who continue to support and uphold the exploitation and mismanagement of the earth. And they're all in it together; and it's we who pay for it.

What we can do about this is up to us all, as individuals, to decide. Suffice to say, we can't ignore our role as consumers in the continuance of this imbalance. It's easy to assume that the whole web of injustice, the sheer amount of products which hide involvement in exploitation, and the seemingly tiny scope for finding alternatives, is unchangeable - the lists and tables and sheer weight of finger-pointing included in this booklet can be depressing to the point of thinking "why bother?". Shrug your shoulders - what can you do? Not only are some of your favourite foods made by some huge multinational arms-funding company, but the least-suspected household items are produced only after animal tests, bought from a shop with South African trade links...etc, etc.

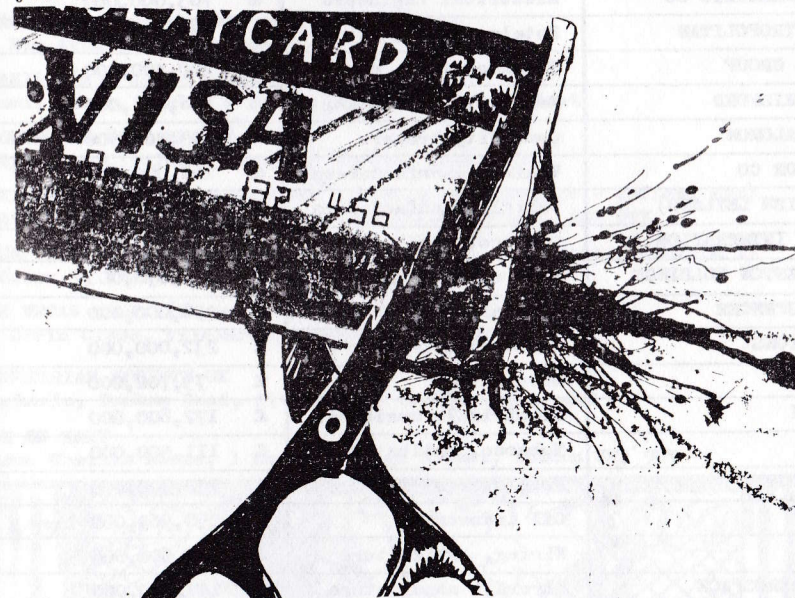
Again, it's up to you. Consumer boycotts are a way of removing our part in the profit-from-pain system, and if well-organised can force change for the better. Spreading information is an essential part of any boycott. Direct action can be used to create publicity whilst at the same time throwing a spanner into the corporate machinery.

But more than this is the value of searching out alternatives. It's something that this booklet can't properly list - alternatives differ from place to place, from time to time. Put simply: there is always an alternative. Unlike the Big Company version, your own alternative is rarely a T.V.-advertised glittery cure-all-ills product. But, at the very least, it's not something that those 7% have served

up for us.

"Dirty Fingers in Dirty Pies" is by no means complete - it scratches at the surface of a vast unacknowledged conspiracy which keeps things 'as they are'. 'As they are' is two-thirds of the world starving to death; 'As they are' is the continued wholesale slaughter of animals, human and non-human, so that we can enjoy the luxury of increased comfort (and more alienation, more dependence upon others to make decisions for us...); 'As they are' is an acceptance that racism, poverty, animal abuse, nuclear power, the arms race and moral and financial blackmail are things well worth keeping.

"Dirty Fingers in Dirty Pies" lays the blame for the way things are. The way things could be is not in this small booklet, it's in your hands.



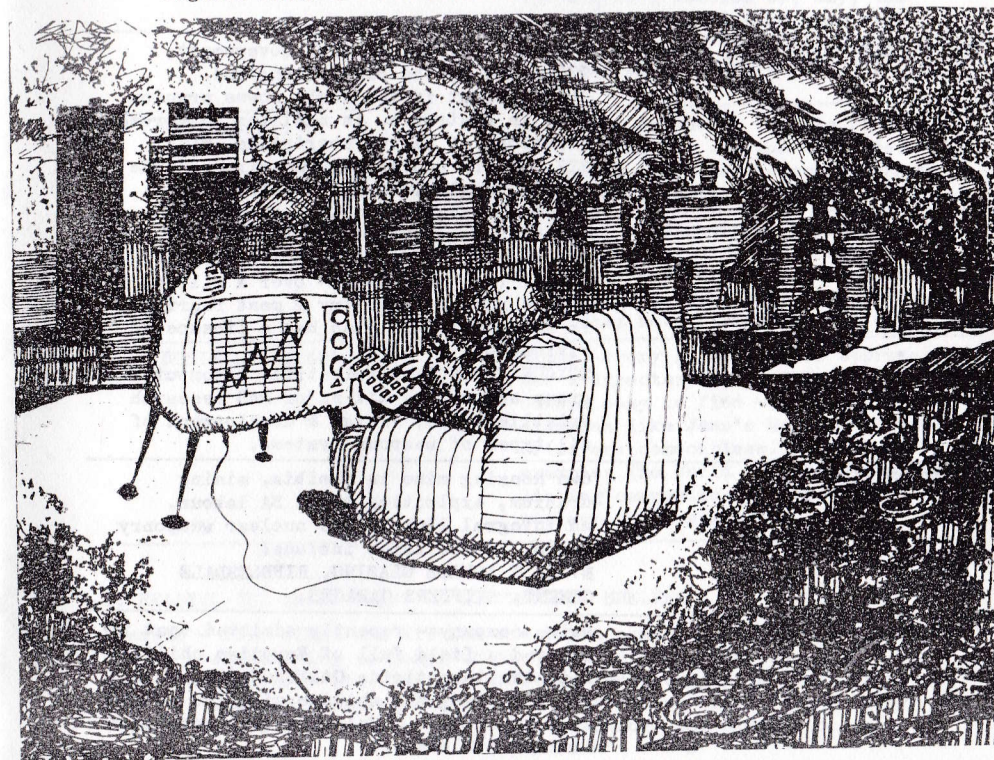
Footnote: As I write this, I make no claims to be completely untainted by this mass of grubby company dealings. We all proceed at our own pace; every tiny step towards a new horizon. A cliché admittedly, but one which, unlike the advertising clichés used by all the brandnames in this booklet, doesn't hide a legacy of wanton destruction.

TOP 50 U.K.

COMPANY	ACTIVITY	NET PROFIT (PRE-TAX)* Year Ending Easter 1985
1. BRITISH PETROLEUM	Oil industry	£ 5,606,000,000
2. SHELL TRANSPORT/TRADING	Oil industry	£ 3,788,000,000
3. BRITISH-AMERICAN TOBACCO	Tobacco, etc	£ 1,113,000,000
4. ICI	Petrochemicals, etc	£ 1,017,000,000
5. SHELL UK	Oil industry	£ 1,911,000,000
6. ESSO UK	Oil industry	£ 1,895,000,000
7. UNILEVER plc	Food, detergents etc	£ 400,000,000
8. RIO TINTO-ZINC	Mining & industrial	£ 749,000,000
9. GENERAL ELECTRIC CO	Electrical engineers	£ 703,000,000
10. GRAND METROPOLITAN	Hotels, dairy, etc	£ 421,000,000
11. IMPERIAL GROUP	Tobacco, food, etc	£ 220,400,000
12. S & W BERISFORD	Merchanting, trading	£ 126,411,000
13. PHIBRO-SALOMON	Commodity brokers	£ 53,469,000
14. FORD MOTOR CO	Vehicle manufacturers	£ 261,000,000
15. BL (BRITISH LEYLAND)	Vehicle manufacturers	£ 48,100,000
16. ROTHMANS INTERNATIONAL	Tobacco, etc	£ 179,512,000
17. GEORGE WESTON HOLDINGS	Food manufacturers	£ 177,678,000
18. MARKS & SPENCER	General stores	£ 298,000,000
19. ALLIED LYONS	Brewers, hoteliers	£ 232,000,000
20. DALGETY	Merchants	£ 79,700,000
21. THORN-EMI	Electrical, music etc	£ 172,800,000
22. GALLAHER	Tobacco, optics etc	£ 111,900,000
23. J. SAINSBURY	Food stores	£ 130,300,000
24. TEXACO	Oil industry	£ 150,963,000 loss
25. LONRHO	Mining, agriculture	£ 195,600,000
26. BRITISH AEROSPACE	Aircraft manufacture	£ 147,700,000
27. TESCO	Food stores	£ 64,000,000
28. AMALGAMATED METAL CORP	Metal & ores	£ 16,502,000
29. ULTRAMAR	Exploration/petrol etc	£ 166,500,000
30. COURTAULDS	Textiles, chemicals etc	£ 145,100,000
31. BASS	Brewers	£ 186,900,000
32. GUEST KEEN & NETTLEFOLDS	Steel & eng. products	£ 136,800,000
33. BTR	Construction	£ 234,000,000
34. LONCONEX HOLDINGS	Commodity Brokers	£ 2,083,000 loss p.a.
35. SEARS HOLDINGS	Footwear, stores etc	£ 169,500,000

