

**EXCLUSIVE**

## Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde

Viewing the conflicting military policy pronouncements coming from Washington during the transition, the Carter Administration appears as the mad Dr. Jekyll in the Robert Louis Stevenson tale, who alternates between his own seemingly pleasant personality and that of a vicious criminal named Mr. Hyde.

Mr. Hyde is the Committee on the Present Danger (CPD), put together by the Trilateral Commission's top "limited nuclear war"-gamer James Schlesinger, now Carter's White House energy czar, together with Eugene Rostow, Paul Nitze, and Trilateral members Lane Kirkland of the AFL-CIO and former Defense Department wheel David Packard. The CPD openly demands "nuclear war preparations," raves about "Third World blackmail" and "an American Munich" in the face of "Soviet imperialism," announces its opposition to trade and technology transfer with the Comecon nations, and declares it is "preparing Carter not to back down" in the coming nuclear confrontation.

The Soviet press has vehemently attacked the Committee on the Present Danger and its co-thinkers in the White House and the "outside team" which contributed to this year's National Intelligence Estimate of Soviet military capability and intentions. The clear implication of the Soviet press statements is that if the CPD line becomes dominant in the United States, the USSR will view this as a "tripwire condition" for general thermonuclear war.

Less well understood is the Dr. Jekyll in the piece, the United Nations Association (UNA), whose voice is now the dominant theme in the Carter camp. The UNA is funded by John D. Rockefeller III, chaired by Carter's Trilateral Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, and features Carter Trilateral appointees Harold Brown (Defense) and Werner Blumenthal (Treasury), as well as the hapless Mr. Sorensen. UNA retails itself as a "private non-profit humanitarian organization" working through "multilateral institutions" for a "new world order" to "control the spread of nuclear weapons," "safeguard the environment," "halt population growth," "conserve scarce energy resources," "organize international disaster relief" and "stop terrorism."

The association of Vance and the UNA with published reports that the new Administration plans to conclude SALT agreements with the USSR next October (an agreement the Ford Administration was reported ready to sign shortly after Ford's reelection) has caused some persons, even including Soviet journalists, to lend credence to the notion that the UNA functions as a counterweight to the CPD in the formulation of U.S. foreign policy.

In fact, as their common Trilateral parentage suggests, the UNA and the CPD are complementary formations, not rival factional groups. The only difference between Stevenson's Dr. Jekyll-Mr. Hyde

character and the CPD-UNA is that the Carter Administration apparently believes it can undergo its psychotic personality changes at will.

### *The Phony Debate*

The UNA Jekylls and the CPD Hydes are fully cognizant of their symbiotic relationship. The UNA expects to use the CPD Soviet scare and war build up as a weapon to terrify the Soviets, Europe and the Third World into "converging" on the UNA's fascist soft line as "the lesser evil." For their part, the CPDers, although anticipating the failure of the UNA "new world order" schemes and anxious to move swiftly toward nuclear confrontation, are willing to use the UNA "carrot" to put the Soviets strategically off balance and thus pave the way for their nuclear big stick.

The Jan. 11 *New York Times* editorial opinion page "On U.S. Dealings with the Soviet Union" runs a piece by the UNA-affiliated American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations side by side with a war polemic from the CPD. This first shot in a staged debate was followed up that same evening with a CBS television broadcast during which Eric Sevareid "predicted" a debate between pro-detente, pro-SALT forces and the Cold Warriors in Congress when Carter takes office.

### *Arms Control — A Case Study*

The Jekyll and Hyde complementarity is most obvious in the field of military "arms control." While the CPD was going public with its call for a 'national emergency' arms buildup on Nov. 12, 1976, CPD members Rita Hauser, Generals Mathew Ridgeway and Maxwell Taylor, John Connor and others were helping to publicize the UNA study "Controlling the Conventional Arms Race," headed up by Cyrus Vance, funded by the Rockefeller foundation, and released two days after the CPD's statement. In an interview with NSIPS after the release of both reports, General Ridgeway stated: "I see no particular difference between the two groups. Isn't Cyrus Vance on the executive committee of the CPD?" (He isn't). Ridgeway's confusion was understandable since he, along with General Taylor, attorney Hauser, and banker Connor are members of *both* the UNA and the CPD.

The UNA proposals for military arms control will be used to block transfers of nuclear and other high-technology products and resources between the West and the Comecon, while national research and development efforts are drastically reduced — the formula for rapid deindustrialization of the U.S. The UNA's more subtle effort at establishing a "dialogue of negotiation" between the U.S. and the Soviet Union, is to be played out in a web of military agreements aimed at offsetting Soviet strategic and tactical military advantages.

