

and well-known Bonn positions.” Radio Moscow added that Genscher had tried to “present the real meaning of Bonn’s support to the SDI in a distorted way.” In short, Moscow is not satisfied with what Genscher offered them under the label, “prophylactic arms control in space.”

It was left to the official Polish daily, *Trybuna Ludu*, which wrote that Genscher’s position was “quite close to the realistic policy of the Social Democrats,” to hint of what the Warsaw Pact wants from Genscher. Moscow foresees his future role in Bonn as forming a firm alliance with the Social Democrats, whose leaders have already announced their campaign against the SDI. Meanwhile, the Warsaw Pact leaders are making showy overtures to the Social Democrats, inviting them to the East bloc for high-level meetings.

Combined with the attacks on Chancellor Kohl and his government coalition, and the veiled threat by numerous Warsaw Pact leaders to react in some yet undefined way with “military counter-measures” against the SDI, this adds up to a “layered” Soviet intimidation campaign against West Germany. The message the Soviets handed to Genscher in Moscow is something like this: “Either Chancellor Kohl repeals

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*Gromyko threatened “inevitable consequences” for Bonn if its pro-SDI stance was not repealed. Genscher hastily stressed that “our country’s policy is to have prophylactic arms control in space.”*

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his support to the SDI, or he will be overthrown by the SPD. In case the SPD also fails to do what we tell them, we will send the Red Army!”

Taking all of this into account, Chancellor Kohl has plenty of reason to not repeal, but even intensify his support for the SDI, for he will need American support against the Soviet threat in the next weeks. He should also look for a pro-American foreign minister to replace Genscher.

## East German: LaRouche is forerunner of SDI

Lyndon LaRouche was an intellectual architect of President Reagan’s “Star Wars,” says the January 1985 issue of the East German publication *Kernenergie* (Nuclear Energy), in a review of LaRouche’s book *There Are No Limits to Growth*, which has been published in English and German.

The review, signed “D. Albert,” reads: “The above text, which would like to see growth as unlimited, aroused our interest, as we have been hearing since the beginning of the 1970s about the world model of limits to growth of the Club of Rome, but ourselves believe that these limits can themselves grow, if there is progress in scientific and technical development. So we think that we have found a specialized book that gives us new arguments against the persuasive ecology movement of the Greens, and against the anti-nuclear energy campaign which is becoming fashionable. But this turns out to be only partially so.

“Certainly, several reasonable standpoints are put forward: The danger of a global nuclear war threatens life on all continents; the conviction, that the most pressing problems in the world can be solved through technological progress; the conclusion, therefore, that the projections of the Club of Rome fallaciously—through linear equations

for rates of resource use—presuppose a sudden and absolute end of technological progress. Although the author is advised in physics questions by the Fusion Energy Foundation (U.S.A., Dr. J. Tennenbaum), the book remains essentially stuck below the popular scientific level, in the genre of science fiction. It superficially talks about nuclear fusion, directed-energy beam and particle beam technologies, as well as about biotechnology. The vision of the colonization of Mars by man remains downright vague: agro-industrial complexes under giant plastic domes, and by 2100 about 10 million people on Mars.

“In its historical statements, the book is more detailed. The roots of Malthusianism are ‘traced out,’ its advocates in the past (all the way to Bertrand Russell and the Pugwash Conferences!) are ‘unmasked.’ Many of the assertions are to me absurd and abstruse. Historians, sociologists, and philosophers will have to make their evaluation.

“The ideological connection to current imperialist tendencies is clear. The author, co-founder of the so-called Club of Life in 1982-83, is a supporter of replacing the military strategy of deterrence with the strategy of anti-missile systems with beam weapons, so-called ABM systems, i.e., he is a direct forerunner of the military doctrine pronounced by Reagan about a year ago, which leads to qualitative re-armament and a possible ‘war in space.’

“We are dealing here with a performance which offers little to the scientist and energy expert, and which is more suited to the analysis of late-capitalist ideologies including religious zealotry.”