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GROBARI

TO commemorate the former [Yugoslav Internet domain](#), .yu, which was set to expire last September but has since been extended until March 2010, I made a sculpture using an inkjet printer and 10,000 sheets of paper. The sculpture, resembling the one printed here, featured colored plumes of smoke fuming from the flares of football fans and hooligans.

Judging from the spate of violence that shortly followed, the choice of imagery proved sadly prophetic: French fan Brice Taton was severely beaten by a group of Grobari (*undertakers*) on 17 September 2009 and died twelve days later; Vedran Puljić, a fan of the football club Sarajevo, was shot dead in hooligan riots before the match on 4 October 2009 in Široki Brijeg, Bosnia and Herzegovina; and another five Sarajevo fans were injured by gunfire.



In this version of the sculpture—which is black and white, the colors of Grobari—the flares used by the extremist football fans are suggestive of the recent tragic events. The images, found on the Web and isolated using Photoshop, were chosen as emblems of the continuing violence of a former country, which has lost the last official form of its identity, the virtual one.

—Aleksandra Domanović

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. [Download Grobari](#) [PDF, 180mb], A4 and US letter versions available
2. Set inkjet printer to borderless setting
3. Print, stack, and send a photograph of finished work