

Durito.com



Falling on the anniversary of the massacre at Acteal, the withdrawal of the last troops occupying the Zapatista community of Amador Hernández left the conflict zone still heavily militarized. During the withdrawal of the 250 remaining troops, Durito informs El Sup that he will change his name from “Don Durito de la Lacandona” to “Durito-dot-com.”

Zapatista Army of National Liberation

Mexico

December 22, 2000

To the National and International Press:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Here goes a communiqué on the recent troop withdrawal.

When the soldiers arrived, they did so furtively; now they are withdrawing with a great public show. If peace does, in fact, arrive, it does not matter to us that they present as Zapatistas those who are not (the ones from ARIC), and the ones

First published by Sitio oficial de la visita del EZLN a la Ciudad de México www.ezlnaldf.org. Originally translated by irlandesa. See also “Carta del CCRI-CG EZLN Sobre El Reciente Retiro de Tropas,” *La Marcha del Color de la Tierra, Comunicados, cartas y mensajes del Ejército Zapatista de Liberación Nacional* (México, D.F.: Rizoma, 2001), 20.

who've waged the dirty war as great promoters of peace (the military).¹ It is a chameleon disorder, which navigates according to the way the media winds are blowing.

Vale. Salud, and may the end of the year also be the end of despair.

From the mountains of the Mexican Southeast
Subcomandante Insurgente Marcos
Mexico

P.S. Durito says he is going to change his name. It will no longer be "Don Durito de la Lacandona," but "Durito-dot-com." He says he's riding the wave of "business excellence" now.

Dialectic (or Self-Contradictory) P.S. where Durito says always no, none of that "dot-com," nor "excellence," nor "business." He says that during times of travel, what is needed is a sailor. La Mar agrees, and I look for some seasickness pills.

1 In one of a series of well-publicized photo opportunities, staged by then-Governor Albores, of alleged Zapatistas surrendering their arms, members of ARIC (*Asociación Rural de Interés Colectivo*, or Rural Association of Collective Interest) were presented as Zapatistas. (AP: April 2, 1999)