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I. INTERNATIONAL NEWS

SOVIETS CALL FOR GOLD-BASED MONETARY SYSTEM

AUG. 15 (IPS)--A SOVIET ECONOMIST WRITES THAT THE DOLLAR STANDARD HAS BECOME "A DISORGANIZING FACTOR IN THE WORLD ECONOMY," AND THAT THERE NOW EXISTS "AN OBJECTIVE NEED" FOR A GOLD-BASED MONETARY SYSTEM. IN THE CURRENT ISSUE OF THE WEEKLY EKONOMICHESKAYA GAZETA, SENIOR RESEACHER D. SMYSLOV OF THE SOVIET ACADEMY OF SCIENCE'S INSTITUTE OF THE WORLD ECONOMY AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, DISCUSSES THE INCOMPETENCE OF SUCH "FLOATING RATES" ADVOCATES AS MILTON FRIEDMAN. HE NOTES THE ASSOCIATION OF POLITICAL AND MONETARY COLLAPSE: "IN THE WORLD CAPITALIST ECONOMY, THERE IS NO SINGLE CENTER OF POLITICAL POWER AND ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT WHICH COULD EMPOWER PAPER MONEY."

MEXICO-COMECON ACCORD GREETED ENTHUSIASTICALLY BY MEXICAN FOREIGN MINISTER AND COMECON HEAD

MEXICO CITY, AUG. 15 (IPS)--MEXICAN FOREIGN RELATIONS MINISTER, EMILIO O. RABASA HIGHLIGHTED THE SIGNING OF A COOPERATION ACCORD WITH THE COMECON ON AUG. 13 AS "AN IMPORTANT EVENT OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION," INDICATING THAT "AS OF NOW THE COUNTRIES OF THE COMECON AND MEXICO WILL HAVE A CONCRETE INSTRUMENT THAT WILL ALLOW US TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES, TO STRENGTHEN FOREIGN TRADE AND TO ESTABLISH PROJECTS OF FINANCIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND AGROPECUARIAN COLLABORATION." RABASA'S OBSERVATIONS WERE RECORDED AT THE SIGNING OF THE ACCORD.

IN RESPONSE NIKOLAI FADEYEV, HEAD OF THE COMECON HAILED THE ACCORD AS "OPENING A NEW PAGE IN MUTUAL RELATIONS BETWEEN MEXICO AND THE COUNTRIES OF THE SOCIALIST COMMUNITY." FADEYEV ADDED THAT "IT OFFERS NEW HORIZONS FOR FOMENTING MULTILATERAL COOPERATION...IT IS WITHOUT A DOUBT ONE OF THOSE EXAMPLES THAT ILLUSTRATES THE PRACTICAL MATERIALIZATION OF THE NOBLE CLAUSES AND THE HIGH PRINCIPLES THT WERE REFLECTED IN THE FINAL DOCUMENT OF THE HELSINKI CONFERENCE."

NEWS AND STATEMENTS ABOUT THE COOPERATION ACCORD RECIEVED FRONT PAGE COVERAGE IN MOST OF THE MEXICAN PRESS.

PORTUGAL CALL DRAWS BROAD SUPPORT

AUG. 15 (IPS)--THE FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY (PCF) POLITBURO CALL TO THE INTERNATIONAL WORKING CLASS AND ITS ALLIES TO "STOP THE ARM

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OF THE ASSASSINS" IN PORTUGAL CONTINUES TO MOBILIZE SUPPORT FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THE OUTSTANDING EXAMPLES OF THOSE REPORTED IN TO TODAY'S PCF DAILY L'HUMANITE INCLUDE:

- A JOINT STATEMENT AGAINST THE ANTI-COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN IN PORTUGAL ISSUED BY THE SEINE MARITIME SECTIONS OF THE PCF, THE SOCIALIST PARTY, THE CGT (PCF-AFFILIATED TRADE UNION), THE CFTG (SP-AFFILIATED TRADE UNION), THE UNIFIED SOCIALIST PARTY (PSU), THE COMMUNIST YOUTH GROUP (JC), THE STUDENT UNION (UNEF) AND THE UNIVERSITY TEACHERS UNION (SNE-SUP).