36. GREAT UNIVERSAL STORES	Stores & mail order	£ 204,796,000
37. BOOTS CO	Pharmaceuticals, etc	£ 158,100,000
38. REED INTERNATIONAL	Paper, publishing	£ 100,300,000
39. TATE & LYLE	Sugar refiners	£ 79,700,000
40. BICC	Cable manufacturers	£ 106,000,000
41. MOBIL HOLDINGS	Petroleum products	£ 108,867,000 loss
42. INCHCAPE	Intern'l merchants	£ 101,959,000
43. CADBURY SCHWEPPE	Confectionary, etc	£ 142,900,000
44. BEECHAM GROUP	Consumer products, etc	£ 270,600,000
45. BOC (BRITISH OXYGEN)	Gas manufacturers etc	£ 184,500,000
46. CONOCO	Petroleum products	£ 148,900,000
47. IBM UK HOLDINGS LTD	Information equipment	£ 282,010,000
48. UNIGATE	Dairy & food retail	£ 70,600,000
49. RANKS HOVIS McDUGALL	Food manufacturers	£ 61,313,000
50. BOWATER INDUSTRIES	Paper manufacturers	£ 118,900,000

* Companies are here ranked by turnover, even though figures shown are net profit before interest & tax.



MULTINATIONALS

The operations of Multinational Companies (MNC's) span the globe, and with annual sales greater than the gross national products of many European nations, they act as neo-countries whose overriding aim is to pursue it's own interests separate and distinct from every and any government, including the government of it's country of origin.

Shareholders' interests far outweigh those of any national or humanitarian interests. Thus the MNC's continue to make a killing often at the expense of the poorer nations - the underdeveloped remain that way because they are employed as underpaid and undernourished labour forces for the Multinationals. Most of the companies listed here will be found in other sections of the booklet, so wide and diverse are their insidious activities.

BP (BRITISH PETROLEUM)	25% owned by the British government, 20% owned by the Bank of England. 49% interest in the Roxby Downs uranium mine in Australia, in addition to forced evictions of native aborigines. With RTZ, BP are converting one-sixth of the Amazon jungle into an industrial zone; a zone presently the home of 13,000 indians. Subsidiaries include: BP NUTRITION, one of Europe's largest animal feed producers - over a million tonnes p.a. for poultry & meat rearing in factory farms. Also has a licence to vivisection. SCICON DEFENCE, a scientific & computer group supporting all major MoD research establishments; design & development of all types of weapons systems.
RIO TINTO ZINC	Own Rossing mine in Namibia, mining uranium, exploiting black SA labour, an integral link in the nuclear weaponry chain. Subsidiaries include: EVEREST DOUBLE GLAZING, RIBBLESDALE CEMENT, SKIPPERS GARAGES.
CIBA-GEIGY	Swiss company - recently admitted that it sprayed a field full of Egyptian children with the insecticide GALECRON (the object being to test the childrens' urine for toxicity levels.) Galecron has since been linked with cancer.

ICI (IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES)	Discovered and manufacture Agent VX, a nerve gas used by the US Army. The drug ERALDIN, produced by ICI, was launched onto the over-swelled drug market after extensive animal tests - it's effects on humans were: blindness, damaged stomachs, and death. Also involved in production of nuclear power, nuclear waste disposal. Has large SA/Namibian operations.
BOOKER McCONNELL	The world's leading producer of breeding stock for broiler chickens; world's leading source of breeding stock for white turkeys; salmon farming; an integral link in the factory-farm cycle. Subsidiaries: HOLLAND & BARRETT (who have over 165 'health food' shops in the UK) KINGSWOOD CHEMISTS HEALTHCRAFT VITAMINS ALLINSON (bread, biscuits etc)
THE WESTERN UNITED INVESTMENT CO LTD	Massive interest in the slaughter industry, and with 14 subsidiaries in South Africa. Other concerns are: J.H. DEWHURST PREMIER BACON BRITISH BEEF CO PINNACLE FOODS TEMPCO UNION
UNITED BISCUITS	Own: WIMPY (fast food chain) McVITIES, CRAWFORDS & CARR'S biscuits KP
REED INTERNATIONAL	Subsidiaries Crown & Polycell, and associate subsidiary Sainsbury's, are all BIBRA members. In addition, Reed Int'l own IPC magazine publishers, including NEW MUSICAL EXPRESS and HORSE & HOUND (hunting magazine).
PEPSICO	Subsidiaries include: PEPSI-COLA and PIZZA HUT.
PILLSBURY	Own BURGER KING.
R.J.REYNOLDS	Huge tobacco company, subsidiaries include: DEL MONTE, KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN, CANADA DRY, SMIRNOFF vodka, NABISCO.

SOUTH AFRICA

The following UK companies are just a few of those who operate in South Africa; the list is limited to those which contribute to the development of South Africa's economic and industrial infrastructure and military capabilities.

BARCLAYS BANK	PHOENIX ASSURANCE
BRITISH LEYLAND (BL)	RACAL ELECTRONICS (including
BRITISH STEEL CORPORATION	DECCA ELECTRICS)
CHLORIDE GROUP	RENTOKIL LTD
CHUBB & SON	ROYAL INSURANCE
COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE	TARMAC
DUNLOP	BP
EAGLE STAR INSURANCE	GEC
GENERAL ACCIDENT FIRE & LIFE ASSURANCE	PLESSEY
GEORGE WIMPEY & CO	PRUDENTIAL CORPORATION
HAWKER-SIDDELEY GROUP	RIO TINTO ZINC
ICI	SHELL
ITT	THORN-EMI
LUCAS INDUSTRIES	TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANK

The following brands are imported from South Africa:

<u>Canned Fish</u>	<u>Fresh/Tinned/Dried Fruit</u>	<u>Health Foods</u>
ARMOUR	CAPE	SHAPERS
JOHN WEST	OUTSPAN	KOO
PUFFIN	GOLDEN JUBILEE	ROOLSBOSCH
	GOLD REEF	
<u>Wines and Spirits</u>	IXL	
LANZERAC	KOO	
ZONNEBLOEM	DEL MONTE	
REMBRANDT	JOHN WEST	
KOOPMANSKLOOF	SHARWOOD'S	
	LIBBIÉS	
<u>Pet Food</u>		
HAPPY PET Catfood		

BIBRA

The British Industrial Biological Research Association - BIBRA - is based in Carshalton, Surrey, a large animal research laboratory funded by government grants (through the Ministry of Agriculture) and by individual member-subscriptions: annual payments by companies for whom BIBRA carries out research. BIBRA takes on the work of torturing animals on behalf of businesses who may not have a licence to vivisection, and appoints as its council (governing body) the directors and chairmen (sic) of these manufacturers. The 1985 deputy Chairman is R A Ingham, Director of Sainsbury's. Among the council members are representatives of Beecham, Rowntree-Mackintosh, Cadbury-Schweppes, Unilever, Marks and Spencer...etc. Membership subscriptions for the year ending March 1985, including government grants, totalled almost 2 million pounds.

