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PRIORITIES

BEFORE COUP BANGLADESH WANTED COMECON ACCORD

AUG. 16 (IPS)—THE SOVIET CENTRAL COMMITTEE NEWSPAPER, SOCIALIST INDUSTRY WROTE AUG. 13 THAT BANGLADESH, ARGENTINA, AND SWEDEN ARE INTERESTED IN COOPERATION AGREEMENTS WITH THE COUNCIL ON MUTUAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE (COMECON), SIMILAR TO THE ONES SIGNED BY MEXICO AND IRAQ WITH COMECON. THIS SOVIET REPORT PRECEDED THE PRO-U.S. COUP IN BANGLADESH BY TWO DAYS.

PORTUGUESE TRADE UNION CONFEDERATION CALLS FOR GUNS TO STOP REACTION

AUG. 16 (IPS)—THE COMMUNIST LED TRADE UNION CONFEDERATION INTER-SINDICAL HAS DEMANDED ARMS FROM THE GOVERNMENT IN ORDER TO DEFEND THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY (PCP) HEADQUARTERS FROM FURTHER VIOLENT ATTACKS. "WE NEED ARMS TO STOP THE REACTIONARIES," SAID A COMMUNIST LEADER ON THE PORTUGUESE NATIONAL RADIO STATION, ACCORDING TO BOTH UPI AND CBS TODAY.

RURAL WORKERS WILLING TO DEFEND PORTUGUESE REVOLUTION WITH ARMS

AUG. 16 (IPS)—RURAL PORTUGUESE WORKERS IN THE SOUTHERN AREA OF THE COUNTRY HAVE DEMANDED TO TAKE UP ARMS TO DEFEND THE REVOLUTION. "THE PEOPLE OF THE ALENTAJO ARE READY TO DEFEND THE REVOLUTION EVEN WITH WEAPONS...TODAY," REPORTS THE AUG. 14 NEUES DEUTSCHLAND, NEWSPAPER OF THE EAST GERMAN COMMUNIST PARTY.

MASSIVE AUSTERITY PROGRAM UNVEILED IN ISRAEL

AUG. 16 (IPS)—THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT TREASURY'S ECONOMIC PLANNING AUTHORITY (EPA) WILL NEXT WEEK PRESENT "THE MOST SEVERE AUSTERITY PROGRAMME YET PUBLISHED IN ISRAEL" TO THE CABINET, THE AUG. 12 JERUSALEM POST REPORTS.

EPA DOCUMENTS ALLOW FOR "NO GROWTH WHATEVER IN PERSONAL CONSUMPTION UNTIL AND INCLUDING 1980," AT WHICH TIME THE NATIONAL DEBT WILL REACH \$10 BILLION, FROM ITS PRESENT \$6 BILLION A YEAR. BY 1977, THE EPA EXPECTS UNEMPLOYMENT TO HIT 70,000 PEOPLE, THE POST REPORTS.

CHINESE ATTACK SOVIET TRADE DEALS IN LATIN AMERICA

AUG. 16 (IPS)—NEW CHINA NEWS SERVICE, THE OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, ATTACKED INCREASED SOVIET ECONOMIC

AID AND TRADE OFFERS TO LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES AS A "LURE" FOR THEIR "SOCIAL-IMPERIALIST, HEGEMONIC PRACTICES". THE CHINESE STATEMENT CAME ONE DAY BEFORE THE SIGNING OF A FAR-REACHING AGREEMENT FOR TRADE AND ECONOMIC TIES BETWEEN MEXICO AND THE COMECON IN MOSCOW. IT COMES ONE WEEK BEFORE THE DEVELOPMENT-ORIENTED CONFERENCE OF THE NON-ALIGNED NATIONS IN LIMA, PERU. THE STORY WAS REPORTED YESTERDAY IN EL TIEMPO, A BOGOTA, COLOMBIA DAILY.

MICHIGAN LABOR PARTY CANDIDATE'S LIFE THREATENED

DETROIT, AUG. 16 (IPS)--U.S. LABOR PARTY SENATORIAL CANDIDATE PETER SIGNORELLI'S LIFE WAS THREATENED HERE YESTERDAY BY MEMBERS OF THE PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY (PLP). THE THREAT FOLLOWED THE CONVICTION OF PLP THUG WILLIAM GILBREATH FOR A PREVIOUS ASSAULT ON USLP MEMBERS.

