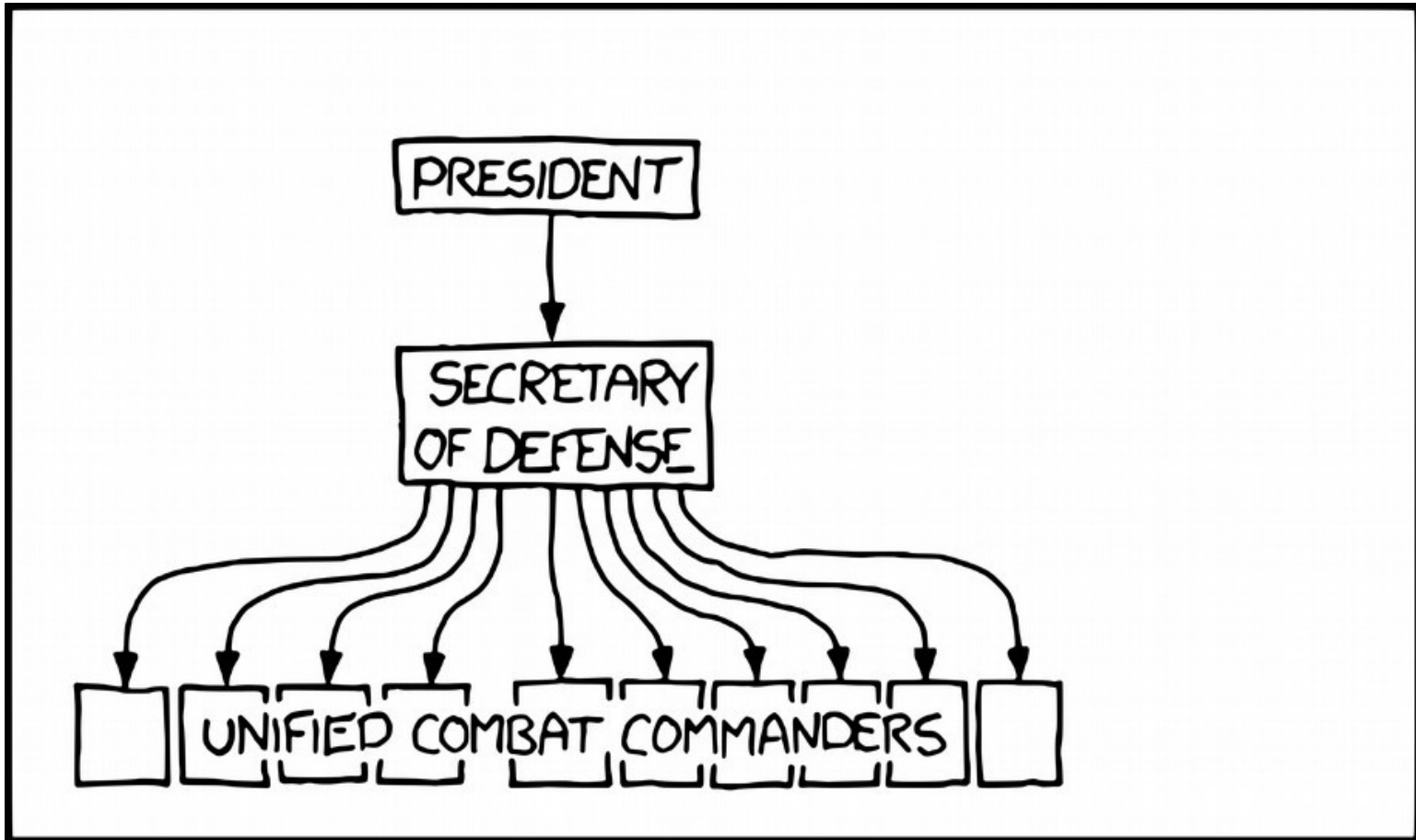
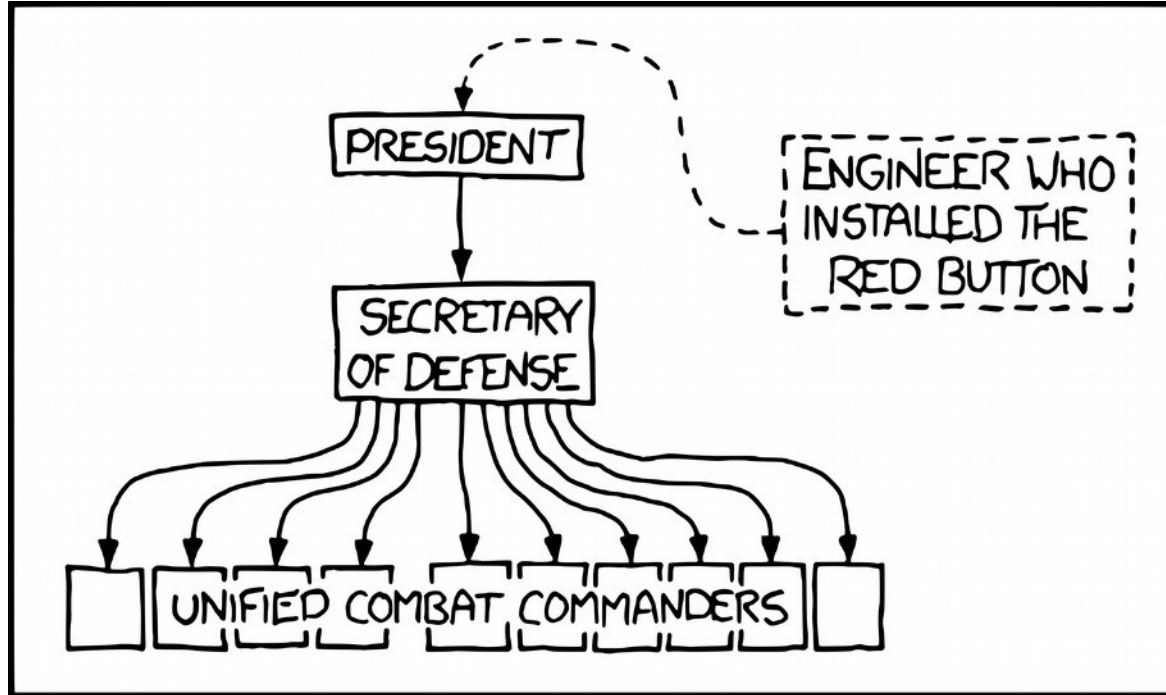


