

## THE NEWS IN BRIEF

### ROCKEFELLER PUSHES TOWARD NUCLEAR CONFRONTATION AND SOVIET COUNTERATTACK

#### NORTH VIET MINISTER MEETS WITH SOVIETS FOR RECONSTRUCTION AID

May 12 (IPS) -- The Foreign Minister of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) Duy Trinh met with Mikhail Suslov, a ranking Secretary of the Soviet Communist Party Central Committee, and other top-level Soviet leaders in Moscow to discuss plans for expanded reconstruction efforts in South Vietnam and an eventual reunification of North and South Vietnam. Special delegations from Hanoi and Saigon are expected in Moscow shortly to concretize and expand Soviet aid commitments.

#### USSR BAILS NORTH KOREA OUT OF BAD DEBT SITUATION

May 12 (IPS) -- The Soviet Union has intervened to pay some of the debts to European export firms and banks which North Korea was unable to meet, according to the West German financial newspaper Handelsblatt. Because North Korea defaulted on certain export loans from firms in West Germany, France and Britain, the Hermes Credit Insurance Corporation had refused to issue licenses for further export financing.

#### YUGOSLAVS FEAR CIA-USTACI UPSURGE

WIESBADEN, BRD, May 12 (IPS) -- Sources in West German parliamentary circles and close to NATO reported yesterday that members of the ruling League of Communists in Yugoslavia have recently expressed concern over what they termed an upsurge of Ustaci terrorist activity emanating from West Germany. The Ustaci, a Croatian fascist organization active on four continents, have repeatedly attacked Yugoslav government offices abroad and attempted to infiltrate Yugoslavia to commit terrorist acts.

#### SWEDISH PRESS CONFIRMS NATO PLANS TO INVADE YUGOSLAVIA

STOCKHOLM, May 12 (IPS) -- Military writer for the conservative Swedish daily Svenska Dagbladet, Johan Tunberger, yesterday confirmed existing NATO plans to invade Yugoslavia. In an article detailing Yugoslav capability ostensibly geared to repel a potential Soviet invasion, Tunberger corroborates the report of a West German institute to this news agency three days ago: "The unique thing about Yugoslavia," Tunberger writes, "seems to me to be that one...already in peace prepares for a last defense-line type national liberation war."

## FINNISH CRISIS MOOTED BY INTERNATIONAL PRESS

STOCKHOLM, May 12 (IPS) -- The imminent possibility of NATO-directed destabilization attempts in Finland was signaled in press here and in the New York Times yesterday. Echoing last week's press mootings over what might happen in Yugoslavia should Tito die, the leading liberal Stockholm daily, Dagens Nyheter, yesterday abruptly speculated on Finnish President Kekkonen's death. Noting that the longtime, popular Finnish President guarantees good relations with the Soviet Union, Dagens Nyheter suddenly introduces the possibility of Kekkonen's death: "DeGaulle had a successor. Kekkonen has none."

## KANAPA BLASTS GISCARD'S NUCLEAR POLICY

PARIS, May 13 (IPS) -- Jean Kanapa, French Communist Party (PCF) Central Committee member in charge of International Relations, strongly attacked the French government's nuclear brinkmanship policy in an editorial yesterday in the PCF daily L'Humanite. Kanapa blasted French President Giscard D'Estaing's present move to "set up as rapidly as possible a Western European military bloc equipped with the French nuclear arms" for a "nuclear holy alliance against socialism, against the communist movement." Kanapa concluded his attack with a PCF call for a massive mobilization rally against the nuclear threat.

## TENG VISITS FRENCH NUCLEAR SITES

PARIS, May 13 (IPS) -- The agenda of Chinese Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-Ping's trip in France includes a visit to the Marcoule Nuclear Center where the Phoenix fast breeder nuclear fission reactor is located. Marcoule is located near the Plateau D'Albion military base where 18 French long-range nuclear missiles are stationed.

## TENG IN PARIS TO ASK FOR EUROPE-CHINA SECURITY PACT AGAINST SOVIETS

May 13 (IPS) -- The Chinese are seeking to negotiate a Europe-China security pact, according to reports yesterday in the London Daily Express on the arrival in Paris of Chinese Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-Ping. "Teng will attempt to persuade the French that there could be a strong basis of understanding on political, economic, and military grounds," wrote Express correspondent Michael Brown. Apparently, Teng hopes that the French will take the message to the rest of the European Common Market countries.