- A SPECIAL APPEAL BY THE SNES NATIONAL TEACHERS UNION WHICH STATES: "IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO CONSIDER THAT THESE EVENTS ONLY CONCERN PORTUGAL. THE INSTALLATION OF FASCISM IN LISBON WOULD BE AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE MOST FEROCIOUSLY REACTIONARY FORCES OF THE WORLD."

- A DECLARATION ISSUED BY THE FRONT PROGRESSISTE (LEFT GAULLISTS) DENOUNCING THE ANTI-COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN AND ANNOUNCING THAT THEY ARE SENDING A DELEGATION TO PORTUGAL.

- A JOINT DECLARATION BY THE NANTERRE FACTORY SECTIONS OF THE PCF AND SOCIALIST PARTY WHICH CONTAINS AN EXPLICIT ATTACK OF PORTUGUESE SOCIALIST PARTY LEADER SOARES. THE DECLARATION CONDEMNS "ANTI-COMMUNISM OF ALL FORMS AND PHYSICAL VIOLENCE BECAUSE OF INSINUATIONS OF A SO-CALLED 'COMMUNIST DICTATORSHIP'."

- THE CALAIS REGION CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION CONDEMNED THE SILENCE OF THE FRENCH EPISCOPATE ON PORTUGUESE BISHOP DA SILVA'S WHIPPING UP ANTI-COMMUNIST VIOLENCE AS A "FORM OF COMPLICITY."

PCI, PSI CALL FOR "PLURALIST" PORTUGAL
WITH PSP GOVERNMENT

AUG. 15 (IPS)--A JOINT DECLARATION ON PORTUGAL ISSUED BY THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST AND SOCIALIST PARTIES STATES THAT THE PARTIES AGREE THAT THERE SHOULD BE A POLITICAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE PORTUGUESE "SOCIALISTS, COMMUNISTS AND THE MFA" FOUNDED ON THE "RECOGNITION OF THE POPULAR REPRESENTATION OF THE PARTIES AS IT EMERGED FROM THE VOTE FOR THE CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY." ACCORDING TO L'UNITA TODAY, THE STATEMENT ALSO CALLS FOR AN END TO ALL "REACTIONARY ATTACKS" AGAINST COMMUNIST PARTY OFFICES TO MAKE WAY FOR "THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SOCIETY...BASED ON POLITICAL PLURALISM AND ON NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE." THE PORTUGUESE SOCIALISTS WON AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY IN THE CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY IN RIGGED ELECTIONS LAST APRIL.

THE STATEMENT IS HIGHLY AT ODDS WITH A JOINT STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE PCI AND THE CPSU ON THE PORTUGUESE SITUATION LAST WEEKEND.

II. PORTUGUESE DEVELOPMENTS

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AMERICAN CIA AGENCY QUOTES PORTUGUESE CIA WEEKLY
MOOTING COUP D'ETAT

AUG. 15 (IPS)--THIS WEEK'S EXPRESSO, WEEKLY OF THE CIA-CONTROLLED RIGHT-WING SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN PORTUGAL, THE PPD, SAYS THAT "RUMORS ARE CIRCULATING OF A POSSIBLE COUP D'ETAT OF EITHER THE RIGHT OR LEFT, TO FORCE A CLARIFICATION OF THE SITUATION." THE EXPRESSO ARTICLE IS REPORTED BY UPI'S RESIDENT CHIMPANZEE IN LISBON, NAT "THE GIBBON" GIBSON.

MILITARY REORGANIZATION A PROVOCATION AGAINST CP?