ABRIDGED LIST OF COMPANY SUBSCRIBERS TO BIBRA

ARMOUR PHARMACEUTICAL CO. LTD	A subsidiary of REVLO.
ASSOCIATED BRITISH FOODS LTD	A subsidiary of WITTINGTON INVESTMENTS, its concerns include ALLIED BAKERIES, CITRA soft drinks, FINE FARE supermarket chain, RYVITA LTD, SUNBLEST bread, TWINING tea.
BASF UNITED KINGDOM LTD	
BEECHAM GROUP	Subsidiaries include BOVRIL, MARMITE, YARDLEY cosmetics, LENTHERIC, HORLICKS, LUCOZADE, QUOSH, RIBENA.
BEVALOID LTD	A subsidiary of RIO TINTO ZINC.
THE BOOTS CO. LTD	Subsidiaries include OPTREX and TIMOTHY WHITES stores.
BORDEN LTD	Own HUMEROL.
THE BREWERS' SOCIETY LTD:	
Adnams & Co Ltd	
Allied Breweries Ltd	
Ann Street Brewery Ltd	
J. Arkell & Sons Ltd	

(THE BREWERS' SOCIETY LTD, CONTINUED)

L.C. Arkell
 Bass Ltd
 G. Bateman & Son Ltd
 Daniel Batham & Son Ltd
 Beard & Co (Lewes) Ltd
 Belhaven Brewery Group Ltd
 Boddingtons' Breweries Ltd
 Border Breweries (Wrexham) Ltd
 Brain (S.A.) & Co Ltd
 Brakspear (W.H.) & Sons Ltd
 Brown (Matthew) & Co Ltd
 Buckley's Ltd
 Burtonwood Brewery Co (Forshaw) Ltd
 Cameron (J.W.) & Co Ltd
 Carlsberg Brewery Ltd
 Castletown Brewery Ltd
 Courage Ltd
 Davenports Brewery (Holdings) Ltd
 J.A. Devenish & Co Ltd
 Eldridge, Pope & Co Ltd
 Elgood & Sons Ltd
 Everards Brewery Ltd
 The Felinfoel Brewery Co Ltd
 Fuller, Smith & Turner Ltd
 Gale (George) & Co Ltd
 Gibbs, Mew & Co Ltd
 Godson, Freeman & Wilmot Ltd
 Gray & Sons (Chelmsford) Ltd
 Grenall Whitley & Co Ltd
 Greene, King & Son Ltd
 Arthur Guinness Sons plc
 Hall & Woodhouse Ltd
 Hardys & Hansons Ltd
 Harp Ltd
 Hartley's Ulverston Ltd
 Harvey & Son (Lewes) Ltd
 Higsons Brewery Ltd
 Holden's Brewery Ltd
 Joseph Holt Ltd
 Home Brewery Co Ltd
 Hook Norton Brewery Co Ltd
 T. Hoskins Ltd
 Hydes' Anvil Brewery Ltd
 J.P.S. Breweries Ltd
 Jennings Bros Ltd
 King & Barnes Ltd
 J.W. Lees & Co (Brewers) Ltd
 MacLay & Co Ltd
 McMullen & Sons Ltd
 Mansfield Brewery Co Ltd
 Marston, Thompson & Evershed Ltd
 Melbourn's Brewery Ltd
 Mitchell's of Lancaster (Brewers) Ltd
 Morland & Co Ltd
 Morrell's Brewery Ltd
 North Country Brewery Ltd
 Northern Clubs Federation Brewery Ltd
 Okell & Sons Ltd
 Paine & Co Ltd
 J.C. & R.H. Palmer Ltd

(THE BREWERS' SOCIETY LTD, CONTINUED)

R.W. Randall Ltd
 Randalls Brewery Ltd
 Ridley (T.D.) & Sons Ltd
 Frederic Robinson Ltd
 G. Ruddle & Co
 St. Austell Brewery Co Ltd
 Scottish & Newcastle Breweries Ltd
 Shepherd Neame Ltd
 Samuel Smith Old Brewery (Tadcaster) Ltd
 Timothy Taylor & Co Ltd
 Theakston (T & R) Ltd
 Thwaites (Daniel) & Co Ltd
 Tollemache & Cobbold Breweries Ltd
 Vaux Breweries Ltd
 Wadworth & Co Ltd
 Watney Mann & Truman Holdings Ltd
 Charles Wells Ltd
 Whitbread & Co plc
 Wolverhampton & Dudley Breweries Ltd
 Yates & Jackson Ltd
 Young & Co's Brewery Ltd

BRITISH-AMERICAN TOBACCO CO LTD	Own DU MAURIER, KENT, KIM, and STATE EXPRESS 555.
BRITISH PETROLEUM CO (BP)	
BROOKE BOND GROUP	A subsidiary of UNILEVER
H.P. BULMER LTD	
BXL PLASTICS LTD	A subsidiary of BP
CADBURY SCHWEPPE'S	Subsidiaries include JEYES GROUP, KENCO COFFEE, TYPHOO TEA, CHIVERS-HARTLEY jams, R.S. McCOLL (Newsagents), CADBURY Chocolate, FRY'S Chocolate. Also has the UK licence to sell PEPSI-COLA and 7-UP.
CARRERAS ROTHMANS LTD	Concerns include: DUNHILL, PETER STUYVESENT, ROTHMANS.
CIBA-GEIGY (UK) LTD	Subsidiaries include ILFORD PHOTOGRAPHIC.
THE COCA-COLA CO, USA	Concerns include: FANTA and LILT.
COURTAULDS	
CROWN DECORATIVE PRODUCTS LTD	A subsidiary of REED INT'L.
DALGETY UK LTD	Own SPILLERS foods & pet foods, MARTIN-BROWER (dist- ributors of raw foods to

(DALGETY UK LTD, CONTINUED)

THE DISTILLERS COMPANY LTD	McDONALD'S fast-food chain), and COOK-IN SAUCES.
DUNLOP LTD CHEMICAL PRODUCTS DIVISION	Subsidiaries include HAIG, and PIMM'S.
ESSO CHEMICAL LTD	
FISONS (PHARMACEUTICAL DIVISION)	
GEEST HOLDINGS LTD	
GENERAL FOODS LTD	Own Coffee HAG.
GIVAUDAN & CO LTD	A subsidiary of HOFFMAN-LA ROCHE drug company.
GRAND METROPOLITAN	Subsidiaries include: EDEN VALE, EXPRESS DAIRIES, MECCA LEISURE, TIFFANY'S, DUNHILL SCOTCH WHISKY.
H.J. HEINZ	
HOECHST UK LTD	Subsidiaries include: BERGER and CUPRINOL.
ARTHUR HOLDEN & SONS	A subsidiary of ICI.
ICI (IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES)	
IMPERIAL GROUP	Subsidiaries include: HP FOODS LTD, GOLDEN WONDER, COURAGE, SMEDLEY foods, BUXTED POULTRY, PLAYERS cigs
KELLOGG COMPANY OF GB LTD	
LRC PRODUCTS LTD	Own DURAPLUG and EUCRYL.
MARKS & SPENCER	
MARS LTD	Own PEDIGREE PETFOODS.
MARTINI & ROSSI LTD	
MAT & BAKER LTD	
PHILIP MORRIS USA	Subsidiaries include: 7-UP, ROTHMAN'S TOBACCO.
THE NESTLE COMPANY LTD	Subsidiaries include: LIBBY'S, CROSSE & BLACKWELL, FINDUS, CHAMBOURCY.
POLYCELL PRODUCTS LTD	A subsidiary of REED INT'L.
PROCTER & GAMBLE LTD	
QUAKER OATS LTD	Own FELIX catfood, FISHER- PRICE toys, SUTHERLANDS foods.

RECKITT & COLMAN FOOD DIVISION

RANK HOVIS McDUGALL RESEARCH LTD

ROWNTREE MACKINTOSH

Subsidiary brand names include: FOX'S mints, SUN-PAT.

J. SAINSBURY (CHAIN STORES)

SWEETHEART INTERNATIONAL LTD

TATE & LYLE GROUP

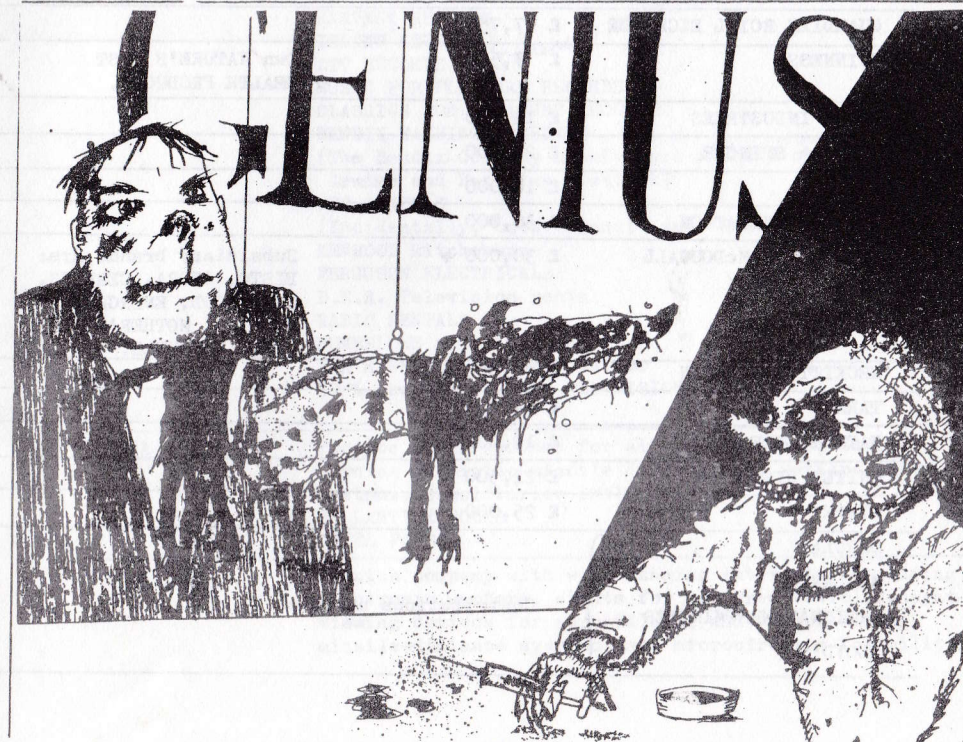
TREBOR LTD

UNILEVER PLC

Subsidiaries include:
BATCHELOR'S, BIRD'S EYE,
BROOKE BOND - OXO, LYONS,
DOMESTOS, ELIDA GIBBS (tooth-
paste etc), LEVER BROS
(Washing powders, PERILL,
SURF), LUX, VAN DEN BERGHES
(STORK, BLUE BAND), WALLS
ICE CREAM, WALLS MEAT, JOHN
WEST foods.

