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50 PER CENT NYC WAGE CUT MODEL FOR CITIES

NEW YORK, N.Y., Dec. 15 (IPS)--After receiving what the New York Times referred to as "marching orders" from the Rockefeller-controlled New York City banks, the administration of New York City Mayor Beame moved hand-in-hand this week with leading trade union officials to implement Rockefeller's urban model for this depression. Beginning immediately, tens of thousands of city workers will be laid off and recycled back into the workforce through "public service" slave labor jobs at approximately half their former wage. Public employees who maintain their present jobs will also have their wages drastically reduced. All will be subjected to an intensive productivity campaign.

Legislation is presently being rushed through Congress to appropriate at least \$2 billion for such "public service" jobs under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) program. Not accidentally, these jobs fall in the same general categories in which layoffs have been slated. While annual pay under the CETA program has been averaging nearly \$7500, many of those to be axed are earning twice that amount. Many will be hired back into their old jobs, but at CETA wages. And even this abysmally low \$7500 wags scale will shortly begin to plummet, quickly reducing the standard of living of New York City's working class to half its current level.

New York's budget crisis has been directly enchestrated by David Rockefeller through the New York Times and city Comptroller Earrison Goldin. As early as Nov. 4, Chase Manhattan Dank made known its refusal to purchase short-term notes issued by the city. Picking up the cue, the Times printed a front-page article Nov. 25, "Experts Fear Growth in Costly City Debts," which city finance officers claimed caused the collapse of bond prices in the following day's sale.

The city planned to return to the bond market with \$600 million notes Dec. 2. On Dec. 1, after repeated consultation with the Technical Debt Advisory Committee, a small select group of representatives from the leading Rockefeller banks, Goldin deliberately seboteged the bond issue with his announcement that Beame had vastly underestimated the actual city budget deficit by \$220 million. The \$600 million note issue finally sold for a record-breaking 9.5 per cent.

On Pec. 11, Mayor Beame informed the public that the previously announced 1,510 layoffs would be insufficient. An additional 7,300 public employees would have to be laid off.

After raising a phony hue and cry and fingering each other's members as more easily expendable, municipal trade union bureaucrats, led by AFSCME's District Council 37 Executive Director Victor Gotbaum and Sanitationmen's President John DeLury, announced that, in true Nazi Labor Front fashion, they would

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henceforth assume the responsibility for crushing the workforce themselves, and that they should be allowed to decide how and where the layoffs were to hit. Most importantly, they stressed that the only real solution was the massive infusion of public service jobs.

Whether or not the plan goes through -- and questions have already been raised as to its legality -- the stated cuts represent only the tip of an enormous iceberg for city workers. According to figures released by the City Comptroller's office, the reductions account for only 38 percent of the current deficit of \$570 million. Even worse, the New York Times warns of a \$1 billion deficit for next year, and has editorially indicated that cutbacks of 75 percent of the workforce might be required.

Meanwhile, pressure is mounting for an across-the-board pay cut for all public employees. Beame started the ball rolling by suggesting that the unions agree to pay cuts of up to 5 percent. He helpfully explained that these could also come in the form of either payless workdays or unpaid vacations.

This demand was soon echoed by a coalition of over 60 black and Hispanic organizations; of these, some exist and are directly funded by the Rockefeller and Ford Foundations.

In fact, some city employees themselves are falling for Rockefeller's suicidal "critical choices" for across-the-board 10 to 20 percent pay cuts in the hopes of averting whole-sale layoffs. Sensing that their leaders have thrown them to the wolves, they desperately offer themselves up one limb at a time rather than be eaten whole.

Not accidentally, New York City launched a productivity drive among public employees Nov. 30. Heading up the drive for the Beame administration is one of the most despicable criminals in the Rockefeller stable, Deputy Budget Director Robert Bott. Bott spent the years 1964-66 as an adviser to the CIA-installed fascist government of Brazil, setting up the new regime's overall fiscal management program. Through the programs which Bott helped develop, the Brazilian fascist regime was able to reduce the average wage by 45 per cent over the short period from 1964-71. Now this butcher intends to perform his magic for the Rockefellers by grinding up New York's working class.

Rockefeller knows that between Bott and ex-State Department agent Gothaum, this productivity drive will be in good hands. When asked by an IPS reporter what he thought about his Brazilian experience, Bott replied, "I enjoyed every minute of it." When asked if working for such a government, which Bott himself labelled a "military dictatorship," posed any moral dilemma for him, Bott answered, "No I had no problems at all working for such a government."

Bott's problems are only just beginning.

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SHAH LEADS ATTACK AGAINST IRAO

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 (IPS) -- In an interview with the Beirut weekly Hawadess, a magazine financed by Saudi Arabian oil money, the Shah of Iran announced that his country's huge CIA-directed military machine would intervene on the Arab side of the impending Rockefeller-rigged Arab-Israeli war. "Islamic states will be drawn in," blustered the Shah, who has recently moved to consolidate his "pro-Islamic" ties by undertaking a massive arms buildup in the Persian Gulf in concert with Saudi Arabia. At the same time, he has strengthened Iran's ties to the fascist Egyptian regime of Anwar el-Sadat.

TheCIA is known to be encouraging growing military cooperation between, Iran, Saudi Arabia, and the shiekhdoms that ring the Persian Gulf. Former CIA Director Richard Helms, now serving as U.S. ambassador to Iran, last week toured the countries of the Arab Gulf to arrange for the finishing touches on the Iran-Saudi alliance.

The vast and growing military power in the Persian Gulf is directed against the isolated, pro-socialist government of Iraq. So far, only the threat of Soviet military intervention in defense of Iraq has prevented the CIA from launching the expected attack.

The shah's growing links to the CIA's Arab regimes have been paralleled by increasing propaganda attacks on Iraq from the Shah and from Iraq's "Arab brothers." In Mosco- two weeks ago for a state visit, the Shah declared that the Iraqis were acting like "British imperialists." The charges were echoed by the CIA-controlled Palestine Liberation Organization, which has accused Iraq of being an "agent regime for British intelligence."

BOURGEOIS PRESS FREAKS OUT AT EUROPEAN CP'S TURN TO THE LEFT

Dec. 15 (IPS)--The decision of the pro-Soviet western European Communist parties to reject Rockefeller's "independent Europe" line and to fight CIA agents in the communist movement like Italian Communist Party central committee member Giorgio Amendola has provoked a series of geek acts in the European bourgeois newspapers.

The Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, the leading capitalist daily in West Germany, ran a startling front page editorial Dec. 13 complete with a quote from Lenin to convince the European Communists that opposing Rockefeller was folly. It begins: "Should the Communist Parties of the Moscow observance strive, in an unchecked manner, to intensify the economic difficulties of capitalism in order to make the most of them?" Then, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung nervously attacks the ruling

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Socialist Unity Party (SED) of the German Democratic Republic, which is the leading force in this European CP attack, pin-pointing East German historian Kuczynski as the leading theoretician in this struggle. In a final outburst, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung overtly reminds the Communist Parties of their sacred duty to protect the Soviet Union-by appearing capitalism in a depression!

"It has to be made clearer to the Soviet leadership, that it is better for them to prevent a capitalistic crisis than to promote it," the editorial proclaims. "If the 'proof' for all communists in the 1920s and 1930s was that they stood by the Soviet Union--no matter what happened--then it must be demanded of them in the 1970s, that they make Soviet economic interests their own."

Le Figaro, the leading, right-wing French daily, realizing that the French Communist Party (PCF) Kanapa-Leroy faction has forced Party Secretary Marchais definitively to renounce PCF participation in any bourgeois austerity government, focused a major page-one attack on the Soviet Union the same day. This article, also complete with a quote from Lenin, wavers between begging and theatening:

"Either you appease your opponent or you liquidate him....
even a 'party of iron,' as Lenin would have said, can not
make a pact with the devil without risking damnation....
Nobody believes that a red telephone connects PCF headquarters with the Kremlin and that every morning Marchais
gets his marching orders. However, the similarities remain."

Le Figaro then blusters that if the PCF continues its present left turn, it will be forced "into a policital ghetto."

The CIA's chief pornographic weekly in West Germany, Der Spiegel, ran a pacayune attempt to depict the SED as the cold warriors, based on the worn CIA trick of accusing your intended victim of the crime you are about to commit against him. It starts: "Even though SED party chief (Honnecker) repeatedly maintains that the Cold War has passed, he still prefers it." Then Der Spiegel blames the SED for the Guillaume scandal, engineered by CIA forces, which destroyed Brandt.

Der Spiegel and the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung have another reason for slurring the SED; the German Democratic Republic recently defused any NATO ability to whip up a new "Cold War" provocation around West Berlin by proposing extensive transit construction that would benefit West Berlin—if West Germany pays for it. This has put the psychological burden of the status of West Berlin squarely on NATO's shoulders, thereby preventing a repetition of the Cold War-style "Berlin Crises" of 1949 and 1961.

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IRAQ'S DEFENSE: INTEGRATION INTO COMECON AND WARSAW PACT

Dec. 15 (IPS)--Mideast political specialists here are currently airing the view that Iraq can defend itself against CIA penetration and imminent Rockefeller takeover only through formal integration into Comecon and the Warsaw Pact. At minimum such a formal alliance with the economic and military communities of the USSR and the East bloc would destroy the present Rockefeller strategy to induce the Soviets to abandon Iraq.

In recent weeks, the CIA steadily has amassed its forces in preparation for a full scale war against the pro-socialist, independent Iraq. At the same time, Rockefeller forces have offered the Soviets a phony new base of operations—the so-called Teheran-Cairo axis—and they have built up an atmosphere of Soviet American guaranteed Mideast detente.

This maneuver was laid out explicitly by the Executive Committee of the Trilateral Commission in its meeting in Washington this week. In a public posture of opposition to the Kissinger policy of excluding Soviet cooperation in a Mideast settlement, Trilateral Executive Director Zbigniew Brzezinski called for a "joint guarantee" of Mideast peace. First, the Soviet Union must give up Iraq.

