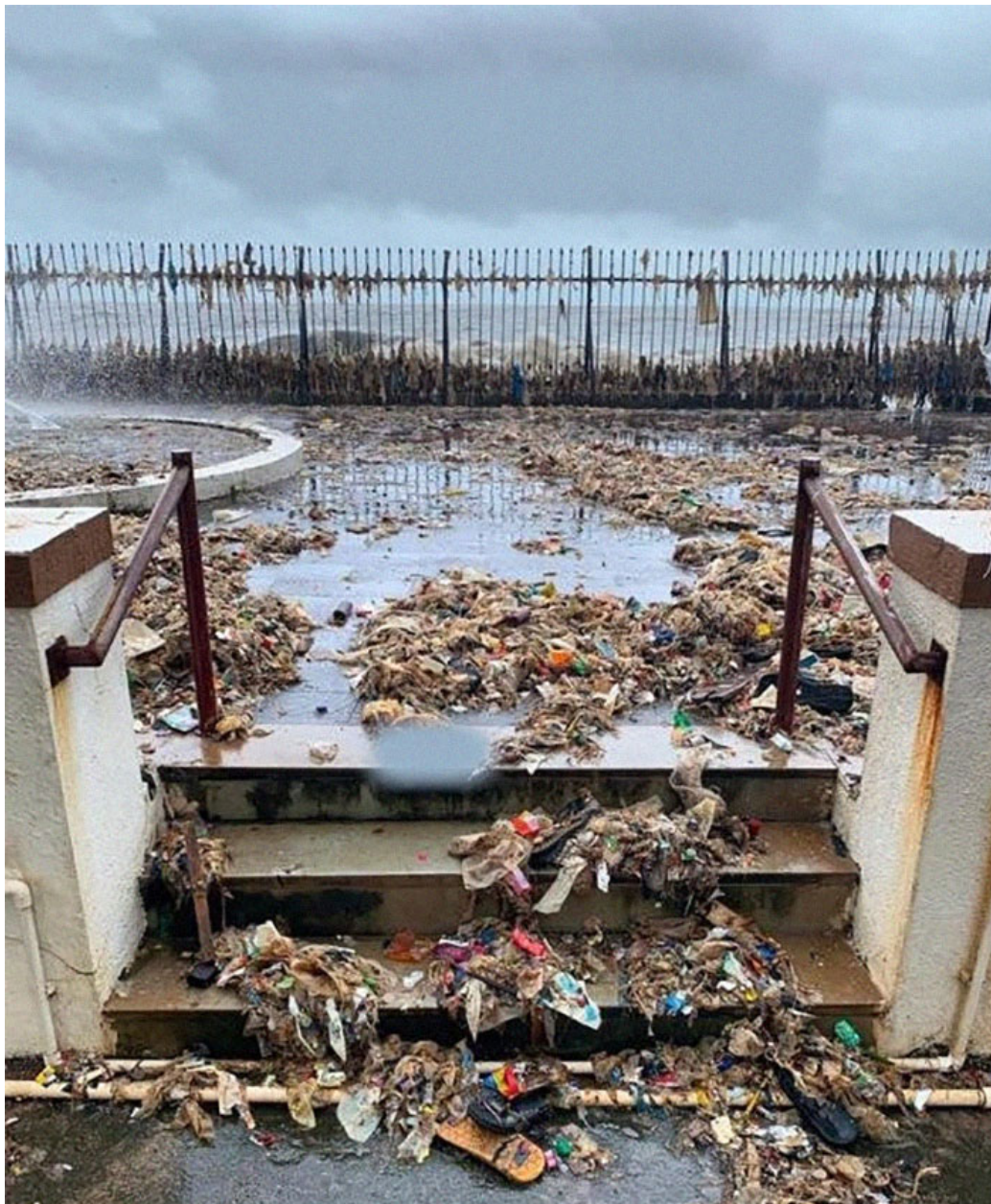# People On This Group Are Sharing Examples Of 'Urban Hell' That Look Like A Dystopian Movie But Are Sadly Real (40 Pics)

Not every building is as beautiful as the Palace of Versailles. Or blends into its surroundings as well as the Macallan Distillery. On the contrary, there are many structures across the world looking like outcasts that will fall apart during the next storm. In some places, they aren't isolated examples, either — even an entire neighbourhood can be an abomination.

It's a photography subreddit of "all the hideous places human beings built or inhabit." The online community invites everyone who wants to explore the darker side of the cities, towns, and villages in our shared world and welcomes any photos which show either ugliness, or a problem in urban development. Rural and suburban nightmares are also allowed.

