

Northern Flank by A. Borealis

Look who's in the KGB's service!

The Heritage Foundation and the Communist Party joined hands to wreck an Oslo conference on the defense of the Western alliance.

There's probably no country in Europe where the population has stronger sympathies for the Western alliance than Norway, up here on the Northern Flank. The latest polls showed that well over 80% of Norwegians are convinced that their country's membership in the alliance is the correct policy.

The Russians are smart enough to figure out that if they want to get anywhere in a country like Norway, they have to find a foothold inside that overwhelming pro-Western, pro-American majority.

That was the game they played in a nasty little operation during the first week in November. Their ready tools were the Norwegian Communist Party and the networks of the KGB-linked "conservative" Heritage Foundation, based in Washington, D.C.

The Schiller Institute—the organization that Helga Zepp-LaRouche founded to strengthen the Western alliance against Henry Kissinger and his decouplers—had scheduled its first conference in the country for Nov. 3. A group of Norwegians—mainly military-connected people—had been down at the Institute's second international conference in Wiesbaden, West Germany, in September, liked what they heard, and proposed that a seminar be set up in Oslo to introduce these ideas into Norway. They invited speakers from the Institute, including Gen. (ret.) Wilhelm Kuntner, the former deputy commander of the Austrian armed forces; Lennart Hane, a prominent Swedish lawyer, who has been fighting against Olof Palme's

"1984"-like corporatist-fascist apparatus in Sweden, and a few of my colleagues from *EIR*. Preparations were well under way for a successful conference.

Then, the action began. Two days before the conference, the Schiller Institute's office received a call from the newspaper of the Moscow-controlled Communist Party of Norway. The message was straightforward: "If you people from the Schiller Institute intend to tell Norwegians to support Reagan's beam-weapons program, we're going to stop you—just like we did last year!"

The caller referred to a conference held in Oslo, not by the Schiller Institute, but by *EIR*. That time, the Communists went so far as to round up a bunch of peaceniks to demonstrate outside the conference hall, chaining themselves to the door to prevent anyone from entering. They didn't stop the conference, but they managed to disrupt it quite a bit.

This year, as it turned out, the whole "Communists chained to the door" routine was scrapped in favor of a more sophisticated approach. The day after the Communist threat, the leading *conservative* daily in Oslo, *Aftenposten*, ran an item warning people not to attend the Schiller Institute conference to "strengthen the Western alliance!"

Through what channels does a threat like this—originating from the left—so quickly get delivered from the right? The answer is the Heritage Foundation. This gang of scoundrels

and KGB moles pulled some strings inside a little local group in Norway called the "Friends of NATO," and got their chairman, a certain Bjorn Hallstrom, to give the *Aftenposten* a few of the Heritage Foundation's favorite lies about Lyndon LaRouche. Quoting a Heritage Foundation slander sheet, the article said: "LaRouche's organization has anti-Semitic tendencies; it incites violence, and consists of people from the political extremes."

Hallstrom then added what the Heritage Foundation considers its most damning charge against LaRouche: LaRouche says that Henry Kissinger and Lt. Gen. Danny Graham are Soviet agents of influence!

Given the fact that Kissinger is the person most associated with the proposal to withdraw U.S. troops from Europe and that Graham is a key saboteur of President Reagan's program for directed-energy ballistic missile defense systems, Hallstrom's defense of that duo did not exactly strengthen his arguments in the eyes of conservative Norwegians, who fiercely oppose the "decoupling" of the alliance and support the President's beam-weapons program. In short, both *Aftenposten* and the Friends of NATO "goofed," as they admitted afterward.

After reviewing the uproar stirred by its article, *Aftenposten* decided it would be wise to solicit a rebuttal from the Schiller Institute, and then printed that reply prominently on its editorial page. How the other fellow with egg on his face, Hallstrom, is going to explain to his members why a "Friend of NATO" has to publicly stand up in defense of a sellout artist like Henry Kissinger is a question I cannot answer at this point. In any event, some Norwegians did learn a lesson last week: A "conservative" stamp is no guarantee of protection from KGB monkey business.