"The Soviets must have to understand that Iraq is relatively unimportant in a global context," a highly placed Mideast intelligence source told IPS. He explained that Iraqi-Soviet cooperation in the face of stepped-up Iran-CIA attacks "would create a difficult situation," a Riban Missile-type confrontation between the Soviet Union and the United States. Under such a threat, no Soviet government could abandon Iraq without an appearance of growing Soviet-Arab ties in the Mideast. Hence, the Cairo-Teheran axis. In recent weeks the Shah of Iran whose country houses CIA Mideast headquarters, has begun to create a dubious reputation as an anti-imperialist militant, while drawing closer to Egypt. Together, the Shah and ex-Nazi Anwar el-Sadat turned towards the Soviet Union, offering it "new tactical possibilities" in the Mideast theater.

The mosted integration of Iraq into Comecon and the Warsaw Pact would effectively shatter Rockefeller's continued escalation against Iraq--the only barrier now in the way of full CIA takeover of the Mideast. Economically, full Iraqi membership in the Comecon, would subsidize and foster the Iraqi economy with secure markets for Iraqi oil and agricultural products in the socialist bloc countries. In addition, economic integration would provide guarantees against Rockefeller-coordinated boycotts and economic war measures, short of outright sabotage.

The effect of Iraqi entrance into Comecon on the controlled environment established by Rockefeller's OPEC countries would be devastating.

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But more significantly, the incorporation of Irag into the Warsaw Pact would give Iraq the assurance of Soviet security and military muscle against CIA provocations into a Persian Gulf war. An attack against any Warsaw Pact member is considered to be a direct military attack on the Soviet Union and is met with the appropriate response.

In combination with the political offensive now being initiated in the European Communist movement, the integration of Iraq into Comecon and the Warsaw Pact would qualitatively transform socialist organizing ootential in the Mideast as a whole. Such a move would broadcast Soviet rejection of the CIA's Mideast tactic to pose its Arabian puppets as the "Pan-Islamic Movement."

As long as the Soviet Union remains ambivalent in its relation to Iraq, this obvious psywar game will continue.

CHIRAC TAKES POWER IN GUALLIST PARTY

Dec. 15 (IPS)--In a farcical replica of Napoleon's Eighteenth Brumaire coup, French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac "convinced" the UDR Gaullist Party's national council to elect him General Secretary yesterday morning. Chirac delivered this pre-emptive strike to prevent the final dislocation of the party and the emergence of hardline nationalist "barons" Debre, Jobert and Chaban Delmas, as undisputed leaders of the UDR's depression-crazed petit-bourgeois base.

Chirac will now endeavor to consolidate the remnants of the party's organizational network into a full-fledged fascist force committed to supporting Rockefeller's worldwide deindustrialization and worker relocation program, which the Giscard government is presently implementing for France. To pump life back into the moribund UDR machine, which has been compared to "a tortoise with brakes on each of its four legs," Chirac will rely on the advice of top Rockefeller men, such as Edmund Stillman and C. Pfaff, members of the Paris Brance of the Hudson Institute, and infamous Tavistock brainwasher, Michel Crozier. These three henchmen are expected to attend the UDR's national convention in February 1975.

Crozier's announced participation makes explicit what Chirac is determined to accomplish, namely the immediate implementation of autogestion-type, local corporativist labor-management committees designed to police the French working class. Crozier's past role as policymaker and "intellectual" leader for the Socialist Party (SP) clearly reveals that Chirac and his lackys aim to consolidate a UDR-Centrist-SP alliance to provide Giscard with a sturdier political backbone, As the farcical scenario of his takeover of the UDR indicates, Chirac is willing to sweep the Neanderthal Gaullist "hards" to the sidelines to accomplish just that goal.

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At this yesterday's meeting of the UDR's national council, former General Secretary Alexandre Sanguinetti announced with crocodile tears in his eyes that the factional maneuvers of his opponents finally had convinced him to resign. He then recommended to the stupefied council that Chirac be elected to succeed him. Former Premier Chaban-Delmas--who has for weeks been plotting with former ministers Debre, Jobert and Couve de Murville for a return of the UDR to anti-Giscard Gaullist orthodoxy--immedately got up to denounce Chirac's "putsch." He shouted that he would resign if Chirac's election were not ratified by a national convention of the UDR. The frightened "majority" of the council then elected the Prime Minister as General Secretary. Following the election, various pro-Chaban and pro-Jobert officials resigned.

Although timed to coincide with the French Communist Party's (PCF) current left turn, and with the dislocation of the "unity of the left" policy once jointly advocated by the Communists and the CIA-controlled Socialists, Chirac's coup is potentially dangerous for the Giscard government. The establishment of a Chirac and Mitterand-led UDR-SP axis may soon be opposed by a vigorous "objective alliance" of the rejected Gaullist barons and the PCF. It is this very union of polar opposites which in the 1950s wrecked Rockefeller's plans for an anti-Soviet, cold war "European Defense Community."

EXCERPTS FROM THE POLICE INTERROGATION OF LALC LEADER DE HOYOS

Dec. 15 (IPS) -- This is an excerpted account of the interrogation of Carlos De Hoyos at the hand of the Mexican political police. De Hoyos, a leader of the Mexican branch of the Latin American Labor Committee and IPS correspondent in Mexico City, was held illegally by the police for 59 hours [see Dec. 14 story this issue].

De Hoyos was questioned at various times by four or five interrogators including a female secretary in charge of his dossier, a petty bureaucrat, an "expert on Marxism," and a director of the political police. At all times, he was surrounded by agents who gave him orders, and between interrogations he was left alone with a red hood on his head.

The bureaucrat began the questioning:
Bureaucrat: What is your ideology?
De Hoyos: I am a communist.
Bureaucrat: Are you a Maoist?
De Hoyos: No.
Bureaucrat: A Trotskyist?
De Hoyos: No.
Bureaucrat: A Fidelista? A Gueverist?

De Hoyos: No.

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At this point the Director came into the room and tried the same line of questioning. Getting no further than the frustrated bureaucrat, he made a sign to one of the agents, and shortly thereafter the "Expert on Marxism" entered.

Expert: How many books of Marx have you read?

De Hoyos: Capital, Eighteenth Brumaire, German Ideology,

Communist Manifesto...

Expert: What is your ideology?

De Hoyos: Marxist.

Expert: No, I really want to know what your ideology is.

De Hoyos obliged with an explanation of the development of humanist thought from Kant to Hegel to Feuerbach to Marx. The questioning slowed down somewhat as the police tried to help out the befuddled stenographer who was trying to follow De Hoyos' explanation. After several minutes, the Expert left with several copies of Nueva Sclidaridad and IPS briefings under his arm.

The Director took over again: Why did you call Echeverria a puppet of Rockefeller in your article on the Rome Food Conference?

De Hoyos: Because he is Rockefeller's leading spokesman for the plan to restructure the Third World.

Director: (getting hysterical): But you called him a puppet.

De Hoyos: But that's legal, isn't it?

Director: To call Echeverria a puppet is illegal.

De Hoyos began to press him for an explanation but was cut off by the return of the Expert. The Director turned to the Expert and the Expert shook his head.

The Director (gleefully): See. Just as I thought. You are not a Marxist. You are an ignoramus. (getting more and more agitated): You know nothing. You are a traitor to the motherland. De Hoyos: You have the same problem as the Mexican left.

During the entire time they held De Hoyos, the police were obsessed with the question of who was behind De Hoyos and the Labor Committees: Who is behind you? De Hoyos: We have an international movement with connections between Western Europe, the United States, Latin America.... Interrogator: No, no. You are being manipulated. Who is behind you?

At this point, the Director reappeared after a brief absence. He banged on the table and hit De Hoyos from behind: Don't play with us. We can force you to talk. We want to know who is behind you. Who finances your operations?

De Hoyos: the working class.

Director: Sure, sure, the working class, but there has to be someone behind you.

Stymied, the Director turned the questioning back to the bureaucrat, who proceeded to ask about the aims of the Interna-

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tional Caucus of Labor Committees: He fired questions at De Hoyos without allowing De Hoyos to respond. Then he asked: Isn't it your intention to take power to impose socialism? De Hoyos: The implementation of thermonuclear fusion power is the only viable way out for humanity. Bureaucrat: What? What kind of power? De Hoyos: F-U-S-I-O-N.

Bureaucrat: (to the stenographer): Write exactly what he said, so that later he cannot say that we misinterpreted him.

De Hoyos was questioned for almost 60 hours, and just prior to his release, one of the political police told him: "We will be seeing each other fairly often from now on."

Do Hoyos hooded for the ride to another part of the city, replied, "Sure, anytime you want an international briefing, give me a call."

ECHEVERRIA PLOTS ONE-MAN RULE

Dec. 15 (IPS)--According to authoritative sources close to tope Mexican government and business circles, CIA-linked president Luis Echeverria Alvarez is illegally plotting to change the Mexican constitution in order to succeed himself as president. These developments are to be the culmination of a Watergate-type destruction of the Mexican government, which has its roots at least as far back as 1968. Echeverria's intention is to implant his own "anti-imperialist" version of Rockefeller's democratic fascism from above on an unsuspecting Mexican working class.

Despite his radical rhetoric, Echeverria's actual political character today is the same as in 1968, when he was personally responsible as Minister of the Interior for the massacre of hundreds of protesting students and workers in Tlatelolco Plaza in Mexico City. Compared to the repressive Puke of Wellington's "Peterloo" assault on English workers in the early 19th century—an assault which similarly netted him the Prime Ministry—Luis Echeverria's history places him far to Wellington's political right.

Echeverria's Mexico is a rat's nest of slave labor, extensive brainwashing and starvation, as has been previously exposed in New Solidarity. It is also part of a far-reaching international network of right-wing terrorist and drug-dealing activity coordinated essentially through the CTA-affiliated Buckley family. Echeverria sits at its helm.

"Nacht and Nebel"

Over the past week the CTA has orchestrated a crescendo of terror aimed at recreating 1968 for the Mexican working class and left. Early last week, & lightning rumor swept Mexico

City that vaccinations of children under government and school immunization programs were in fact sterilizing the children. Such total panic was provoked by this rumor--probably originating in anti-Echeverria circles--that within hours various communities formed virtual lynch mobs to keep social workers and other "outsiders" at bay.

A few days earlier, Dec. 10, 15 guerillas from the CIA-terrorist "Liga 23 de Septiembre" held up two banks, murdering five policemen and wounding two others. The ensuing hysteria was used by the political police to initiate illegal dragnets in which at least 100 leftists and others--including Latin American Labor Committee Mexican leader Carlos De Hoyos Perez-were arrested by the political police for interrogation.

