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Meanwhile, the Hungarian and German authorities have jointly taken up the investigation. The Federal Criminal Police Office (BKA) and the Regional Criminal Police Office (LKA) have already provided international administrative assistance on their own initiative by searching apartments in Germany. The state authorities are using every opportunity to further uncover antifascist structures, even if the evidence so far is unclear.

The pre-trial detention of the two detainees was extended on March 14 for another three months until June. The charge is „crimes against members of the community“ and has now been extended to include „membership in a criminal organization“. Our two comrades are facing harsh prison conditions. Cells in Hungary are known to be overcrowded, dirty and without natural light. The neutrality of the judicial system is also under a bad star - the E.U. recently tried to reprimand Hungary for political interference in the national judicial system, such as the appointment of judges. Overall, the political situation in Hungary is more than difficult for progressive people and minorities.

For more than a quarter of a century, neo-Nazis have been gathering in the Hungarian capital around the second week of February. The so-called „Day of Honor“ has become one of the most important networking meetings of the neo-Nazi scene in Europe, with several thousand participants from Hungary and abroad. This year too, despite a half-hearted ban by the authorities, hundreds of fascists gathered to commemorate the German and Hungarian soldiers who were killed by the Red Army in the battle for Budapest in 1945. For years, Hungarian and international anti-fascists have taken action against this glorification of Nazism.

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