Below you will find a collection of pics that perfectly describe what this subreddit is all about.

#1 – The Annual Monsoon Ritual of Mumbai's Ocean Giving Back What Has Been Dumped In It

Hong Kong Street Life

About half of the global population already lives in cities, and <u>by 2050, two-thirds of the world's people are expected to live in urban areas</u>. But as you can see from some of the photos in cities, two of the most pressing problems facing the world today also come together: poverty and environmental degradation.

Bad urban development isn't just ugly aesthetics. It's also poor air and water quality, insufficient water availability, waste-disposal problems, and high energy consumption, all of which are exacerbated by the increasing population density and demands of urban environments. Strong city planning is essential in managing these and other difficulties as the world's urban areas grow.

#3

New Delhi - During Lockdown vs. Now

For a few months earth took a breath, then humans came back with a vengeance :(

#4

Hong Kong

This image makes me anxious :(

#5

Beirut Port

Is this the aftermath of that enormous explosion`?
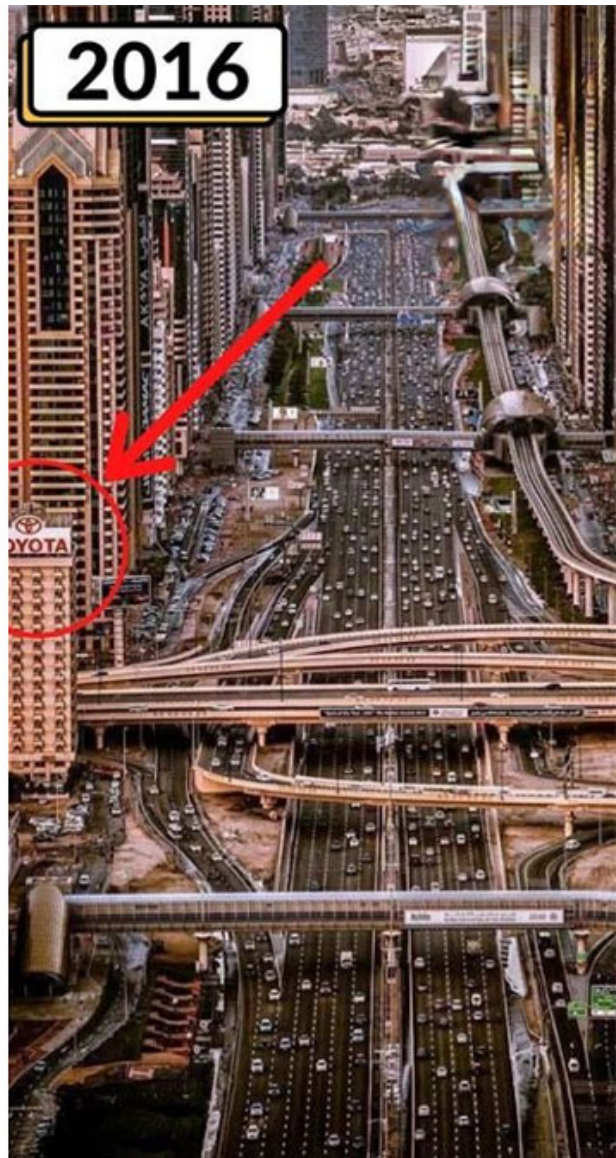
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UAE Nad Al Sheba III Neighborhood

That is really lifeless

#7

It's Baffling How Fast It Changes

#8

Mumbai, India

Excuse me...WHAT the...?!

#9

People Offering Prayers At River Yamuna, India, Which Is Frothing From IndustrialWaste

And none of these fools has the sense to even consider that bathing in industrial waste speeds up your reincarnation process.