“Public Money? Public Code!”

A letter to European mayors



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In order to establish trustworthy systems, public bodies must ensure they have

full control over the software and the computer systems

at the core of our state digital infrastructure.

Public Money? Public Code!

Modernizing public digital infrastructure
Using Free Software as a standard



Tax savings

Similar applications don't have to be programmed from scratch every time.



Collaboration

Major projects can share expertise and costs.



Serving the public

Applications paid by the public should be available for everyone.



Fostering innovation

With transparent processes, others don't have to reinvent the wheel.

Open letter - PMPC



Junta General
del Principado de Asturias



Ajuntament
de Barcelona

What we want?

more administrations:

1. to sign the open letter
2. to use Free Software in their public infrastructure

Who do we want to join?

We are not only looking for contact to cities.

Also:

hospitals

schools / universities

municipal utilities

How-to

Decide who you want to reach out to.
mayor or any other public figure
the head of an administration

How-to

Gather information about their connection to Free Software (in a wider sense)

and write a letter suitable for the administration



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Free Software - a modern alternative for your administration

Dear

The **Free Software Foundation Europe (FSFE)** is a charity that empowers users to control technology. Together with cities such as Barcelona, and nearly 200 civil society organizations, we ask with our campaign **"Public Money? Public Code!"** for the use of free software in the public administration / service sector.

Free software is defined by the four freedoms that users can exercise, namely the freedoms to:

- use the software for any purpose;
- study the software to observe how it works;
- improve and adapt the software for their own needs; and
- share the software as well as any added improvements with others to benefit the community.

With free software, you can achieve the following:

- **Give something back to the citizens of your city.** Software financed by the public should be made available to the public.
- **Save long-term costs.** Similar applications do not need to be programmed from scratch every time they are needed if their source codes can be freely modified. Through working together on an inter-regional level for large projects, costs and expertise can be shared.
- **Support the local economy.** Local companies can participate on further software development. Dependence on individual manufacturers and restrictive licensing terms can be avoided.

In this regard we would like to know whether you support our demands and how you are planning on minimizing the dependence on manufacturers and increase the transparency in the administration infrastructure?

Please feel free to contact us at any time if you need any further information. Also, please have a look at our brochure dedicated for administrations that we published recently. We would very much appreciate your support, and the possibility to speak to you directly in a call.

With best regards

Name



Next steps

We need your help!

Send letters to your local administration.

[wiki.fsfe.org/Activities/
ContactingAdministrationsForPMPC](https://wiki.fsfe.org/Activities/ContactingAdministrationsForPMPC)

Next steps

Don't be frustrated if they do not answer you immediately.

Tell us about what you did or plan to do:

contact@fsfe.org

Get Active!