## WEST GERMAN PRESS BLACKS OUT SOVIET PROCLAMATION; CRITICIZES ADVOCATES OF DETENTE

WIESBADEN, BRD, May 13 (IPS) -- Blacking out the recent Soviet proclamation of a clear choice between thermonuclear annihilation or world economic development, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung carried an indirect response to the proclamation in a lead editorial today. The Allgemeine, West Germany's most prestigious daily, castigates the gullibility of advocates of detente, citing

James Reston of the New York Times as one of the sensible skeptics. The editorial denies the danger of war but insists that the Soviets are out to achieve "political restructuring" in Western Europe and to gain the region's "economic resources" by exploiting the belief that an unfavorable agreement with the USSR is better than none.

#### WASHINGTON POST COLUMNISTS URGE COLD WAR STANCE IN ASIA

May 14 (IPS) -- Alongside a soft editorial in today's Washington Post, urging caution on the use of force in Cambodia, columnists Kenneth Crawford and David Broder outline a return to cold war confrontation as the lesson of Vietnam. Crawford attacks growing anti-war sentiment in the U.S. as "the complacent acceptance of communism as an unobjectionable alternative to democracy."

#### TERROR ACTIVITIES STEPPED UP IN TIME FOR ISRAELI INDEPENDENCE DAY

May 14 (IPS) -- Press reports of guerrilla terror activities and Israeli countermoves have stepped up in conjunction with the Israeli independence anniversary tomorrow. The New York Times today reports that guerrilla outposts on the Lebanese-Israeli borders are increasing and that it is "assumed" that there will be a "major operation" of guerrilla activity tomorrow to mark Israel's anniversary. The Times luridly links such activity to the brutal Maalot massacre at this time last year.

#### JAPANESE MILITARY HEAD VISITS FRANCE; STEPPED-UP NUCLEAR PUSH IMPLIED

May 14 (IPS) -- Coinciding with wide discussion within Japanese political circles of the introduction of nuclear weapons into Japan, the Chief of the Joint Staff Council of the Japanese Self Defense Force, General Shirakawa, arrived in Paris this week for a visit with his French counterparts. According to the May 10 Asahi, Shirakawa will meet with French Defense Minister Yvon Bouages, a major advocate of closer ties between France's "independent" military and NATO-allied West Germany.

#### OPPOSITION PARTIES BOYCOTT JAPAN DIET IN FIGHT AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS

May 14 (IPS) -- The Socialist Party, Communist Party, and the Buddhist Komeito Party have forced a suspension of the Japanese Diet (parliament) proceedings over the issues of introducing nuclear weapons into Japan and remilitarization. The opposition parties' boycott of the Diet was precipitated by the attendance of Justice Minister Osamu Inaba at a fascist rally advocating revision of the Japanese constitution to allow militarization. The Inaba incident occurred in the context of moves by Rockefeller agents in the ruling Liberal Democratic Party to force the introduction of U.S. nuclear weapons into Japan.

#### WARSAW PACT MIGHT "UNMISTAKEABLY" COMMITTED TO EAST BLOC DEFENSE

May 14 (IPS) -- Speaking two days ago in Berlin, East German Defense Minister Heinz Hoffmann stressed that the Warsaw Pact, as a military alliance of the socialist states, is committed to defending the socialist camp and preventing nuclear war. Referring to the formation of the Warsaw Pact in response to West Germany's membership in NATO, Hoffmann stated, "In order to call a halt to the danger of a new, and this time probably nuclear world war, joint and unified reaction--unmistakeable resoluteness--is necessary to reliably secure the socialist order and peace in Europe, both through coordinated foreign political measures and through the unambiguous and effective unification of military efforts and armed forces."

#### TENG SEES NUCLEAR WAR IMMINENT; CHINESE WILL NOT DEFUSE CAMBODIAN CRISIS

May 14 (IPS) -- Chinese Deputy Prime Minister Teng Hsiao-Ping, in the presence of French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, warned Europe that immediate preparations must be made for an imminent world war, according to UPI reports today. Teng, who is presently visiting Paris, accused the "two superpowers," the United States and the Soviet Union, of sparking off a new global conflict in their fight for world hegemony. In the same vein, Teng clearly indicated that the Soviet Union, not the U.S., is the principal enemy and that "Western Europe must reinforce her defenses and bring about political cohesion to fight off this (Soviet) threat."

