OPERATION GOLDFINGER: ROCKEFELLER LAUNCHES ATTEMPT TO FILCH EUROPE'S GOLD

WASHINGTON, May 23 (IPS) — Sources at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) today confirmed that the Rockefeller financier interests are launching a scheme to empty European treasuries of 500 million troy ounces of monetary gold.

According to numerous indications, the scheme will involve one or more variants of a set-up in which the Europeans would trade off their gold for some form of useless paper — the IMF's Special Drawing Rights, U.S. dollars, or anything David Rockefeller can print.

IPS previously detailed the Europeans' ability to hatch a "golden snake" currency system, expanding trade with the gold-rich Soviet Union in order to maintain real production levels. The snake would ruin Rockefeller's efforts to collapse the European economy into his banking empire.

David Rockefeller's immediate concern is that without the European gold in his hands the oncoming economic collapse will force the Europeans to establish the "golden snake," no matter what their present state of mind is.

In the psychological-warfare pattern previously analyzed by IPS, Rockefeller stooges in the press, the U.S. Treasury Department, and the German and Italian central banks are orchestrating a controlled environment for the European countries. The objective of the gameplan is to "help" the Europeans decide to exchange their gold for some form of paper which will be made worthless within weeks as a result of the imminent credit crash.

Labor Committees Urge Golden Snake Policy

Rockefeller's Operation Goldfinger to collapse the European economy will meet the expanding influence and propaganda of the European Labor Committees, whose organizing around the golden snake proposal has penetrated Western Europe, particularly West German, as detailed below.

The pro-Rockefeller Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung and Deputy Governer of the Bank of Italy Rinaldo Ossola "coincidentally" aired the same suggestion May 21. According to the Italian banker and the German business daily, the IMF — the world's battered and ineffective central bank — should buy up the Europeans' monetary gold, paying in Special Drawing Rights (SDR's), the IMF's paper currency.

The present head of the IMF is Johannes Witteveen, an outspoken opponent of the European gold plan and a director of Unilever, the Rockefeller-linked Anglo-Dutch multinational company. Witteveen took office last year after a bitter attack conducted by the Rockefeller interests on his predecessor, independent financier Pierre-Paul Schweitzer.

Why should any European government allow the Rockefeller-run International Monetary Fund to take away its gold, in return for dubious SDR's? IPS Intelligence learned last fall that central banks were trading SDR's at below their face value. All that would be necessary to destroy the SDR value is the refusal of the Europeans' international creditors to accept SDR's in payment for oil, except at 50 cents on the dollar! European governments, collectively \$40 billion in the red after the oil hoax. are also aware that Rockefeller's friends in the Mideast could arrange another oil hoax to drive home this point.

"Extreme Uncertainty"

The Frankfurter Allgeneine Zeitung claims that central bank sales of gold on the free market would drive down the market price. "Only in times of most extreme uncertainty can the market absorb a much larger

quantity," the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung explains.

Within the next two months, the value of all capitalist paper against gold will plummet, as extreme uncertainty becomes the market's daily bread. "Even if sales of gold by oil-deficit countries were at first to exert a deprecing effect on the market, the behavior of the open market would soon correct this," writes the well-informed International Currency Review.

As one IMF official put it, "The European golden snake plan is very nice, but there is no political leader in Europe able to carry out this policy." He did not comment on the Central Intelligence Agency's removal of Willy Brandt, former Chancellor of West Germany.

The official added, "We cannot impose a solution on the Americans. It's a matter of compromise." Led by Treasury Under-Secretary Paul Volcker, a former employee of Chase Manhattan Bank, U.S. policy has been hostile to the remonetization of gold. "You need the money, you find a solution," the official concluded. "Anyway, this plan will be good for the IMF."

Informed sources close to the Italian financial authorities told IPS that Rinaldo Ossola put forward the compromise gold plan after Italian central bank governor Guido Carli, a staunch proponent of the golden snake, despaired of finding the political means of implementing his proposal.

Schmidt's Sabotage of the EEC

IPS Intelligence has confirmed that Carli's despair stems from the wrecking job done on the European Economic Community by Helmut Schmidt, who took over the West German government from the unfortunate Willy Brandt. IPS was the first news source to expose Schmidt's responsibility for the current Italian trade crisis. Three weeks ago Schmidt vetoed Brandt's proposed aid plans for the ailing Italian economy.

And Karl Klasen, Schmidt's man at the German Bundesbank, yesterday told a business audience that West Germany, Europe's first financial power, will not extend credit to other European countries. Klasen said that this would seriously weaken their determination to fight inflation at home.