#10

Hotel In Łodz, Poland

Its not a nuclear cooling tower. It is for a heating, electric and hotwater generating plant (TETS in Russian) most are coal or gas powered and that is for releasing steam.
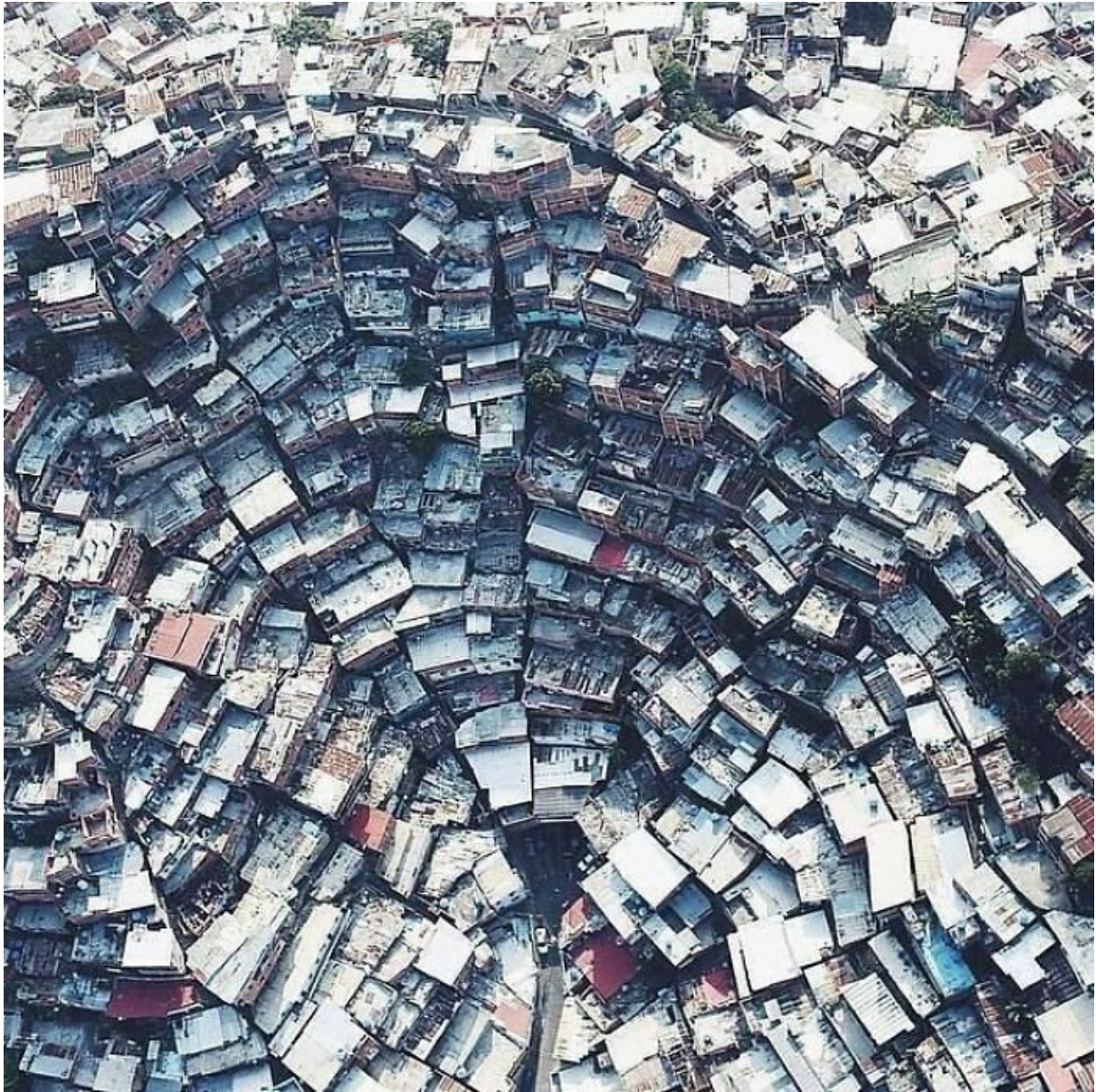
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An Interesting Stumbled Upon In Macau A Year Ago Perspective I've

The difference between the have and have not's, in one photo.

#12
Petare, Venezuela

How people get in their "house" somewhere in the middle of it?

#13

Before And After A Desert Is Turned Into a Soulless Suburb of A Desert. Its a Single Photo in Arizona

The water waste hurts. Why do you want lawns in a desert? If you want green lawns, move to England (no offense, England. You have the rainfall, is all.)

#14

Not A Very Romantic Scene

Blame your government's. This is their fault. They buy rubbish from countries and do not dispose of it correctly.

#15

Naples, Italy

Just imagine, a few decades or hundred years ago somebody built a nice villa, and now with the urbanisation the whole thing is under a highway.

People Living Next To A Helicoidal Street In Chongqing

Looks like something from cyberpunk

#17

Kowloon Peninsula, Hong Kong. A comparison between 1964 and 2016.

So, so, sad... We really are earth's parasite...

