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On different fronts, with dignity,
the social summit is advancing.

They are only one percent
but they devour like a billion.
Are not on their agenda
the terms commitment and solidarity

They are driven by greed
and have even seized control of God.
They have defiled the popular will,
manipulated public opinion,
looted the nation's coffers
and devastated the last virgin landscape on the blue planet.

Meanwhile, the girl runs around in concentric circles,
showing her tangled hair and alienated face,
before the Troika musicians,
hieratic scribes on their pedestal.

Germany, true to form, haughty, proud of its race,
and owner of a Mediterranean that weeps and yawns,
watching as its battered welfare state is torn to shreds.

The prisoners have nothing to eat for a snack
hospitals don't have bottled water,
the chronically ill and poor children
are junk bonds to be rejected,
and the elderly must give up their pensions.

The pigs have already been fattened up,
ready for sacrifice on the altar of the golden calf,

because they don't know how to divide, they live to multiply
by ten, one hundred, one thousand, one million... their divine capital.

Hayek and the Chicago School are their idols of youth.
Insatiable beings who perpetuate their use-and-discard motto.

On different fronts, for human dignity,
the social summit fights.

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