UNIROYAL CHEMICAL

WELLCOME FOUNDATION



TORY FUNDING

The following are companies who fund the Conservative Party. The figures are quite old - they refer to donations made in 1979 either directly to the Tory Party or to it's right-wing Industrialist Councils.

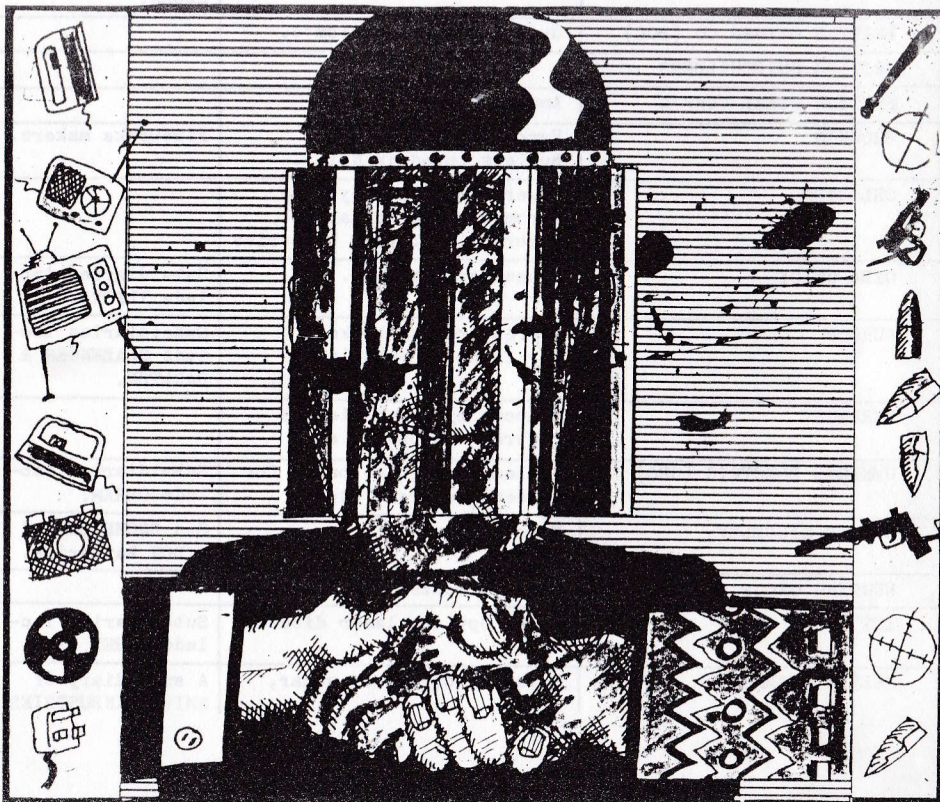
ALLIED BREWERIES	£ 53,525	Part of Allied-Lyons Group, which includes ANSELL'S, IND COOPE, JOSHUA TETLEY & SONS, HALES CAKES, LYONS MAID, SUNFRESH, LAMB (Whiskey), TETLEY tea, BABYCHAM, BRITVIC, TEACHER'S, HARVEY'S, and THWAITES.
BEECHAM GROUP	£ 20,000	
COMMERCIAL UNION	£ 20,000 +	
DEBENHAMS	£ 7,500	
THORN-EMI	£ 20,000 +	
GLAXO	£ 25,000 +	Own FARLEY'S.
GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE	£ 27,750	
GUINNESS	£ 7,500	Own NATURE'S BEST HEALTH PRODUCTS.
LUCAS INDUSTRIES	£ 13,000	
MARKS & SPENCER	£ 20,000	
PLESSEY	£ 18,000	
RANK ORGANISATION	£ 30,000	
RANK HOVIS McDUGALL	£ 30,000 +	Subsidiary brands are: BISTO, ATORA, CEREBOS, CHESSWOOD, ENERGEN, MR. KIPLING, MOTHER'S PRIDE, PAXO, WINDMILL.
RECKITT & COLEMAN	£ 20,000 +	
TARMAC	£ 14,000	
TATE & LYLE	£ 19,000	
UNITED BISCUITS	£ 21,500	
WIMPEY	£ 25,000	
BARCLAYS MIDLAND NATIONAL WESTMINSTER LLOYD'S	Contributions unknown	

ARMS TRADERS

An alphabetical and geographical listing of military exporters in the UK, "The Arms Traders", is available from: Campaign Against The Arms Trade, 5 Caledonian Road, London, N1. It costs £1.50 and is a comprehensive and detailed list; here are some of the well-known companies who export weapons:

ALCAN	Armour alloys, alloys for weapons and ammunition.	Subsidiaries include BACOFIL.
BELL & HOWELL	Transducers, instrumentation.	
BOSTICK	Adhesives	
BRITISH AEROSPACE	Fighter planes.	
BP		Subsidiaries include SCICON, military consultants.
BACO		A subsidiary of ALCAN.
BRITISH OXYGEN CO (BOC)	Ground support equipm't.	
BRITISH SHIPBUILDERS		
BRITISH STEEL CORP'N	Ammunition packs.	
BROCK'S	Pyrotechnics, plastic bullets (used in N.I.).	Fireworks makers.
CHLORIDE	Power electronic systems & components; submarine, aircraft & torpedo batteries.	
CIBA-GEIGY	Adhesives, fabrics.	Subsidiaries include ILFORD.
DUNLOP	Turret drives, brakes for fighting vehicles.	Subsidiaries include SLAZENGER & CARLTON.
FERRANTI	Weapons systems, missile control components etc.	
GENERAL ELECTRIC (GEC)	Nuclear controls, parts for gunnery control, etc.	Subsidiaries include OSRAM.
HAWKER-SIDDELEY	Fighter planes.	Own CROMPTON and VIDOR batteries.
HUNTING GROUP	Cluster bombs, etc.	
ITT	Fibre Optics, laser diodes.	Subsidiaries include ABBEY LIFE.
KELVIN HUGHES	Naval electronics, radar, sonar.	A subsidiary of SMITHS INDUSTRIES.

MEL EQUIPMENT	Electronic warfare, sights for armoured vehicles, etc.	A subsidiary of the PHILIPS GROUP.
NEWMARKET TRANSISTORS	Hybrid microcircuits for military systems.	A subsidiary of the PHILIPS GROUP.
PLESSEY	Electronic warfare, guided weapons systems, etc.	
PHILIPS	(See MEL, NEWMARKET)	
RACAL	Electronic warfare, etc.	Subsidiaries include DECCA ELECTRICAL, CHUBB security.
RANK	Missile guidance systems.	Subsidiaries include ODEON, BUTLINS, WINGS TRAVEL, XEROX.
RCA	Communications systems.	
SAS GROUP	Visors & shields for riot-control forces.	
SINGER	Navigation system for Pershing missiles.	
SCHERMULY PAINS-WESSEX	Pyrotechnics for military & paramilitary organisations, riot control equipment, etc.	Own WILKINSON MATCH, including BRYANT & MAY.
THORN-EMI	Weapons control systems, etc.	