#18

Electrical Wiring and Water Pipes in a Brazilian Favela (shanty town or slum)

Oh yeah, I saw this one already somewhere here on BP. Would like to see the guy who would try to find which wire or pipe is the one with problem
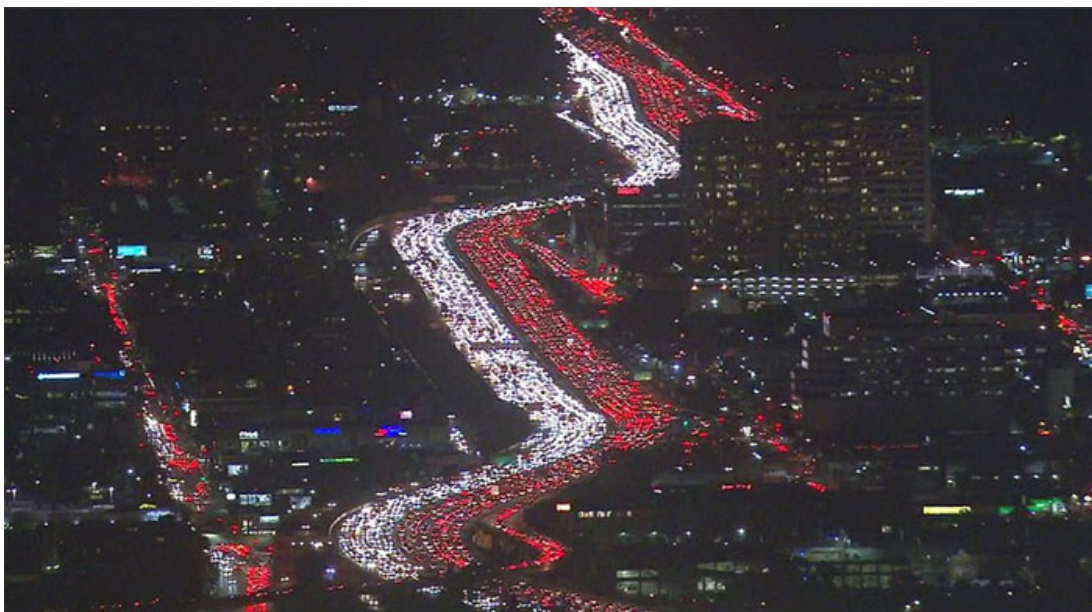
#19

Johannesburg, South Africa

As a South African, I know this is not true... we also have electric fences along with what is shown.

#20 ⁻ Literally, Just Thanksgiving Traffic In LA

That's just every day in LA during traffic hours.

#21

Private Houses On The Roof Of An Eight-Story Mall In Zhūzhōu, China

This almost looks like a surreal piece of art

Cairo, Egypt

Not a single tree in sight (OK, realised that's very normal there)

