

Pinochet on the Skids: Rocky Consolidates Latin America

Sept. 11 (IPS) — The recent *New York Times* “expose” of the CIA’s role in installing the Pinochet regime in Chile merely points to the tip of the iceberg of Rockefeller’s fascist integration program for Latin America. The flurry of recent propaganda attacks on Chile will undoubtedly result in the dumping of Pinochet et al. by Rockefeller in a matter of weeks. The broader outlines of Rockefeller’s integration plans were revealed by his strategist Aurelio Peccei, in his now-notorious mid-August cannibalism interview in *Excelsior*, one of Latin America’s most famous newspapers.



In the *Excelsior* interview Peccei called not only for cannibalism, but also for regrouping the world’s 150 or so countries into seven or eight macro-states. Under the ideological cover of Mexican President Echeverria’s “Charter of Right and Obligations,” praised by Peccei in the same interview, Rockefeller’s CIA “radicals” in Latin America — from the “militant” Torrijos in Panama to Venezuela’s “progressive” President Perez — are preparing to convert the entire Latin American continent into a “self-sufficient independent”

concentration camp. Specifically, the strategy is as follows: Latin America is to be readied, with the proper amount of infrastructure (including the development of raw materials resources and certain support industries necessary to service massive factory and labor transfers from North American and Europe to more developed regions of Latin America, such as the Rio de la Plata basin). Areas of the continent which cannot accept the transfer of European and American factories will provide raw materials and food supplies to regions where such factories will be set up. Chile, for example, will not be an area for fascist **industrial** production, since it lacks both the social and physical infrastructure for such an operation, but will serve as a strategic source of mineral products geared for industrial areas like the nearby Rio de la Plata basin.

In order to coordinate and oversee such an extensive continentwide looting operation, a supervisory body must be set up to ensure the easy flow of raw materials, labor, and semi-finished and finished products among the different economic areas. Hindrances such as tariffs and custom duties, border inspections, and duplication of production must be abolished.

Strange Geography

To supervise the centralized cannibalization of Latin America, the CIA-Rand Corporation has created the Andean Pact. Currently composed of the countries around the Andes Mountains — Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, and Chile — the Andean Pact was originally set up as a trade and investment block of “progressive” nations, foremost of which was the CIA-Rand creation Peru.

The Andean Pact’s influence ranges far beyond its six member nations. Already both Paraguay and Uruguay have made overtures for admittance, and Peru periodically insists that Argentina be admitted as well. Non-South American areas like Mexico have established ongoing working treaties with the Andean block. At the same time, both the Caribbean and Central American countries, under the financial direction of oil-rich Venezuela, within the last few weeks have combined efforts to form the type of “radical” tropical products cartels advocated by James Theberge, head of the Latin America Project for Nelson Rockefeller’s Commission on Critical Choices. Apparently, the “Andes,” according to Rocky’s geography, now stretch from Mexico through

Central America and the Caribbean and down the west coast of South America.

Over the last month the "Andean Pact" concept of fascist regional integration and regional "independence" has been the main thrust in all facets of Latin economics. A case in point was the recent OLADE [Latin American Organization for Energy Development] conference in Buenos Aires, which set up the financial organization for intraregional coordination of petroleum supply and demand. This kind of centralized finger-tip control will allow Rockefeller to determine with deadly precision which sectors of the economy and which layers of the working class will be maintained, and which will be starved as "unprofitable" and "inefficient."

Another aspect of the Andean Pact strategy has been the surge of multinational economic operations over the last month — a direct result of the fruits of Mexican President Echeverria's recent Latin American tour. Banana workers, for instance, are to meet in Panama to form a fascist corporatist banana producers cartel in which they will set up a "union of attacked workers and governments" [emphasis added].

Out With the Old; In With the New

Within the context of carrying out this "progressive," "independent," "anti-imperialist" strategy, the gorilla-type Pinochet regime in Chile is slated for extinction. Rockefeller's progressive militarist strategy of fascist integration cannot tolerate peasant Pinochet disrupting economic integration and overtly bludgeoning the working class over the head. In late August Pinochet broke the fundamental Andean Pact agreement, its pseudo-left cover: He allowed foreign companies to reclaim their pre-Allende holdings and he did away with virtually all restrictions on foreign profit remittances, threatening the stability of the Pact as a whole.

From that moment the Pinochet regime became an encumbrance. Pinochet was useful to the Rockefeller forces only to destroy left opposition and force mass austerity on the working class. That accomplished, Pinochet must give way to the Rockefeller/CIA strategy of fascist "progressive" integration and more subtle forms of fascist social control in Chile itself.

Ample evidence exists that the Rockefeller forces set their plans in motion for dumping Pinochet at least as far back as March 1974. More recently, the maneuver has been carried out in large part by Japan.

The massive dumping of copper stockpiles by Japan has glutted the copper market, sending prices down 25 per cent during the last month alone. Chile's main source of revenue comes from exactly the metals Japan is dumping: copper, zinc, and lead. Some Arab states called on Japan also to make retroactive oil payments in September, thereby forcing Japan to dump even greater amounts of metals over the last two weeks. With the

Chilean economy in disastrous shape and with the yearly inflation rate at 30 per cent, its economy will be completely destroyed as the bottom falls out of the copper market — as planned by Rockefeller.

Press Campaign

At about the time that Japan's metal-dumping was first felt on the world's market, a rumor campaign was launched by the *Washington Star* alleging that Chile was preparing for war against Peru and vice versa. The story was subsequently picked up by the major Latin American press which continued to blast Pinochet. In the same mid-August period, mass Chilean-solidarity, anti-Pinochet rallies were announced for the first week of September in every major Western European capital, coupled with an announcement by the International Transportation Workers of a two-day boycott against all products destined for Chile.

By the end of the month the anti-Pinochet flames were being fanned by Chile's new profit remittance law, which allows foreign concerns to take anything they can. The new Chilean economic measure was played up as a major blow to the Andean Pact; and Pinochet has been vehemently criticized by other members of the Pact ever since.

Anti Chilean accusations continued right up until Sept. 8, when Seymour Hersh in the Sunday *New York Times* published a front-page controlled CIA-"expose" on the CIA's role in overthrowing Allende. The CIA's propaganda network of accusations against the Pinochet regime has since spread over the Latin American and European news media, with even Duvalier's Haitian press — where the word "CIA" previously had been banned from print — publishing the anti-Pinochet stories. BBC's Latin American broadcasts called constantly for an end to Pinochet, declaring: "It's one thing to take power, but another to govern." The incessant anti-Pinochet press campaign is providing the U.S. Congress with ample "evidence" for cutting off all aid to the "repressive" regime. The Congress is, of course, the last bastion of support for the regime.

There is little doubt that the Pinochet regime has only a few weeks left. Preliminary intelligence indicates that Pinochet will be replaced by a "progressive" from the Christian Democratic wing of the Armed Forces, or by a rightwing Socialist Party coalition. Such a change in government will coincide neatly with the installation of William Rogers as the new Under-Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs. Rogers, a longtime Rockefeller "soft-liner," has called for a "progressive" Latin American organization without the participation of the U.S. — just like the Andean Pact! Rogers' new office, combined with the toppling of Pinochet, will signal the go-ahead for the immediate implementation of Rockefeller's cannibalization strategy for the continent.