#### ROCKEFELLER, SCHLESINGER CALL IN "WHIZ KIDS" FOR CONSULTATIONS ON BRINKSMANSHIP

NEW YORK, May 14 (IPS) -- Rockefeller's military strategic planners are calling in their think-tank whiz-kids on strategic policy and the Soviet bloc for consultations around their push for confrontation with the Soviet Union. Today, IPS learned that RAND strategic military and Soviet expert Thomas Wolfe is meeting with Pentagon officials allied with RAND robot, Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger. Also today, Marshall Shulman, associate of Trilateral Commission head Zbigniew Brezinski, and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations along with David Rockefeller, is meeting at Stanford's Arlington, Va. Strategic Studies Center to discuss tactical nuclear weapons with Stanford Research Institute (SRI) specialists. Schulman is meeting with Richard Foster, SRI's liason to tactical nuclear weapons expert Winifred Joshua of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA).

#### GOALS OF WARSAW PACT SAME OF THOSE OF KARL MARX'S IWMA

May 15 (IPS) -- East German Defense Minister Heinz Hoffmann yesterday identified the historic predecessor of the Warsaw Pact as the International Workingmen's Association. Writing in the Party daily, Neues Deutschland, Hoffmann cited a statement made by Karl Marx in 1870 on the eve of the Franco-Prussian War: "The alliance of the

workers of all countries will finally eliminate war." Hoffmann then asserted that the armed forces of the Warsaw Pact countries are making a significant contribution to the attainment of that same goal. The activity of the Warsaw Pact in restraining imperialism "has favored the advance of the worldwide revolutionary process far beyond the borders of the community of socialist states of Europe," he said.

#### FRENCH COMMUNISTS ESCALATE FIGHT AGAINST NUCLEAR PROVOCATIONS

May 15 (IPS) -- The French Communist Party (PCF) succeeded yesterday in halting all parliamentary proceedings for two hours in protest against the Giscard government's policy of nuclear provocation against the Soviet bloc. At least four Gaullist deputies in the assembly openly aligned themselves with the communists on this issue.

Communist Party General Secretary Georges Marchais later held a press conference attended by 200 journalists in which he revealed that there is a secret agreement between West Germany and China to bring together a new European Defense Community with France. Kanapa and the PCF had previously charged that such an arrangement was designed to equip West Germany with French tactical nuclear weapons and had demanded a halt to the policy.

#### YUGOSLAV DEFENSE MINISTER DEBUNKS ROCKEFELLER LIE ABOUT SOVIET-YUGOSLAV SPLIT

NEW YORK, May 15 (IPS) -- Cooperation between the USSR and Yugoslavia is deepening on all fronts, "including the military front," according to Yugoslav Defense Minister Nikola Ljubicic. The statement came in a guest article that appeared in the Soviet party daily Pravda on May 13.

Ljubicic, who is also a member of the top leadership of the League of Communists of Yugoslavia, stressed the role of the Soviet Union in spurring the Yugoslavs' own liberation struggle. Writing that Hitler's attack on the USSR in 1941 was "the signal to Yugoslav communists to speed up their uprising," Ljubicic describes the war efforts of the two countries as a single fight against the common class enemy.

#### SOVIETS CALL TO STOP "CRIMINAL PLANS OF AGGRESSION"

May 16 (IPS) -- The Soviet Union has issued its most precise call to date on the necessity to stop Rockefeller's plans for nuclear war. A front page editorial in the government daily Izvestia of May 13, assessed the dangers of the present world situation in urgent and unmistakable terms:

"While demonstrating our love of peace...we have not forgotten that there are in the world opponents who are nurturing criminal plans of aggression; they oppose the ban of nuclear missile arms and a limitation of the arms race; they are trying to stop the lawful course of the historical process. The Communist Party calls on

all Soviet people and all peoples of the world to be on their guard and to expose the intrigues of reaction and frustrate their criminal plans." (emphasis added)

#### SOVIET STRATEGIC ROCKET TROOPS STEELED FOR MAD

May 16 (IPS) -- Writing in the official Soviet military daily, "Red Star," V. Mitropov, First Deputy Chief of the Political Administration of the Strategic Rocket Forces (SRF), states that the "rocket troops are always on a war footing....thanks to that, our nuclear arms can immediately be used to deliver a crushing blow to any aggressor."