#23

Downtown Seattle, In The Heart Of The Retail District

I don't understand how the US can have money to make bombers but not to help citizens who need help.
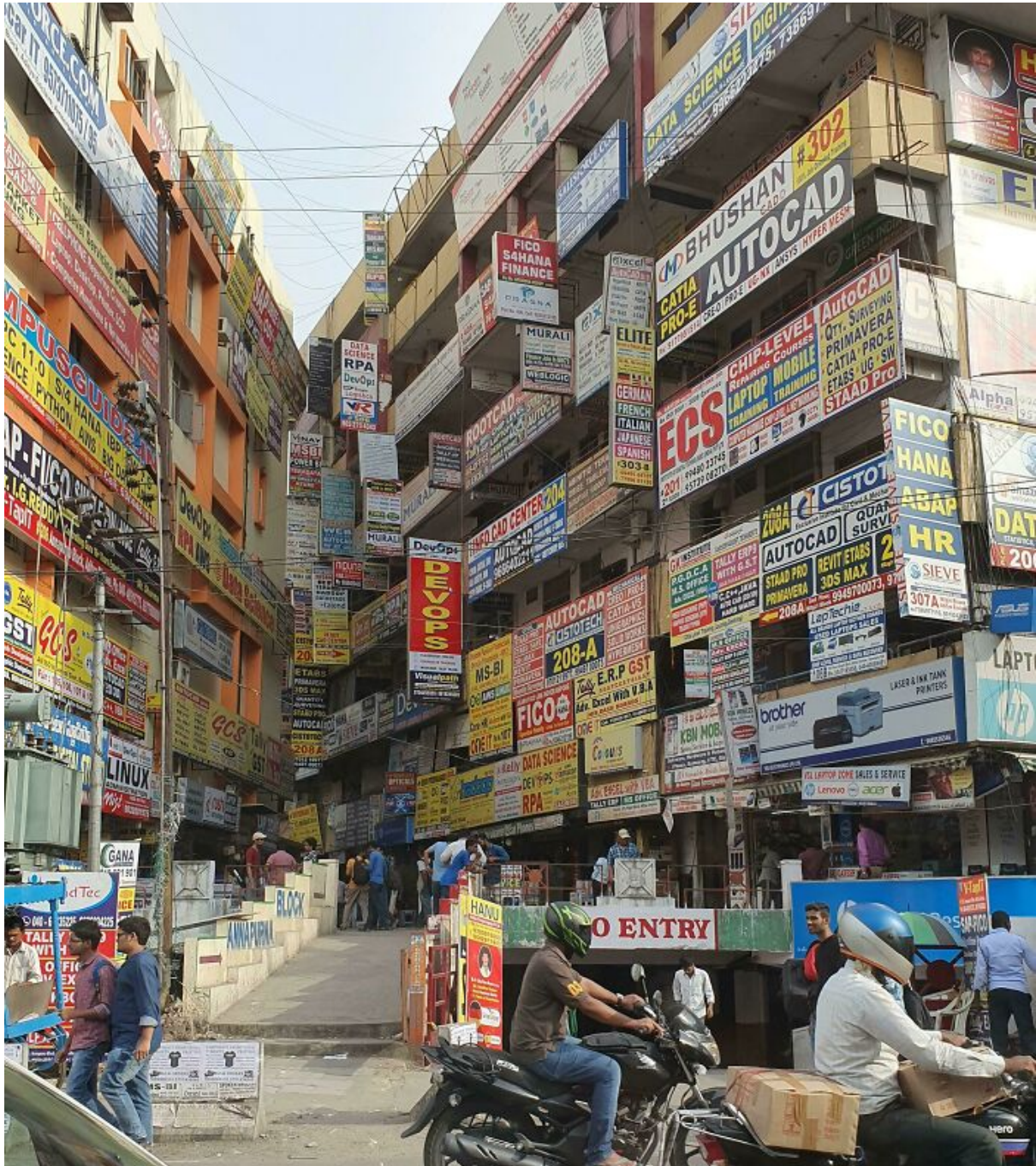
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Progressive Insurance's Call Centre

Cubeville.

#25

Hyderabad, India

Visual pollution.

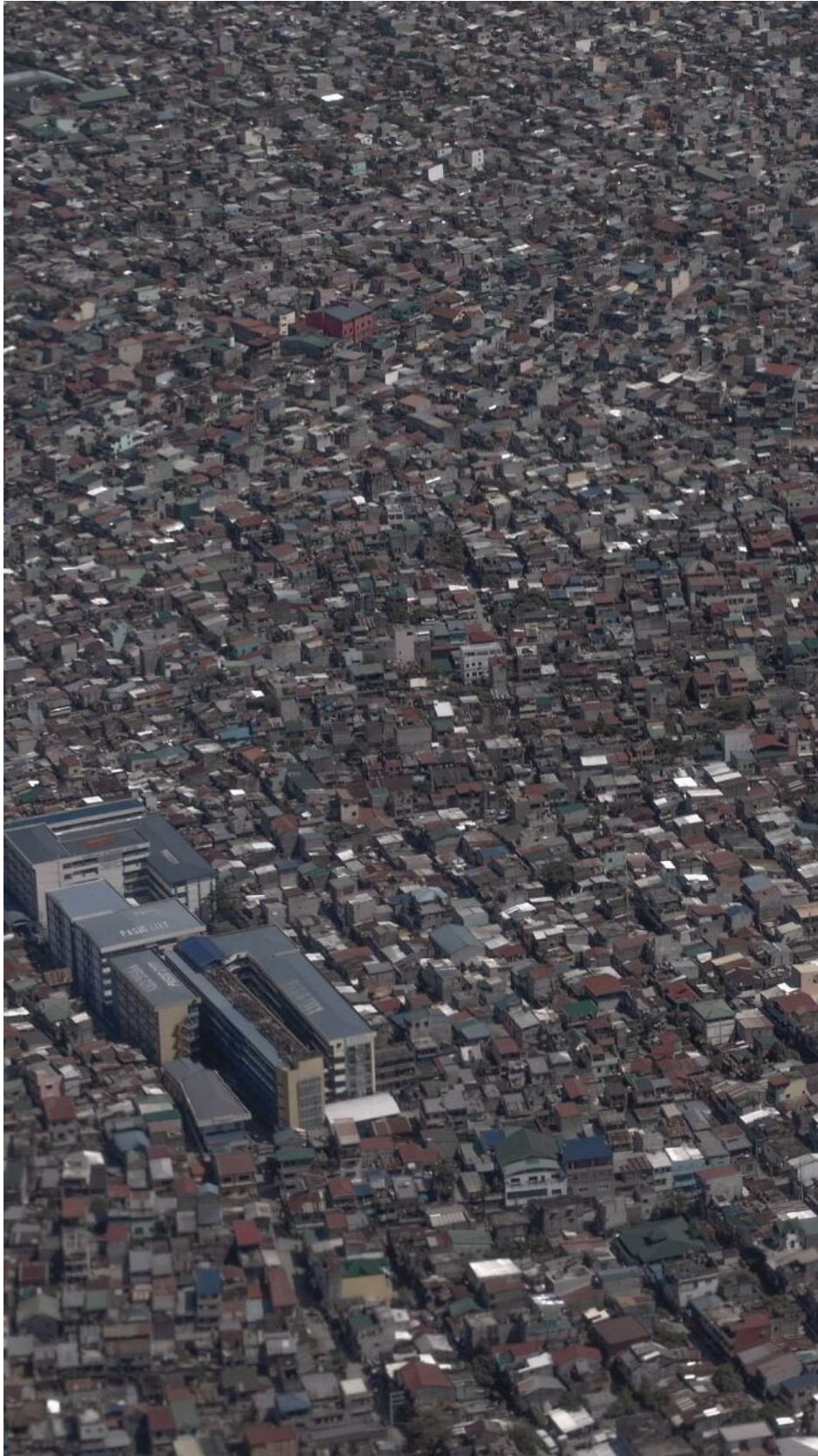## #26 ‑ Ghost City In China, Made To Be A Replica Of Paris – Tianducheng