AUG. 15 (IPS)--GEN. FABIAO, THE SPINOLA-LINKED CHIEF OF THE ARMY, IS PLANNING A RESTRUCTURING OF THE "FIFTH DIVISION OF THE GENERAL STAFF," THE PRO-COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA DIVISION OF THE PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES, ACCORDING TO YESTERDAY'S LISBON PAPER, O SEculo. FABIAO IS REPORTEDLY DISTURBED AT A 5TH DIVISION COMMUNIQUE CALLING FOR "EXEMPLARY CRITICISM" OF THE NINE OFFICERS FORMERLY ON THE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL (SUBSEQUENTLY REMOVED) WHO SIGNED THE RIGHT WING DOCUMENT OF MAJ. ANTUNES. FABIAO'S COMMENTS FOLLOW THE OUSTER OF THE 5TH DIVISION'S SECOND IN COMMAND, THE PRO-PCP LT. COL. VAROLA GOMES. O SEculo STATES THAT AN EXPLANATION IS CALLED FOR "ON THE MOTIVES OF OUSTING SUCH A QUALIFIED OFFICER."

ANTUNES MODIFIES HIS DOCUMENT
TO ATTRACT CARVALHO'S MAOISTS

AUG 15 (IPS)--MAJOR MELO ANTUNES, LEADER OF THE CIA'S RIGHT WING SPLIT-OFF FROM PORTUGAL'S ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT (MFA), IS MODIFYING HIS RECENTLY DRAFTED ANTI-COMMUNIST ORGANIZING DOCUMENT IN ORDER TO PLEASE THE FOLLOWERS OF THE CIA'S MAOIST GENERAL, OTELO SARAIVA DE CARVALHO. BOTH CIA LEADERS ARE UNITED IN SEEKING "A PINCER ATTACK" AGAINST THE COMMUNIST-BACKED PRIME MINISTER, GEN. VASCO GONCALVES, REPORTS TODAY'S BALTIMORE SUN.

III. LIMA CONFERENCE

MEXICAN COLUMNIST SAYS NON-ALIGNED WILL PROMOTE
MORATORIA ON WORLD BANK DEBT

AUG 15 (IPS)--FINANCIAL COLUMNIST CARLOS AVECILLA REPORTED YESTERDAY IN THE MEXICO CITY DAILY LA PRENSA THAT "THE MAJORITY OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES WILL PROMOTE A MORATORIA ON THEIR DEBT WITH THE WORLD BANK" AT THE UPCOMING LIMA CONFERENCE OF NON-ALIGNED NATIONS. AVECILLA NOTED THAT MANY COUNTRIES, INCLUDING ARGENTINA AND INDIA, ARE PRESENTLY MOVING TOWARDS CLOSER RELATIONS WITH THE COMECON COUNTRIES, AND THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS SEEKING TO BROADEN ITS TRADE WITH AFRICAN AND LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES. MORATORIA AND EXPANDED TRADE, AVECILLA CONCLUDED, "WILL BE DEALT WITH AT THE LIMA CONFERENCE."

MEXICAN JOURNALIST DENOUNCES ROCKEFELLER'S "ITALIAN
MIRACLE" AS A FRAUD

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MEXICO CITY, AUGUST 15 (IPS) — EL DIA COLUMNIST RUDOLFO PUIGGROS RIDICULES THE "ITALIAN MIRACLE...OF DAVID ROCKEFELLER" IN A COLUMN PUBLISHED AUGUST 11, AS "THE DEPTHS OF THE ITALIAN SOCIETY... INVERTED FROM THE HEIGHTS OF CHASE MANHATTAN BANK." AFTER LISTING THE ROCKEFELLER PRESS ORGANS WHICH HAVE JUMPED ON ITALY'S RECENT BALANCE OF PAYMENTS IMPROVEMENT AS EVIDENCE OF THE "MIRACLE" — INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE, TIME, NEWSWEEK, LE FIGARO — PUIGGROS REVEALS THE REALITY: UNEMPLOYMENT ABOVE 4 1/2 MILLION; INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION DOWN 9% IN A YEAR; EXPLOSIVE INFLATION. "THE RECESSION CONTINUES WITH THE SAME ACCELERATED PACE AS THE REST OF WESTERN EUROPE, WITH GREATER REACTION IN THE FORM OF STRIKES AND LABOR CONFLICTS AND THE DISINTEGRATION OF THE RULING PARTY."