#### KISSINGER "ABRASIVE" PROVOCATION CONFIRMED

NEW YORK, May 16 (IPS) -- With the stage set for imminent outbreak of war in the Middle East, Henry Kissinger leaves Sunday for Vienna meetings May 19 and 20 with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko. Confirming the U.S. Labor Party insistence that outbreak of war in the Middle East is being planned for a thermonuclear confrontation with the Soviet Union, the State Department yesterday admitted that two major topics for the "abrasive diplomacy" meetings with Gromyko will be the Middle East and nuclear weapons.

#### ANTI-GISCARD VOTE "WITHOUT PRECEDENT"

May 16 (IPS) -- Commenting on the nearly unanimous opposition in Parliament to French President Giscard d'Estang's decision to abolish all future celebration of the anniversary of the Allies' May 8, 1945 Victory over Nazism, Le Monde's internal French politics specialist Raymond Barrilow remarks that the majority's refusal to support the President "is without precedent in the history of the Fifth Republic" founded by General De Gaulle. This appraisal is corroborated by the numerous objections to Giscard's decision emanating from all corners of the French Parliamentary majority, reprinted today in Le Monde.

#### COMMUNISTS UNITE IN CONDEMNATION OF FRENCH-GERMAN MILITARY COLLABORATION

WIESBADEN, WEST GERMANY, May 16 (IPS) -- Radio Prague today featured a statement by West German Communist Party (DKP) Vice-Chairman Hermann Gautier, condemning a secret nuclear agreement reached by the French and West German governments. According to international law, West Germany is forbidden to have any control over nuclear weapons. Gattier's condemnation follows upon a similar statement by French Communist Party (PCF) General Secretary Marchais.

#### SOCIALISTS RESIGN FROM CIA-CONTROLLED FRENCH SOCIALIST PARTY, JOIN COMMUNIST PARTY

May 16 (IPS) -- In what may become a new trend in France, M. Destrem, a member of the French Socialist Party's National Steering Committee, has announced his resignation from the SP and his official

request for membership in the French Communist Party (PCF). The PCF has waged a vigorous campaign against the SP since last fall, denouncing the latter's strict adherence to Rockefeller-dictated austerity.

#### SWEDISH PAPER CONNECTS CIA TO TERRORISM

STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN, May 16 (IPS) -- The leading liberal daily in Sweden, Dagens Nyheter, has connected CIA and West German counterpart, BND, to the infiltration of anarchist terrorist groups, specifically the Baader-Meinhoff "Red Army Group." The article, appearing in yesterday's edition by German correspondent Gunter Wallraff, analyzes the situation of such anarchist groups which "creates unique conditions for provocateurs, contact men, secret intelligence agencies...such as the CIA and their German compatriots in the BND--possibilities for setting up "hot" situations...encouraging aimless bomb murders."

#### WEST GERMAN PARLIAMENTARIANS FORCED INTO REESIAN CHOICE

WIESBADEN, WEST GERMANY, May 16 (IPS) -- Anti-Schlesinger parliamentarians in the West German Bundestag listened silently yesterday to speeches, delivered by spokesmen from every party, in defense of the "Atlantic Alliance." The presentations carefully gave the impression that resistance to Schlesinger's policy of nuclear confrontation was useless. Any criticism of the U.S. in this period constitutes a threat to Atlantic security.

#### CIA THREATENS TO USE MUSTARD GAS AGAINST W. GERMAN PARLIAMENT

May 16 (IPS) -- A West German government spokesman has announced that a number of flasks of mustard gas have been discovered missing from a military supply depot in Northern Germany, according to a report on WINS Radio in New York. The spokesman said that the government suspects that the gas was removed by terrorists who intend to use it against the West German Parliament.

Yesterday, the West German Parliament was subjected to an intense series of arm-twisting maneuvers in order to iradicate all resistance to Rockefeller's drive for a nuclear confrontation with the Soviet Union.

#### JAPANESE CORPORATIONS INCREASE TRADE WITH EAST BLOC

May 16 (IPS) -- The May 5 issue of Asahi reports that Marubeni, a major Japanese firm, has signed an agreement with the Bulgarian Ministry of Light Industry in that country. The Marubeni agreement comes at a time when growing numbers of Japanese businesses are rushing to increase economic cooperation with East bloc countries. Nissho-Iwai, a major Japanese metal firm, recently entered a cooperation agreement with Rumania to develop the Rumanian metal industry, while Sekisui Chemical has agreed to help modernize Rumania's chemical production.

