

# International Intelligence

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## ***NATO commander: Kissinger is wrong***

NATO's Supreme Commander in Europe, General Bernard Rogers, in an interview with West Germany's *Der Spiegel* magazine, has attacked Henry Kissinger's "decoupling" proposal and pointed to the Soviet strategy of tensions and escalation against Western Europe.

"My greatest concern is not that the East might launch an attack out of nowhere. I don't believe the Soviets want a war. They rather want to utilize their military might to blackmail and intimidate us without ever having fired one single shot. . . . They will exert pressure hoping that we will submit to their will. . . ."

The main question the West has to pose, says Rogers, is: "Are we going to submit to the potential blackmail from the other side or do we resist and thus risk confrontation? I think that our deterrence is losing its credibility. I am concerned that the Soviets will try to utilize a period of tensions they might create to try to force concessions upon us, because the United States could react to a conventional attack only with nuclear weapons within a matter of 'X' days. Their superiority in terms of nuclear warheads is now nine to one."

When asked about Kissinger's proposals for a reform of NATO, Rogers says: "It has always been my view that the U. S. troops are not here [in Western Europe] just for motives of Christian mercy. They are here for the vital interest of the United States, the fate of which is irreversibly tied to that of Europe. It is absolutely wrong to withdraw U.S. troops from Europe. And also Mr. Kissinger is wrong. You can't incite the Europeans to do more if the United States is doing less. . . ."

"The U.S.A. must lead, and not threaten, blackmail, or penalize allies. If the United States withdrew troops from Western Europe on a large scale one future day, it would be against their own vital interests. It would

split the alliance and bring the Soviets closer to their dream of gaining supremacy over Western Europe without military means. That would be catastrophic for the United States."

Rogers warns of any illusions concerning progress in arms-limitation talks, because "the Russian will avoid anything that might help President Reagan in his election campaign."

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## ***'Green' journalist: let Third World starve***

An article appearing in West Germany's *Der Spiegel* magazine has demanded that no action be taken to prevent Third World children from starving to death. The article was authored by Homair von Ditfurth, a well-known pro-Green Party journalist.

Von Ditfurth writes: "Today another 40,000 children will die from starvation—one every two seconds. Every 24 hours, a mountain of 40,000 crumpled children's corpses is created, spread throughout the countries of the so-called Third World. Terrible? Much worse: If these children did *not* die, if they did *not* starve in their mother's arms . . . if they survived and grew up, to have children themselves, then the catastrophe would be far greater. It may sound cynical, that their many thousands of deaths protects the Earth from a situation which would go far beyond today's deaths. However, it is the logical consequence of an irrational policy which does not prevent surplus births in the Third World through birth control out of hypocritical respect for the unborn life which—once born—cannot be kept alive."

Ditfurth calls for the creation of a "Citizens Initiative" to ban the use of pictures of starving children in advertisements for charities, saying: "For every child saved today by the activities of such organizations, there will be four or five or six children in the next generation. And to save these from a wretched death the combined efforts of

'Misereor' and 'Bread for the World' [two major German charities] will not be enough.

"Whoever is not too cowardly to look cannot escape the conclusion that whoever limits himself to feeding hungry children, instead of preventing the *inevitable* deaths through birth control, contributes directly and causally to the increasing size of the mountain of corpses which will face coming generations."

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## ***Germany's Weinstein supports U.S. SDI***

West German military specialist Adalbert Weinstein published an op-ed article in the Aug. 12 issue of *Welt am Sonntag* supporting the U.S. beam-weapon development program, called the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI). His article sums up a recent discussion with Edward Teller, who visited West Germany at the end of July to brief journalists and politicians on the SDI.

Calling Soviet proposals for talks to ban space weapons only "a part of their psycho-strategic attacks on the Free World, and the United States in particular," Weinstein observes that such proposals only serve the purpose of "interfering in the American election campaign" to harm "the chances of reelection for candidate Reagan."

It is an illusion in "the century of technology," adds Weinstein, to try to stop "the development towards the three-dimensional battlefield. . . . In a period of cold war one hardly expects the United States to leave their industrial superiority untapped just because the Soviets cannot keep pace.

"It must also be said that the American administration is convinced that preparing for Star Wars will free mankind from the scourge of nuclear terror one future day. War in space will not take place. Space weapons are weapons for deterrence.

"Thus, the threat of nuclear war is eliminated. It is still an anticipation of future developments, but scientists like Teller think that such a strategy of deterrence will be

feasible by no later than a decade from now, or by the end of this century at the latest."

"Even the Bundeswehr [the West German Army] will not be able to meet its tasks if it pursues strategies and tries to produce security with ideas from World War II."

