

International Intelligence

Outcry in France against euthanasia

The accelerating effort by Europe's "right-to-die" lobby to legalize euthanasia in France, on the Dutch model, is drawing fire from Catholic and other spokesmen. The issue came to the fore in public debate early in November, when a group calling itself the Association for the Prevention of Handicapped Childhood demanded that parents of handicapped children be granted the "right" to murder their offspring at birth.

In a commentary in the Paris daily *Le Monde* Nov. 18, Georges Hourdin, former president of *La Vie Catholique* publications, wrote: "Hitler has still not quite lost the war. Nazism did not come to an end by its own death. . . . Today, there is a proposal to legalize infanticide in the three days that follow the birth of the seriously handicapped. . . . Let us not forget that the gas chambers, in Germany, began to operate for the incurably sick, the handicapped, and the elderly."

The next day, *Le Figaro* newspaper reported the results of a poll which purported to show that 85% of Frenchmen would be favorable to "the right to demand to be assisted to die, in the case of a serious and incurable sickness engendering insurmountable suffering." The poll was conducted at the request of Henri Caillavet, the head of the Association for the Right to Die and honorary president of the Association for the Prevention of Handicapped Childhood.

Le Figaro reported several outraged reactions:

- Msgr. Jean Vilnet, ex-president of the Conference of French Bishops, called the poll a "premeditated" effort to manipulate public opinion, and said that "one does not regulate the life and survival of the sick on the basis of opinion polls."

- Prof. Georges Mathé, an eminent oncologist, demanded "a halt to the lobby of death." "For me, the role of doctor, defined by Hippocrates and Paracelsus, is nothing

else than to ameliorate the quality of life, to delay death, and not to cause it. . . . I will never administer death, even if the patient wants it."

- Dr. Louis René, president of the Council of the Order of Doctors, said that the position of his organization is "very clear: There cannot be any question of the doctor shortening the days of a sick person." He attacked the devious methodology of the poll, since "to be assisted to die" may have different meanings to different people, and may not have meant support for euthanasia in the minds of many who answered affirmatively.

German Communists attack EIR, LaRouche

Unsere Zeit, the newspaper of West Germany's Communist Party (DKP), published two articles on Nov. 17 attacking *EIR* as an "espionage agency" linked to the CIA. What most angered the paper was this news agency's exposé of Soviet-backed irregular/warfare terrorism in Germany.

The paper lashed out against *EIR*'s charge that the DKP played a leading role in the Nov. 2 armed ambush of police by terrorists at the Frankfurt Airport runway, in which two policemen were killed. This charge received widespread publicity, when *Die Welt*, West Germany's largest-circulation conservative newspaper, cited this news service's report on Nov. 10.

"It seems profitable to take a closer look at the 'news agency *EIR*,'" wrote *Unsere Zeit*. "Was the CIA involved here? This *EIR* (*Executive Intelligence Review* and *Investigative Leads*), based in New York and Wiesbaden, is an espionage agency of the 'European Labor Party,' EAP, whose ties to the U.S. intelligence service CIA have been proven."

An accompanying column, headlined "Who Is Arno [sic] Hellenbroich," purported to establish a political link between Anno Hellenbroich, the executive director of *EIR*'s Wiesbaden bureau, and his brother, "the former president of the German Counter-

espionage Bureau, Heribert Hellenbroich."

"The Bonn government," wrote *Unsere Zeit*, "would not deny that Hellenbroich-Arno's EAP and Hellenbroich-Heribert's counterespionage, both maintain contact to the Pentagon's secret intelligence agency DIA and to the CIA, through the German-American millionaire LaRouche couple. . . ."

"Quite in line with the CIA, the EAP has been waging irregular warfare on those who oppose the West Runway project [at Frankfurt Airport], by fomenting, for instance, violence at rallies and by spreading libelous reports on these movements."

Soviets in new bid to restore ties to Israel

A new indication of a thaw in Soviet-Israeli relations occurred at the annual October Revolution Day celebrations in Uruguay during the second week in November, when the Soviet ambassador to Montevideo hosted his Israeli counterpart, shook his hand, and labeled "unreasonable," the absence of diplomatic ties between the two countries.

According to Israeli foreign ministry officials quoted by the Nov. 11 *Jerusalem Post*, this was, "as far as we can remember," the first time since the 1967 Arab-Israeli war, that a Soviet diplomat has officially invited an Israeli ambassador to an October Revolution anniversary party. The Soviets broke diplomatic relations with Israel after that war.

Israeli Ambassador Eliezer Palmor reported that he was "warmly" received by Soviet Ambassador Igor Lapatiyev.

Kissinger, Rockefeller meet Thai leaders

Henry Kissinger briefed Thai Premier Prem Tinsulamonda on the Soviet Union's and China's positions on international problems, in a meeting in Bangkok on Nov. 12. According to the Thai publication *The Nation*, during the 30-minute discussion, Kis-

singer described his meetings with Mikhail Gorbachov in February and Deng Xiaoping in September.