#### KISSINGER: WE WON'T BE PUSHED AROUND

May 17 (IPS) -- At a State Department press conference yesterday, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger stated that the administration's illegal Mayaguez provocation "ought to make clear that there are limits beyond which the United States cannot be pushed, and that the United States is prepared to defend those interests, and that it can get public support and congressional support for those actions." This merely confirms that the Mayaguez incident was fabricated to test how far Congress could be pushed in preparation for future provocations involving crucial Soviet strategic interests.

#### U.S.-JAPANESE SECURITY TREATY VIOLATION A PRECEDENT FOR NUCLEAR COMPLICITY

May 17 (IPS) -- The airlifting of 1100 U.S. marines from Okinawa, Japan to engage in the Mayaguez provocation off the Cambodian coast this week constituted a blatant violation of the U.S.-Japan security treaty. The New York Times and Washington Post report that there were no formal consultations between Tokyo and U.S. officials, nor was Japanese permission sought about the move. Under the treaty, the U.S. government must abide by "prior consultation" before military combat operations may be undertaken from bases on Japanese territory. The Japanese were informed afterwards.

#### SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO ATTACKS SECRETARY KISSINGER

May 15 (IPS) -- Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko yesterday departed from the prepared text of his speech on the anniversary of the formation of the Warsaw Pact, and personally criticized U.S. Secretary of State Kissinger, according to a UPI story from Moscow. Gromyko accused Kissinger of being two-faced -- nourishing contradictory policies of detente on the one hand and increased military spending on the other.

#### NATO "MANEUVERS" OFF PORTUGAL SCHEDULED FOR LATE MAY

May 17 (IPS) -- Today's issue of both the Washington Post and the East German Communist Party press, Neues Deutschland, report that NATO ships will be staging naval maneuvers off the coast of Portugal from May 26 to 28. This coincides with a NATO summit meeting scheduled for the end of this month in Brussels. A NATO spokesman mentioned that the crews taking part will be given "shore leave" for several days, despite the uproar which occurred in late February when NATO troops landed in Lisbon during similar maneuvers.

#### SULZBERGER DEMANDS END TO DEMOCRACY, NUCLEAR WAR

May 18 (IPS) -- In a hard-line fascist editorial statement today, C. L. Sulzberger of the New York Times called for "decisive leadership" in the United States which would ignore "the vagaries of mass opinion and the convenience of politicians,"



and move toward nuclear war. Sulzberger quotes unnamed foreign "pro-Americans" to support his demands on both counts, openly fearing bourgeois factionalization against Rockefeller. "American resolution and clarity of vision" must "come out with clear-cut support for the European community," which, he warns, "falters down a road toward Finlandization." The critical question posed by "continental observers," he writes, is to wonder "if America was ready to risk destruction of New York and Washington if Soviet land forces occupied Lubeck (Germany)."

#### BUNDESWEHR GENERALS FACE PURGE - WON'T DIE FOR ROCKEFELLER

WIESBADEN, May 18 (IPS) -- West German Defense Minister and ranking Second International agent Georg Leber plans to sack 82 leading Bundeswehr generals in the next year, according to the West German weekly Bild am Sonntag. Controversies between Leber and the generals under him over Rockefeller's plans for nuclear brinkmanship have reached such heights that people describe the relationship between Leber and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Inspector Admiral Armin Zimmerman, as that of "divorced people." According to Bild am Sonntag, the Defense Ministry is not trying to cover up the outright political nature of the purge, but is openly saying that the reasons for the generals' purge are "the attainment of the age limit, political and factual controversies, and the federal elections of 1976." Leber fears that Bundeswehr commanders told to die for Rockefeller wouldn't, and is telling his generals to drop their opposition to Schlesinger's "limited nuclear war" doctrine or be dismissed.

#### CZECH OFFICER HAILS SOLIDARITY WITH TITO

May 18 (IPS) -- On May 1, Czechoslovak General Vlaclav Horacek, who heads political work in Czechoslovakia's Army, contributed a guest article to the Yugoslav military paper Narodna Armija, which stressed that Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia together have "an important place in the defense of socialist society." Horacek quoted Yugoslav President Josip Broz Tito from October 1973, during the Mideast war, when Tito said: "Formally, we are not in the Warsaw Pact, but if the cause of socialism and communism is at stake, we well know where our place is. We want you never to doubt where we stand. Our aims are common with yours and with the Soviet Union's."