DURING SIGNORELLI'S TESTIMONY AT GILBREATH'S TRIAL PL OBSERVERS CAREFULLY TOOK DOWN SIGNORELLI'S HOME ADDRESS AND AS HE WALKED OUT OF THE COURT ROOM, A PL THUG TOLD HIM "WE'RE GOING TO GET YOU, MOTHERFUCKER." POLICE HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF THE THREAT.

INTERNATIONAL PRESS WRAP-UP

CARVALHO AND ANTUNES "NOT SO FAR APART"

AUG. 16 (IPS)--ON SECOND READING, THE COPCON DOCUMENT OF PORTUGAL'S MAOIST SECURITY CHIEF CARVALHO WHICH CAME OUT LAST WEDNESDAY, IS REALLY "NOT SO FAR APART" FROM THE MANIFESTO OF SOCIALIST PARTY SYMPATHIZER ANTUNES, SAYS THE PORTUGUESE WEEKLY EXPRESSO, QUOTED IN TODAY'S FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG. THE PRO-PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY (PCP) FIFTH DIVISION ARMY UNIT HAS DENOUNCED THE CARVALHO DOCUMENT FOR ITS LACK OF CRITICISM OF THE RIGHTWING PARTIES. THE FIFTH DIVISION COMMUNIQUE NOTES THAT "GENERAL CARVALHO IS NOW SEEKING A CERTAIN UNDERSTANDING WITH THE GROUP OF OFFICERS AROUND ANTUNES," REPORTS TODAY'S NEUES DEUTSCHLAND, NEWSPAPER OF THE EAST GERMAN COMMUNIST PARTY.

PRO-PCP OFFICER VOLUNTEERS TO GO TO ANGOLA

AUG. 16 (IPS)--COL. VARELA GOMES, AN OFFICER CLOSE TO THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY RECENTLY OUSTED FROM HIS FIFTH DIVISION POST, HAS VOLUNTEERED TO GO TO ANGOLA. IT IS RUMORED THAT HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY OTHER FIFTH DIVISION OFFICERS, ACCORDING TO LE MONDE OF AUG. 17.

ANGOLAN REFUGEES JOIN THE PORTUGUESE LIBERATION ARMY

AUG. 16 (IPS)--RETURNING ANGOLAN REFUGEES ARE JOINING THE SPANISH-BASED COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY PORTUGUESE LIBERATION ARMY (PLA), ACCORDING TO THE BRITISH JOURNAL THE ECONOMIST. "WHEN A RETURNING WHITE (FROM ANGOLA) WAS ASKED WHAT HE WOULD DO WHEN HE GOT BACK TO PORTUGAL, HE REPLIED MATTER OF FACTLY THAT IF HE COULDN'T GET A JOB, HE WOULD JOIN UP WITH THE PLA -- THE UNDERGROUND FASCIST ARMY," THIS WEEK'S ECONOMIST REPORTS.

**W. GERMAN COMMUNISTS RESIST BLACKMAIL BY
SECOND INTERNATIONAL/MAOIST/RIGHTWING ALLIANCE**

AUG. 16 (IPS)--CURRENT SECOND INTERNATIONAL LED EFFORTS TO INTIMIDATE THE WEST GERMAN COMMUNIST PARTY (DKP) FROM JOINING THE CONTINENT-WIDE COMMUNIST MOBILIZATION ON BEHALF OF THE PORTUGUESE REVOLUTION AND WORLD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, RECEIVED A FORCEFUL COUNTER-PUNCH TODAY FROM MAX REIMANN, HONORARY CHAIRMAN OF THE DKP.

ADDRESSING "SWORD OF DAMOCLES" THREATS TO DECLARE THE PARTY ILLEGAL, REIMANN WROTE: "REACTIONARY CIRCLES IN OUR COUNTRY ARE FORMING ONE FRONT WITH THE POLITICAL PROVOCATEURS WHO ABUSE THE TRADITIONAL NAME KPD" -- THE NAME OF THE PRE-HITLER GERMAN COMMUNIST PARTY, NOW ADOPTED BY THE MAOISTS. BOTH THE OPENLY NEO-NAZI WING AND THE MAOIST WING "JUSTIFY THE CORDIAL RELATIONS BETWEEN PEKING AND THE FASCIST ASSASSINATION GANG IN CHILE...AND SPREAD POISON AGAINST THE REVOLUTIONARY FORCES IN PORTUGAL," REIMANN CHARGED.

REIMANN WAS A LEADER OF THE DKP DURING THE POSTWAR UNDERGROUND PERIOD BEFORE ITS LEGALITY WAS RESOTRED IN 1968. HE DECLINED TO REJOIN THE PARTY DURING THE 1969-71 PERIOD, WHEN IT WAS CONTROLLED BY POLYCENTRIST ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY AGENTS.