As if to flaunt the blatant CIA control of the entire setup in the face of the impotent left, on Dec. 13, a still unidentified terrorist gang held up an armored car, conveniently empty, in the immediate vicinity of the National Automous University of Mexico. Most significantly, latest reports indicate that the city of Guadalajara has been declared under a state of seige--although no terrorist actions, only the threat of them, have actually occurred there. The army occupation of Guadalajara is aimed against the "Monterrey Group," the anti-Echeverria bourgeoisie, whose second stronghold is in fact the city Guadalajara.

Capitalizing on this contrived situation, this morning's headlines in the pro-Echeverria press hint broadly at the President's objectives: "There is a fascist plot of the Enriched Minorities," screams one blast the Monterrey Group; "Bank Assault, Terrorism and the Propagation of Rumors Are Part of This, Says the Labor Minister," according to another.

In short, a general atmosphere of "Nacht and Nebel" (Night and Fog) has been orchestrated, in which the CIA's police and paramilitary gangs have been given free reign to engage in illegal kidnapping such as that of LALC leader De Hoycs. In this atmosphere Echeverria is moving quickly to wipe out all Monterrey Group and other resistance to his assuming permanent personal power.

"No Re-election"?

This exact point was hinted at by De Hoyos' police interrogators when they warned him not to continue with his political
activities, even though they entirely legal, because "this is
the period of Presidential Succession" for the 1975 elections,
and "things will no longer operate the way they used to." An IPS
source with immediate access to high government and business
circles independently volunteered this same information.

Echeverria plans to execute bloodless coup by illegally succeeding himself at the end of his six year term in 1975,

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according to this inside source. He is moving to accomplish this by cleaning out the ruling PRI Party in order to ram through a constitutional reform that would permit presidential succession, today totally illegal in Mexico. As a result, an explosive factional rift has reportedly developed within the PRI. Elements there have balked at the proposition of reversing the ingrained popular Mexican slogan dating from the 1910 Revolution: "Effective Suffrage; No Reelection."

This Rockefeller plan to first weaken the left and the hesitant bourgeois interests, and then install Echeverria as the democratic face that masks an actually fascist state had its origins at least as early as the 1968 massacre. The Duke of Wellington's similar 19th century assault on English workers at least marked the beginning of an ascending phase of then-progressive capitalism; Echeverria's slaughter ushered in fascism to Mexico.

Echeverria's Fascism

In 1968 Echeverria controlled the crucial Ministry of the Interior, and thus had immediate authority over not only the official police and internal security apparatus with its extensive ties to the military, but also the extra-legal paramilitary shock troops of lumpen elements that were being nurtured at the time. These non-uniformed SS directly under Echeverria's thumb were already used against radicals and students in 1968 but they came into their own with the formal name of "Halcones" (Hawks) only in 1971. As this point Echeverria, now as President, unleashed them against a demonstration of protesting students and then blamed the subsequent bloodshed on the right-wing Monterrey Group. In the ensuing Watergate-style witchhunt, numbers of top government officials tied to the right were hounded out of office, including the mayor of Mexico City, Alfonso Dominguez Martinez.

Since then, remaining spokesmen for the Monterrey Group have been progressively weeded out of policy-making positions in the government and the PRI. Today Echeverria stands poised, to move towards his final consolidation of a fascist state in Mexico.

Club of Rome

In Rockefeller's eyes, Echeverria is eminently qualified to do the job, so much so that Rockefeller is unwilling to rick handing over the Mexican division of his supra-national government to anyone else. Echeverria has cultivated international connections and a "liberal" reputation that ny other fascist would find extremely hard to replicate, and he is additionally the leading proponent in Latin America of fascist regionalization plans.

Echeverria is also a special darling of Rocky-agent Aurelio Peccei, the pro-cannibalism head of the Club of Rome. The Club

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of Rome, founded in 1968 at the Rockefeller Foundation's estate Villa Serbelloni in Bellagio, Italy, is the leading international institution pushing the genocidal Zero Growth policies of John D. Rockefeller III.

Peccei, who is also tied to the Agnelli family (leading Italian members of Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission), recently responded to a question by a correspondent from Excelsion (Mexico's leading daily) as to which political leaders could implement Club of Rome policies, with the following statement: "I think of three heads of state who are capable: the president of Algeria, Huari Boumedienne, Anwar el Sadat and Luis Echeverria."

During the past week, Echeverria was also named by "ex"-CIA agent Philip Agee as the main CIA conduit in Mexico.

The International Caucus of Labor Committees is launching a major international campaign to rip Echeverria's democratic mask off and expose this fascist Rockefeller operation in Mexico, thereby dealing a deadly blow to the cabal's entire Third and Fourth World strategy—of which Echeverria is the avowed leading spokesman. We intend to so damage Echeverria's credibility as to make him a liability to Rocky... and in the process thereby protect our LALC organizers in Mexico from further Echeverria assaults such as that perpetrated against De Hoyos this week.

EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES TAKE LEFT TURN; AMENDOLA'S DAYS NUMBERED

Dec. 15 (IPS)--Hardliners Roland Leroy and Jean Kanapa in the French Communist Party (PCF) Politburo this week won victory over the party's right-wing faction headed by PCF Secretary General Georges Marchais. Marchais made this left turn official in a Dec. 13 article in the party newspaper L'Humanite reiterating the hardline blasts at the Social Democracy's Second International and NATO, thereby reversing his previous, explicit class collaborationist stance.

The Marchais reversal culminates an internationally coordinated Communist Party organizing drive, spearneaded by the Socialist Unity Party (SED) in the German Democratic Republic with Moscow approval. The SED-led drive aimed at routing the mixuure of capitulationists and outright agents within the movement who use "national roads to socialism," sheer idiocy from a Marxist standpoint, as the cover slogan for the Rockefeller line of dissolving the Soviet bloc and having the Western Communist Parties co-administer depression austerity and slave labor. Both the scope and speed of the SED-led drive have pushed Giorgio Amendola's CIA faction in the movement into a corner, and latest indications are that a break in the Communist Party of Italy (PCI) situation can be expected soon.

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Marchais "Converted"

Nothing better illustrates both the speed and scope of the turn than the overnight "conversion" of Marchais—the key Western Communist figure to "transform" to consolidate the turn. Abandoning his early December support for PCF entry into the Giscard government, Marchais wrote the following in the Dec. 13 issue of L'Humanite: "The (French) Socialist Party remains and will remain for a long time receptive to the overtures of the big bourgeoisie. This is completely contradictory to our politics... the PCF is the revolutionary party of the working class. We want to move to socialism."

The Marchais turnaround provides stunning confirmation of the SED's crucial role in fostering the process first initiated by the European Labor Committees' anti-Amendola campaign, conducted to crystallize precisely such a Communist left turn --prerequisite for the type of united front drive that can stop Rockefeller. SED support for an organizing of the PCF hardliners was evidenced by the presence in Paris since Dec. 3 of the head of the SED Central Committee's Propaganda Division, Geggel.

SED Hardline Offensive

The Geggel talks with PCF leaders are only one predicate of a SED-led European-wide offensive geared towards ensuring a maximal hardline triumph at the next European Communist Party meeting in Budapest Dec. 19. The meeting is intended to make preparations for the European Communist Party Conference scheduled for Spring 1975 in the German Democratic Republic capital of Berlin. All indications are that the Eudapest meeting will cement the rout of the CIA-Amendola forces, finalizing the end of the temporary dominance they achieved during the October Warsaw Preparatory Meeting of European CPs.

The SED drive has already succeeded in isolating the PCI Amendolites from three Communist Parties who are factional allies to varying degrees, of Amendola--the Spanish, Danish, and the Gierek-led Polish Communist Party. The turn in the hitherto "soft" Danish CP was immediately concretized by the visit to Denmark by SED Candidate Politburo member Inge Lange, who announced the following joint statement with the Danish Communists: "Both parties state complete agreement on questions of the world Communist Party movement."

The SED's "Danish move" was followed up by inviting the anti-Moscow head of the Spanish CP, Santiago Carillo, to Berlin Dec. 1 to hear the new line--which was rubbed into Carillo's face by requiring him to toast Communist Party unity and the Soviet Union. Upon Carillo's return to Spain, the Spanish CP, for the first time in recent memory, refused to support a "joint strike call" put out by the Spanish Socialist Party and various CIA-influenced "Left" Catholic and Basque regionalist groupings.

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No sooner was Carillo out of Berlin than the next "invitation" went out—to Polish Politburo member Szydiak to come for talks. While we have a few details on such "high level" secret talks, that fact that Szydiak was closeted for three days (Dec.5-7) with Kurt Hager, the SED's Politburo arch-hardliner in charge of ideological questions, underscored the nature of the meeting. Hager has a well-known reputation of hatred for the Polish Gierek leadership.

Response to NATO

The backdrop of these moves is provided by an ongoing Europewide Communist Party polemic launched in response to the resolutions adopted in the last week by the NATO governments to massively step up arms expenditures which demonstrate a growing tendency towards a full war economy and renewal of blatant cold war style policies.

This trend first began with a series of articles and radio broadcasts in the German Democratic Republic. They were highly critical of the Ford-Brezhnev talks at Vladivostok, sounding a note of deep skepticism concerning "detente" prospects -- in total contrast to general Soviet bloc coverage, with the exception of Nov. 28 Czech denouncements of the Schlesinger-Jackson line on arms expenditures.

Last week during the NATO meetings in Brussels, the East Germans seemingly isolated stance ended; every major Communist Party except the Italian blasted both the NATO meetings as well as the EEC Summit meeting in Paris. The general tone was encapsulated by the West German Communist Party (DKP): "United action of workers of European countries is an urgent necessity... to prevent... a supranational alliance from driving down workers' living standards in Western Europe." The DKP charged NATO with creating "not only a war danger but also intervention into national affairs." In related developments, the DKP has apparently reversed its previous policy of neardaily ritual praise of Rockefeller agents Heinz Oskar Vetter and Eugen Loderer in the West German trade union movement. No mention has been made of either of them in the party paper since Nov. 27.

In close synchronization with Marchais' "conversion," the Soviet press, starting Dec. 11 began to give open indications of backing for the SED initiatives. Breaking a period of saying "little about anything," Pravda Dec. 11 carried several anti-NATO articles, combined with a call for a World Disarmament Conference. In the same issue, coverage of the PCF carried statements only by PCF hardline leader Roland Leroy, emitting Marchais completely.