Why?

#27 - All Residents Of Whittier, Alaska Live Inside One Building

There was a whole BP post about this. A rail company owns most of the land so no-one can do anything.

#28

Manila, Philippines

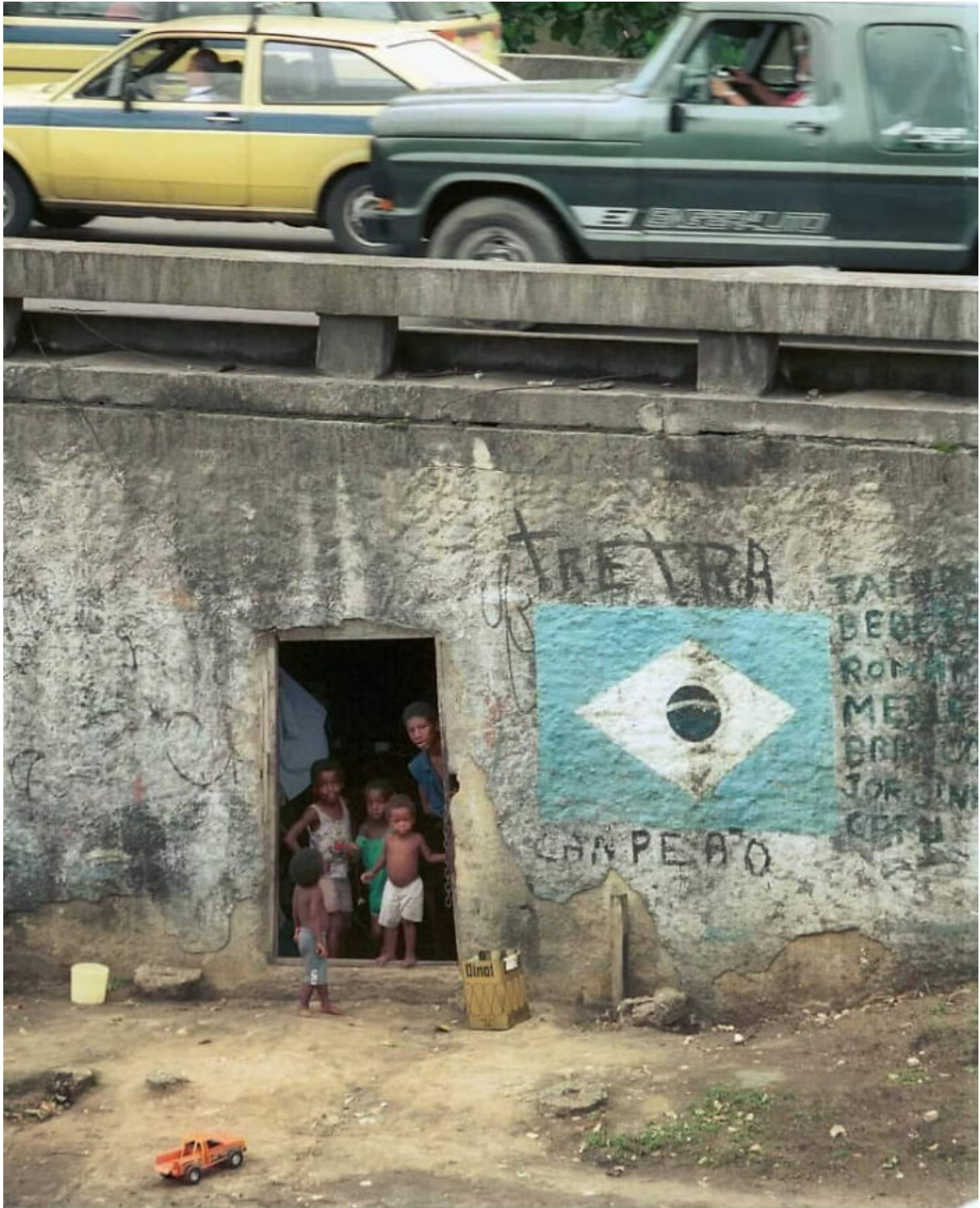Yeah, just find you a spot and it's yours.