#### ALSO INSANE: CLAIMS SOVIETS WILL BACK DOWN

May 18 (IPS) -- In today's Baltimore Sun, Rockefeller cabal mouthpiece Joseph Alsop asks readers to ponder: "Can you have another Hitler-time without a Hitler," charging the Soviets with being fascist aggressors. He then proposes a U.S. nuclear confrontation with the Soviet Union.

According to Alsop, "the signs are plain that the United States now suffers from the kind of moral disarmament that finally ended the long careers of Britain and France as great powers of the world." Pointing to the Middle East and North and South Korea, Alsop warns that the Soviets "probe with bayonets any situation that looks mushy, withdrawing only if met with steel." He concludes that the U.S. must continue in the tradition of "military superiority and the will to use it" exemplified in the Cuban missile crisis.

Alsop argues that the dangers today are not so clear as in the 1930's because the Soviet leadership doesn't possess "Hitler-like" qualities. Alsop insanely believes with his Rockefeller employers that the Soviets will back down from nuclear war, or agree to only a "limited exchange."

#### KRAFT ASSAULTS CONGRESSIONAL SANITY

May 18 (IPS) -- In the Washington Post today, Joseph Kraft comes out squarely in defense of the administration on the exposed Mayaguez affair. Attributing "rationality" to Schlesinger and "responsibility" to Ford in the management of this Rockefeller-ordered fraud, Kraft's column is an incredible assault on congressional sense of reality.

Kraft says that such situations abound and that "a measure of discretion has to be left to the executive authorities. Congressional wisdom lies in not trying to anticipate what cannot be anticipated."

#### PCI SOWS CONFUSION, DEMANDS FASCISM

ROME, May 18 (IPS) -- Unita, daily newspaper of the Italian Communist Party (PCI), sowed confusion and terror among the working class yesterday by blaming yesterday's riot in Naples on the ruling Christian Democratic Party (DC) and calling for fascist government re-organization. Naples, one of the most depressed and disease-ridden cities of southern Italy was the scene of a police-provoked riot of unemployed outside the city hall.

Unita, however, blames the incident on the inability of the central government (DC) to rule. Enrico Berlinguer, CIA Secretary General of the PCI, called for the regionalization of governing powers for "moral and economic development" - in effect, fascist "community control."

#### SOVIET UNION PROVIDES LARGE-SCALE RECONSTRUCTION AID TO VIETNAM

May 18 (IPS) -- The Soviet Union will be shortly dispatching a special team to survey Vietnam's immediate economic needs and long-range plans for reconstruction, according to a report in

today's Baltimore Sun. Soviet aid to Vietnam has been entirely blacked out by the New York Times and Washington Post. The Soviet Union has been sending a continually growing flow of aid shipments since the liberation of Ho Chi Minh City - Saigon - two and a half weeks ago.

#### LA STAMPA DEMANDS "EUROPEAN DEFENSE COMMUNITY" FOR NUCLEAR WAR

May 18 (IPS) -- Gianni Agnelli's La Stampa newspaper published an article today by the Vice-Director of the CIA's Italian Institute for International Affairs, Stefano Silvestri, who declares that possession of nuclear weapons by France and England is useless unless an "independent" European defense bloc is formed. The Silvestri article, amid Rockefeller preparations for nuclear showdown with the Soviet Union, proposes readoption of the "independent Europe" fraud first developed in Bellagio, Italy last fall by Nelson Rockefeller's think-tank strategists.

The same fraud has recently emerged in talk of a "European Defense Community" by French President Giscard D'estaing and Second International agent Willy Brandt, an adaptation of the Bellagio line to nuclear war preparations.

#### LA STAMPA DEMANDS PCI BREAK WITH SOVIETS OR FACE NUCLEAR WAR

May 18 (IPS) -- La Stampa newspaper threatened today that if the Italian Communist Party does not openly break with the Soviet Union now, the result may be nuclear war. La Stampa's editors demanded PCI support for Chinese bureaucrat Teng Hsiao-Ping and public opposition to the all-European conference of Communist Parites, to weaken the Soviets. Otherwise, La Stampa says, Soviet strength might drive the U.S. to desperation, and result in "nuclear holocaust."