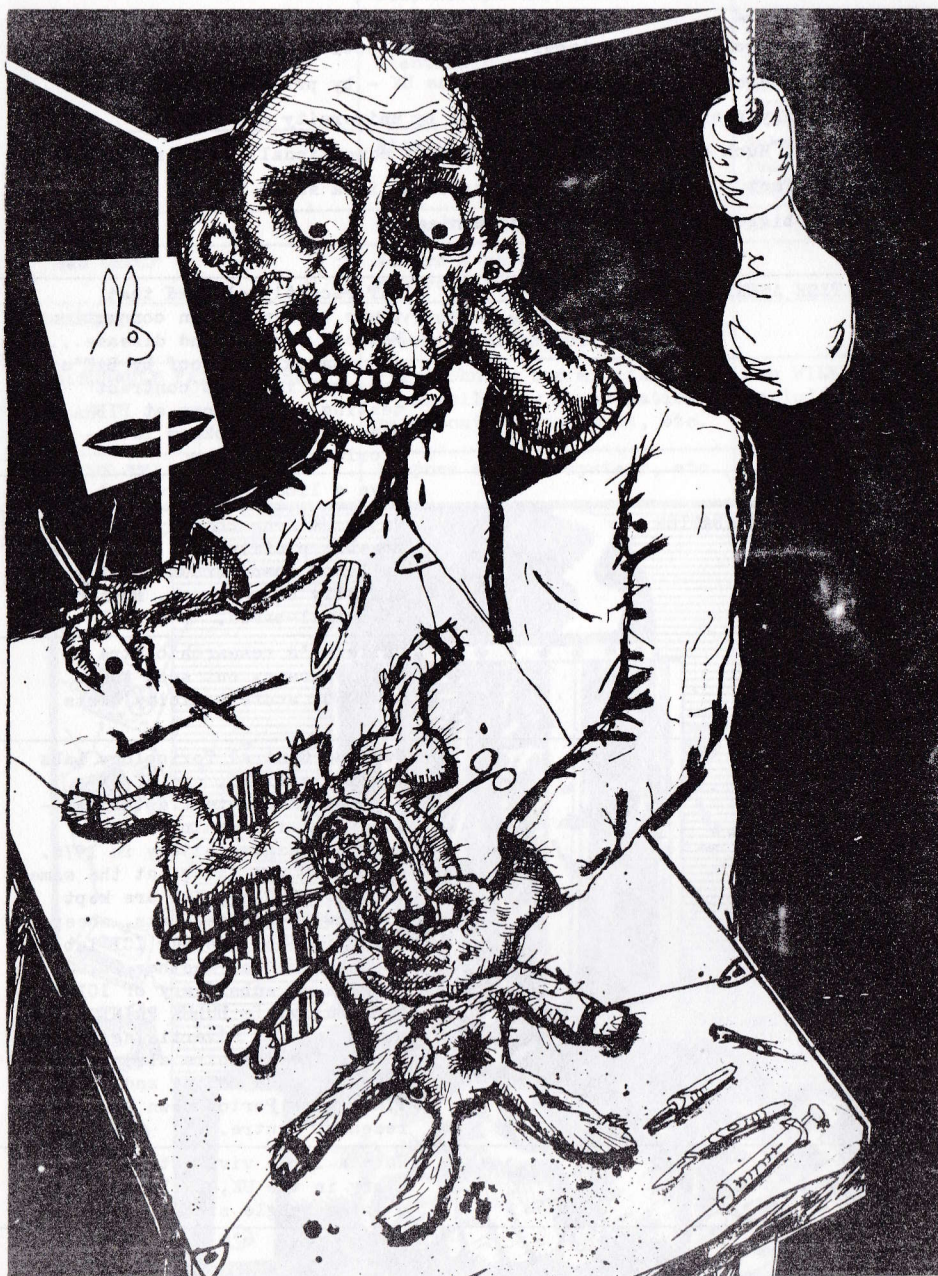


Vivisection

Aside from the BIERA institution, vivisection occurs in many, many different laboratories across the UK - by private companies, by company research departments, and by university and medical schools. Much of the work carried out in educational establishments is, in fact, "bought" by companies; below is a short list of some of the biggest vivisectionist companies.

BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO	BAT recently claimed that there was "no known connection" between smoking and disease... the search for proof by BAT's research includes contract testing carried out at BIERA, Hazelton and Wickham laboratories.
SHELL	Have a licence to vivisect.
WELLCOME FOUNDATION	Major UK drug company with pre-tax profits of £ 70 million. Wellcome spend around £100 m. annually on research, most of it animal-based.
UNILEVER	Unilever's research centre in Bedford carry out such tests as LD50, acute toxicity tests, etc.
ICI	Own the Central Toxicology Labs in Macclesfield, one of UK's biggest animal-test establishments - at the centre of the smoking beagles outcry in 1976. Almost 10 yrs later, at the same labs, 10,000 beagles are kept along with horses, rats, sheep, and chickens. Another ICI lab in Cheshire has another 20,000 beagles. A subsidiary of ICI, ironically, is DULUX PAINTS: who use a dog for advertising. The Macclesfield centre also has a large primate colony and close links with Porton Down MoD research centre.
CIBA-GEIGY	Have a large vivisection laboratory in the UK, including a large beagle stock.

A U.S. company who gross over a billion dollars annually. In 1978, 2700 rabbits were used in Draize test experiments in Revlon research centres.



RECORD COMPANIES

Music's retail outlets, despite their claims, are made up of the same old businessmen pulling the same old strings. Most of the big record companies are responsible for dealings more sinister than simply mass-producing consumer fodder; how ironic that the music entertainment industry is so closely linked with electronic warfare - these companies do, in fact, "make a bomb". Just as disturbing is the use of recorded, mass-produced sound to disseminate the equally mass-produced morality which infects us all...

THORN-EMI

Command a sizeable share of the investments and profits of the arms industry. Manufacture weapons systems, tracking systems (it's Searchwater Radar was a military success - their word, not mine - in the Falklands War), and what EMI advertisers call "anti-personell mine systems" - that is, designed to kill people. A trading profit of around £ 400 million each year.

Subsidiaries include:

HMV RECORD SHOPS

HARVEST RECORDS

ISLAND RECORDS

ZTT RECORDS

MUSIC FOR PLEASURE RECORDS

CLASSICS FOR PLEASURE RECORDS

BENDIX WASHING MACHINES

(The Bendix Company manufacture warhead components for Cruise and Pershing missiles)

ABC CINEMAS

(Incidentally, both "Ghandi" and "Rambo" are EMI films)

KENWOOD kitchenware

FERGUSON ELECTRICALS

D.E.R. Television rental

RADIO RENTALS

RUMBELOWS retail outlet

AFA MINERVA security systems

50 % share in THAMES TELEVISION

RCA

Produce radar systems for aircraft defence, early-warning ballistic missile defence, and warfare laser systems. Subsidiaries include:

BALLANTINE BOOKS

ORIEL FOODS

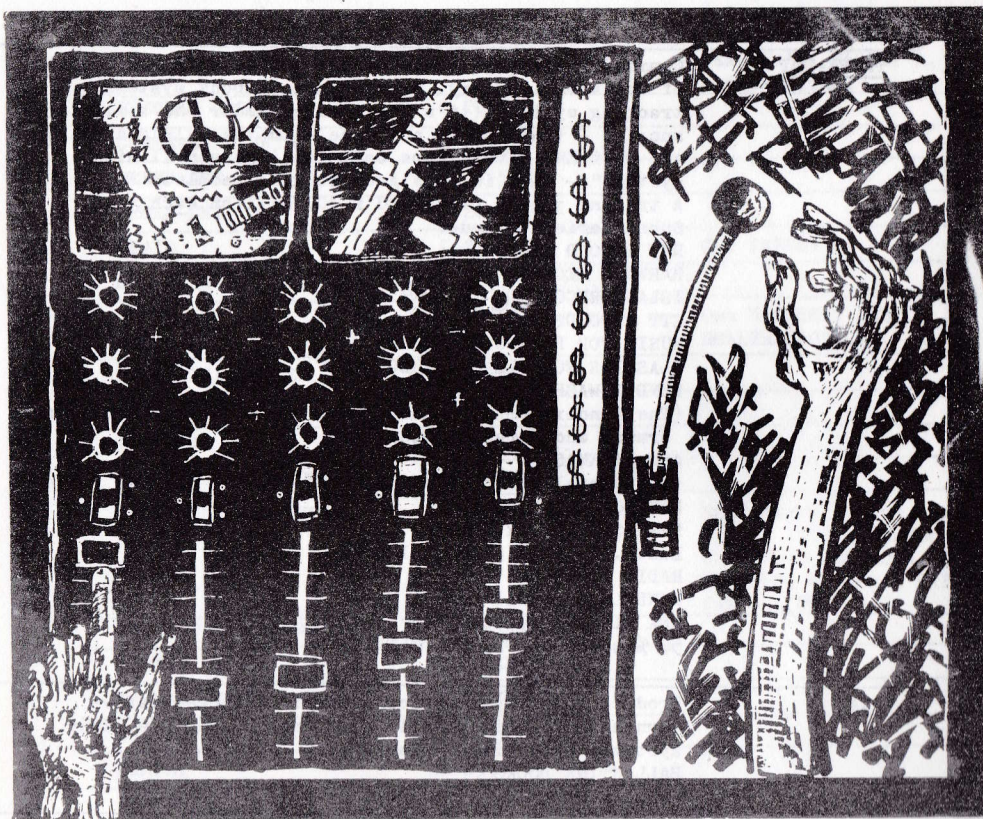
PHILIPS

A Dutch company with wide-ranging interests, including electronic warfare, sights for armoured vehicles, night-viewing devices for surveillance and weapon aiming, missile-distance systems, and microcircuits for military

use. Subsidiaries include:
MARANTZ AUDIO
PYE

POLYGRAM

Is a joint enterprise between Philips (see above) and
SIEMENS. Siemens produce warfare communications equip-
ment. Subsidiaries include:
POLYDOR LTD UK
THE DECCA RECORD COMPANY (includes LONDON RECORDS).



