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NAZI KNIFE: *We Never Made Any Mistake*

Hendrik Hegray, Jonas Delaborde, Stéphane Prigent, Mat Brinkman, C.F., Roope Eronen, Heath Moerland, Romain Perrot, Andres Ramirez, Cyrille LeVely, Andy Bolus, Jamie McNeil, Leon Sadler, Antoine Marquis, David Douard, Spencer Clark, Pat Maherr, Mehdi Hercberg, Frederic Fleury, Gary Beauvais, Ryan Riehle, Nate Young, Jeff Hartford, John Olson, Dylan Nyoukis, James Ferraro, Julien Carreyn.

Friday, December 17th – Saturday January 15th, 2010

Opening Reception: Friday, December 17th, from 7 to 10pm

"I don't think you can call what we do pure provocation. We're rather on the side of the impure ones."

- Jonas Delaborde

DEM PASSWORDS is pleased to present a group showing of paintings, drawings and digital works from the the pages of French graphics journal, Nazi Knife.

Founded in 2006 by Parisian artists Jonas Delaborde and Hendrik Hegray with assistance from Stephane Prigent, Nazi Knife has evolved over the course of 7 issues from a limited-run, black and white Xerox art-zine to a full-color, perfect bound, "post-millennial clearing house for the psychogrotesque and other non-narrative drawing in the transgressive post-punk French tradition."¹

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Nazi Knife brings together artists from various radical scenes of creation in the USA, France, Finland and Belgium, united by a raw and deliberate style founded in the spirit of do-it-yourself, at home experimentations in sound and on paper.

Nazi Knife's artistic direction, deliberately obscure and cryptic, explores the marriage of Utopia and totalitarianism, capitalist science fiction and hippie psychedelism, with roots in the American Noise music scene and under the influence of the weirder holdings of Parisian cult bookstore Un Regard Modern.

"As soon as the word Nazi is read, obvious suspicion and a beginning of faintness may occur. But, it is necessary to exceed the title to be plunged in what there is to see: rough and punk drawings, which do not make distinction between good and bad taste."

- Joseph Ghosn

Jonas Delaborde and Hendrik Hegray will produce a wall drawing for the show and will have for viewing their latest publications, False Flag and Nazi Knife #7. Contributors Ryan Riehle and James Ferraro will present music.

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