IV. WEST GERMANY

DKP MOVES AGAINST MAOISTS, FASCISTS, IN BREMEN ELECTIONS

BREMEN, BRD , AUG. 15 (IPS) — THE WEST GERMAN COMMUNIST PARTY (DKP) HAS SUBMITTED A MOTION TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS HERE TO EXCLUDE THE NAZIS AND THE MAOISTS FROM THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS HERE, REPORTS THE WESER KURIER. THE DKP NOTED THAT THE NPD IS SIMPLY A CONTINUATION OF THE OLD NAZI PARTY, WHILE THE TWO MAOIST ORGANIZATIONS KBW AND KPD HAVE NO RIGHT TO CALL THEMSELVES "COMMUNIST PARTIES" IN THE ELECTIONS. THE DKP AND THE EAP (EUROPEAN LABOR PARTY, WHICH IS ALSO RUNNING ONE CANDIDATE IN THE ELECTIONS), HAVE BEEN HEAVILY HARASSED AND ASSAULTED BY THE MAOIST COUNTERGANGS.

G&S GOES BANKRUPT

AUG. 15 (IPS) — THE MAJOR WEST GERMAN CONSTRUCTION FIRM G&S HAS APPLIED FOR BANKRUPTCY. G&S HAS ENJOYED THE CREAM OF PUBLIC CONTRACTS IN BONN, INCLUDING THE NEW SUBWAY SYSTEM, PARK DEVELOPMENT AND A GOVERNMENT BUILDING COMPLEX. YESTERDAY'S JOURNAL OF COMMERCE, WHICH REPORTED THE BANKRUPTCY, DRAWS THE CONCLUSION THAT THE WEST GERMAN ECONOMY IS IN SUCH POOR CONDITION THAT NO AMOUNT OF GOVERNMENT PUMP-PRIMING CAN REMEDY THE COLLAPSE.

SPD MAYOR OF HAMBURG CALLS FOR A "CROSS PARTY BUSINESS FACTION"

WIESBADEN, BRD, AUG. 15 (IPS) — HANS ULRICH KLOSE, THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY MAYOR OF HAMBURG, TOLD THE WORKING-SOCIETY OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESSMEN AND THE LEAGUE OF YOUNG EMPLOYERS THAT "WE NEED A LARGE FACTION FOR THE ECONOMY CUTTING ACROSS THE PARTIES, AS A COUNTERWEIGHT TO THE LARGE FACTIONS OF EMPLOYEES AND PUBLIC SERVANTS," ACCORDING TO TODAY'S DIE WELT. KOSE, WHO IS A CLOSE POLITICAL FRIEND AND FOLLOWER OF WEST GERMANY'S SOCIAL FASCIST CHANCELLOR HELMUT SCHMIDT, ALSO DEMANDED THAT EMPLOYERS "GIVE UP THEIR ABSTINENCE IN POLITICS."

V. FINANCE

FED REPORTED READY TO BAIL OUT BIG MAC

AUG. 15 (IPS) — IN THE WAKE OF THE AGREEMENT BY 11 MAJOR NEW YORK CITY BANKS AND SEVEN INVESTMENT FIRMS TO EAT THE BULK OF THE \$275 MILLION ISSUE OF UNSALEABLE MUNICIPAL ASSISTANCE CORP. (MAC) BONDS TODAY, FEDERAL RESERVE CHAIRMAN ARTHUR BURNS HAS INDICATED THE FED STANDS READY TO PREVENT IMMINENT FUTURE CITY DEFAULT BY DIRECT FEDERAL PURCHASE OF CITY SECURITIES BY ITS DISTRICT BANKS OR A FEDERAL "BRIDGE LOAN." THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, ALONE IN COVERING THIS STORY, QUOTED ONE GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL AS SAYING BURNS "HAS BEEN IN TOUCH UP THERE — ON THE Q.T. — AND HAS SAID, "WE'RE HERE." A SPOKESMAN FOR BURNS AND ANOTHER FED OFFICIAL SAID THEY HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF SUCH AN ASSURANCE.