Pravda Ire At PCI

The same Pravda issue covered the PCI Central Committee in

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the manner the Soviets reserve for Communist Party events which provoke their ire to an extreme. Out of the hundreds of pages of disgusting PCI verbiage, Pravda literally extracated the tiny handful of individual sentences, which when edited, and then reassembled, barely construct a pro-Soviet miniparagraph. This "coverage," indicating supreme contempt, was exactly how the Soviets and the GDR handled the "national roads" circus called the Romanian Communist Party Congress in the last week of November, thus equating in Soviet eyes the Amendola-led PCI with Ceaucescu's Romanian Communist Party.

Preliminary reports on most recent developments, centered around the just-concluded 13th Central Committee meeting of the SED in Berlin, give further confirmation to the escalating nature of the turn. The proceedings, dominated by SED General Secretary Erich Honnecker and Kurt Hager, continued the anti-NATC blasts, coupled with a firm reiteration of the solidity of COMECON, the Eastern bloc's Common Market. The Central Committee stressed that "while we are in favor of increased trade with West Germany, it will not be at the expense of strengthening COMECON unity. The main weight of our economy will continue to lie within COMECON." The Central Committee then concluded by calling for further expansion in economic relations with the Soviet Union.

ELC Education of Communist Parties

With the turn now consolidated, the ELC will immediately expand its education of the CPs as to those parties' international responsibility, especially for the nationalist PCF, and will bring such responsibility to the forefront of PCF politics. Left to their own, the Communist Parties are capable of no more than replicating the parameters set by first onset of cold war 25 years ago, when the CPs response was defined by Soviet Politburo member Zhdanov's famous "Two camps" speech, which girded the Western CPs for mass defensive-rearguard style, defeatist politics—however militant. Current moves occuring within the Gaullist movement indicate a tactical shift towards enticing the PCF into a suicidal nationalist anti-Giscard alliance.

To date the PCF has left its flank wide open for just such an enemy maneuver. Even in the very positive Kanapa editorial in L'Humanite Dec. 2, which touched off the hardline offensive within the PCF, Kanapa's nationalist rear was showing. Kanapa denounced President Giscard's sabotage of the 1971 Franco-Soviet cooperation agreement and accused Giscard of stopping "the process of dissolving the blocs." The next immediate step for the PCF is clear: make the working class united front and anti-Amendola battle international and abamdon any suicidal Mother France perspective, or remain susceptible to Gaullist cooptation that would shatter in short order the PCF.

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BUCKLEY'S CIA TIES TO ECHEVERRIA UNDER INVESTIGATION

Dec. 15 (IPS)--The International Caucus of Labor Committees is currently investigating the role of the Buckley family as the major CIA conduit to the regime of Mexican President Luis Echeverria. It has already been confirmed that the family is directly responsible for co-ordination of an international right-wing terrorist network for the CIA--and is responsible for that network's recent activation.

In the early 1950s, when the former Nazi international intelligence apparatus was being incorporated wholly into the CIA, William Buckley, the ultra-conservative guru, and his lesser-known brother, F. Reid Buckley were in Mexico City and Madrid respectively. After a stint in U.S. Army Intelligence (stationed in El Paso, Texas) in 1945, William officially joined the CIA in 1951. While in CIA employ, William moved to Mexico with E. Howard Hunt, later to gain fame as the CIA's field officer in the Watergate plot to discredit then-President Nixon.

While it is not yet known if Buckley made contact with up-and-coming bureaucrat Echeverria at that time, it is known that one of Buckley's later replacements as a Mexican case officer, Philip Agee, did maintain close contact with then-Interior Minister Echeverria during the late 1960s.

Although William returned to the U.S. to cultivate a "laundered" conservative image, brother F. Reid maintained the dirtier end of the family's operation. Living since the 1950s in Franco's Spain, Reid is the friend and neighbor of Madrid's ex-Nazi community, including such criminals as Otto Skorzeny, ex-SS Colonel who was Allen Dulles' chief Liason in the turnover of Nazi Intelligence to the Anglo-Americans and presently a co-ordinator of neo-fascist activity for the CTA, and the late Agentine dictator Juan Peron.

There has been public carryover of the two brothers' activities, such as when Reid and Hunt brought anti-Allende fascist Claudio Melendez, leader of the National Socialist Party of Chile, to William's home in 1970. Between the two brothers (and a sister who was also in the CIA), the Buckley operation represents a clearinghouse for Latin anti-communists being funnelled into CTA terrorist groups, and a money chain for CTA funds needed by pro-Rockefeller political figures in Latin America.

IPS will report fully on Buckley's Latin American operation next week.

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PROTEIN CONSUMPTION CUT BACK THROUGH BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION

Dec. 15 (IPS) -- The Wall Street Journal reported Dec. 12 the success of a Stanford Food Research Institute behavior modification program aimed at reducing protein consumption. Residents of Watsonville, California were subjected to an intensive "anti-heart disease" program, allegedly to get them to cut their weight, smoking, blood pressure, and cholesterol levels. As a result, egg eating dropped dramatically to 1.9 eggs per person weekly from 5.

In Norway, such anti-consumption behavior modification is a national campaign. Recently, both the New York Times and Washington Post have covered a program launched by the Norwegian Institute of Nutrition to scare Norwegians out of eating meat and other protein. This major publicity drive warns of dangerous high-cholesterol levels. Actually, its aim is to get consumers voluntarily to cut their necessary consumption of protein-just the opposite of improving their health.

USURY MADE LEGAL

Dec. 14 (IPS) -- Recent federal legislation overrides state usury laws and lifts the usury ceiling on large agricultural loans. The new legislation allows commercial banks, savings and loan institutions, and small business investment companies to charge interest on business and agricultural loans over \$25,000 up to five points over the FED's discount rate on 90-day commercial paper; for most states this would be 13 per cent.

The legislation is supposedly designed to permit farmers to compete for funds. The real effect, however, will be to open the farmers up to even more severe looting by the banks. Farmers not yet bankrupt will compete for loans at usurious rates, while bankers soak up their dwindling cash.

NFO BUREAUCRATS THREATEN USLP COLLABORS

BUFFALO, N.Y., Dec. 11 (IPS) -- Three directors of the National Farmers Organization reportedly have threatened NFO county heads with expulsion if they work with the U.S. Labor Party.

According to a delegate to last week's NFO conference in Memphis, the threat came at a closed meeting at the conference

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of county heads and directors. One county leader raised the question, "What is our relationship to the U.S. Labor Party?" He was answered by an NFO director who stated that "the NFO has nothing to do with communists or the U.S. Labor Party." "The Labor Party proposes collectivism--getting rid of the small farms," he continued. "Any county head who meets with the Labor Party will be expelled from the NFO."

He was backed up by two other directors. Witnesses have identified these directors as Don Rottoro, Ron Boehlke, and Bill Sellhurst.

The expulsion threat has been only partially effective in keeping NFO leaders away from the Labor Party. Several delegates from New York State who previously had expressed interest in the Labor Party's food and fusion programs have backed off, despite the conference's unanimous approval of a resolution calling for a moratorium on farm debt. One delegate did a complete aboutface last week, telling Labor Party organizers that "there is much disagreement about the debt moratorium."

Another contact from New York gave evidence, however, of ferment with the NFO that had forced the expulsion threat. He told organizers that everyone at the conference had exchanged views on the Labor Party, a mass-based farmer-worker group, asking whether "you've got them in your state, too?"

LABOR PARTY ORGANIZERS REFOCUS FARM BUREAU CONFERENCE

DURHAM, N.C., Dec. 10 (IPS)--The U.S. Labor Party once again out-maneuvered Rockefeller's agents at a statewide North Carolina Farm Bureau conference which opened here today. All discussion inside the conference was tightly controlled by B. C. Magnum, who had just returned from John D. Rockefeller's World Food Conference in Rome, and another slick operative, Assistant State Director John Sledge. Sledge prevented all resolutions except pre-planned motions to "raise food prices" from reaching the floor. In spite of this, Labor Party organizers successfully turned the attention of the 350 delegates from Rockefeller's starvation program to expanded food production by the time the conference broke for lunch. Farmers want to produce.

On their way into the conference, all of the delegates received a leaflet on the Labor Party's Emergency Food Program. By noon-time, the morning cries of "Get that communist crap out of here" had given way to serious questions about socialism and fusion power development. One farmer asked, "How can you run a tractor with fusion power?" Another county delegate bought three papers and agreed to contact his national and state representatives on the Labor Party food and fusion bills, saying, "This is something everybody should knew about." When a tobacco farmer

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started to bluster about his prosperity, a friend of his announced to the group of farmers gathered around Labor Party organizers, "He's planning to declare bankruptcy, and listen to him!"

Forty farmers bought copies of New Solidarity, most of them suggesting that the Labor Party present its program at the Farm Bureau's county board meetings. Three of the delegates are now arranging such presentations including one delegate from Mecklenburg County who attempted to raise the Labor Party's Emergency Food Relief bill from the floor at this conference.

These three delegates are being put in touch with Labor Party organizers in the eastern part of North Carolina where they are already in the process of mapping out New Solidarity sales and distributions into the rural areas.

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MASSER BRUSHES UP LEFT COVER; AIMS ATTACKS ON IRAQ

NEW YORK, N.Y., Dec. 14 (IPS)--The gathering storm of Palestinian civil war in refugee camps and urban centers throughout the Middle East advanced this week, partly camouflaged by a series of escalating CIA-directed instances of terror and counterterror across the Israeli-Lebanese border. According to informed Arab sources, a majority of the second-level leadership even within traitor Yasser Arafat's Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) is on the verge of bolting the PLO in favor of the loose coalition of pro-socialist Palestinian forces centered around the Iraqi-allied Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) and ex-Fatah member Abu Nidal in Baghdad.

To quiet the growing dissension within the PLO and build agent Arafat's image as a credible revolutionary, the CIA and Israeli Intelligence have staged bloody attacks on Palestinian refugee camps near Beirut, and widely publicized battles have erupted along the tightly policed Israeli-Lebanese frontier. The Dec. 10 mocket attack on three PLO offices in Beirut by covert Israeli/CIA operatives, in particular, served to deflect anti-Arafat sentiment toward meeting the Israeli threat.