#29

One More Lane Will Fix It

In my country the biggest highway is 3 lanes. No city has more than 3 lanes. And we consider it an achievement!
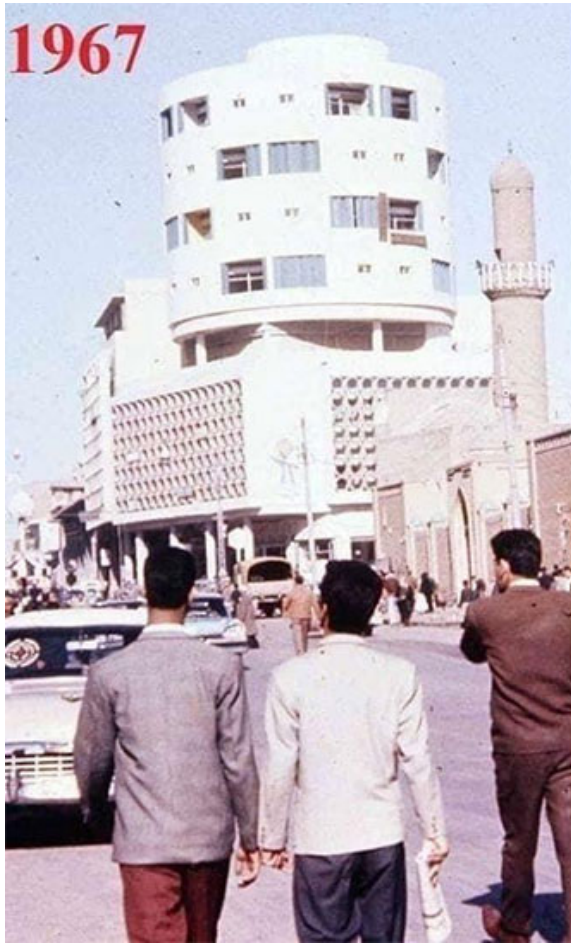
#30

Somewhere In Brazil In The 90's

They absolutely are homeless. They are squatting in a utilities access cabinet.

#31

Baghdad Between Then And Now!

#32

Billionaire Vijay Mallya's Mansion atop a Skyscraper in Bangalore, India

This decadence disgusts me

#33

The Capital Of California

The irony.

#34

Dubai, The Hollow City of Artificiality

I will never understand the lure of Dubai, it's a giant soulless shopping mall for rich people.

