JANUARY MANIFESTO

- 1. Whoever does not see politics, government, church, industry, military, the political parties, and social organizations as a joke has nothing to do with us.
- 2. Boycott all ruling systems and conventions by viewing them as nothing but a joke that went awry.
- 3. All true artists were born to change their surroundings.
- 4. Awards, scholarships, good reviews: they give us everything. But one thing is for certain, we are of no use.
- 5. Our highest goal is to be useless: joking around is unpopular folk art.
- 6. The whole world is the sphere in which the artistic impulse that is reserved for fun alone can unfold.
- 7. Everything that can be used is not for people. Without artists there would already be no more people.
- 8. We are opposed to Mardi Gras carnival celebrations, because they commercialize fun. Misusing fun is the greatest crime.
- 9. Art for art's sake is over, as is art for money and art for women. This marks the beginning of art for fun
- 10. Being creative means: having fun with everything by constantly creating new things.
- 11. Being human means homo ludens and homo gaudens.
- 12. Fun has not been an integrating factor in culture since the ascendancy of dialectic materialism and determinism. We demand its liberation from oppression by the prevailing ideologies and rationalism.
- 13. The sentence "Knowledge is power," which ushered in the age of science, shall be followed by the sentence "Fun is power," ushering in the age of fun.
- 14. Just as Marx derived a revolution from science, we derive a revolution from fun.
- 15. The socialist revolution misused artists. The one-sidedness of these subversions was due to the separation of work and fun. A revolution without fun is no revolution.
- 16. There is no artistic freedom without the power of fun.

- 17. All discontented forces are gathering into an organization of anti-organizers, who will manifest themselves through a general revolution.
- 18. In all seriousness we are calling for fun. We demand urban fun, as well as unitary, total, real, imaginary, sexual, irrational, integral, military, political, psychological, philosophical ... fun.
- 19. The implementation of Situationist Fun will solve all the problems in the world: the East-West conflict, the Algerian conflict, the Congolese conflict, rioting by young hooligans, blasphemy trials, and sexual repression.
- 20. We are engaging the entire world for our fun! January 1961