IMF: Italy's Last Resort

Shafted by Schmidt, the Italians had no choice but to offer to cash in their gold at the IMF. In March Rockefeller banks cut Italy's credit lines, leaving the destitute country facing an estimated \$10 billion balance-of-payments deficit during 1974.

Recently the "IMF gold plan" dredged up by the Italians was touted by the London *Economist*, a notorious Rockefeller journal. Additionally, Helmut Schmidt made a similar suggestion at the April 24 finance ministers' conference at Zeist, Holland, where the criminal European gold proposal was formulated.

Completing the circle, the U.S. Treasury Department has expressed interest in the Europeans' compromise gold plan, according to reliable sources here in contact with the Treasury.

The Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung adds, "With respect to this new situation, the Americans' resistance to a central bank solution of the problem of reactivating gold reserves is openly beginning to melt. It seems to be only a question of time before the United States and France and West Germany agree to such a solution." According to the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, European central banks will go along with the IMF solution or, alternatively, sell their gold to dollar-rich West Germany or Switzerland in return for dollars. "With the exception of West Germany and Switzerland," the Rockefeller news sheet continues, "there are practically no more countries who have sufficient dollar reserves to be exchanged for gold, without a threat to their payments balance. But Frankfurt and Zurich will only be willing to buy up other

countries' gold if there is no danger that the value of gold will later fall."

Bargain Basement Deal

This suggests that Italy, France, and other cashstrapped countries will be offered about \$100 an ounce for their gold, compared to the current market price of \$160 an ounce. Indeed, this bargain basement price was cited by the pro-Rockefeller Dresdener Bank in an interview with IPS.

To make matters less complicated, the Frankfurter

Allgemeine Zeitung concludes, "the IMF could step in as a central gold-buyer."

IPS estimates that the Rockefeller cabal will field additional helpful suggestions as to how the Europeans can trade their gold for worthless paper. Indications are, however, that the cabal is treading on thin ice in this latest ploy. For example, senior economist Fred Deming of the Rockefeller-controlled Chemical Bank in New York told IPS that he "could not conceive of the Europeans giving up their gold."

CHINA ADVANCES ANTI-SOVIET VIEWS AS TIES WITH ROCKEFELLER STRENGTHEN

May 24 (IPS) — Under the cover of growing anti-Sovietism, the Chinese alignment with Rockefeller forces is becoming more open.

- Hsinhua Weekly and Peking Review write about a raw materials shortage in the context of demonstrating how Soviet economic relations with Comecon countries and the third world are exploitative. The coverage continues, although the UN Special Conference on Raw Materials ended last month [see IPS, No. 1].
- China is developing closer relations to Iran. Teng Hsiao Peng, deputy Premier who gave a pro-Rockefeller speech at the UN Raw Materials Conference, stopped over in Iran on his way back to Peking. Teng's trip came just before that of Indira Gandhi, during which she surrendered to Rockefeller in exchange for Iranian bail money. China may be implicated in the building up of Iran's key CIA role against the Soviet Union in Southern Asia Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, and Pakistan. Teng said that he supported the new rapprochement between Pakistan, Bangladesh and India, which is intended to eliminate the Soviet toehold in Bangladesh.
- The Chinese are now openly supporting the Rockefeller "peace plan" for the Middle East. The Chinese press reiterated the accusation of the Iranian secretarygeneral of CENTO that the USSR prefers to maintain tension in the Middle East in order to keep the Arabs dependent on them.

PERMANENT PURGES

May 24 (IPS)— Yuri Kornilov, TASS head of foreign services, gave credence to information from vanking that dozens of Mao's opponents were being shot. Kornilov accused Peking of having made China into a country of "permanent political purges, violence, and terror" (quoted in *Corriere della Sera*).

OF NAZI ATTACK ON USSR IN WWII

May 24 (IPS) — In a May 19 letter to the London Observer, Dr. H.V. Dicks — close associate of the grandfather of psychological warfare, Dr. John Rawlings Rees of Tavistock Institute — excused their role in covering up Britain's knowledge of Barbarossa, the Nazi plan to attack the Soviet Union.

Dicks admits that although he and his colleagues at British Intelligence were part of the team that debriefed Rudolf Hess after he flew to Britain during World War II, they did not "trust" Hess' knowledge of Hitler's plan. According to Dicks, the team dismissed what Hess said as the ravings of a "disturbed, security obsessed, childishly devious man" who delighted in deceiving them.

SILVER LINING

May 24 (IPS) — La Presse of Montreal published May 18 remarks of Hydro-Quebec authorities on the extensive flooding in the region: "...local residents can hope for a return to normal in about 15 days....What's bad for some is good for others....Shawinigan Falls, which can only be appreciated at this time of year, have never been so lovely."

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