

BANGKOK CITY SHUTDOWN AND URBAN DOMESTICITY

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Protest speeches in the first days of the city shutdown, January 14, 2014



Swatches of space are occupied on pedestrian bridges, sidewalks, and any stretch of asphalt available. Unprecedented numbers of people gather in the streets to listen to speeches and, through peaceful occupation, stop major traffic arteries.



A major city thoroughfare, now blocked off to cars, has become a zone only for pedestrians and vendors.



Tents are pitched in the grounds of the neighboring temples.



Bus stations become places of rest.



By day, the avenue has transformed into an outdoor mall.