NUCLEAR POWER

In recent years the big oil companies have quietly developed a monopoly on solar energy. For over a decade oil companies have put down solar power as 'impractical', and when public demand grew and threatened oil consumption these companies slyly bought up the solar energy industry. This is why solar power has never been developed to it's full potential. Meanwhile the nuclear power industry, much more profitable, can be exploited and developed despite a legacy of deaths, deformities and destruction.

The Central Electricity Generating Board (CEGB) are at the moment involved in the Sizewell Enquiry, which concerns the building of a new-killer reactor which is uneconomic, unnecessary and dangerous. Whilst Friends of The Earth continue to find holes in CEGB's plans, CEGB continues to order key components of the reactor at tremendous expense; especially for a type of Pressurised Water Reactor (PWR) which has been proven to be unsafe in America - three plants of this design have been closed down.

CEGB are also involved in the illegal chain of business involving the importing of uranium from Namibia. It is CEGB who buy the processed uranium under the terms of their contract with Rossing RTZ. Every time we pay our electricity bills, as much as 20% of that bill goes towards nuclear power development and use.

As well as CEGB there are, as always, manufacturing companies with direct interest in the build-up of the nuclear power industry. The "World Nuclear Directory" lists the following (selected) company involvements:

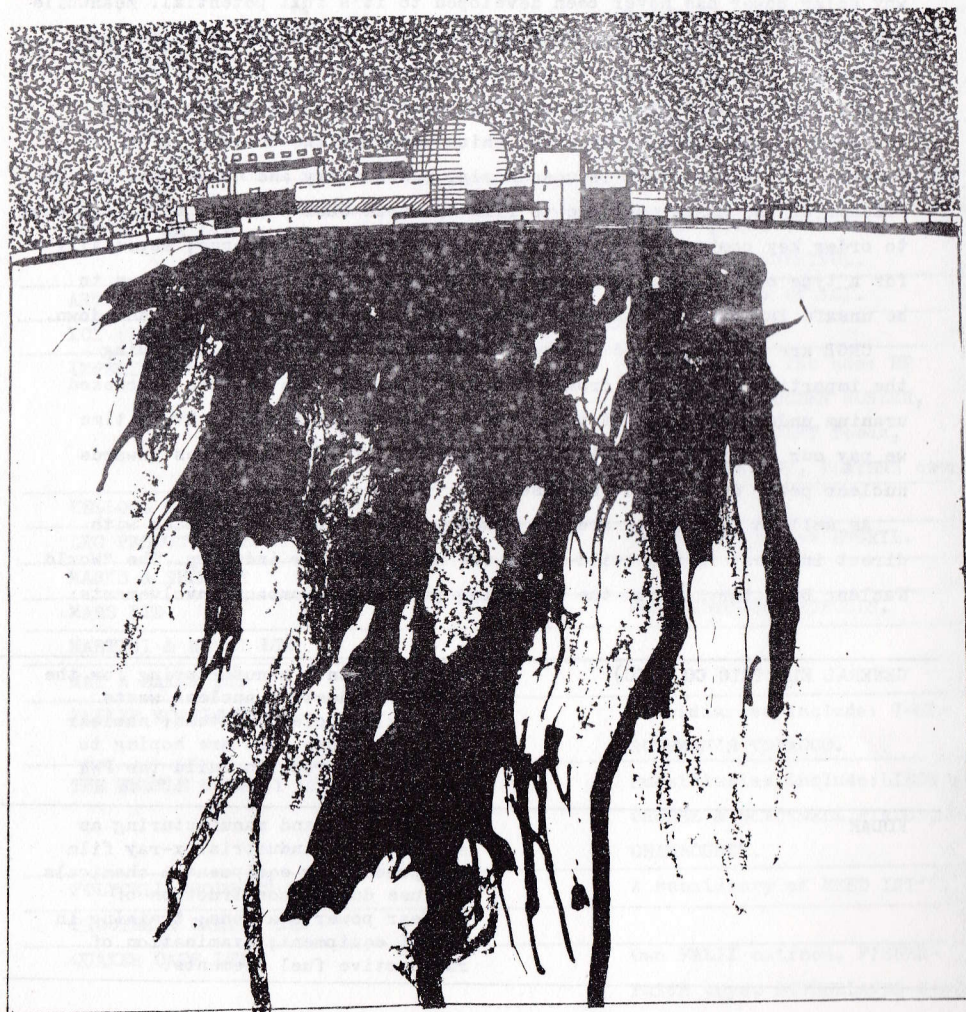
GENERAL ELECTRIC CO (GEC)

Construction & manufacturing for the nuclear industry; nuclear waste disposal; nuclear systems; nuclear power reactors. GEC are hoping to win the contract to build the PWR at Sizewell.

KODAK

Construction and manufacturing as suppliers of industrial x-ray film and processing equipment & chemicals for use during construction of nuclear power stations; training in use of equipment; examination of radioactive fuel elements.

LUCAS AEROSPACE LTD	Designers and manufacturers of reactor control systems.
THORN-EMI	Have a subsidiary called "Nuclear Enterprises" which is involved in manufacturing materials for the nuclear industry.
PLESSEY	Work on nuclear reactors; production of instrumentation, mechanical, electronic and physics design services; engineering and reactor technology.
ROLLS-ROYCE	Have a subsidiary called "Nuclear Developments Ltd", but no information about it at present.



BANKS

"The main business of the international banking division is the provision of loans in all the principle currencies to governments, multinationals and corporations, and for major projects - particularly in the development of energy resources."

(Natwest Brochure)

That means they use investors' money to prop up governments around the world who are fighting wars against their neighbours or their own people. It means investments in the destruction of the earth through massive loans for nuclear power. It means financing the status quo - because it's profitable.

The four major banks - Barclay's, Natwest, Lloyd's and Midland - are all contributors to Tory funding; are all involved in South African investment (though Barclay's is by far the largest investor); are all involved in financing civil war abroad.

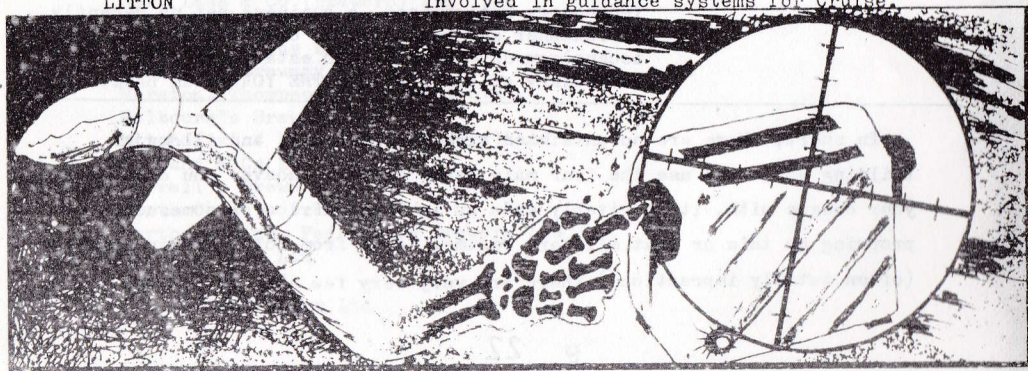
MIDLAND	Act as bankers for the notorious Rio Tinto Zinc and financed illegal arms deals with Khomeini's army. Subsidiaries include: THOMAS COOK and COMPASS TRAVEL.
LLOYD'S	Have part-funded the establishment of the fascist military dictatorship in Chile - where over 2000 people have "disappeared" at the hands of the Chilean Secret Police - to the tune of well over £ 260 million in loans.
BARCLAY'S	Holds over £ 500 million in SA apartheid government, and in 1980 made an after-tax profit of £ 43 million. Also large contributors to Defence Technology Enterprises, a business set up recently by Thatcher and Heseltine in order to "sell" technology developed at MoD establishments. A subsidiary of Barclay's is THE YORKSHIRE BANK.

