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Probe Rockefeller's Role in Italian Crisis

June 29 (IPS) — A group of Italian senators, led by Communist Party member Colajanni, initiated an official inquiry this week into the relationship between Rockefeller agent Jacob Javits and the austerity proposals of Guido Carli, head of Italy's Central Bank. A second investigation will explore the connection between Javits and the just-ratified Ottawa NATO conference resolution, which affirms NATO's policy of intervention into troubled countries.

These parliamentary investigations threaten to blow the lid off David Rockefeller — head of Chase Manhattan and the Rockefeller brother most immediately behind the strangulation of the West European economies — and the Rockefeller-NATO strategy for the destruction of Western Europe. Like the Rome debt moratorium, these investigations must be spread.

Rockefeller's policy of forcing bankruptcies of municipalities and governments around the world as a means of streamlining the economy and disciplining the working class continues unabated. It is the policy of the Rockefeller agents, ensconced in France, West Germany, Britain and the United States, to choke public spending and credit — to bring every city on its knees to its national Treasury, which in turn will crawl, like Italy, on its knees to Chase Manhattan. Throughout this process a beefed-up NATO will stand in reserve — with an infrastructure prepared to restore both economic and political "order."

The Investigation

The Colajanni probe will start by examining the Carli speech of May 31, given before the Banca d'Italia on the prospects for the Italian economy. Pressing for import restrictions, stringent tax measures, and reduction of public employment, Carli capped his speech with the blunt observation that "The question is not the quality of life in the factories, but whether there will be any life in the factories at all."

Since that speech Carli, who has a **de facto** lifetime term on the near-dictatorial Banca d'Italia, has followed through with a vengeance. His credit-squeezing has hastened the collapse of Italian real estate and forced all Italian municipalities into desperate straits. The latest immediate casualty — directly traceable to the rejection of a loan of 10 billion lira from the Banca d'Italia and the treasury — is the city of Milan — which now faces the Roman's choice of debt moratorium.

It is the Italian senators' well-justified suspicion that Carli has not acted alone. Immediate circumstantial evidence links him to Republican Senator Jacob Javits, long a flunky in the Rockefeller international political machine. While in Washington, D.C. for the IMF conference Carli made contact with Javits — a contact later followed up with a visit to David Rockefeller himself at Chase Manhattan Plaza before he left for home.

The connection is immediately evident in the public record from the fact that Javits entered the Carli austerity message in the Congressional Record following his own June 17 tearjerking speech in the Senate on the Italian crisis. In that speech Javits pleaded for an all-out U.S. effort to save Italy, in his view the first nation about to collapse due to the (Rockefeller-created) energy crisis. Pointing to the communist and fascist "menaces" facing Italy, Javits appealed for immediate action along a program outlined later to an Italian reporter by his staff specialist—a program which virtually mirrors the credit strangulation and taxation policy now being implemented by Carli against the Italian and entire European population.

The NATO Connection

The key link between the Carli and Javits policies actually lies in NATO, Rockefeller's proposed substitute for the European Economic Community. West German Chancellor Eurotraitor Helmut Schmidt made the most blatant proposal of all just after meeting with David Rockefeller in Brussels before the NATO treaty signing June 27: If we can't work out a viable anti-inflation (i.e., wage-gouging) policy through traditional financial institutions, Schmidt announced, NATO should straighten the situation out.

The Schmidt line has long been in preparation by both Carli and Javits. Carli was one of five special consultants who prepared a report on "Nonmilitary Cooperation in NATO" in 1956-57, a key foot-in-the-door document intended to justiry NATO involvement (also known as occupation) in Western European civil affairs. Javits himself was involved in reporting on the capabilities of "economic cooperation" between NATO countries and in pushing NATO resettlement projects, at the same time that Carli's "Committee of Three" was determining that "NATO must become more than a military alliance."

