

## SADAT STAGES RIOTS IN CAIRO OVER BREZHNEV SNUB

Jan. 2 (IPS)--Thousands of angry industrial workers, joined by students, rampaged through downtown Cairo yesterday to protest the miserable living conditions in Egypt. Shouting "Hegazi, your era is like the Nazis," according to Western press accounts, the protesters broke windows and overturned cars and buses, amid indications of a possible "Nasserist resurgence." The reference to Egyptian Prime Minister Hegazi is ironic, since President Sadat himself is a former Nazi collaborator.

The riot followed immediately upon Soviet Party chief Leonid Brezhnev's abrupt cancellation of his scheduled Cairo visit. Brezhnev's snub to Egypt has dealt a powerful body blow to Sadat's credibility and prestige, kicking the underpinning out from beneath Sadat's fascist regime. The Soviets are indicating their unwillingness to lend further support to Sadat's brand of pro-American "Arab nationalism."

Clearly, given the absence of any form of mass organization in Egypt, the Cairo riots were staged by the Sadat regime--probably to provide a pretext for a government reorganization, under Sadat's guidance, in order to change Egypt's direction. An increasing American presence in Cairo and a shift by Sadat toward closer collaboration with King Faisal are likely, as the Rockefellers desperately attempt to consolidate in order to counter a possible Soviet political offensive.

Brezhnev's action has put Rockefeller and his CIA on the defensive and undermined the stability of Sadat's rule--perhaps fatally. Given the Rockefeller faction's inability to get planned slave-labor development projects off the ground in Egypt and elsewhere, rising worker and student discontent in Egypt cannot be contained forever by government-organized anarchist explosions. The CIA may be forced to pull its rug out from under Sadat.

## IRANIAN SPOKESMAN ADMITS CIA SHAH'S VULNERABILITY

NEW YORK, N.Y., Jan. 2 (IPS)--The vulnerability of the CIA-run kingdom of Iran was today confirmed by a political spokesman for the Iranian government in an interview with IPS. Commenting on the problems of political cohesion within his country, the spokesman emphasized the complete dependence of Iran upon Rockefeller's development schemes: "A leftist movement in Iran is impossible. The country is gripped with the fever of economic development. There are gigantic development projects in which everyone has an interest and something in his pocket."

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