Intensive propaganda and widely circulating briefings about Arafat's past history as an agent of Saudi Arabia and the CIA, in particular concentrating on United Nations diplomats before and during Arafat's appearance at the United Nations, were undertaken by the International Caucus of Labor Committees during the past six weeks. In conjunction with the ICLC's exposure of Rockefeller's temporarily derailed Oil Hoax War, diplomats and workers alike were informed of Arafat's role as the CIA's top Palestinian organizer and potential catalyst of the second Great Oil Hoax.

The growing dissatisfaction with Arafat's "moderate" leadership of the PLO has led to occasional armed clashes; and in recent weeks, Arafat's thugs, in cooperation with Syrian political police, have begun to arrest scores of "extremists"--i.e., those Palestinians who represent potential centers of resistance to the PLO's "detente with imperialism."

Especially brutal attacks have been launched by official PLO spokesmen on Iraq and Iraqi-backed Palestinian formations, with hysterial blasts at "agent of imperialist intelligence Saddam Husayn," a reference to the pro-socialist leader of Iraq.

Ominously, the stupid Soviets are implicated in any move by Arafat to eliminate so-called extremists by the widespread belief that the Soviets support Arafat's "moderation." In effect, the CIA and its conduit press have been left a free hand to paint the USSR as encouraging Arafat's attacks on the Soviet's ally Iraq.

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PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION PLANS INDUSTRY-WIDE BRAINWASHING

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 14 (IFS)--On the eve of Nelson Rockefeller's ascension to official power, a streamlined National Commission on Productivity (NCOP) held its first meeting in a year at the White House Dec. 12. Rocky will take personal charge of NCOP immediately upon his confirmation. The results, discussions, even names of those attending the meeting have evidently been deemed secret. The White House blacked out all information on the commission meeting on the excuse that one new Commission member has not yet been cleared by White House security.

In an IPS interview, an NCOP spokesman revealed the real story of that meeting—the drive to increase productivity by replacing the trade union structure with an American Nazi Labor Front.

The meeting itself, according to the spokesman, was primarily an "indoctrination" session. Discussion focused on the need to expand throughout all industry the steel speedup model of inplant labor-management committees which was presented jointly at the meeting by United Steelworkers President I.W. Abel and R. Heath Larry, Vice Chairman of the Board of U.S. Steel. The real work of the Commission will begin when "the new Chairman" (Rockefeller) appoints working subcommittees, including "specialists not officially on the Commission," early next year to implement his slave-labor mandates in specific areas. While maintaining the Nazi ideal that "full employment is an absolute necessity for high productivity," the spokesman also insisted that productivity efforts require "a threshold of trust and personal security." Referring to Hitler's Minister of Armaments, the spokesman noted, "In Speer's slave-labor plants, productivity was low and getting lower....You can't use machine guns to increase productivity."

Hail Mr. Trist

The spokesman praised Rockefeller as a "natural" for the job, "because he commands brainpower--all those foundations." The real brain in Rocky's arsenal, the spokesman said, is Dr. Eric L. Trist, identified numerous times by New Solidarity as the top international brainbutcher, former assistant director of leading brainwash research center, the Tavistock Institute of London, and mastermind of both the British and U.S. coal miners' strikes. Trist, "easily the most distinguished scholar in Europe...who has influenced Scandinavian productivity developments [the Swedish Way] more than any one man," has "a soft, non-threatening personality, so the workers really trust him."

A major thrust of the Commission is to expand the "40 or 50" brainwashing projects already going on throughout the U.S., based upon the ideal of democratizing the workplace, "heading off grievance-type things by non-adversary discussions away from the bargaining table," in situations where "the foreman becomes

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less of a boss and more of a coach." Revealing the clenched fist hidden within this velvet glove, the spokesman warned, "But there is still a boss....We're not after an Athenian democracy, you know....Humans react more often to threats than to promises of the future."

Sand Kicked in Woodcock's Face

The failure of just-removed NCOP member Leonard Woodcock, autoworkers president, to implement the steel speedup model in auto points up the fatal flaw in all NCOP's efforts. When asked about this failure, the NCOP spokesman first hedged, "Woodcock doesn't think the time is right....You know, for union leaders, timing is just as important as what they do." He then admitted, "The auto industry is in too much turmoil....Woodcock doesn't want to do anything until the dust settles." Labor Party organizing has indeed kicked up a storm.

BURMA DECLARES MARTIAL LAW

Dec. 14 (IFS)--The Burmese military dictatorship of General Ne Win declared a state of martial law Dec. 11 to quell riots and demonstrations led by Buddhist monks and right-wing students who were protesting the burial procedure for U Thant. The demonstrations could provide a cover for the dumping of Ne Win's "leftist" regime and the implementation of the Pacific Basin regional development project conceived by the Hudson Institute, a CIA thinktank based in New York City. Thirty-five persons were sentenced to long prison terms and as many as 2,000 reportedly were arrested at the demonstrations.

Following the government's decision Dec. 9 to shut down educational institutions, the demonstrations, which began in early December, spread and took on an anti-Ne Win line. Two days later, the government declared martial law and sent in 1,000 soldiers to raid Rangoon University. Diffusing the students, who had seized the body of the former UN Secretary-General, the soldiers touched off large-scale looting in the business section of Rangoon.

The anti-Ne Win sentiment expressed through these anarchist actions has been building for months and represents a clear breakdown in the so-called "Burmese road to socialism." Last July an extremely poor rice harvest led to a breakdown in the government rationing system and severe shortages on the city markets. Burma has traditionally been the main rice producer in Southeast Asia. The city market shortages led to riots by workers and a mobilization of the military to collect extra rice supplies from hoarding farmers. The resulting austerity measures exacerbated the unpopularity of the Ne Win regime.

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ANGELA DAVIS BACK TO BRITAIN; CP BACKS SLAVE LABOR

Dec. 14 (IPS) -- Communist Party U.S.A. Central Committee member Angela Davis, whose meteoric rise in the party was partially financed by the Ford Foundation and Chase Manhattan Bank, is rumored to be planning a one-month visit to Britain. Miss Davis' trip immediately follows the opening of a raging CIA-engineered red scare, complete with Parliamentary approval for police and military terror measures.

Neither CPUSA nor Ford Foundation representatives were available to comment on Miss Davis' rumored visit. The Communist Party did, however, inform IPS that they have endorsed and will actively organize for the slave-labor legislation currently before Congress.

According to Jose Ristorucci, recent Communist Party candidate for Governor of New York: "The Hawkins bill is progressive. We want a Hawkins bill for youth." When asked what kinds of jobs the Communist Party would push for, he added: "Not jobs like Jerry Ford says--McDonald's jobs--but jobs in construction skills training in steel, auto, and so on...apprenticeships."

Ristorucci knew nothing about Miss Davis' schedule. Should she return to Britain it is likely that she will make one stop that the CP would not approve of—if they stand behind their new front group, the Committee Against Behavior Control and Human Experimentation. That would be a visit to Tavistock agent R. D. Laing, under whom Angela studied during the summer 1967 Conference on the Dialectics of Liberation, just before her return to the U.S.

ICLC ORGANIZING FORCES ECHEVERRIA TO RELEASE LABOR COMMITTEE LEADER IN MEXICO CITY

NEW YORK, N.Y., Dec. 14 (IPS) -- Carlos De Hoyos Perez, Mexican leader of the Latin American Labor Committees (LALC) and IPS correspondent, was released in Mexico City last night after being kidnapped and illegally held for 59 hours by the Mexican Political Police of the Ministry of the Interior (Gobernacion Federal).

His release unharmed, with only slight bruises, was a result of an international mobilization of the International Caucus of Labor Committees (ICLC) and its supporters that exposed both the political kidnapping and the developments that stood behind it—the attempt of CIA agent and Mexican President Luis Echeverria to assume open police state power. De Hoyos reports that the Political Police were keenly aware that his case could

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easily degenerate into a "cause celebre" that would be very damaging to Rockefeller puppet Echeverria's plans. It is normal Mexican police practice to torture leftists during intense questioning; they often are then shot in the back, under "ley fuga," a law that allows police to assassinate political prisoners "trying to escape."

During his questioning, De Hoyos' interrogators threatened him unless he agreed to give up working with the Labor Committees. They repeatedly demanded to know "who was behind LALC." He was detained in a police office and an agents locker room facility and although he was forced at times to wear a hood for "security reasons," De Hoyos was never placed in a cell.

Intense Harassment

De Hoyos' detainment and interrogation comes after a month of intense harassment of IALC organizing by the CIA-directed Mexican "authorities." Shipments to Mexico of the Spanish edition of New Solidarity, Nueva Solidaridad, have been continually illegally confiscated by the Political Police at the Mexico City airport. Meanwhile, the Mexico City LALC office and the residence of several key IALC members were placed under heavy surveillance. On the evening of Dec. 10, a fellow LALC member leaving De Hoyos' residence saw three men jump from a black, late-model sedan and position themselves in front of the building. At latest report, the heavy surveillance of LALC members is continuing unabated following De Hoyos' release.

De Hoyos was kidnapped by the Political Police from near the vicinity of his home in Mexico City Wednesday, Dec. 11, at approximately 12 noon E.S.T. He had left his apartment at 11 a.m. to help start a friend's car, leaving in his t-shirt without his glasses and with his breakfast unfinished. His car was later found parked around the corner, under the surveillance of two unidentified individuals in a late-model turquoise VW.

The Counter-Attack

Within hours after receiving the news of the kidnapping, the Labor Committees had launched a major counter-offensive. A special briefing and news release went out over the telex from the Tele-communications Center here to Labor Committee locals throughout the continent and to the European Labor Committees (ELC) operations center in Wiesbaden, West Germany. Locals were instructed to print up leaflets for distribution and activate worker cell networks to organize calls to Mexican consulates throughout the country. Additionally, the cells were asked to call local press to demand that they cover the story, while petitions calling for De Hoyos' release were circulated by Labor Party members in North America. In the Detroit region alone, more than 70 workers were activated, with 25 of them mobilizing their cell networks.

