

continued during the weekend. Democratic Party presidential contender Sen. Morris Udall (D-Ariz) speaking in Waterbury, Conn. April 31 publicly urged Kissinger's recall from Africa and his removal from office, as well as an immediate move by the U.S. government to the Geneva peace table. Last night Sen. John Tunney (D-Cal) speaking in Miami reported that his subcommittee will take up U.S. covert operations in the Middle East, particularly focusing

on the National Security Council directed Falange in Lebanon. Finally, the national conference of the Caucus of Black Democrats which just concluded its three-day session today in Charlotte, N.C. issued a platform that includes support for Third World debt moratoria and the new world economic order. The group stopped short, of calling for Kissinger's ouster, however, despite near unanimous hatred expressed for the Secretary of State.

Harriman-Ball Sovietologist: "The Soviets Have No Tripwire"

May 1 (IPS) — The following are excerpts from an April 29 interview with Sovietologist Marshall I. Goldman at the Harvard University Russian Institute in Cambridge, Mass. Goldman, an advisor to the U.S. State Department, recently shared the podium at an Arden House Conference (in Harriman, NY) on Soviet-American relations with Atlanticist financier Averell Harriman, Kremlinologist Zbigniew Brzezinski, and Kissinger aide Helmut Sonnenfeldt.

IPS: Would you comment on military analyst Drew Middleton's recent article in the New York Times on the Warsaw Pact policy of preemptive conventional or thermonuclear attack if NATO goes too far in Western Europe — for example the installation of fascist regimes there.

Goldman: Middleton is crazy ... I don't think that's their policy. They don't have a "tripwire."

IPS: How do you view the Mideast situation now and the chances that the Lebanese crisis will develop into a U.S.-Soviet nuclear confrontation.

Goldman: Conditions in Lebanon are remarkably pacified. If someone predicted a few weeks ago that they would be as calm as they are now, I would have called him a dreamer ... Of course Syria's influence and dominance represent dangers. But the Syrians have shown remarkable constraint ... Yes, they're coordinating with the State Department, but the Iraqis and the Libyans are the real problem. They're the ones fomenting trouble ... The Iraqis are the real danger. It's interesting to watch them try and subvert (Syrian President Hafez) Assad ... The Falange also represent a danger ... Agreeing that they are funded and armed by the U.S.) Yeah,

sure, but they are dependent on Syria. They can't foul up the elections because of that.

IPS: What do you think of the U.S. Labor Party campaign to get Secretary of State Kissinger removed from office?

Goldman: Kissinger is the only one who supports detente. All the other (presidential—ed.) candidates are against detente ... You think (Wall Street Investment bankers) George Ball would be better: he'd be worse ... Doing what you say will make things worse. You're going to bring disaster. The International Labor Party (sic) is not going to win in November. You have to take responsibility for what will happen, for who will come into the government if you get Kissinger out ... It'll be worse. I guarantee you it'll be worse. Do you want that?

IPS: An Air Force Colonel close to the National Security Council has predicted that if the Israeli peace forces gain in power, the Israeli military will launch a coup. What's your opinion?

Goldman: That's only one evaluation. I don't care what your Air Force Colonel said. He's probably just some little colonel. Do you think I'm going to take seriously anything that any colonel who just walks up to me says ... Are you trying to tell me that means (leading Israeli warhawk and former defense minister Moshe) Dayan will launch a coup because Dayan hasn't had his last words? Come on. What have you got?

IPS: All indications are that a NATO coup in Italy is imminent ...

Goldman: What do you want me to do — go to Italy?