

## Editorial

### *George Bush's 'new world order'*

President Bush spoke before the Brazilian Congress on Dec. 3, and he described his vision of the future. No longer, he said, would there be Third World nations or a developing sector. In their place, there would be a New World Order which would impose free trade on every nation. Implied in this, if not explicitly stated, is that this new colonialism is to be policed by an Anglo-American-controlled world-federalist organization, perhaps the United Nations, or perhaps a subsidiary regional body.

This lecture was particularly pointed in Brazil, since that nation is slated to be the recipient of the Iraq treatment, if it refuses to relinquish its sovereignty over the Amazon region. Bush's lecture to the Brazilians on the virtues of environmentalism contained a scarcely veiled threat, when he said: "We envision a hemisphere where a collaborative commitment is shared to protect the environment. There can be no sustained economic growth without protection of the environment."

Despite forthcoming negotiations between Iraq and the United States, and even if these were to lead to some agreement that would apparently cool off the situation, there is no fundamental shift in George Bush's policy: the Anglo-American goal to impose a new imperial world order on the rest of the world. This means that the crisis in the Gulf—and the threat of a devolution in that situation to world war—remains grave.

Even with Great Britain's Margaret Thatcher out of office, insanity continues to govern Anglo-American policy. More to the point, even if the pressure on Bush to back off from war has been sufficient to offer some hope from the upcoming U.S.-Iraq negotiations, there is another factor which is operative. The Israelis are giving every indication that they are prepared to force a war, if the United States appears to be pulling back.

The present Israeli government—which is under the control of Ariel Sharon and his Anglo-American backers, such as Robert Maxwell who owns the Hebrew daily *Ma'ariv* and the Hollinger Corp. which owns the English-language *Jerusalem Post*—is quite prepared to stage some atrocity which would be suffi-

cient to mobilize its own population to accept an Israeli attack on Iraq. In this regard it is well to note that Henry Kissinger sits on the board of Hollinger Corp., along with Peter Lord Carrington, and that Kissinger has been one of the most outrageous proponents of a U.S. military attack on Iraq.

On Dec. 3, former U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia James Akins testified at Sen. Claiborne Pell's Foreign Relations Committee hearings on the Gulf. We fully endorse what he said there. He issued the warning: "While we can be certain that no further provocation will come from Saddam, there is no guarantee that there will be no terrible incident somewhere in Israel or in Saudi Arabia in the next six weeks that will lead us or the Israelis to conclude we have been stabbed in the back. This incident, if it were sufficiently ghastly, could result in an immediate attack on Iraq."

"Several groups in the Middle East—as here—do not want a peaceful solution. They advocate war and the destruction of Iraq—by us of course. Arranging an 'incident' may not be beyond their technical abilities. This may not happen, but we should be prepared for it. And before we respond with a blistering attack on Baghdad, we should be completely sure that the crime originated there."

No doubt, like most Americans, the majority of the Israeli population does not want war, and this most probably includes some members of the establishment. But while George Bush is trying to override the U.S. Constitution, by declaring that he has the independent power to declare war, so the Israeli government is not responsive to the people of that country; in fact, it is controlled from abroad.

Implicit in Bush's New World Order, is the proliferation of wars, in which the malthusian plan to reduce the world's population by billions is put into effect. It is not sufficient merely to contain Bush, and the Anglo-American crowd he represents. They must be stopped. To avert war in the Gulf will not be a victory, if Bush and his backers are allowed to continue their evil policies unchecked.