

formed a tiny groupuscule on the spot, parodying the name of the European Labor Committees in Italy, and attempting thus to link the Labor Committees to a terrorist caper. The entire operation — including a murder — was run solely to create a fraudulent basis for a CIA-coordinated press slander run through the pages of the newspaper.

“That was a fairly stupid effort in itself, although the blunder becomes understandable in light of the fact that Agnelli’s people were acting on orders from a coordinated international effort along that line. The action was directed from Ray Cline and Marcus Raskin’s crew in the USA and also involved identical modus operandi operations conducted simultaneously in Mexico, Peru and other nations. Only an idiot in Italy could take such a slander in such good faith, since our Labor Committees activities there are well known in the highest circles of the Christian Democracy, Socialist Party and the trade unions.

“Now, more recently, known Agnelli-controlled conduits have reused the same tiny counter-gang — in explicit and foolish reaction to my personal warning to Agnelli earlier — this time issuing a statement of support for the Agnelli-linked ‘Red Brigades’ terrorists which has been co-signed by the notorious fascist gang calling itself Stella Rossa. This has been done in face of the fact that the link between Agnelli and the CIA-controlled PCI leadership has been documented most recently in the Italian press. Such clumsy blundering by the Agnelli-controlled dirty tricks machine illustrates the point that significant sections of the Lower Manhattan-based political intelligence establishment are now floundering in a state of bungling hysteria.

“From the standpoint of self-interested rationality by Lower Manhattan forces, they would have already permitted Italy to enjoy the relief of financial debt moratoria — merely to avoid the consequences of the other alternatives.

What makes the situation in Italy so dangerous is the evidence that Lower Manhattan, or at least a significant part of it, has lost the mental balance which would cause it to govern its behavior by considerations of self-interested tactical rationality.

“The principal reason the threat of an immediate illegal NATO military adventure in Italy is so grave is that the Lower Manhattan-based forces behind this are rapidly going insane, such that rational considerations no longer deter them from potentially suicidal behavior.

The Soviet Parallel

“Lower Manhattan’s behavior toward the Soviet leadership is a critical bit of parallel evidence to be considered in assessing the threatened adventure in Italy.

“To make short of that point, Lower Manhattan-based political forces are currently attempting to drive the Soviet leadership insane, with the aid of a complex mass of obvious ‘Mutt and Jeff’ games on a global scale. Imagine! An effort to drive (what leading strategists identify as) the most potent military force on earth insane!

“KGB chief Andropov’s recent, published address in honor of Party Secretary L. Brezhnev fortunately asserts the voice of sanity within the Soviet leadership. The circumstantial ironies of Andropov’s address — which will probably bemuse Sovietologists in this coming week’s press to no end — may, one hopes, prompt Lower Manhattan to stop the attempted implementation of the Schlesinger doctrine, and open the way for constructive negotiations to end the danger of Middle East holocaust and to begin pulling the world out of the current depression.

“Until that occurs, we must regard a majority of Lower Manhattan forces as certifiably insane. A wild fascist-austerity adventure in Italy, Middle East war, and even triggering thermonuclear holocaust are for the moment still very much on the agenda.”

NATO Network Exposed In Italy As Force Behind Arson And Terror Wave

MILAN, April 20 (IPS) — Italy’s pro-development forces today moved strongly to defuse the Atlanticist “Argentina Plan” for a period of terror and chaos in Italy leading to a fascist military takeover, by exposing a direct NATO role in the creation of terrorist units in Italy. A major exposé in this week’s *Tempo Illustrato* names two generals linked to the top Atlanticist president of the *Confindustria* Gianni Agnelli who are already under investigation for their role in 1971 coup attempts as having helped direct the formation of the terror squads, and further points to the involvement of leaders of the NATO-controlled Italian Communist Party (PCI) and Interior Minister Francesco Cossiga. *cesco Cossiga*.

The Italian press’ charge of Agnelli’s involvement in the wave of terror and arson now sweeping Italy striking even his own factories, immediately throws into sharp relief the necessity of a parallel investigation of the role of Nelson Rockefeller and Henry Kissinger in similar terrorist activities in the U.S. and internationally. Agnelli’s close political association with the Rockefellers has been thoroughly docu-

mented in the Italian press and this newspaper; that the Italian press has now documented terrorism as one of his key political methods makes it incumbent on U.S. journalists in particular to root out the Rockefeller-Kissinger connections to such terrorist groups as the Symbionese Liberation Army, the Weather Underground, and Black September.

Since the “Argentina Plan” was unveiled at a closed Georgetown University Center for Strategic and International Studies meeting on April 3, Italy has been struck by a wave of terrorist and arson incidents. The *Tempo Illustrato* exposé appears on the eve of a conference to detail the plan by major Atlanticist agents scheduled for April 24 at the CIA-controlled Istituto per gli Affari Internazionali (IAI) in Rome. Among those reportedly planning to attend are FIAT boss Agnelli, Republican Party president Ugo La Malfa, and Italian Communist Party leader Giorgio Amendola.

“Who Throws the Molotovs?”

