

# Subcomandante Marcos, Chiapas, Mexico

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*Postscript—to those of you who are wondering if Marcos is homosexual, Marcos is a gay person in San Francisco, a black person in south Africa, an Asian person in Europe, a Chicano in San Isidro, an anarchist in Spain, an indigenous person in the streets of San Cristobal, a gang member in Neza, a rocker in the Former Soviet Union, a Jew in Germany, an ombudsman in Sedena, a feminist in a political party, a Communist in the post Cold War, a prisoner in Cintalapa, a pacifist in Bosnia, a Mapuche in the Andes, an artist without a gallery, a guerilla in Mexico at the end of the 20th century, a sexist in the feminist movement, a lone woman in a Metro station at 10 pm, a retired person standing around in el Zocalo, a peasant without land, an underground editor, a non conformist student, a dissident against neo-liberalism, a writer without readers and a Zapatista in southeastern Mexico.*

*In other words, Marcos is a human being in this world. Marcos is every untolerated, oppressed, exploited minority that is resisting and saying "Enough already!" He is every minority who is beginning to speak and every majority that must shut up and listen. He is every untolerated group searching for a way to speak. Everything that makes Power and the good consciences of those in power uncomfortable—this is Marcos.*

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