

SPD HOSTS ROCKEFELLER MULTINATIONALS; PLANS CORPORATIVIST POLICY

WIESBADEN, BRD, Nov. 28 (IPS)--Leading members of 50 major American-controlled multinational corporations, including Exxon, Mobil and IBM, held a highly secretive meeting in Bonn, West Germany from Nov. 25-28. The meeting, held under a cover provided by invitation from the Social Democratic Party-controlled Friederich Ebert Foundation, was attended by such notables as Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission organizers in the West German trade union movement.

The participants were working out the finer details of coordinating multinational policy as defined by the previous week's gathering of the Atlantic Bridge Society. The Atlantic Bridge group, dominated by the figure of former high commissioner of occupied Germany John J. McCloy, a leading director on the Chase Manhattan international directory, determined the necessity for West German-American joint hegemony in implementing European austerity and deindustrialization.

At a press conference Nov. 27, Ernst Wolff Mommsen, chairman of Krupp, complimented SPD Chancellor Helmut Schmidt for demanding that the multinationals develop a "code of behavior" to improve their public image. The official communique quotes Schmidt as proposing that, "This [West German-American] code could at a later date become the model for a worldwide ordering."

One of the conference themes leaked to the press was the desirability of promoting openly corporativist, i.e., fascist, collaboration on economic policy between the multinationals and the trade unions. Specifically addressing the long-term organizing activity of Trilateral Commission members Eugen Loderer (president of the Metal Workers Union), Heinz Oskar Vetter (chairman of the German Trade Union Federation) and Karl Hauenschild (chairman of the Chemical Workers Union), the communique states, "...the world economic situation, and the framework in which the multinationals operate, demand a close dialogue between the unions and the management of the multinationals." Mommsen closed the press conference by noting, "The Americans seem very, very satisfied....Such willing informativeness on the part of the government, such discussion--they have never experienced this before."

TRILATERAL AGENT SOMMER SINGS PRAISE TO BRAZILIAN GENOCIDE

WIESBADEN, BRD, Nov. 28 (IPS)--"For South America, the Brazilian model is an inspiring initiative. Nothing in this form has ever existed before: a military government which calls upon its people

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to keep extremists in its own ranks in check; above that running a capitalism which is freindly to foreigners, and which is now discovering its own social components."

These are today's words of fascist Trilateral Commission member Theo Sommer, writing in his capacity of chief editor of the NATO-allied West German weekly Die Zeit.

Providing a hint of what Brazil also has to offer to the European working class, Sommer drools: The parliamentary opposition in Brazil "decided on the financial reform and on the tax reform. It created new institutions, like the regional development organs. It introduced the indexation of wages and salaries. It created new possibilities for capital investment."

Assuring his West German readership that even its military government has an acceptable face, Sommer trills, "The last election resulted in a measure of freedom such as Brazil has never known up until now."

FRENCH ZERO-GROWTH BLUEPRINT MAKES AUSTERITY LOOK GOOD

Nov. 28 (IPS)--The psychological warfare attack on French workers launched in the influential French daily Le Monde yesterday was intensified today in the second part of the paper's "Residential Imperative" series. After reading this terrifying blueprint for the future, workers will welcome mere austerity and slave labor as a blessing.

The first Le Monde article yesterday proposed that France be turned into a vast farm, while workers are relocated out of the dismantled urban centers into labor-intensive agricultural work camps. The author of the series, Michel Albert, is the director of the Common Market's "Structure and Economic Development" Commission. He is writing the series in cooperation with France's Hudson Institute-linked relocation agency, the DATAR.

Part two of this futurist horror story lays out how this pastoral paradise will be run. "One of the great national objectives for 1980," Albert announced, "should be the end of the exodus from rural areas." Albert hopefully assumes that government funds for the upkeep of urban areas will be slashed, that individual capitalists will be forced to toe the no-growth line, and that "mentalities [will] change" in the face of the resulting total decay of the cities. Provided that the above occur, Albert proposed the following "development plan...to encourage the acceptance of the new conditions of industrial development."