REIMANN'S STATEMENT APPEARED IN TODAY'S ISSUE OF THE DKP DAILY UNSERE ZEIT, WHICH ALSO CARRIED AN EAST GERMAN ATTACK AGAINST SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIRMAN WILLY BRANDT'S EFFORTS TO RESOTRE FASCISM TO PORTUGAL.

NAPLES POLICE BUST SANITATION STRIKE

AUG. 16 (IPS)--THE PREFECT OF THE CITY OF NAPLES ORDERED THE POLICE TO BREAK A DEMONSTRATION OF STRIKING SANITATION WORKERS IN THAT CITY AND THREATENED THE WORKERS WITH LEGAL ACTION SHOULD THEY REFUSE TO GO BACK TO WORK. POLICE WERE DEPLOYED TO ESCORT WORKERS ON THEIR GARBAGE COLLECTION ROUTES. THE DEMONSTRATION WAS THE LAST OF A SERIES OF JOB ACTIONS BY THE SANITATION WORKERS, WHO ARE DEMANDING THE PAYMENT OF THEIR JULY SALARIES FROM THE BANKRUPT CITY.

THE NEWS WAS REPORTED IN YESTERDAY'S ITALIAN DAILY, CORRIERE DELLA SERA.

**SYRIAN INFORMATION I MINISTER ADMITS "WATER SHORTAGE"
IN SYRIA IS A HOAX**

AUG. 16 (IPS)--SEVERAL DAYS AFTER PARADING SYRIAN PEASANTS IN FRONT OF PHOTOGRAPHERS TO CRY ABOUT AN ALLEGED "WATER SHORTAGE" IN THE VILLAGE OF ALEPPO CAUSED BY IRAQ, THE ASSAD REGIME IN SYRIA HAS NOW ADMITTED THERE IS NO DROUGHT IN SYRIA.

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH ASSOCIATED PRESS CARRIED IN THE AUG. 12 JERUSALEM POST, SYRIAN INFORMATION MINISTER AHMED ISKANDER ANNOUNCED, "AS YOU HAVE SEEN, THERE REALLY ISN'T A WATER PROBLEM IN ALEPPO...IT IS PART OF A POLITICAL GAME."

IN FACT, AP NOTES, SYRIA IS CONSIDERING FURTHER REDUCTIONS OF THE FLOW OF THE EUPHRATES RIVER TO IRAQ, THREE MILLION OF WHOSE PEASANTS HAVE BEEN DRIVEN TO NEAR-STARVATION BY PREVIOUS SUCH SABOTAGE. THESE REDUCTIONS WOULD SIGNIFY AN ABROGATION OF PREVIOUSLY SIGNED TREATIES, AP REMARKS.

"SYRIA'S LATEST PROPAGANDA OUTBURSTS AGAINST IRAQ APPEAR AIMED AT JUSTIFYING A WATER REDUCTION" AND HAVE BEEN COUPLED WITH MILITARY BUILDUPS AND "INTENSIVE SECURITY PRECAUTIONS," THE DISPATCH CONCLUDES.

UNCOLLECTED GARBAGE CAUSES LONDON FLOODS

AUG. 16 (IPS)—FLOODS, REACHING DEPTHS OF 4 FEET IN SOME SECTIONS OF NORTH LONDON LAST THURSDAY NIGHT, WERE PRIMARILY THE RESULT OF RUBBISH-CLOGGED DRAINS, ACCORDING TO YESTERDAY'S LONDON DAILY TELEGRAPH.

LAUNCH CAMPAIGN TO BRAINWASH BRITISH WORKERS

AUG. 16 (IPS)—BRITISH PRIME MINISTER HAROLD WILSON ANNOUNCED THE GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION TO LAUNCH A MAJOR BRAINWASHING CAMPAIGN AGAINST BRITISH WORKERS TO GET THEM TO ACCEPT "VOLUNTARY" WAGE INCREASE LIMITS — IN REALITY AMOUNTING TO CUTS IN LIVING STANDARDS OF 10-15 PERCENT.

ACCORDING TO THE LONDON TIMES, SPOKESMEN FOR THE NATIONAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN DESCRIBED IT AS A "DRIP, DRIP, DRIP" PROCESS DESIGNED TO REMIND PEOPLE ABOUT THE NATION'S ECONOMIC PLIGHT."

WASHINGTON POST REPORTER CALLS FOR INDIAN COUP

AUG. 16 (IPS)—WASHINGTON POST CORRESPONDENT LEWIS SIMONS, EXPELLED FROM INDIA LAST MONTH, TODAY CALLED ON THE INDIAN MILITARY TO FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE OF THE MILITARY COUP IN BANGLADESH.