### ***Bolivian 'Cocaine King' offers to buy the country***

Bolivia's "Cocaine King" Roberto Suarez has launched an offensive against his government on behalf of Dope, Inc., offering a large loan to help "solve" the severe economic crisis Bolivia is facing today. Suarez made the "generous" proposal through the mediation of Rafael Otazo, president of the National Commission of the Fight against Narcotics. Otazo conveyed the offer to Bolivian President Hernan Siles Zuazo.

Suarez is known as the world's top cocaine producer, grossing at least \$400 million a year from the annual export of coca from Bolivia to Colombia, and from there, as processed cocaine, to the American market. He runs his own private army, and his financial empire is easily the largest in the country.

Bolivia is one of the countries which has formed a front against narcotics trafficking, declaring it a crime against humanity (see article, page 34). President Siles Zuazo has unequivocally rejected the mafia's offer of protection.

A similar proposal was made to the President of Colombia, Belisario Betancur, through the mediation of former President Alfonso Lopez Michelsen. Lopez Michelsen met in Panama with top drug pushers, fugitives from Colombian justice, who demanded an amnesty in exchange for repatriating their ill-gotten billions. In return, they promised to shut down all their airfields and drug-processing plants.

President Betancur, who is waging a war on drugs that has included use of the military to wipe out the cocaine plantations, refused their offer.

### ***'German revanchism' made in Moscow***

Leading Soviet intelligence officials themselves initiated and promoted the idea of "reunifying Germany as a restored Reich," now promulgated by "conservative revolution" advocates [Nazis] inside West Germany. That is the conclusion of a *Der Spiegel* cover story which lists all of the main attacks now being issued in the Soviet press against this alleged "German revanchism" and "revival of Nazism."

Among the leading "conservative revolution" ideologues in West Germany today is Erlangen University professor Helmut Diwald, whose books on German reunification have been read by many "conservatives" in West Germany. Not only did *Literaturnaya Gazeta*, the principal mouthpiece of the Soviet intelligence services, write in November 1983 that Diwald's "basic notion of history" is acceptable to the Soviet Union. Diwald's "basic notion" was imparted to him by KGB officials. Diwald was visited twice in 1983 by the chief editor of *Literaturnaya Gazeta*, Chakovsky, who proposed a "reinstitution of the German Reich" and inserted the idea of "a completely new organization of Middle Europa" into Diwald's mind.

In addition, the chief editor of the *Cologne Stadtanzeiger*, Hans Schmitz, recalls discussions with high-ranking Soviet officials in Moscow who propagated "the fantastic vision of a neutralized Germany, instituted as a sovereign nuclear power."

Seeking clarification on this "strange German Card" game the Russians are playing, *Der Spiegel* received only a denial from "a Central Committee member" who said that the situation is "premature for any German Card." But, the magazine reminded its readers, "we are now approaching the first anniversary of the Hot Autumn," when Soviet-sponsored "greenies" and "peaceniks" rampaged throughout the country protesting installation of U.S. Pershing and cruise missiles.

## *Briefly*

● **SHINTARO** Abe, Japan's foreign minister, announced on Aug. 12 that a high-level delegation will soon visit Moscow, saying that although U.S.-Japan relations are central, better relations with the U.S.S.R. are also important. The announcement came after two weeks of Soviet diatribes against U.S.-Japanese military cooperation.

● **CLAES TORNBORG**, chief of staff of the Swedish Coastal Fleet, warned his countrymen on Aug. 13: "The risk of a surprise attack [from the Soviet Union] has increased." But the head of Sweden's armed forces, Gen. Lennart Ljung "returned from vacation" to announce that "there is no Soviet threat." An intense debate was recently initiated by opponents of pro-Soviet Premier Olof Palme who demand that Sweden join the Western Alliance.

● **'YES, OLOF**, you are a very popular man. A lot of people like you," said radio talk show host Hagge Geigert to the Swedish premier. Palme's face lit up. "Well, I mean abroad . . . not here in Sweden." Geigert pointed out that many Swedes now drive around with bumper-stickers which read: "I'd rather eat a can of worms than see Olof Palme on TV." Crestfallen, Palme charged that a few fanatics are responsible. "It is not only me they hate, they also hate Henry Kissinger, but it is not personal, it is for political reasons."

● **A PLAGUE**, nicknamed "coughing-rats" disease, is now gaining a foothold "every place on Earth where a Chinese or Korean boat has come," according to Dr. Carleton Gadjusek, who first reported on the disease at a Vienna meeting last fall. There is still no cure or vaccine for Haemorrhagic Fever, whose fatal strain humans can only contract in the presence of a rat that coughs.