

720 on the evening of Oct. 4. But the storm of the White House continued until the morning of Oct. 5. This fact, however, was only published in one single newspaper. So, even after most of deputies, and Rutskoy and Khasbulatov surrendered, others continued to resist. And we don't know anything what happened to these people. Nothing has been published about it.

As is known, Yeltsin proclaimed a state of emergency over Moscow at 4 p.m. on Oct. 3. However, the same evening, a large rally of Yeltsin supporters—young guys, in part well-armed—gathered in front of the Moscow Soviet. This crowd first gathered near the city council building, then went in and drove all city councilmen out and proclaimed that the Moscow city Soviet doesn't exist anymore. This decision was made official later by President Yeltsin himself. The Moscow city soviet was not involved in the fight between Yeltsin and Rutskoy. Only a small number of deputies supported the Supreme Soviet. But this was no reason to attack that building and to arrest a number of deputies, who spent several days in prison.

Concerning the treatment of the 1,800 deputies and other people arrested at the White House—some deputies have reportedly been badly beaten or even killed—I first want to confirm the reports, before going into that matter.

### **A new absolutism**

In conclusion, I want to say some words about the present legal structures in our country. On Sept. 23 or 24, all the property of the Supreme Soviet was transferred to the Social Production Board, which is part of the presidential apparatus. This means that the legislative branch had lost its financial independence. The same happened to the Constitutional Court. The chairman of the Constitutional Court, Zorkin, was forced to resign, under the threat that otherwise the court would be dissolved. He resigned, and was replaced by a person loyal to Yeltsin, but later the Constitutional Court was dissolved anyway. This means that after the legislative branch, also the third branch, the judiciary, has been removed. A new absolute monopoly of power and property has been established in Russia. The Russian tradition of autocratic rule has been reestablished, and the period of pre-democracy, of a democracy to become, is finished.

We see signs of it everywhere. Those newspapers that tried to oppose the President, have disappeared. The other editors are very much afraid to be closed down, too, and are therefore behaving in a very cowardly manner. They don't dare to publish dissenting opinions anymore. Similar things must be said about the regions, which are behaving exactly as they did in Old Russia. They waited to see who would come out on top, to become vassals of whoever would prove to be the strongest. Maybe it is true that every people gets the ruler it deserves.

This is only my point of view; others might use much harsher terms.

## **Greater Serbia gets renewed U.N. backing**

by Paolo Raimondi

On Monday, Oct. 4, the United Nations Security Council, meeting in New York, made the decision to prolong the mandate of the Unprofor ("peacekeeping") troops in Croatia for six months. So much for respect for national sovereignty. The U.N. mandate was expiring at the end of September and the majority of the people, the Parliament, and the political parties of Croatia had decided they did not want to keep the U.N. troops.

Originally, Unprofor had come to Croatia early in 1992 to be stationed in the so-called pink zone, about one-fourth of Croatian territory, which was to have functioned as a buffer zone between the Croatian forces and the areas occupied by Serbian and Chetnik (Serbian irregular) forces. The original mandate spoke of the U.N. task of stopping the fighting and primarily creating the conditions for the return of refugees to their homes, and reestablishing Croatian authority (with full respect for other minorities) over the territories which had been lost to Serbian aggression.

In fact, Unprofor did not fulfill this mandate in any way, as numerous military experts and observers verified. Instead, it guaranteed with its presence the continuation of Serbian occupation and the consolidation of Serbian positions.

An example of the ineffectiveness of the U.N. troop presence, as reported by the press in Zagreb, the Croatian capital, was revealed by the vice president of the Parliament, Zarko Moljan. In the context of discussions on renewing the Unprofor mandate, Moljan charged that the U.N. troops were responsible for having allowed Russian-built missiles of the Luna 7 type to be transported into the Serb-occupied Croatian territory. Two of these missiles were fired in early September against the outskirts of Zagreb and wounded several people.

In U.N. Resolution No. 871 of Oct. 4, it is affirmed that the United Nations intends to work now to make possible some type of peace treaty between the Croatian government and the "local Serbian authorities." This is the first time that such language has been used, and indicates more clearly than before, the intention of the United Nations to favor the Greater Serbia plot of Serbian fascist dictator Slobodan Milosevic and his Bosnian-Serb sidekick Radovan Karadzic, to annex lands which were formerly part of other republics, through sheer violence.

