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ON BADIOU

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WHY ALAIN BADIOU ?

1. **BECAUSE BADIOU IS INSISTING ON THE NECESSITY TO “LIVE WITH AN IDEA”**
2. **BECAUSE TO LIVE WITH AN IDEA IMPLIES A SELFTRANSGRESSION OF THE SUBJECT TOWARDS THE UNKNOWN.**
3. **BECAUSE THE UNKNOWN APPEARS AS AN EVENT IN BADIOUS ONTOLOGY. AS SOMETHING THAT DISTURBS & CORRUPTS THE ORDER OF FACTS.**
4. **BECAUSE THE CORRUPTION OF THE SYSTEM OF FACTS IS THE VERY MOMENT OF TRUTH.**
5. **BECAUSE BADIOU MAKES A DISTINCTION BETWEEN KNOWLEDGE & TRUTH.**
6. **BECAUSE THIS DISTINCTION IS THE DISTINCTION SYMBOLIC-REAL.**
7. **BECAUSE THE AFFIRMATION OF THIS DISTINCTION IS THE AFFIRMATION OF THE EMERGENCE OF SOMETHING NEW.**
8. **BECAUSE TO INSIST ON THE POSSIBILITY OF THE IMPOSSIBLE, OF AN EVENT, ALREADY MEANS TO INSIST ON IT AS THE “CREATION OF NEW POSSIBILITIES.”**
9. **BECAUSE BADIOUS ETHICS OF THE REAL IS AN ETHICS OF THE NEW.**
10. **BECAUSE SUCH AN ETHICS DEMANDS THE TRANSGRESSION OF THE STATUS QUO OF THE SUBJECTS SITUATION WITHIN THE IMMANENCE OF THE ONE WORLD.**
11. **BECAUSE BADIOU RENEWS THE COMMUNIST HYPOTHESIS UNDER THE CONDITIONS OF TODAY.**
12. **BECAUSE HIS PHILOSOPHICAL MILITANTISM FOR TRUTH IMPLIES THE FIGHT AGAINST ALL FORMS OF ESOTERICISM & OBSCURANTISM.**
13. **BECAUSE HE MAKES OUT OF THE HUMAN SUBJECT AN ACTIVE PLACEHOLDER OF A POSSIBLE TRUTH.**