The limitation of arms sales and weapons develop-

ment, which nominally passes for disarmament, forms the centerpiece of the UNA proposals. They are expressed in two military studies, the Vance study and a study chaired by Werner Blumenthal on nuclear non-proliferation. The U.S. commitment to continued research and development, presently centralized in the Department of Defense and defense-related industry, is denounced by the Vance panel as the "central driving force" behind the arms race. According to this study, whole sections of the U.S. research and development establishment must be eliminated for the sake of "tension reduction" in various hotspots around the world. The bankers and lawyers of U.S. defense industries who set up the Lockheed bribery scandals and who are represented on the UNA panel, are now asking that those industries and their crucial research and industrial capabilities be shut down to avert further "embarrassing episodes." (The whole package is sold in the context of a grand scheme for productive civilian conversion of defense industries, proposals which will remain a monetarist smokescreen without putting the dollar monetary system through bankruptcy proceedings.)

According to both the Vance and Blumenthal studies, attempts should be made to stifle trade in high technology reactors and weapons systems to Third World countries. The UNA would place strict controls on the transfer of nuclear reactors, for instance, of the type the Soviet Union recently agreed to build in Libya. UNA adherents are currently obstructing delivery of a West German atomic reactor to Brazil. Besides denying that nation desperately needed power facilities, this obstruction has strengthened factions within Brazil committed to seeing the country enter a South Atlantic Treaty Organization, an extension of NATO stretching from South Africa to the Wall Street-dominated regimes of Latin America. The Warsaw Pact leadership has repeatedly made clear that any such plan will be viewed by the alliance as a direct strategic threat.

The UNA proposals on military negotiations are being offered to the Soviet Union as the *only* alternative U.S. package of military policies aside from the ravings of the CPD. Therein lies the hoped-for level for the acceptance of these policies. UNA policies are made to look "rational" only from the perspective of someone fixated on the CPD's psychosis. Within this context, the UNA has proposed a host of smaller tactical treaties, whose main thrust does not involve the consummation of any single treaty or group of agreements, but the creation of an "atmosphere of negotiation" aimed at reducing Soviet forward defense capabilities preparatory to war.

For instance, Vance's study includes a proposal for a dialogue which would seek to limit "qualitative and quantitative" aspects of naval deployments in the Indian Ocean, an area in which the Soviets have a marginal advantage. Additionally, there are proposals made to create a dialogue which would limit the deployment of all new weapons and weapons technologies; and one which would supposedly bring a break in the currently stalled Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction talks on Central Europe — an area where the Soviets have a decisive advantage — by having the U.S. unilaterally withdraw a miniscule portion of its tactical nuclear forces. Still another proposal would have the U.S. gradually pull its

forces out of South Korea, a proposal which is complemented by a different UNA study advocating the rearming of Japan. While each proposed negotiation has so far been completely unacceptable to the Soviet Union, and each is clearly aimed at reducing Soviet military capabilities vis-a-vis both current relative strengths and Soviet war-fighting strategy, the essence of the negotiation initiatives is to back the Soviets into a position where they would seriously consider such types of "cosmetic" military agreement as the preferable alternative to CPD consolidation of power in the Carter Administration.

This UNA function was made clear by Harlan Cleveland, a member of the UNA's Arms Control Panel, who told a reporter: "Whether or not the Soviets are moving in the direction of a war-winning capability is not the issue. Our job is to convince them that they must not move in that direction because it isn't safe for them to do so. The stability of the nuclear balance is at stake." The opposite is actually true — the participation of the Soviets in such agreements without addressing the fundamental underlying economic and industrial issues, would seriously weaken that stability and give false credence to a Pandora's box of UNA Trilateral programs which make nuclear war inevitable.

For example, the UNA is the architect of the fraudulent Carter Administration's call for the establishment of an international food reserve designed to institutionalize and legitimize the genocidal practice of food control against countries derelict in their debt payments.

Similarly, the UNA push to expand and create international "disaster relief" agencies is part of Trilateral preparations for the direct NATO "low intensity operations" militarization of the Third World.

At the same time the UNA is manipulating the United Nations Environment Program, the United Nations Development Programme, the UN's Advisory Committee on the Application of Science and Technology, and similar international bodies to enforce both depopulation and technology control in the Third World, eliminating "useless eaters" while desperately trying to limit technologies to (in the UNA's own words) "wind generators and solar power."

As the current unrest in Egypt demonstrates, however, Wall Street's policies of genocidal looting against its Third World debtors can no longer be carried out, even by fervently pro-U.S. regimes such as that of Egyptian President Anwar el-Sadat. The harsh austerity measures demanded by Wall Street can be enforced only by NATO-controlled military police states on the Chilean model, police states which Wall Street intends to install throughout the Third World.

Given that the escalating atmosphere of tension as both the U.S. and USSR perceive a strategic showdown approaching is bound to create a political climate in the U.S. in which "Mr. Hyde" is propelled to command, the only question those "UNA backers" inside or outside the Administration should be asking themselves is whether they will survive to witness their own inevitable submission or whether a Soviet thermonuclear first strike will eliminate psychological warfare games, along with 160 million U.S. citizens, in the first hour of general war.