In the middle of these discussions, Croatian President Franjo Tudjman is reiterating what he said at the U.N. General Assembly: that he welcomes the replacement of Unprofor troops with NATO troops. Croatian military and political analysts say that statements like this are possible only if such a proposal has been discussed at the highest levels in the West, and may also be pushed, at least verbally, by people like Lord David Owen, the European Community's death-dealing "mediator" in the Balkans.

While it is not believed that NATO troops, in particular U.S. forces, will be sent into the Balkans, especially after the recent harrowing experiences in Somalia (where U.S. troops have been subjected to killing, wounding, and capture), these analysts underline that the existence of such policy debates shows that the main line of thinking in London, Paris, and Washington is to accede to and indeed facilitate the Greater Serbian dream. A NATO military presence in Croatia is viewed as the final partition of Croatia, in the wake of the carving up of Bosnia.

### Atomization proceeds

Lord Owen and the forces deployed by the psychological warfare departments of the U.N., London's Tavistock Institute, and their allies, are celebrating the undisturbed continuation of the geopolitical game of war and turmoil in the Balkans with a new phase of disruption and disintegration. The Vance-Owen plan which was responsible, together with Serbian aggression, for the ethnic cleansing in Bosnia and clashes between the two victim-groups of Bosnian Croats and Bosnian Muslims, is now producing an internal violent conflict in the Muslim communities and will soon provoke the same among Croats.

Following the decision of Fikret Abdic, the leader of the Muslim-dominated region of Bihac in the northwest of Bosnia, to declare a state of autonomy from Sarajevo, a full-scale military conflict has broken out between forces loyal to Abdic and part of the Fifth Corps of the Bosnia Army loyal to President Alija Izetbegovic. It is feared that similar conflicts may take place elsewhere in Bosnia and even in Sarajevo.

In the meantime, the approach of winter is giving alarm signals of an inevitable human conflagration, if the geopolitical gamemasters are not stopped. Recent reports say that in Sarajevo, epidemics of all types are spreading, helped by the war, by the physical exhaustion of the people, and by the uncontrolled invasion of rats and other sick animals in the already-devastated living areas. Already back in August, Dr. Enrico Mara, who had been sent to Sarajevo by the Italian Foreign Ministry, compared the health situation to that of Europe during World Wars I and II. Mara told Italian radio, Reuters reported at that time, that the Italians had expected to set up field hospitals to treat war wounds in Bosnia, but realized that the top priority was rather hospital wards to handle contagious diseases.

## Catholics, Muslims angry over Owen plan

*The first text below is translated from "The Owen-Stoltenberg Map Means the End of Catholicism in Bosnia," by Dr. Pero Pranjic, priest and vicar to the refugees of the Archdiocese of Vrhosbosna [Sarajevo]. It came to us in French from the Christian Information Service of Zagreb, and gives some measure of the wild irrationality of the "new world order" plan for partitioning Bosnia into a patchwork of cantons divided among the three ethnic groups, Croats, Muslims, and Serbs, promulgated by European Community "mediator" Lord David Owen and U.N. "mediator" Thorvald Stoltenberg.*

*Dr. Pranjic argues that in order to placate Bosnian Muslims for the crime of their ancestral homes being awarded to the Serbian aggressors, they are being handed territories which are historically Croatian, and are being egged on to carry out "ethnic cleansing." He compares this to the case of a victim of assault and robbery, whose attacker the police decide not to capture and punish. "It is wrong for the police to take the property of a third man in order to 'help' the one who has been robbed and has not recovered what he lost and remained defeated; then the other man gets angry and desperate because he has been deprived without being to blame for anything. This is how the international community is acting toward us."*

*Dr. Pranjic's views have nothing in common, as should be obvious, with the extreme chauvinist Croatian-Bosnian leader Mate Boban, who is leading his own terror campaigns. In fact, Boban has publicly insulted the Catholic Archbishop of Zagreb after the latter stated that no Christian, and no Croatian, could resort to the enemy's methods of "ethnic cleansing." Dr. Pranjic's arguments do reflect the deepening bitterness among the different ethnic and religious groups as a result of the Anglo-French geopolitical games played in the Balkans. Excerpts of his analysis follow.*

### Owen map writes off Catholicism

After long efforts and "negotiations," Messrs. Owen and Stoltenberg have delivered in Geneva their maps to the parties engaged in the negotiations. It should come as no surprise