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Realizing the life and death urgency of the situation, the response of the working class was swift and decisive. Yesterday morning, the Mexican Consulate in Chicago, deluged by calls from Labor Party members and others, took its phone off the hock by 11 a.m. Mexican Embassy officials in Washington, D.C. reacted hysterically to the call of a Labor Party member from Charlotte, N.C. demanding, "How did you get this information? How? What is this all about? We've gotten ten phone calls in the last hour." At a Seattle demonstration at the steps of the Mexican consulate, a consulate official calmly denied any knowledge of the matter, only to flip into a hysterical fit when a Labor Party member denounced Echeverria as a CIA agent and demanded to be told where De Hoyos was being held; the official called the police.

In Akron, Ohio, various union representatives sent telegrams to the Embassy and to the Mexican government demanding De Hoycs' release. In Flint, Mich., workers circulated petitions at Buick GMAD and A.C. Sparkplug. Throughout the Midwest, six radio stations covered the kidnapping with news bulletins, while calls from indignant workers forced the Associated Press to issue a dispatch on the case.

As of the time of his release, more than 1,000 workers had signed petitions calling for De Hoyos' release, while more than 16,000 leaflets about the incident were distributed in North America within a 24-hour period.

In Europe, Echeverria's cover image as a showcase Third World "liberal" was dealt a severe blow. Press releases on the kidnapping were distributed to all major outlets. Mexican embassies and consulates in major cities were contacted. In Cologne, a nervous official of the Mexican consulate stated his intention to communicate the demand for De Hoyos' immediate release to his government. In Brussels, organizers spoke directly with the Mexican Ambassador. Le Peuple, the newspaper of the Belgian Socialist Party, demanded that the press release on the kidnapping be telexed to them immediately. In Gent, the editorial staff of Links, the paper of the Flemish Young Socialists, is discussing the kidnapping.

NEW ARMS PUSH ENSURES INFLATION

Dec. 14 (IPS)--On the heels of the Vladivostok arms limitation agreement recently completed with the Soviet Union, Rockefeller's Secretary of Defense James Rodney Schlesinger has announced plans to greatly increase arms spending and production. The planned 75 per cent increase in the United States armaments budget, revealed in a series of major meetings and policy statements over the last two weeks, involved a massive diversion of labor and productive capacity away from necessary useful production into the weapons

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sinkhole. The immediate effect of this policy will be the potentially explosive aggravation of current worldwide double-digit inflation.

The magnitude of the expenditures implied by Schlesinger's plans for strategic weapons alone—as outlined in his report on the Vladivostok agreement—is colossal. The plans dictate an increase in total arms purchases from the present level of \$16 billion to \$27 billion a year—a jump of 70 per cent. But this is just the beginning. This week at the Brussels NATO meeting, Schlesinger turned his attention to tactical weapons, outlining vastly increased expenditures in this area as well. These new increases in arms procurement come on top of already burgeoning sales of weapons from Europe and the United States to the Mideast.

"New Goals"

Schlesinger fielded the arms race program in a speech billed as an explanation of the Vladivostok agreement. The munitions manifesto was contained in two interconnected points he made about that agreement. In the first place, Schlesinger rattled, since the agreement set mutual force limits on bombers and ICBM's that are far in excess of either country's spending plans, these limits must now be considered goals to achieve within the period of the agreement—within the next ten years.

Second, Schlesinger stated, the agreement would allow the Soviet Union to achieve such a huge level of megatonnage delivery capacity that they would be able to knock out U.S. land-based missiles in a single strike. Therefore, he argued, the Pentagon has prepared plans to totally replace all existing land-based ICBM's with the new Trident nuclear submarines and the new B-1 bombers.

How It Adds Up

The Vladivostck agreement allows a total of 1,320 nuclear delivery vehicles with multiple warheads, and a total of 1,070 other delivery vehicles. Since Schlesinger stated that only 10 of the existing 40 Polaris nuclear submarines (with 240 missiles) would be maintained, and that the existing B-52's are also to be scrapped, the remaining quota of 830 non-MIRVed delivery vehicles would have to be taken up by the B-1 bombers. The entire MIRV quota would be taken up by the Trident subs--at 24 missiles per sub, a total of 55 Trident submarines would have to be built.

Prior to Schlesinger's Vladivostok speech, Department of Defense plans called for only 240 B-1 bombers and 10 Trident subs.

To complete the present plan in 10 years would involve building five or six submarines each year--at a cost of \$1 billion each--and 80 to 90 bombers--at a cost of \$70 million each. The total bill for this amounts to more than \$11 billion a year!

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Tactical Weapons

After berating the European defense ministers assembled at the Brussels NATO meeting this week, Schlesinger dictated to them the main points of the communique which the meeting problemed yesterday. Point one: The Warsaw Pact nations are increasing their armaments; therefore NATO must also increase theirs. Point two: The basis of negotiations with the Soviet bloc countries on force levels in Europe is to be the same as at Vladivostok—the setting of a common ceiling on forces.

To implement point one, the NATO ministers announced plans to increase their forces by 1,500 new tanks, 1,200 to 1,400 tank artillery pieces and 250 fighter planes—a total of about \$2.5 billion in hardware. The implications of the second point are even greater. Since the Warsaw Pact countries hold an immense numerical superiority over the NATO forces in Europe—including a 9,000 tank edge—any attempt to raise NATO strength to anywhere near these levels will involve billions of dollars.

Chrysler and GM Set The Pace

Simultaneous with these decisions, Chrysler and General Motors were taking action to implement them. In announcements on Thursday and Friday, Chrysler, at present the only manufacturer of the M-60 tank, announced plans to double tank production in the coming year. At the same time GM announced that they would begin production of tanks in the immediate future. Together, the announcements mean that tank production will rise next year to at least 180 tanks a month-triple the present level and four-and-one-half times the level of only six months ago.

Mideast Orders

Already soaring weapons orders from the Middle East will feed this development. Thus far, between \$7 and \$8 billion of weapons are scheduled for delivery to the region from the U.S. in 1975, and at least \$2.5 billion from European arms makers. Together, the major customers--Iran, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Israel--have purchased or are bargaining for 900 fighters (more than a year's present production for the U.S.) and more than 2,100 tanks--equivalent to a quarter of the entire existing U.S. armored force.

Not content with such piddling weaponry, the Shah of Iran is meeting with Premier Chirac of France Dec. 21 to negotiate the purchase of five or six nuclear submarines!

These tremendous purchases, combined with planned expansion of the NATO armies, far outstrip current production capacities and imply large-scale investment in new armaments factories. The very high technology capital goods, machine tools, and skilled labor which should be going into the development of fusion power will be funnelled down a widened armaments drain, fueling ever-more-accelerated inflation.

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AUTO UNEMPLOYMENT IN NORTH AMERICA

Dec. 14 (IPS)--Rockefeller-controlled press are now running lurid "layoff scoreboards" daily, bombarding workers with the terror of plant-by-plant layoffs, "source" reports, and rumors. This is intended to create the blur of an unstoppable deluge. The actual pattern is a weapon that can advance working-class organizing.

While certain firings are called "temporary" and others "indefinite," a growing number are already being relocated to slave project areas. Eighty thousand "missing" auto workers were dropped in 1973; 70,000 in 1974. And now with plans to lay off from 258,000 to 377,500 in early months of 1975, the total of permanently fired will rise to 192,000 at minimum.

The Big Three auto producers dropped employment from 745,000 hourly workers in early 1973 to 664,000 in January 1974. That was before the first Oil Hoax.

IPS estimates that another 70,000 auto workers were laid off during the peak of the oil hoax and not rehired. The 150,000 now "missing" workers represent 20 per cent of the workforce.

Big Three total layoffs this month are 209,000. GM reported to this newspaper 64,000 "indefinite" and 41,000 "temporary" this week; Ford reported 18,350 "indefinite" and 21,525 "temporary"; Chrysler, 30,000 "indefinite" and 35,000 "temporary."

Chrysler News Relations spokesman Ronald Owens stated to IPS that "all indefinitely laid off Chrysler workers will most probably never be rehired." It is likely that this is also true for GM and Ford workers, meaning that the 112,000 total workers on "indefinite" layoff will add 42,000 to the "missing" auto worker group for a total of 192,000. Wholly one-fourth of the workforce from January 1973 has been phased out!

GM, Ford, and Chrysler have just announced first quarter 1975 car production cuts of from 40 to 50 per cent compared to first quarter of 1973. 298,000 to 377,500 hourly workers will have to be unemployed, listed as either "indefinite" or "temporary." This means the present 112,000 "indefinite" layoffs should be considered permanent, raising "missing workers" to 192,000 with an additional 106,000 to 185,500 workers divided between "indefinite" and "temporary" for 1975.

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HOUSE JUDICIARY BACKS ROCKY

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 13 (IPS)--By a vote of 26 to 12 the House Judiciary Committee yesterday recommended the confirmation of Nelson Rockefeller as Vice President of the United States. Just two days before, President Ford was overheard reassuring his humiliators--Nelson's brother David and other Trilateral Commission members--that Nelson's confirmation was a shoo-in. Coming on the heels of the Senate approval, the Judiciary vote has readied the way for a final vote by the House of Representatives Dec. 20.

In preparation for Nelson Rockefeller's assumption of power as Chief of State for Foreign and Domestic Affairs, the White House today leaked rumors of another impending Cabinet reshuffle. Slated for replacement are Attorney General William Saxbe, Secretary of Labor Peter Brennan, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) Caspar Weinberger, and Director of the Office of Management and Budget Roy Ash. The top contender for Saxbe's post is the Rockefeller-funded University of Chicago President Edward Levi. Former NATO ambassador Donald Rumsfeld will assume the assignment of all-purpose adviser to Ford, "a sort of middle linebacker," in the words of one White House official. Rumsfeld's "close friend" John Robson is rumored to be in line to take over the Department of Transportation.

Congresswoman Martha Griffiths (D.-Mich.) is to be rewarded for her recent welfare-austerity package of a guaranteed income tied to forced work by being considered for the position of HEW Secretary. All in a-1, the rumored Cabinet recycling will provide Rockefeller with a cheerleading section for his fascist social and economic policies.

WEST GERMAN CABINET VOTES IN LABOR RECYCLING, WAGE GOUGING

WIESBADEN, BRD, Dec. 13 (IPS)—It is expected that unemployment will hit the one million mark in West Germany by the beginning of January. This waek, the national cabinet, meeting under the chairmanship of Rockefeller-marionette Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, has agreed upon an emergency economic program which targets 290,060 workers for low-wage labor recycling and relocation. A 1.3 billion Deutschemark fund will be sprayed out through the economy in 1975 to pick up the bits and pieces of over 1,000 construction and machine tool industries which were smacked by bankruptcies during 1974. The first major effort will be made to skim off one layer of unemployed for redeployment. Two hundred thousand workers will be eligible for "one-shot subsidies" with a choice to relocate to a different region of the country, or to accept employment at a lower wage than at their previous job.