#35

Chongqing, China
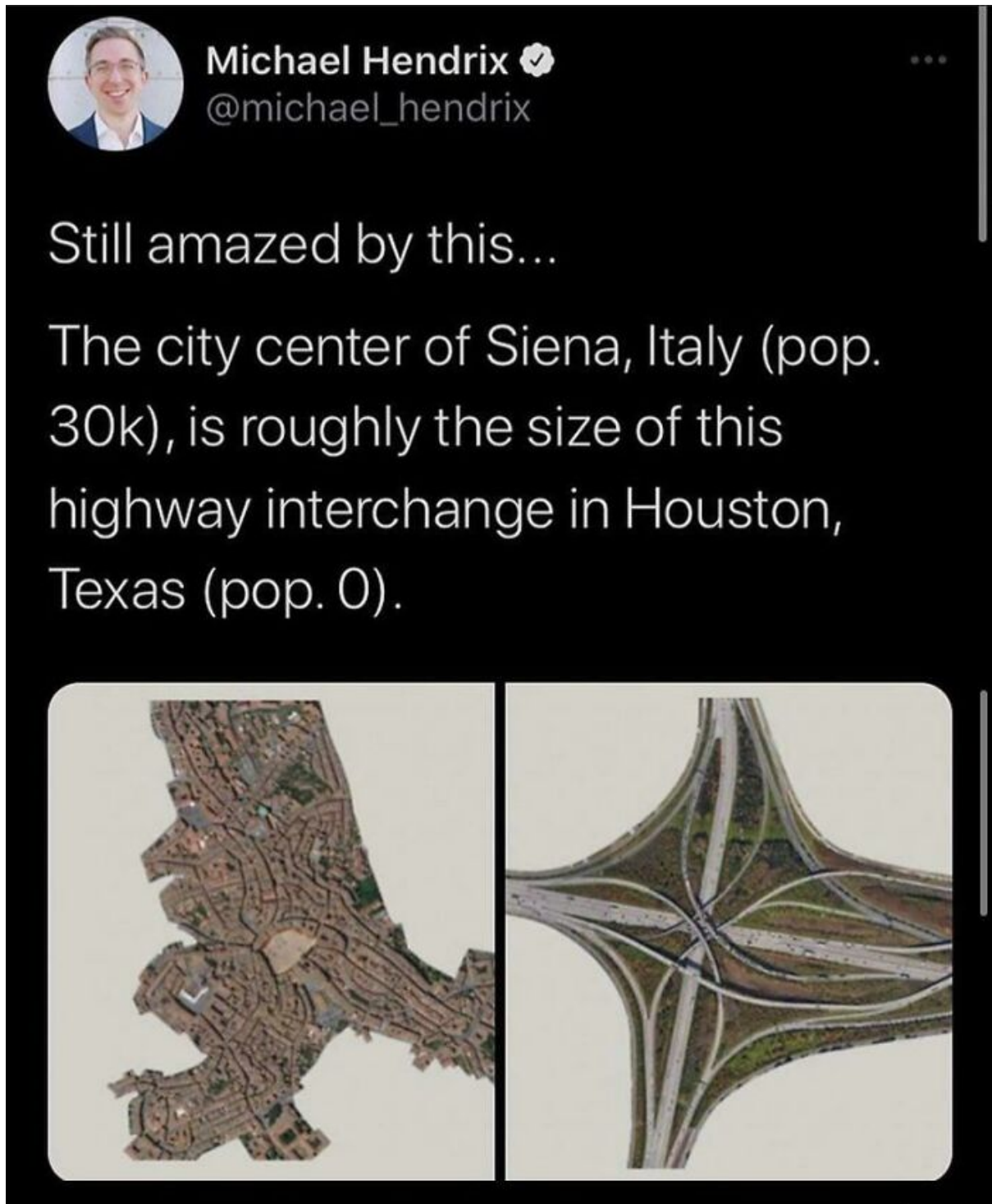

Cannot imagine the noise.

#36

Mirny In Siberia, Russia

All of those houses and infrastructure was built due to that mine. It's still a working mine right now.

#37

Ah, Good Old Car Culture...

Michael Hendrix ✔
@michael_hendrix

Still amazed by this...

The city center of Siena, Italy (pop. 30k), is roughly the size of this highway interchange in Houston, Texas (pop. 0).

This is not an urban nightmare (whichever you're referring to). Also, it's like comparing a cloud with grapes.

#38

Block 23, New Belgrade, Serbia

At least they have friendly neighbours. My neighbour wouldn't take my washing in.

16-Lane Highway built through the Downtown where a Market Square used to be in Moscow, Russia.

Again context is great. This was done to facilitate troop movements quickly in and out of the capital which proved vital in WWII as the soldiers from Siberia crossed Red Square in the May Day parades and went straight to the front lines to repel the Nazis. The French similarly built huge boulevards in Paris to facilitate troop movements and to keep people from being able to build barricades, which is a French national tradition.

#40

Nobody (maybe Nowhere): Southwest US Developers:

Out of curiosity, for what it is, why is it not more square, why all the bends?
Read an article once that explained the reason for bendy roads in residential suburbs: to keep
the cars driving slowly for safety reasons.