In short, there are no untainted high-street banks, and all major building societies use the four main banks anyway. Whoever you cash your cheque with, it inevitably ends up in South Africa or some such, propping up this or that military regime. Aside from total disinvestment (often totally impractical) there are very very few alternatives.

NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Aside from the record companies listed elsewhere, the following companies are involved in the design and manufacture of components for Cruise, Trident and Pershing nuclear missiles:

SINGER	Make the inertial navigation system for Pershing II, also work with Cruise.
BENDIX	Make propulsion mechanisms for Pershing II.
TEXAS INSTRUMENTS	Cruise missile technology.
MAN VOLKSWAGON	Launching trucks for Cruise.
TARMAC	Has an £ 11.5 million contract for the construction & development of Greenham Common USAF Cruise base.
BRITISH TELECOM	Have a contract for work at Greenham.
ROLLS-ROYCE	Manufacture components for Trident.
FORD	All manufacture components for Pershing II.
CHRYSLER	
GOODYEAR	
IBM	
THORN-EMI	EMI's subsidiary SYSTRON DONNER make the accelerometer system for Pershing and Trident missiles. Another subsidiary, EDCLIFF INSTRUMENTS, are involved in the development and manufacture of air-launched Cruise missiles.
RCA	Involved in development program for air-launched Cruise missiles.
GENERAL ELECTRIC	Assemble neutron generators for warheads of Pershing and Cruise.
UNION CARBIDE	Production of Uranium components for warheads of Pershing and Cruise.
ITT	Make igniters for Pershing.
LITTON	Involved in guidance systems for Cruise.



CASH CROPS

Cash crops represent the acute end of the exploitation wedge: industries which rely upon slave labour in disgusting conditions with no regard for the identities of race or individual - where people become dispensable numbers, figures to be added on or taken away. Western companies fill shops and brochures full of glossy consumer rubbish which includes as a stage in it's manufacture the wholesale oppression of those people in underdeveloped countries (so-called because our vision of 'development' means exploiting and wasting the earth and it's resources, something that the Third World hasn't begun to do yet), upon whose labour the product is dependent. These accusations lie not with particular brands, but with whole products.

COFFEE & TEA	2500 cups of Brooke Bond tea are drunk around the world every second of every day. And as Brooke Bond say in their brochure: "...coffee plays an important and sometimes vital part in the economies of more than forty producing countries", countries hooked on producing drugs for western habits, grown on stolen land, land which could be used to grow food for people who are starving to death.
SUGAR	Sugar is added to nearly all processed foods, and people in Britain eat an average of over 100 lbs per person per year - not one grain of which their bodies need. For this, a sugar worker in Brazil's north-east has a life expectancy of 28 years (for men) and 32 (for women). A few rich barons own most of the land and the many poor pay exorbitant rent and work for next to nothing on the plantations - again, land which could be used to grow proper food for the people who work the land.
MEAT	Meat is produced by wasting land and wheat which could be used to feed hungry people; rainforests are cut down, depriving people and animals that live there of their livelihoods, and the atmosphere of it's life-blood, to provide land for burger-bars to feed rubbish to the wealthy. Add to this the inhumanity of the factory farm system, the cruelty involved in breeding and rearing of animals, and the gross chemical manipulation of animal flesh...

DRUGS

Not a cash crop, more a financing arm of the new scientific religion - a recent report of a special panel of the U.S. Food & Drug Administration pointed out that while no medication exists that will cure or prevent the common cold, American pharmaceutical manufacturers manage to market some 35,000 different cold remedies, for which consumers shell out 735 million dollars every year. The drug-company advertisers sell us more and varied ways to stay healthy; and yet the mortality rate in the west, where these drugs proliferate, increases yearly...perhaps not in spite of, but because of these "miracle cures". Business comes first!

TOBACCO

Farmed on plantations owned by huge tobacco companies in practically every south American, Indian, and African region. British-American Tobacco explain: "Trends include the move to recognise the aspirations of developing countries...with increasing encouragement of local participation." Which is the accession of land management away from the company themselves - and into local, rich, puppet-managers, paying barely poverty-level wages and destroying useful land.

MARIJUANA

Currently a major cash-crop in many areas - notably Central and Southern America. Slave labour, awful conditions, ruined land, worked by the exploited many and owned by the exploiting few.



Note: Whilst Ethiopia continues to be held by severe famine, it's land is still farmed for it's cash-crops, not for locally-needed food: 70% of Ethiopia's exported goods is coffee.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

1. THE BUSINESS SECTION OF YOUR CITY OR TOWN LIBRARY

Ask the library staff for where these are, if they've got them:

WHO OWNS WHOM (UK)

In two volumes, comes out every year. Volume one is an index of parent companies, listing all their subsidiaries in the UK and abroad. Volume two is an index of subsidiaries telling which parent company owns them.

MCCARTHY INFORMATION CARDS

Usually kept in filing cabinets - collated press cuttings of all the business activities of major companies (listed alphabetically) in the last twelve months or so...eg if Thorn-EMI have just won a new arms contract with the MoD, then it will get reported in the business section of, say, the Financial Times. Rather than wade through hundreds of newspapers, the McCarthy information cards do it for you.

EXTEL CARDS

In filing cabinets, contain financial information for all the companies quoted on the London stock exchange; plus 1500 unquoted companies.

DIRECTORY OF DIRECTORS

An index of directors, telling which companies they direct/are associated with - it's interesting to see that some fat cats have more directorships than they have fingers to get dirty...

BUSINESS DIRECTORIES

Almost every global act of oppression has a directory devoted to it; not always easy to find - but obvious examples like Jane's Warfare Directories are commonplace. Another example: The World Nuclear Directory, listing companies involved in the nuclear power business.

2. READING THE SMALL PRINT ON SUPERMARKET SHELVES

Example - POLO MINTS and KIT KAT are brand names, not the name of the actual manufacturing company; unlike Mars Bars, for instance, made by Mars Confectionary Ltd. But somewhere on the packaging of Polo mints it says 'Made by Rowntree Mackintosh' - likewise, when a big company buys a smaller company they won't always change the name of certain

brand, because people know and recognise the name; but the parent company name is almost invariably stated on the back...for instance, "FRY'S TURKISH DELIGHT" is actually made by Cadbury-Schweppes. But "Cadbury-Schweppes' Turkish Delight" doesn't sound catchy or recognisable - and we the consumers are sticklers for tradition!

3. WRITING TO THE COMPANIES THEMSELVES

Write saying you are doing a business studies project at school or college, or looking for a job after leaving college - the company will send you a fat wad of glossy company brochures/annual reports/general whitewash advertising - which is all public relations stuff, from which you can get lots of information by reading between the lines.

4. CAREERS OFFICES AT YOUR LOCAL UNIVERSITY/POLYTECHNIC

It's not hard to pretend to be a student! You can just walk in and walk out with a carrier-bag full of big-company graduate recruitment brochures; if you want to take it a step further, you can ask for a list of dates when the representatives of the various companies are coming to interview students for careers in the oppression industry - and maybe act accordingly?

5. BROWSING, KEEPING YOUR EYES AND EARS OPEN

The alternative and underground press, and the business section of newspapers, as well as the small print on adverts in Sunday magazines, miles of ignored library shelves, etc - there's always things to pick up on regarding the unsavoury side of big business activity. Suffice to say, this booklet is a hotch-potch of contributions from various sources and everything in it is available quite freely - if you find any errors, or omissions (there must be loads) then write and let us know!