AT PRESENT, THERE ARE ABSOLUTELY NO POTENTIAL PRIVATE BUYERS FOR THE \$1.5 TO \$2 BILLION IN BONDS THAT MAC EXPECTS TO MARKET IN SEPTEMBER.

VI. CONTINENTAL

HEW TO CUT OFF WELFARE FOR STRIKERS' FAMILIES

AUG. 15 (IPS) — THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE IS CONSIDERING A PLAN TO END ITS PRESENT POLICY ENABLING THE FAMILIES OF STRIKING WORKERS TO RECEIVE WELFARE ALLOTMENTS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS. ON OR AFTER SEPT. 8, HEW CAN DENY SUCH PAYMENTS UNDER CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN PROGRAM, ACCORDING TO THE NEW YORK TIMES. THE AFDC PLAN DISALLOWS PAYMENTS TO FAMILIES BARRED FROM DRAWING UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION, AS IS THE CASE WITH STRIKERS IN ALL STATES EXCEPT NEW YORK AND RHODE ISLAND.

NEW YORK POST DEMANDS NEW DEAL

AUG. 15 (IPS) — THE NEW YORK POST TODAY COMMEMORATED THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT'S NEW DEAL SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAM WITH A LEAD EDITORIAL DEMANDING A NEW ROOSEVELTIAN LEADERSHIP FOR THE 1970S.

CITING THE PRECEDENT FOR NEW DEAL PROGRAMS, THE POST EDITORIALIZED "THE SOCIAL POLICIES OF BISMARCK—FRANKLY INTENDED TO FRUSTRATE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC ADVERSARIES—ARE NEEDED TODAY...IN A PERIOD OF MASSIVE UNEMPLOYMENT, RELENTLESS POVERTY AND ACUTE ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTY...AS THEY WERE IN 1935."

THE POST CHARGED THAT PRESENT GOVERNMENT LEADERS ARE "ASLEEP TO THIS REALITY" AND UNABLE TO TAKE "GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY."

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SEN. HRUSKA TO OFFER MODIFICATIONS TO S-1

AUG. 15 (IPS) -- SEN. ROMAN HRUSKA (R.-NEB.), A CHIEF SPONSOR OF THE NOTORIOUS S-1 CRIMINAL CODE BILL, PLANS TO OFFER SOME MODIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE LEGISLATION, WHICH HAS COME UNDER STRONG ATTACK FOR ITS SEVERE INTERFERENCE WITH CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. HRUSKA SAID THAT HIS AMENDMENTS WILL APPLY SPECIFICALLY TO THE MUCH-CRITICIZED SECTIONS PREVENTING "LEAKS" OF NATIONAL DEFENSE INFORMATION. "THE CHANGES RESPOND TO CRITICISMS THAT SOME LEAKS MAY BE MORE BENEFICIAL THAN HARMFUL" AND ARE DESIGNED TO SUPPRESS LEAKS ONLY WHERE SENSITIVE INFORMATION IS INVOLVED," HE SAID.

WEINBERGER JOINS BECHTEL

AUG. 15 (IPS) -- FORMER HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE SECRETARY CASPAR WEINBERGER HAS JOINED THE CIA-CONNECTED BECHTEL CORPORATION AS SPECIAL COUNSEL, VICE-PRESIDENT, AND DIRECTOR, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, ACCORDING TO A REUTER WIRE CARRIED IN TODAY'S BALTIMORE SUN. WEINBERGER RESIGNED HIS CABINET POST AUGUST 10.

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