Javits also worked to set up the NATO Committee on the Challenges of Modern Society. The CCMS is the agency which held the Turin conference on Zero Growth and which has moved in to manage a multitude of "coincidental" disasters, especially flooding in Canada this spring (see IPS, disaster report). Having served as president of the North Atlantic Assembly (a NATO paramilitary body), Javits now heads an "informal NATO Committee of Nine" — which undoubtedly plans precisely the kind of Atlantic cooperation necessary to chain the European working class to David Rockefeller's liquidity needs.

Rockefeller Activation

Rockefeller man and Treasury Secretary William Simon repeated the Carli performance before the Senate's Joint Economic Committee two days ago. He called for tighter credit and a drastic reduction in government spending. His second, Budget Director Roy Ash, concretized the proposals more dramatically—indicating that \$10 million of the budget and 100,000 federal employees are headed for the chopping block. This policy will supplement the tight money moves—which now hold up municipalities for exorbitant interest and will be detonating simultaneous budget crises all over the U.S. when the fiscal year ends June 30.

The Simon move is already underway in West Germany and France. Finance ministries in both countries have slashed credit to localities. Giscard is now moving to plug up the remaining loopholes in the credit apparatus by removing disloyal financial personnel right and left. Finance Minister Apel in West Germany continues to press for deep cuts in government spending on all levels in order to "avoid bankrupcies" (as he puts it).

Rockefeller policy will soon put the dilemma of Rome before all European cities and U.S. municipalities as well. The banks or milk, the banks or transport, the banks or wages — these will be the choices. The Roman decision to suspend debt, taken last week, will be a necessary stopgap; the Europeanwide united front organization to support that decision, laid out in detail in the previous IPS, will be the simultaneous necessary step.

The Roman example so terrified the European bourgeoisie that it immediately and quietly arranged a loan from an undisclosed source, to be paid back at more than 15 per cent interest. It will only last for one month. Nonetheless few newspapers dared cover the event — for fear that the defiling of the sanctity of capitalist paper might become too popular. Already the moratorium proposal is being debated hotly within the youth group of the Italian Socialist Party.

What is now spreading instead, in typical Italian syndicalist fashion, is a rash of economic strikes — by municipal workers, farmers and industrial workers. In the face of a totally bankrupt economy these militant strikes are effectively no different from the massive lockouts now occurring worldwide. They do not cramp Rockefeller's style at all.

The necessary policy is the one that will hurt. Throughout Europe and the U.S. the word is going out: suspend the debt; expose the Rockefeller criminals; prepare to take over the world economy from Rockefeller now.

Nato Aims Atlanticism at Western Europe

OTTAWA, June 29 (IPS) — The two-day NATO Ministers' Conference just concluded here gleefully hailed a new pact making official Rockefeller's policy of Atlanticism to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the NATO organization. The main purpose of the Ottawa protocol, to be officially signed by President Nixon in Brussels, is to make clear to Western European nations that detente is not a substitute for defense: that relations with the Soviet Union will be tightly circumscribed by purposes of Rockefeller's global policy. The Europeans will be forced to submit to the Atlantic alliance while surrendering their chance to form any bloc with the Soviets against Rockefeller and his band of Eurotraitors.

Who's In Charge of NATO?

The final preparation of the NATO document was delayed by the French, who insisted on altering wording which defined the necessity for consultation between NATO countries prior to issuing a statement of policy.

The farcical legalism of French protests was exposed by Secretary of State Kissinger when he answered a newsman's question stating flatly that the United States would not be bound by such procedures if it deemed it necessary to act in an emergency, "such as the alert of U.S.-NATO forces at the time of the Yom Kippur War." This statement effectively laid out the real relations within Atlanticism.

NCLC Intervenes

The facade of Atlantic unity gave way, revealing deep factional strains, at the first sign of pressure from representatives of the National Caucus of Labor Committees (NCLC). An NCLC spokesman questioning NATO Secretary General Joseph Luns during his press conference pressed home the point that Atlanticism is actually aimed at crushing any resistance within Western Europe to Rockefeller's economic and political stranglehold. The NCLC asked, "Is it not true that the