In its exposé, *Tempo*, which is connected to pro-development Socialist Party faction leader Giacomo Mancini, asks, “Who shoots, who burns, and who throws the Molotov

cocktails?...Is it a rebellious and violent minority that is beyond the extraparliamentary left, such as the FIAT newspaper maintains? Is it the epigone of the MIR (Chilean organization — ed.) or the secret agents of mysterious foreign powers who envy our formidable industrial organization, as it is stated by the young and dynamic Minister of the Interior Cossiga?"

"Nonsense," the exposé answers. Charging Cossiga, the cousin by marriage of Communist Party General Secretary Enrico Berlinguer and the Communist "shadow Defense Minister" Ugo Pecchioli with covering up of the real terrorist operations in Italy, Tempo warns: "Listen carefully, Cossiga, if you really don't know it already (and this we doubt very much) ... you too, honorable Pecchioli ... since you are the military expert of the largest European Communist Party: If it is true ... that you only know some fragments of the story and do not have too much confidence in your ambiguous informers..."

Tempo continues: "Between 1968 and 1969 Moro (present Prime Minister), Saragat (then President of the Republic), Henke, Miceli (both former heads of the SID, the Italian secret service, and the two generals under investigation for the 1971 coup attempts) ... met and decided to found a special service which, aided by NATO, established a base in Alghero, Sardinia, under the command of Pastore Stocchi (an aide to Miceli) ... About 1000 former Carabinieri and members of fascist groups were trained at this base ... later deployed in groups of 6 to 12 persons independently of each other and armed to the teeth with the most modern weapons. They kept in touch with the central command of the SID service) ... This is what the parallel SID is."

Tempo charges that judicial authorities have been blocked

from investigating the "parallel SID." Another article notes that Agnelli has been shipping his money abroad and this "makes the suspicion legitimate ... Does Agnelli regret it very much if his factories burn?"

Tempo also reveals that the head of the Maoist grouplet Stella Rossa, which for the past years has had the sole function of harassing the European Labor Party, is on the "pay list of Interior Minister Cossiga."

The Tempo exposé followed a series of revelations by the weekly of the Agnelli family's involvement — together with former West German Defense Minister Franz Joseph Strauss — in the Lockheed kickback scandals, particularly in the construction of Lockheed F-104 fighter planes by Agnelli's FIAT. Crashes of these planes took the lives of more than 200 pilots in 10 years. Tempo was the first Italian press to reveal that Agnelli, his brother Umberto, and two other top FIAT executives, were under court investigation for their roles in the affair.

Tempo's revelations merely confirm longstanding charges by the European Labor Party that Gianni Agnelli, Giorgio Amendola, Ugo La Malfa and others have been conspiring to create a fascist police state in Italy to force payment of Italy's debts to the New York Banks. The desperation of this Atlanticist faction in the face of the collapse of the financial empire of their New York masters has caused them to redouble their terror attacks against Italian population. This escalation, combined with the effect of the propaganda for debt moratorium and International Development Bank among Italian workers and trade union leaders by the European Labor Party has led to the counteroffensive by Italian pro-development forces reflected in the appearance of the Tempo *Illustrato* exposé.

IPS Expose

What Is The 'Italian Communist Party?'

April 24 (IPS) — A daily front-page feature of all of the Western capitalist press in recent weeks has been the raging debate over whether the Italian Communist Party (PCI) will maintain "democracy" in Italy if it is admitted into the government. The fraud, aimed as psychological warfare at the Italian and the entire European working class, is the attempt to make a subject of discussion out of whether the PCI leadership's arrival in power would result in an Italian "Communist dictatorship."

As the Atlanticist authors of this "debate" know perfectly well, the bulk of the current leadership of the Italian Communist Party were recruited as Anglo-American intelligence agents directly out of the "left" Fascist movement of Benito Mussolini in the late 1930s by current party-control agent Giorgio Amendola. Since the avowed world outlook of these PCI leadership personnel **has never changed**, they indeed represent the greatest of Fascist threats to Italian democracy. But this is not what concerns the Atlanticist press "debaters."

The April 11 issue of *l'Espresso*, the Italian weekly controlled by the Agnelli family of FIAT, is exemplary of the psychological warfare packaging of their controversy. Alongside articles heralding the end of the Italian Republic,

l'Espresso runs no fewer than five features dedicated to "the Communist question." One explores the party's secret negotiations with the Vatican; another displays Wall Street banker and policymaker George Ball lauding the Communist Party as the "only disciplined group" in Italian politics; a third reviews a book by a leading party ideologue in which Lenin's "anti-democratic" tendencies are blamed for the subsequent development of Stalinism; and a fourth interviews a spate of Atlanticist intelligence agents from Leo Valiani, who helped administer the Allied Occupation in Italy, to Czech counterinsurgent Jiri Pelikan. The subject of last discussion is always whether the arrival of the PCI in power might bring about a "Soviet dictatorship" in Italy.

The key to this entire charade, and to the shocking reality of the PCI leadership's real identity, lies however in the fifth feature, titled "Papà Amendola." Gathered to celebrate the death 50 years ago of Giovanni Amendola (the top British intelligence agent in Italy who became a "martyr of anti-Fascism" after helping the British to bring the Frankenstein monster Mussolini to power), Giorgio Amendola and Ugo La Malfa debated for *l'Espresso* which political force in present-day Italy best represents the "heritage" of the older Amendola.