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British expert: America needs crash beam program

British Conservative Party think-tanker Geoffrey Stewart-Smith, in an interview with *EIR* on June 6, declared that the United States should immediately launch a crash program to develop a beam-weapon anti-ballistic missile defense.

Stewart-Smith, who heads the Foreign Affairs Research Institute, advised American leaders not to "give a damn about opposition to this program in Europe. The buck stops with you. Beam-weapon defenses are absolutely essential for the survival of the West. You should put the program on a Manhattan Project, or Apollo moon-shot project basis."

Stewart-Smith said that the opposition to the program in Britain was from individuals committed to the doctrine of Mutually Assured Destruction (MAD), and from organizations such as the London International Institute for Strategic Studies. "They've provided false leadership for a quarter of a century, and have *totally* underestimated the seriousness of the threat," he said.

As for prominent U.S. opponents of the beam program, Stewart-Smith denounced McGeorge Bundy as "a threat to the security of the West" and Walter Mondale as "a fool and dreamer."

Zepp-LaRouche defends Chancellor Kohl

Helga Zepp-LaRouche, the chairman of the European Labor Party in the Federal Republic of Germany, came to the defense of West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who had been widely criticized for not attending the Allied celebrations of the anniversary of D-Day. Zepp-LaRouche released a statement on the matter on June 7.

Kohl had declared that he saw no reason for a German chancellor to celebrate the Normandy invasion, in which "tens of thousands of Germans miserably lost their lives."

Kohl's remarks, said Zepp-LaRouche,

were "rather clumsy and lacking in political delicacy. But to qualify him implicitly as a successor of the Nazis, as was done by certain stupid people, . . . is as perfidious as hypocritical."

Zepp-LaRouche charged that Kohl was not invited to attend the ceremony, and those who excluded him were for the most part remnants of the same Anglo-American oligarchical financial circles—"the Harrimans, the Dulleses, and the Morgans"—who supported Hitler to begin with and then returned to the scene as occupying powers to "reeducate" the German population.

The affront to Kohl is "first-order political stupidity and hypocrisy without comparison," said Zepp-LaRouche, and "an attitude that typifies the American failure of the entire postwar period. The German population," she continued, "which happens to be in no way identical with the Nazis, was as much a victim of the Nazi regime as those against whom the Nazis declared the war—and the nation has not recovered yet."

Who stands to benefit from this furor? Zepp-LaRouche answered: The forces allied to Henry Kissinger who are pushing the decoupling of West Germany from the United States, and the Soviet leaders who plan to take over Europe.

Mitterrand hails German resistance to Hitler

French President François Mitterrand on June 6 sent a cordial message to the Bonn government on the occasion of the D-Day commemorations, stressing Franco-German friendship and paying homage to the German resistance to Hitler. The message came in stark contrast to the current Soviet line that Germans equal Nazis, and similar anti-German propaganda coming from pro-decoupling circles in the West.

The anniversary of the Normandy landing, Mitterrand said, reminds the French people of the war, which "caused so many casualties among our soldiers and yours, who fought for their mother country but did so in a meaningless war between European broth-

ers. Our continent is still feeling the wounds and partition caused by that war." Mitterrand continued, but "fortunately a community of destiny has been built between our two nations."

Mitterrand continued the same theme in his D-Day commemoration address: "The enemy of that day was not Germany, but the power, the system and the ideology which took control of her. Let us hail the dead Germans who fell in this battle. Their sons as well as ours are witnesses that a new era has begun."

Mitterrand paid special homage to the resistance movement across Europe: "Let us hail the resistance movement of my own country and of those countries which are friends of ours, as much as I hail the free men in Germany and Italy who never submitted [to Hitler]."

Soviets: 'we could have taken Europe alone'

The Red Army alone could have liberated Europe from fascism, claims the Soviet press agency Novosti, as part of the Soviet media's own way of "celebrating" the anniversary of Operation Overlord, the historic landing of the Western allies in Normandy. The booklet published by the Soviet press agency is one of several pieces that has appeared during May which belittle the military significance of the Second Front and the combat qualities of the American soldiers in World War II.

The Novosti booklet, "Operation Overlord," written by Oleg Rzheshhevskii, accuses Britain and the United States of delaying the opening of the "Second Front" in order "to weaken and bleed Russia." Only the Soviet victories at Kursk and Stalingrad alarmed the Western allies so much that they decided to invade, says Rzheshhevskii. The author claims that the Soviet Union was perfectly able "to liberate the peoples of Europe from fascist slavery all on her own."