FABRICATING THE STORY THAT INDIAN PRIME MINISTER INDIRA GANDHI "IS KNOWN TO BE WORRIED ABOUT ANTAGONISM WITHIN THE ARMY TO HER REFUSAL TO LEAVE OFFICE," SIMONS SUGGESTS THAT "A NUMBER" OF MRS. GANDHI'S OPPONENTS CAN LAUNCH MOVES TO OUST HER "IN SIX OR EIGHT MONTHS. MUJIB (ASSASSINATED PRESIDENT OF BANGLADESH) FELL SEVEN MONTHS AFTER HE TIGHTENED HIS GRIP."

BONN MAKES CONCESSION; SOVIETS DEAL FROM STRENGTH IN ECONOMIC NEGOTIATION

AUG. 16 (IPS)—THE WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT HAS ABANDONED ITS DEMAND THAT THE NUCLEAR POWER COMPLEX IT INTENDS TO BUILD IN THE SOVIET UNION MUST SUBMIT TO INSPECTION BY THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY

ASSOCIATION, A DIRECTLY ROCKEFELLER-CONTROLLED BODY.

THE DEMAND, PRESSED ON BONN BY THE U.S., BRITAIN, AND FRANCE, HAD STALLED NEGOTIATIONS OVER THE GIANT KALININGRAD PROJECT PREVIOUSLY.

FOR ITS PARTY, MOSCOW IS STICKING TO ITS PROPOSAL THAT WEST BERLIN RECEIVE ELECTRICAL POWER FROM THE GRID AS A BRANCH STATION, WITHOUT LINKS TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC.

THE AUG. 14 FINANCIAL TIMES REPORT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT WEST BERLIN CAN EASILY MEET ITS OWN POWER NEEDS AND IMPLIES THAT WEST GERMAN DEMAND FOR THE LINK HAS BEEN USED AS A POLITICAL CHIP, ONE WHICH THE SOVIETS ARE NOT ACCEPTING.

IZVESTIIA PUSHES 3RD WORLD SOCIALIST DEVELOPMENT

AUG. 16 (IPS)—THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT DAILY IZVESTIIA HAS EDITOR- IALLY HIGHLIGHTED THE PROSPECTS FOR THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO ADVANCE TOWARDS SOCIALISM THROUGH ECONOMIC COOPERATION WITH THE SOCIALIST BLOC. "THE POSSIBILITY FO A FULL OR PARTIAL AVOIDANCE OF THE CAPITALIST STAGE (OF DEVELOPMENT)...IS ESPECIALLY STRONG BECAUSE IN OUR DAY THERE EXISTS A POWERFUL COMMUNIST OF SOCIALIST STATES," IZVESTIIA COMMENTED AUG. 14.

IZVESTIIA REEMPHASIZED THE SOVIET POLICY OF ENCOURAGING GROWTH OF THE STATE SECTOR OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES' ECONOMIES AND FOSTERING INVESTMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT.

IRAQI MINISTER ATTACKS THE WESTERN PRESS

AUG. 16 (IPS)—ACCORDING TO MIDDLE EAST ECONOMIC DIGEST, THE IRAQI MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND MINERALS, TAHA AL-JAZRAWI ATTACKED SPECULATION PUBLISHED IN THE WESTERN PRESS LAST MONTH THAT IRAQ IS MOVING AWAY FROM THE SOVIET TRADE BLOC.

JAWRAWI SAID THAT IRAQ'S RELIANCE ON WESTERN FIRMS "MEANS SIMPLY THAT ITS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME HAS OUTGROWN THE CAPACITIES OF THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES." JAZRAWI STRESSED THAT SINCE JUNE IRAQ HAS STRENGTHENED ITS RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION BY INVITING SOVIET PARTICIPATION IN NO LESS THAN 15 MAJOR PROJECTS, INCLUDING TWO DAM AND IRRIGATION SCHEMES, AN IRON FACTORY, THREE GRAIN SILOS, AND EXTENSIONS TO EXISTING CEMENT AND POWER PLANTS.

IRAQ CALLS ACCORD WITH COMECON "A MODEL TO BE FOLLOWED"

AUG. 16 (IPS)—THE RECENTLY SIGNED AGREEMENTS BETWEEN IRAQ AND COMECON WILL BE "A MODEL TO BE FOLLOWED BY ALL ARAB AND OTHER DEVELOPING COUNTRIES," THE SEMI-OFFICIAL IRAQI DAILY, THE BAGHDAD OBSERVER REMARKED AUG. 7.