SOURCES, THANKS, RECOMMENDED PUBLICATIONS ETC

ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENT (have a comprehensive list of SA investors)
13, Selous Street, London NW1 0DW

ANIMAL AID (have a list of non animal-tested cosmetics available)
7, Castle Street, Tonbridge, Kent

BUAV (quarterly paper "Liberator" to members)
16a, Crane Grove, London

CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE ARMS TRADE (full list of UK arms traders)
5, Caledonian Road, London N1

CHASE ORGANICS LTD (for organic seeds)
Seeds Division, Gibraltar House, Shepperton, Middx, TW17 8AQ

ECOLOGY PARTY (publish occasional papers)
36 - 38 Clapham Road, London SW9

ECOROPA (have a series of informative and varied leaflets)
Crickhowell, Powys, NP8 1TA

G.L.A.D. (Group on Lifestyles & Action on Development - newsletters)
20a, Blurton Road, Clapton, London E5

HENRY DOUBLEDAY RESEARCH ASSOCIATION (for organic compost)
Convent Lane, Bocking, Braintree, Essex

INSTEAD OF A MAGAZINE (U.S. Anarchist magazine)
Spooners Society, P.O.Box 433, Willimantic, CT 06226, USA

LABOUR PARTY RESEARCH DEPT. (publish occasional papers)

LONDON GREENPEACE (anti-McDonald's campaign, etc)
6, Endsleigh Street, London

MIND MATTER LITERATURE (pamphlets, leaflets)
P.O.Box 421304, San Francisco, California, 94142, USA

NATIONAL CENTRE FOR ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY (a booklist etc available)
Llwyngwern Quarry, Machynlleth, Powys, Wales

MOVEMENT FOR COMPASSIONATE LIVING
Dean & Catherine Yates, 9 Moyle Terrace, Hobson, Burnopfield, Co Durham

NATURE CURE (health without drugs)
Publications Dept, Kingston Clinic, Edinburgh EH15 5UQ

NORTHERN ANIMAL LIBERATION LEAGUE (particularly information on ICI, etc)
2nd Floor, 8 - 10 Great Ancoats Street, Manchester

PEACE NEWS (invaluable, informative)
8, Elm Avenue, Nottingham

PLAMIL (non-dairy foods)
Plamil House, Bowles Well Gardens, Folkestone, Kent

STONEHENGE 86 CAMPAIGN
Polyantric Circle, 9 Toriano Avenue, London NW6

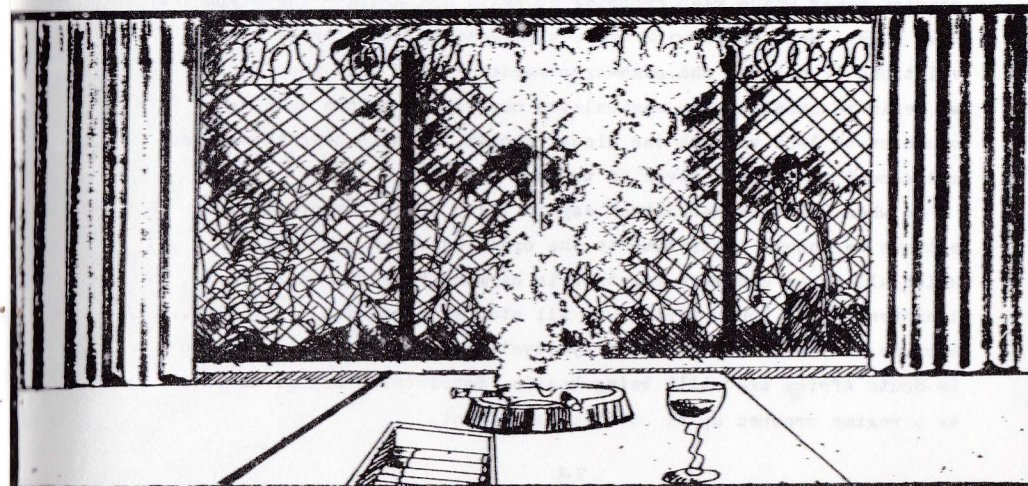
TRAIDCRAFT (non-exploitative 'Third World' produce - coffee, etc)
India House, Carliol Square, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, NE1 6TY

VEGAN SOCIETY SHOPPER'S GUIDE (up-to-date, discerning, about £1)
P.O.Box 3, Charlbury, Oxford, OX7 6DU

THE VEGAN SHOP (Vegan cookery books, publications etc)
1, Orrin Close, Tilehurst, Reading, RG3 4DB

VEGETARIAN SOCIETY UK
Parkdale, Dunham Road, Altrincham, Cheshire WA14 4QG

WAR ON WANT
Three Castles House, 1 London Bridge Street, London SE1 9UT



CONCLUSION

The oppression-based nature of big business is inherent in it's make up, yet it often remains invisible; a) because big business doesn't want us to see people deprived of their livelihoods and starving as a result of the company's overseas activities, and b) if we see the company's glossy product first, then we don't want to look.

At first sight the glossy city shopping centre seems warm, inviting, and nothing but good.... that is, until we take our eyes off the product for a minute and look up to see their close-circuit t.v. cameras watching our every move. Such is the product, too.

It's not as simple as thinking "Mars Company commission research on monkeys, therefore I'll boycott Mars," it's learning to see the whole network of oppression which induces us to work for them to earn the necessary cash; to watch their t.v. with it's images of "the goodness (!) of thick, thick chocolate"; to complete our life of "work, rest and play, lived to it's fullest" by simply buying "a Mars a day".

And once we start looking, we start to see through their mass-produced luxury lies-style (sic), on which we in the west are spoon-fed. For instance, if I'm reading a book and I come across a word that is new to me, I maybe remember the word and it's vague connotations; and over the next few weeks that word will seem to crop up again and again - not by coincidence (the word was always there), but because I've started to notice the word. And it's the same big company names which keep cropping up again and again - the companies have always been there with their vivisection laboratories and evictions of natives and cash-crop murder - it's just that before we begin to question who manipulates our lives, before we have occasion to look beneath the glossy facade, we skip over the surface and accept what we're given as truth.

So when Rowntree-Mackintosh say in their annual report that "we believe we should contribute to the creation of an environment in which all races can work together in harmony," as reason for not disinvesting in South Africa, it all starts to sound a bit hollow. Because on top of a daily poverty-level standard of living, blacks in South Africa are still being beaten, imprisoned, and murdered by a regime propped up by outside investment.

Gathering information about big business' unsavoury activities is a long, gradual and ongoing process. Companies change hands faster than we can research and print booklets about them! The reason our efforts aren't made redundant by these changes is because the pattern remains the same when the company logo changes - it's always profit before people:

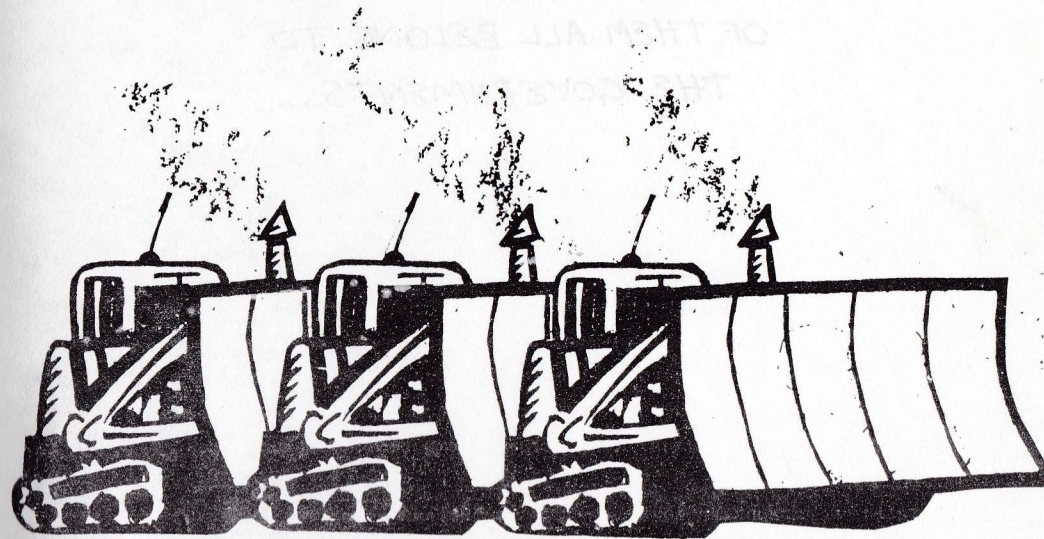
it is profitable to sell arms to Ethiopia

it is not profitable to give food mountains to Ethiopia

it is profitable to sponsor the government of the United Kingdom

it is not profitable to encourage people to organise their own lives

So when I read in the paper last week that Sainsbury's are considering not selling South African goods, I ask myself - is it because of their compassion for the victims of apartheid? And if it is, what do they think about all the people turfed off plantations where Sainsbury's tea, sugar, and coffee is grown? Or is it, more realistically, because they are worried that if the company is seen by the British public to be supporting apartheid, that their overall sales will fall? What do you think?



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