The author makes no mention of the fact that without the American "lend-lease" program, Russia wouldn't have had the military

Briefly

● **A LENINGRAD** conference on "Cosmic Anthro-Ecology" was the scene of new Soviet attacks on President Reagan's ABM program, saying it would mean "killing mankind, everything living and the biosphere as a whole." According to *Izvestia* June 4, four hundred "leading representatives from the country's scientific centers" attended. *Izvestia* describes "cosmic anthro-ecology" as a "new science" which "investigates the interaction of man, the biosphere of the earth and space."

● **ANDREI GROMYKO**, the Soviet foreign minister, will visit Bonn, West Germany before the November U.S. elections, an assistant to Chancellor Helmut Kohl told the German daily *Bildzeitung*. Bulgarian President Todor Zhivkov will also visit Bonn, and Chancellor Kohl will be in Hungary at the end of June.

● **FIORELLA OPERTO**, general secretary of the European Labor Party in Italy, has issued a press release stating: "There is only one point which I share with Premier Bettino Craxi: the necessity of early elections in Italy. The Italian population must decide whether this country will become a Soviet colony or remain a sovereign republic allied with the United States."

A reshuffling in the Italian government, instead of elections, would most likely lead to a new government led by current Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti, with the support of Italy's Communist Party.

● **THE BLACK-OUT** of Lyndon LaRouche's presidential candidacy in the European press is over. The *International Herald Tribune* and London *Economist* both mentioned LaRouche as a candidate, in coverage during the first week in June. The *IHT* reported that LaRouche, who is well known in the Western European capitals as an economist, "shared 5% of the vote" in California. The actual vote totals were much higher.

equipment to fight even its part of the battle. The Soviet author states that the Nazi war machine was built up through the "financial and material support from U.S. banks and monopolies only," but omits mention of the crucial Russian raw material supplies to Hitler that continued to be supplied even after Hitler attacked the Soviet troops in Poland.

Socialist leader indicts Andreotti as 'P-2' plotter

Italian Socialist Party leader Rino Formica on June 7 accused the Christian Democratic party and, indirectly, the country's foreign minister, Giulio Andreotti, of being the main beneficiaries of the Propaganda-2 affair—the scandal which in 1981 implicated hundreds of top Italian public figures in an illegal conspiracy. Formica was speaking in front of the parliamentary commission investigating the plots of the P-2 freemasonic lodge.

Formica charged that the political controllers of the P-2 lodge were those in positions of power in the 1970s (a period dominated by Andreotti's Christian Democracy, the DC), who tried to increase the DC's power and limit democracy. This plan would have reduced Italy to a Hong Kong type of financiers' paradise, with broad influence by the Soviet Union and the oligarchical faction of the Vatican.

According to Formica, murdered former Italian Prime Minister Aldo Moro strongly opposed such a plan, and instead called for a policy based on national sovereignty. Although Formica did not mention Andreotti by name, the reference to the role played by the present Italian foreign minister was clear. "P-2: Formica Attacks Andreotti," headlined *Corriere della Sera*: "Formica Blames the DC of the 1970s and Andreotti for P-2," was the headline in the Rome daily *Il Messaggero*.

The violent exchange of accusations between the Socialist Party of Prime Minister Bettino Craxi and the DC of Andreotti is the result of the fight for power in Italy among opportunist power groups. The Soviet-

backed Andreotti is escalating to a government crisis and the fall of the current government.

In response, Andreotti told a journalist: "I like the ministers who do not talk and also the non-ministers who do not talk." The DC gave an ultimatum to Craxi: Publicly disavow Formica or we will break the coalition.

EIR editor addresses defense experts in Munich

Speaking at a Munich seminar May 29, *EIR's* European Executive Director Michael Liebig called on West German defense experts to sweep away the "absurd and ridiculous" policy line laid down in Bonn that the U.S. beam-weapon program is "destabilizing" and will promote the "decoupling" of the Atlantic Alliance.

The Bonn government continues to play the role of "rejection front" Liebig charged. The platform of this front, he said, is identical to Soviet anti-beam-weapon propaganda—the claim that "two zones of different security" would be created if the United States had beam-weapon defenses, conveniently ignoring the existence of the Soviets' own beam-weapon development efforts.

Liebig pointed out that both U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger and the chief of the U.S. beam weapons research program, Gen. James Abrahamson, have repeatedly stated that the United States is committed to working with the West Europeans to develop defensive weaponry against all of the categories of nuclear-armed missiles now targeting the continent. He charged that it was Hans-Dietrich Genscher's foreign ministry that was holding Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Defense Minister Manfred Wörner effectively under its control in its design to "decouple" U.S. and Western European defenses.

The seminar was attended by representatives from firms in the defense industry, and by military and scientific specialists involved in work on beam-weapons development for anti-aircraft and anti-missile defense in Western Europe.