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The government will also be subsidizing employers for 90,000 "new jobs" to be created in several dozen regional development zones organized along the industrially and politically backward southern and northern borders of West Germany. The three foci for this regional "development"—eastern Bavaria, and western and eastern Lower Saxony—are dominated by part—time agricultural workers recently chopped off from the industrial labor force and are traditional strongholds of fascist, grass—rocts organizations. Hundreds of thousands of unemployed in these regions will immediately compete for the meagre 90,000 jobs which will become available.

Public Service Robbery

Unsere Zeit, daily newspaper of the West German Communist Party, has pinpointed the government's further intention to pick-pocket workers' wages as a way of obzing increased liquidity into the economy. While the Bundesbank (Federal Reserve Bank) has already "promised" not to increase the money supply in 1975 above 8 per cent (i.e., below the rate of inflation), 20 per cent increases in railroad fees, 10 per cent increases in gas and electricity, and a probable hiking of worker social insurance contributions to 17.5 per cent wages promise a steady flow of liquidity into the economy.

The government's program has been universally greeted by the West German capitalist press as "friendly to corporate profits." In fact, the cabinet decision, modeled exactly on the priming programs of the pre-Hitler emergency government under Chancellor Bruening, earmarks an escalation of Schmidt's long-term strategy to gut the West German industrial infrastructure for Rockefeller.

ROOSA SAYS SOVIETS ARE ON ECONOMIC HOOK

NEW YORK, N.Y., Dec. 13 (IPS)--Former Undersecretary of the Treasury Robert V. Roosa said that today's Senate passage of the Trade Reform Bill marks a critical step toward controlling the foreign policy of the Soviet Union. Roosa, regarded as second only to David Rockefeller in the cabal's upper echelon financial circles, emphasized that the President would be empowered under the new legislation to shut off critical exports to the Soviets should they attempt to "scatterize NATO."

Currently a partner in the key Rockefeller-controlled investment house of Brown Brothers Harriman here, Roosa is also a member of the Rockefellers' supranational planning apparat, the Trilateral Commission.

Mr. Roosa was asked by IPS whether Soviet actions could delay an entire range of international negotiations around the issues of energy, financial reform, and arms control.

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"They could," he said. I doubt if they will. Their interest is very strong on the other side. I don't expect that the Soviets are going to try to cause more trouble around oil. To the extent that they might support friction against Israel, that would only be strengthening their political influence throughout the area. But it would be consistent with their effort to obtain all possible economic intercourse they could get."

"I feel that we tend to try to talk too much about 'first things first.' Certainly, it's important to try to make a settlement of the Israel-Arab question," Roosa continued, "but I don't think [these things] have a step relationship."

"The Mideast doesn't have to be fully settled before progress can be made elsewhere. The range of issues is so intricate that we are bound to improve our view of things, and the other side is bound to improve theirs, by getting multinational dialogues going."

On the question of whether anti-NATO actions by the European Communist Parties could provide a more subtle type of Soviet offensive than overt diplomatic maneuvers in the Mideast, Mr. Roosa said: "That's a good tactic from their point of view--encouraging divisiveness in NATO, attempting to scatterize the other side."

"But there is no artificial grouping of consuming countries to be disrupted--let them waste their energies. All we have to do is to pin them on two or three things in the context of current discussions," he stated.

"For example, the trade bill puts the President in a key position as to what may be negotiated," Roosa elaborated. "For example, the Soviets are interested in oil drilling equipment—there's a world shortage, particularly in deep—sea drilling equipment—these are the kinds of things they want as part of the next five year plan, which begins next year. They want to be able to make fairly firm assumptions. The President can determine what they get."

Mr. Roosa compared the President, in this case, to a deep sea fisherman, letting out line but still maintaining control over his prey.

"That's why the most important thing now is to pass the trade bill, so that we can parry back anything the Soviets do," Roosa stated.

"Maybe I shouldn't say this--I don't know if I want it to appear in print--but let them waste their time trying to break up NATO. Let them use what influence they have with European CP's. They'll only discredit themselves. The economic question is the real thing."

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NEW YORK, N.Y., Dec. 13 (IPS)--Top officials of Bank of America today revealed their hysteria about the possible takeover of this California-based operation by the Rockefeller financial empire. When IPS asked if the Bank's rumored support of the fusion power bill sponsored by Rep. Richard T. Hanna (D.-Cal.) implied an attack on the energy-centered Rockefeller financial empire, these high ranking officers became frantic.

At the same time these bank officials denied any knowledge of Hanna's fusion bill, they arranged a comprehensive continuing investigation of the International Press Service. This included calls to bourgeois reporters and the dispatching of a messenger to IPS headquarters for sample literature.

The hysterical response of Bank of America is easily explained. Senior management there are aware that a takeover by Rockefeller of this last competitive financial empire—a goal for the past 25 years—is more possible than ever before.

Since the early 1950s, Bank of America's only significant industrial connection—the Kaiser industries—was undercut by the Rockefellers in their drive to crush this competitive financial empire. Through the deliberate cancellation of defense contracts, Kaiser was forced to crawl to the Rockefeller—controlled Eastern insurance companies and investment houses for cash under conditions which effectively undermined Bank of America's influence.

No Defenses

As a result, Bank of America's financial and industrial base is limited and it is now vulnerable to absorption by the Rockefeller financial web. Most of its assets are limited to construction, textiles, and agriculture--precisely those sectors which have borne the brunt of Rockefeller's deflationary credit policy.

Simultaneously, a large proportion of Bank of America's loan funds are in the form of savings of small depositors now eroding through skyrocketing inflation and unemployment. Without direct control over investment banks, insurance companies, and personal trusts, Bank of America lacks the alternative sources of funds necessary to defend against a Chase Manhattan coup.

Already, Bank of America operates as a de facto junior partner in Rockefeller's financial network. On the Board of Directors of its bank holding company sit executives associated with such Rockefeller corporations as Prudential, Standard Oil of California, and Lawrence Rockefeller and Associates, and such Eastern financed think-tanks as the Council of Foreign Relations, the Conference Board, and the Trilateral Commission. More

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significantly, they have followed the Rockefeller line of deflationary and selective credit policies domestically and the financial sponsorship of development projects internationally. And in areas like Brazil and the Pacific basin, Bank of America has entered into direct cooperative arrangements with Chase Manhattan Bank.

IRA SUCCUMES TO MI5 CONFUSION CAMPAIGN

Dec. 13 (IPS)--David O'Connell, Provisional IRA (Provos) chief of staff, did exactly what British Intelligence expected when he denied IRA culpability for the Birmingham pub blasts which have killed 21 people. The British domestic intelligence agency MI5 used the hysteria created after that explosion to push through "draconian measures" aimed allegedly at the IRA but representing the first stages of military rule in Britain.

Since the mid-1960s, the British government has created the options in Irish politics which allow them to stir up the situation to a level necessary for the next stage of military control. Now that Northern Ireland is a police state, the government is bringing tactics tested there to create a similar situation in Britain itself.

The primary tool of this terror has been the Provos, sections of which were set up by MI5 in the late 1960s to provoke more violence in the Province. Stories in the press over the last six months have spread confusion surrounding IRA activities in Britain, which MI5 has designed to make the IRA the brunt of every call for increased law and order. The situation is now so confused that even most Provos cannot tell if they, a police section within the Provos, or another police countergang is actually responsible for the latest bombing. (For a full report on how the British set up the IRA, contact IPS.)

O'Connell broadcast further confusion within the ranks of the IRA by stating that no member of his organization could have been responsible for the Birmingham blasts or an earlier Tower of London blast because: "The IRA has clear guidelines for waging its war. Any attack on non-military installations must be preceded by a ten minute warning so that innocent civilians are not endangered. Attacks like those in Birmingham are murder.

While refusing to name specifically who was responsible for the explosions, the IRA currently is "investigating" who might have done it. O'Connell did mention that two anarchist groups, the Angry Brigade and Red Flag '74, were possibilities.

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SLAVE LABOR BILLS PUSHED THROUGH TO HIRE MUNICIPAL WORKERS

Dec. 12 (IPS)--Both the House and Senate today approved legislation to provide hundreds of thousands of slave-labor, "public service" jobs at the same time that New York City took the lead in laying off thousands of municipal workers. The bills would provide funds for cities to rehire laid-off municipal workers at a minimum of their former salaries. The money will be funnelled through the CETA (Comprehensive Employment and Training Act) manpower apparatus, the coordinating body for slave-labor employment.

Rushed through to defuse the rapidly mounting unrest among the increasing numbers of unemployed, the bills are just a foot-in-the-door for full-fledged slave-labor programs to be implemented by Congress next year. Rockefeller's psychological warfare tactic will be to create rumors of available jobs to attract migrating job seekers who eventually will be demoralized enough to work at any wage.

The House bill, sponsored by Rep. Dominick Daniels (D.-N.J.), authorizes \$2 billion. The Senate bill, sponsored by fascist Jacob Javits (R.-N.Y.), allows \$4 billion for public service employment and \$3 billion for additional unemployment funds. A conference committee will meet to come up with a compromise figure for the slave-labor jobs.

Reports this past week estimated that up to 600,000 slavelabor jobs could be created by June 30, with only the \$2 billion appropriation. This is in addition to the 170,000 slave-labor jobs for which funds already have been allocated this year. It is also reported that President Ford--in view of rapidly increasing unemployment--is ready to accept a public service employment bill in the range of \$2 to 3 billion. Thus the legislation seems certain to become law by the end of the year.

SPD PROTECTS MAZI STRAUSS

WIESBADEN, BRD, Dec. 12 (IPS) -- The leadership of West Cermany's Social Democratic Party (SPD) today publicly assumed the role of protector of fascist strongman Franz-Josef Strauss.

Christian Social Union head Strauss and his henchman Karl Carstens ventured into the city of Duisberg in West Germany's industrial Ruhr region, where elections in May 1975 will determine whether the working-class based SPD will survive as a party. A counterdemonstration was launched by various student groups, the West German Communist Party, and the SPI's youth organization, the JUSOs, including a petition against Strauss' Duisberg appearance.

