

Although the official Rockefeller line claims that Mideast industrial projects, intended relocation sites for workers from the advanced sector, are proceeding apace, in fact the Rockefeller cabal has failed completely to get the development strategy moving. The Iranian spokesman's hysterical insistence that this complete breakdown "does not trouble us" is wishful thinking.

The Rockefellers and their allies have carefully nurtured the illusion of a mighty Iran--a new Persian empire--in recent weeks as the cornerstone of their policy of consolidating a Mideast-wide anti-communist bloc. This consolidation is necessary if Rockefeller hopes to outflank the Soviets in the wake of Brezhnev's cancellation of his visit to Cairo and Soviet unwillingness to get trapped in an Arab-Israeli war scenario. The shaky foundations upon which the Mideast Rockefeller "empire" is erected give the Soviets increasing maneuverability to undermine Rockefeller's Mideast structure.

TRILATERAL'S DIE ZEIT PUSHING AMENDOLA IN CP FACTION FIGHT

WIESBADEN, West Germany, Jan. 2 (IPS)--The Trilateral Commission's leading West German mouthpiece Die Zeit--whose editor Theo Sommer is on the Trilateral Commission--today acknowledged the world Communist Parties' left turn. Die Zeit is cheering the polycentrist anti-Soviet line of CIA infiltrator Giorgio Amendola, planted in the politburo of the Italian Communist Party (PCI).

Resurrecting Amendola's mentor Togliatti (a pro-U.S. operative in the PCI during and after World War II), Die Zeit reports optimistically in an article entitled "Moscow Struggles for Europe" that the Togliatti thesis of "autonomy of the Communist Parties in the movement" is being put through by the Communist Parties of Hungary, Albania, and the Netherlands. The Trilateral Commission is overzealous in giving its agents support, however. Die Zeit also claims that France, Italy, Spain, and Portugal are following Amendola's "national roads to socialism." As readers of IPS know, the French Communist Party has been at the head of the anti-Amendola faction, and Italian workers ask European Labor Committee members, "Hasn't he [Amendola] been kicked out yet?"

Despite lying attempts to portray the Communist Party factional struggle as resolved in favor of the Trilateral, Die Zeit reveals its anxiety: "Previously, Moscow treated the criticisms of the powerless Western parties arrogantly." Moscow's hegemony has not collapsed, despite Trilateral efforts. Die Zeit muses: "No one knows who will win, those who want to flatter the Western parties, or the volcanic ideology of [Soviet hardliner] Ponomarev."