Deputy government spokesman Montri Chenvidyakarn quoted Kissinger as saying that Moscow wants to reform its economic and social system, and genuinely supports nuclear disarmament.

Kissinger was accompanied by David Rockefeller and U.S. Ambassador to Thailand William Brown. Rockefeller reportedly told Prem that a Vietnamese troop withdrawal from Kampuchea will help solve regional problems.

Kissinger is director of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, which is sponsoring an ongoing symposium in Bangkok. He was also scheduled to address the Thailand Development Research Institute on the subject of "Geopolitics: the U.S. and the Pacific Communities." Twenty-five policymakers, academics, and business executives were invited to attend the meeting on Nov. 13.

Nazi, communist ties of drug kingpin exposed

In the ongoing trial of Carlos Lehder Rivas in Jacksonville, Florida, witnesses and the government prosecutor are beginning to expose the Nazi-communist belief structure of the Colombian "cocaine king."

As *EIR* stressed in our Feb. 20, 1987 cover story, "Dope Inc.'s Carlos Lehder exposed as a Soviet agent," Lehder's trial "must expose the 'board of directors' of Dope, Inc., East and West, and provide the crucial intelligence on which to launch the final offensive of the war on drugs." Lehder is a joint creation of the Soviet KGB, the Nazi International, and oligarchical families in the West, we showed.

On Nov. 16, U.S. Attorney Robert Merkle described Lehder as a politically ambitious admirer of Adolf Hitler. Lehder's distribution chief, George Jung, a witness for the prosecution, was Lehder's cell mate in federal prison in Danbury, Connecticut, in 1974.

Jung testified that Lehder sought to disrupt the political system of the United States by flooding the nation with cocaine and subverting its morality. Lehder is an avowed Marxist who admires Adolf Hitler's "organizational methods," the witness said.

Hammer pops up in Moscow again

As the Reagan-Gorbachov "Pearl Harbor Day Summit" approaches, Armand Hammer of Occidental Petroleum, the KGB's favorite billionaire, shuttled to Moscow Nov. 14, for talks with the Kremlin leadership. The 89-year-old Hammer, friend of every Soviet leader since Vladimir Lenin, met with Soviet Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov, to discuss the summit and the proposed treaty on intermediate-range nuclear forces (INF). He also announced the biggest joint venture ever undertaken by a Western company with the Soviet Union.

Hammer was in Moscow at the end of August, to prepare the way for a U.S.-Soviet deal on Afghanistan. He traveled to Kabul, Afghanistan on Oct. 12, and then zipped back to Moscow and Washington to deliver a report on his back-channel negotiations.

On Nov. 19, Hammer announced at a Moscow press conference that he had signed a memorandum with the Soviet government to build and operate a \$6 billion petrochemical complex. Hammer said that the joint-venture deal reflects his trust in Mikhail Gorbachov. The memorandum is aimed at establishing one of the largest petrochemical complexes in the world. Hammer said his Los Angeles-based company had joined Montedison of Italy and Japan's Marubeni Corporation to develop the complex, which will produce petrochemicals.

"The implementation of this joint venture will combine the great natural resources of the Soviet Union with Western technology, thereby making the benefit of these products available to all of the world," Hammer said.

Briefly

● **ARGENTINE PRESIDENT** Raúl Alfonsín was given the W. Averell Harriman Democracy Award on Nov. 17 by the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs. Harriman, a bitter enemy of the late Gen. Juan Perón, personally made sure that Argentine wheat could not be exported to Europe during the postwar Marshall Plan.

● **FRANZ JOSEF STRAUSS**, the chairman of West Germany's Christian Social Union party, denounced the INF Treaty, in a speech in Munich on Nov. 19. "There is no conventional substitute for nuclear defense of Europe," he said. The withdrawal of U.S. missiles will encourage "those who are for German neutrality, and those in the United States who have been calling for less defense expenditures and even troop withdrawal from Europe."

● **THE DITCHLEY** Foundation, an elite club of the Anglo-American Establishment, for the first time invited Soviet representatives to one of its meetings, at the Ditchley Estate in Great Britain Nov. 14-15. Soviet First Deputy Prime Minister Tolstykh headed the Soviet delegation.

● **KIM PHILBY**, formally identified as a KGB general, appeared on Soviet television Nov. 18, in a highly unusual broadcast, to condemn the Latvian nationalist demonstrations of the previous day as "CIA manipulated." U.S. intelligence sources say the broadcast is intended to be read as a threat to increase Soviet destabilizations in the West.

● **NARCOTICS SEIZURES** prompted the State Department to evacuate all dependents of American officials in northern Thailand, because of threats from drug traffickers, U.S. officials announced Nov. 15. The threats followed the largest narcotics seizure ever made in Thailand, 1,496 pounds of heroin base.