



MINISTRY OF PROPAGANDA

STATEMENT

FAILED COUP AT SWAYS

President crushes the 'Christmas Uprising'

An attempted putsch, which included a cowardly attack on the person of the President, has been ruthlessly crushed, it emerged today, amid scenes of unrest at the SWAYS international headquarters in Salford, England.

An independent onlooker said: 'Today's events have shaken me to the core. Everyone knows that SWAYS is a peace-loving democracy, but perhaps even greater powers should be granted to the President to ensure our future wellbeing.'

As discussions over sub-contracting elements of the SWAYS operation to external providers reached boiling point, the Regional Director of Operations (North West) outrageously challenged the legitimate authority of the President and sought to overthrow his rule by force. In a pre-planned conspiracy that shall hereafter be known as the 'Christmas Uprising', gangs of hired Russian thugs arrived on the scene in a Ford Capri, armed with baseball bats, chains and knives.

The President was assaulted but gloriously overcame his tormentors through sheer physical power, leaving the Regional Director of Operations (North West) 'trapped like an animal' and in fear for his life.

At this point the magnanimous President would have been within his rights to slaughter the usurper. But in his infinite goodness he chose to grant clemency to the snivelling Judas, permitting him to skulk back to Oldham, like a rat.

The Regional Director of Operations (North West) will remain in his current position, propping up the existing regime and paying penance through corporate humiliation. His Christmas bonus for 2010 has been withheld.

The President made the following statement: 'An official investigation has been conducted behind closed doors and the matter is now closed. My actions have been totally vindicated and any other versions of today's events are scandalous lies. The leader of the uprising has been sent slithering back to where he came from. Where a slug would leave a trail of slime, he has left a trail of shame.'

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