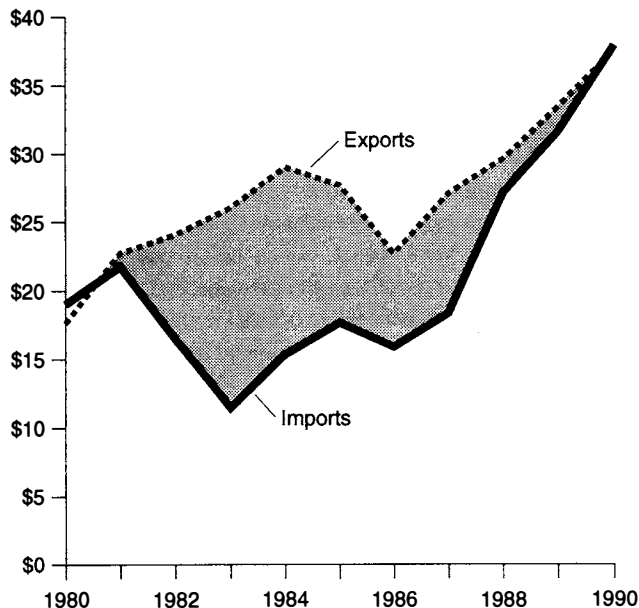


FIGURE 6
Mexico's total trade, 1980-90
 (billions U.S. \$)



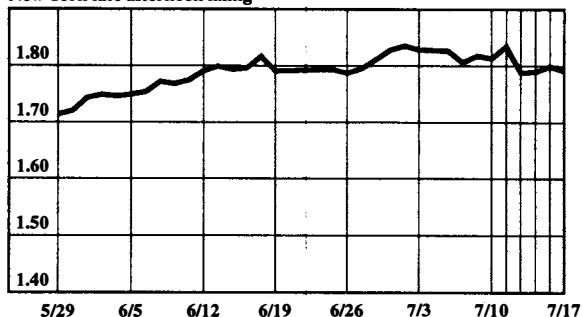
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surplus, but by precisely such "foreign investment" flows. The stock market bubbles occurring in Mexico, Brazil, and elsewhere, are a direct result of this inflow of international capital, which is taking over chunks of the domestic asset base. But there is only so much direct equity available in the economies of Ibero-America. It is hundreds of billions of dollars worth, to be sure; but how will the debt be paid when that begins to run out? The answer is simple: by handing over title to *actual portions of national territory as such*. The day will shortly come, and it will be far sooner than most readers of this magazine dare to imagine, when Mexico will be driven by its creditors to hand over the state of Baja California in payment of the debt; when entire portions of Brazil's Amazon rain forest will be seized; when Venezuela's oil rich Lake Maracaibo will be owned outright by Chase Manhattan Bank. To all of this must be added the vast, and growing, flows of drug dollars which are already being illegally laundered into the Wall Street and City of London banking houses. As of 1990, the size of the drug trade stood at \$558 billion per year, according to *EIR* calculations (see *EIR*, Feb. 8, 1991). An essential component of Bush's New World Order is to increase, *and legalize*, this vast flow of narco-dollars, as the crucial prop under the failing Anglo-American financial empire. All of this, and more, will occur, if Bush's New World Order and its looting policies are not derailed.

Currency Rates

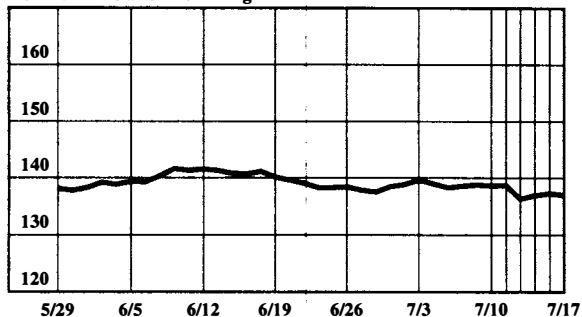
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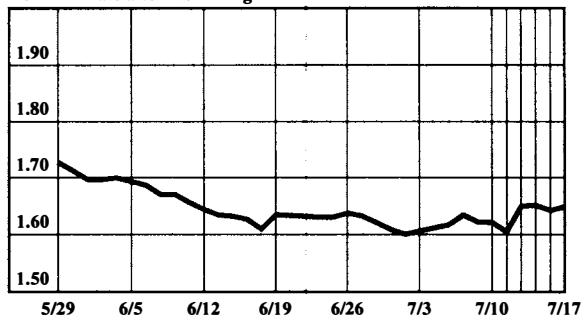
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The dollar in Swiss francs

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