

# Czech anarchists battle fascists

## Workers Solidarity Movement

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According to a local correspondent, there was a day of action against “racism, fascism and police terror” in Brno in the Czech Republic on December 9<sup>th</sup> 1995 organised by the Czech Anarchist Federation and Czech Skinheads Against Racial Prejudice (SHARP). There has been a rise in both paramilitary fascist groups and ‘respectable’ parliamentary ones in recent years growing out of both anti-Gypsy and anti-immigration racism. Some 60% of Czechs, according to polls, are hostile to Gypsies.

A number of people have been killed in recent years by fascists but the police ignored the fact that these killings have been carried out by fascists. A previous but smaller anti-fascist march in 1992 was attacked by a big group of fascists but this time the larger march spotted, attacked and drove off a gang of fascists despite the police attempting to protect the fascists. Three people, all anti-fascists, were arrested after this incident.

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