THE OBSERVER NOTED THAT THE COMMON ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL INTERESTS OF IRAQ AND THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES "HAVE MADE THE AGREEMENT REST ON A SOLID GROUND OF HARMONY" AND THAT "SUCH A PHENOMENON HAS NEVER BEEN WITNESSED IN THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE CAPITALIST AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, WHOSE INTERESTS AND POLITICAL CONCEPTS ARE IRRECONCILIABLY OPPOSED TO EACH OTHER."

EGYPT IS EXAMPLE OF INTENTIONAL CAPITALIST NON-DEVELOPMENT

AUG. 16 (IPS)—CAPITALIST REGIMES "CANNOT AGREE TO OFFER SERIOUS AID WHICH WOULD EFFECTIVELY CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES' ECONOMIES" AND "CANNOT AGREE TO A REAL, SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENT," BAGHDAD OBSERVER WRITER MUHSIN KAHLIL NOTED YESTERDAY.

KAHLIL CITED EGYPT AS "THE BEST PROOF" OF THIS PROPOSITION AND REPORTS THAT "NOTWITHSTANDING THE CHANGE IN POLITICAL ORIENTATION, AND THE LEGAL GUARANTEES OFFERED FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENTS IN EGYPT, NO FOREIGN CAPITAL HAS BEEN OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT IN INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS IN EGYPT."

ONLY THE CURRENTLY LIMITED RESOURCES OF THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES PREVENTS THEM FROM MEETING ALL THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES' NEEDS, KAHLIL REMARKED.

ORGANIZING AND INTELLIGENCE REPORT

MORE ENDORSEMENTS FOR USLP'S ANGOLA CALL

AUG. 16 (IPS)—THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS HAVE RECENTLY ENDORSED THE U.S. LABOR PARTY CALL FOR A UNITED NATIONS INVESTIGATION INTO CIA INVOLVEMENT IN THE CURRENT BLOODBATH IN ANGOLA:

- * SECRETARY-TREASURER MCCART, ILLINOIS CHAPTER, COALITION OF BLACK TRADE UNIONISTS
- * ED DAVIS, AKRON, OHIO CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT
- * SPENCER ARSIN, SHOP STEWARD, SEAMAN'S INTERNATIONAL UNION, CHICAGO
- * JIM PARKER, UNITED AUTO WORKERS EXECUTIVE BOARD, MASSEY FERGUSON PLANT, BUFFALO

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE PREVIOUSLY ENDORSED THE CALL:

- * JORDAN SIMS, PRESIDENT UAW LOCAL 961, DETROIT
- * GORDON SHARP, REPORTER, NEW BRUNSWICK HOME NEWS
- * RHODA LEWIS, PRESIDENT, PRINCETON WILPF
- * DON HESTER, PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, TRENTON STATE COLLEGE
- * ROBERT GRIFFIN, CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR, MUNN AVE. CHURCH, EAST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY
- * ABU-BAKR SADIQ, ARAB MUSLIM GROUP
- * CHARLES ROACH, TORONTO ATTORNEY

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"GOOD OLD COMMON SENSE VS. THE USLP"

AUG. 16 (IPS)--TODAY'S CHICAGO DAILY CALUMET FOLLOWED UP YESTERDAY'S 2,000 WORD SLANDER OF THE LABOR PARTY WITH A FRONT-PAGE BANNER HEADLINE: "GOOD OLD COMMON SENSE VERSUS THE LABOR PARTY."

"GOOD OLD COMMON SENSE" TURNED OUT TO BE A COMPLETE REHASH OF THE INSTITUTE FOR AMERICAN DEMOCRACY'S "HOMEFRONT" SLANDER, SPICED UP WITH CHARGES THAT THE USLP WAS "A RIDICULOUS SECT FIXATED ON SEX."

NCLC INTELLIGENCE STAFF HAS IDENTIFIED THE CALUMET AND ITS EDITOR, BOB SELTZER, AS CREATIONS OF THE CIA'S SAUL ALINSKY COUNTER-INSURGENCY NETWORK. THIS EXPLAINS THE CALUMET'S CONCERN FOR THE WELFARE OF DISTRICT 31 STEELWORKERS' HEAD ED SADLOWSKI, ANOTHER PRODUCT OF THE ALINSKY SCHOOL, AND A PRIME USLP OPPONENT. APPROXIMATELY 90 PERCENT OF THE CALUMET'S 10,000 READERS ARE STEELWORKERS.

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