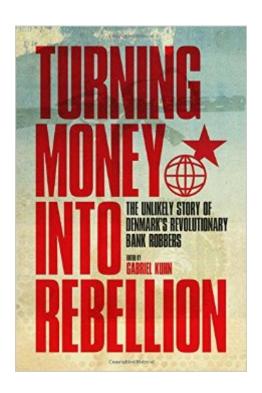
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Turning Money Into Rebellion: The Unlikely Story Of Denmark's Revolutionary Bank Robbers





Synopsis

In May of 1989, on a quiet street in Copenhagen, police discovered an apartment that had served for years as a hideaway for Denmarkâ ™s most notorious 20th-century bank robbers. The members, who belonged to a communist organization and lived modest lives in the Danish capital, had, over a period of almost two decades, sent millions in stolen dollars acquired in spectacular heists to Third World liberation movements, in particular the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. One of the most puzzling and captivating chapters from the European anti-imperialist milieu of the 1970s and 1980s, Turning Money into Rebellion is the first-ever account of the story in English, covering the events from Middle Eastern capitals and African refugee camps to the groupâ ™s fateful last robbery that earned them a record haul and left a police officer dead. The book includes historical documents, illustrations, and an exclusive interview with Torkil Lauesen and Jan Weimann, two of the groupâ ™s longest-standing members. It is a compelling tale of turning radical theory into action and concerns analysis and strategy as much as morality and political practice.

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I literally devoured this book in a few sittings. Being half Danish, I deeply understand the opportunistic ignorance with which this topic has been covered by mainstream media in Denmark. Gabriel Kuhn provides a critical evaluation of how the gang has been remembered within Denmark. Furthermore his scientific and theoretical approach to the gang's practice is refreshing and

academically honest. As someone born in 1991, I not only enjoyed hearing about the gang's own perspective from the interviewees, but also enjoyed being introduced to the broader alphabet soup of the 1970's anti-imperialist left. The universe revealed in Kuhn's book is not only enlightening for people not familiar with the broader context, it also charts theoretical paths for future organizing in a post-Soviet world. Best book I read all summer.

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