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Today old left-winger Herbert Wehner, the SPD's parliamentary fraction leader, hurried to be of service to Rockefeller when he discovered that some Social Democratic youth had joined with Communists against the notorious Nazi Strauss. "Those who belong to the SPD," announced Wehner, "must remove their signatures [from the petition] by noon tomorrow or lose their membership in the party."

IS NAVAL HOSPITAL BRAINWASHING MILLS?

Dec. 13 (IPS)--A spokesman for the Bethesda Naval Hospital, interviewed last week by IPS, would not deny that Congressman Wilbur Mills is being held there against his will. There is every indication that Mills is being subjected to brainwashing.

Ensign Brown of the hospital's Public Affairs Office informed IPS that the "Naval Department would take offense" at questions about Mills' treatment. But he would deny neither that Mills is being held a prisoner there nor that behavior modification was being performed on the once powerful Congressman. Bethesda Hospital is known to have capabilities for such behavior modification.

It appears that Mills is under intense psychiatric care. The chairman of the hospital's department of psychiatry, Capt. Victor Holm, would neither confirm nor deny to IPS that he is in fact caring for Mills, but stated that he would be responsible if such psychiatric care were being given. According to staff members at the hospital, Dr. W. R. Davis, who has the psychiatric night watch, is responsible for making any decisions on the Mills case that become necessary during the night.

When IPS asked Congressman Mills' chief aide Gene Goss whether Mills was being held against his will at the Bethesda hospital, Goss answered in a frightened voice, "I don't know." Goss then asked, "Did Capt. Holm tell you that Mr. Mills is his patient?" When told about Holm's cryptic response to IPS' questions, Gross refused to say anything further.

A Little Help from His Friends

Following a series of increasingly ugly attacks against him by the Rockefeller-controlled media for his suddenly developed pattern of strange and foolish behavior, Mills was convinced by other congressmen to enter the hospital last week. There he was reportedly placed under heavy sedation, even though the nature of his illness was never explained to the public. After Mills spent a week in the hospital, the media announced that Mills had decided to relinquish his post as chairman of the powerful House Ways and Means Committee.

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Congressman Waggoner of Louisiana went into the hospital to extract this decision from Mills. He told the press that he had brought an unnamed friend of Mills along with him "so that it wouldn't look as if I was putting pressure on him." Mills' decision to quit must be taken on faith, since it was Waggoner who reported it to the press and Mills was never seen publicly. Meanwhile the Ways and Means Committee, formerly a bastion of cld-line politicos like Mills himself, was purged by Rockefeller's Congressional reformers.

WCODCOCK PLEADS GUILTY, DEVANDS CARTELIZATION

CHICAGO, Dec. 11 (IPS) -- Leonard Woodcock, head of the United Auto Workers, yesterday pleaded guilty to being a Rockefeller agent in a speech before David Rockefeller's Council on Foreign Relations here.

CFR member Woodcock bluntly endorsed the Rockefeller's fascist cartelization of world resources: "No nation acting alone can control inflation because the roots of the problem lie in the comparative scarcity of raw materials....The UAW supports all proposals to set up worldwide agricultural and mineral stockpiles to stabilize commodity prices and to apportion shares on principles of international equity....Developing countries are demanding and will establish controls over their own resources," Woodcock read from his Rockefeller script, "and we must learn to live with this."

Industrial workers are not only going to share the poverty with their starving brothers in the underdeveloped sector, according to Woodcock. He went on to advocate multinational bargaining between unions and multinational firms, a "good trade union demand" that opens the door to supranational control over the forced relocation of these workers to Third World slave-labor projects. "In line with the way production and marketing across frontiers have lumped whole regions together," Woodcock intened, "workers on multinational payrolls have established co-extensive structures, i.e., the International Metalworkers Federation with headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland....The aim is to lay the foundations for multinational bargaining."

IPS reporters present were excluded from the carefully stagemanaged question and answer period. UAW goon Lavon De Witt warned, "I just came to tell you that I've got some boys here-they've got you spotted."

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SMITH'S SURRENDER OPENS WAY FOR ROCKEFELLER REORGANIZATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

Dec. 12 (IPS)--In a nationally televised speech today, Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith, leader of the most diehard white racist regime in the world, announced the freeing of all black political detainees, a ceasefire in the guerrilla war, and acquiescence to the demand for a constitutional conference which is certain to result in "black rule" in Rhodesia.

Smith's stunning surrender has removed the last obstacle in the way of the Rcckefeller faction's fascist reorganization of southern Africa. Mozambique and Angola were earlier pacified with the installation of the CIA-controlled "socialist" FRELIMO and the openly pro-U.S. National Front for the Liberation of Angola. In South Africa, Rockefeller allies obtained the assurance and cooperation of Prime Minister John Vorster. Only Smith's ultra-conservatives in Rhodesia stood in the way--until today.

Smith's final capitulation unfolded in exactly the way IPS predicted last March. "Detente" was arranged between the cooperative racist Vorster and black Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda. Then, last summer, a coordinated "hard cop/soft cop" operation was mounted against Rhodesia, with Vorster and Kaunda playing the respective roles. Vorster encouraged Smith to "reason" with the black majority, mainly by threatening to withdraw South African troops in Rhodesia. Kaunda praised Vorster and threatened Smith with a "Caesarean operation" if an independent Rhodesia was not naturally born.

Finally Dec. 6, Kaunda hosted a conference in Lusaka, Zambia where two white Rhodesian Cabinet ministers met with almost every black head of state and liberation movement in the region, including leaders of the three Rhodesian "liberation" movements, the non-violent African National Council (ANC), and the guerrilla movements ZANU and ZAPU. The leaders of the latter, Ndabaningi Sithole and Joshua Nkomo, had been released from 10 years' imprisonment in Rhodesia and were flown to Zambia on a plane provided by Vorster's South Africa. On orders from Zambian President Kaunda, Sithole and Nkomo promptly merged their organizations into Bishop Abel Muzorewa's ANC, which they had previously denounced.

False Comfort

On Dec. 7, apprehensive white Rhodesians breathed an audible sigh of relief when they heard that their delegation in Zambia had "rejected out of hand" demands for immediate majority rule. But this has turned out to be a "misunderstanding," as today's speech by Smith came only shortly before the return to Rhodesia of Sithole and Nkomo, met by a cheering crowd of 1,000 black Rhodesians.

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The pressure on Smith is not off. U.S. diplomatic sources say that the Ford Administration backs the expected repeal of the Byrd amendment, which allows the importation of certain strategic materials from Rhodesia, and that economic sanctions against Rhodesia will not be lifted until majority rule has been attained. Additionally, there has been "confusion" about the exact conditions for the cessation of guerrilla activities. Even after Smith's announcement that the fighting would stop, a press release from guerrilla headquarters in Lusaka, later repudiated, said that the fighting would not stop until a definite date was set for the constitutional conference. To add to Smith's peace of mind, Verster announced within an hour of Smith's speech that all 2,000 South African troops hitherto bolstering Rhodesian forces would shortly be removed.

Today's Financial Times of London laid out the next move of the Rockefeller forces in an editorial saying "Smith is not a free agent" and "there is little reason to believe that Smith will be able to meet African demands" (emphasis added) because of his own electorate. The London Times reported the reaction of the leader of the right-wing Rhodesia National Party, who called Smith's speech "complete betrayal of the white man." The French daily Le Monde Dec. 9 reported the formation of a new ultraright party, the Unified Conservative Party, headed by William Harper, a former member of Smith's cabinet, fired in 1968 for "security reasons."

Further psywar is obviously needed against the white Rhodesian population to speed up the fascist reorganization of southern Africa, as the South African press are already discussing proposals for a "southern African United Nations" and a "southern African Common Market."

CONFIRM IEA CONTROL OF CANADIAN ENERGY POLICY

NEW YORK, N.Y., Dec. 11 (IPS)--IPS confirmed this week that the recent cutbacks in Canadian oil exports to the U.S. were ordered by the International Energy Agency (NEA) and that they will be used to promote energy austerity on both sides of the border.

An aide to Congressman John Anderson (R.-Ill.) admitted to IPS today that "The IEA policy has had some effect on the Canadian cutbacks, speeding them up. We expected them next year." Canadian participation in the IEA has not been approved by Parliament; thus, the IEA has no legal sanction whatsoever to dictate Canadian energy policy.

The cutbacks, which are supposed to completely shut off Canadian oil exports to the United States by 1982 or sooner, are being used by Trilateral Commission agents in the U.S. Congress to heat up a phony trade war between Canada and the United States.

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The fraudulent conflict is a cover for spurring national "energy independence" programs of the Project Independence stripe in both Canada and the United States.

Trilateral Commission members Anderson and Sen. Walter Mondale are calling for retaliatory legislation, including taxing Canadian oil which passes through the United States on its way to Canada's western provinces and slapping an embargo on U.S. ccal exports to Canada.

West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, chief enforcer of IEA energy austerity in Europe, revealed the reason for the cutbacks in his visit to the United States last week. According to Schmidt, the cuts will force Washington to implement energy conservation measures.

IEA Energy Independence

As for Canada, the IEA-directed cutbacks are being used to set up national oil reserves—part of the IEA's plan to bring all oil in the advanced sector under its control. An energy writer for the major Canadian daily the Toronto Globe and Mail told IPS this week that "These cutbacks will give us [Canada] the reserves we need under the IEP [i.e., IEA] agreement."

Over the past week, the Canadian government has taken steps to set up the apparatus which would control the country's energy supplies for the IEA. Legislation is pending in Parliament to establish a National Petroleum Company, while the provincial governments of Ontario and Alberta have set up energy boards. On Dec. 6 Canadian Energy Minister Macdonald announced that the federal government will invest in the Athabasca Tar Sands energy development-slave-labor camp. Macdonald's announcement came after the Atlantic Richfield Company revealed it was withdrawing from the Tar Sands. Ontario, Quebec, and Alberta are also considering investing in the project.

These boards and investments proved an efficient, coordinated mechanism for implementing energy austerity programs and funnelling Arab petrodollars into such projects as Athabasca. As an energy consultant to the Canadian embassy in Washington, D.C. told IPS: "The federal government is setting up a petroleum company for joint ventures and risk sharing. 'The government will be implementing national and international [i.e., IEA] energy objectives in concert with the oil companies."





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