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# How Rockefeller Nurtured and Controlled the ZPG Plan for Depopulation

July 22 (IPS) — The United Nations-sponsored intergovernmental World Population Conference to be held this August in Bucharest, Romania will celebrate the genocidal "Zero Population Growth" (ZPG) movement, for more than twenty years the direct organizing responsibility of John D. Rockefeller III. This report is the first in an IPS series that will, by the time the conference convenes, thoroughly expose the criminal dimensions of Rockefeller's ZPG plans.

We intend to rip off the fraudulent humanism in which the modern Malthusians have cloaked their plan for mass murder; to remove any lingering doubts about their utter scientific incompetence; and to establish the actual necessity, in a socialist society constantly revolutionizing its technology, for an ever-expanding **productive** population.

There should be no mistaking the origin of ZPG's rationalization for species-suicide. For once, Planned Parenthood's dehumanizing clinical euphemism for "baby" is appropriate; ZPG is John D. Rockefeller's "product of conception." The Population Conference and the parallel Population Tribune for non-governmental organizations aim to bring ZPG to maturity. Participants — academics, health professionals, social workers, social planners, and governmental officials — will be indoctrinated thoroughly in the techniques and motivation for population control. Thus the Rockefellers hope to prepare the way for severe austerity and its accompanying Nazi-style depopulation of the working class.

The forceful intervention of the International Caucus of Labor Committees at the Conference around a program for expanded food production and the development of fusion power is planned to prevent independent thinkers and humanitarian participants from sinking into the ZPG bestial view that "there are too many people."

## The Case Against ZPG

"Too many people" — for what? Rockefeller's answer, implicit in the linking of the Population and Food Conferences and explicit in all ZPG propaganda, is that population growth threatens to consume "too

much" of the fixed amount of available natural resources. The ecological crisis of overpopulation, then, depends fundamentally upon what defines, and determines the magnitude of, humanity's "natual resources."

In fact, such ecological crises are a recurring problem of human existence, precisely because successful social reproduction in any one mode of altering nature for human benefit tends to deplete the resources defined by that state of development. But the continued existence of the species testifies that the problem continually has been solved, precisely because the mode of human species reproduction is not fixed. Humanity has not dead-ended because the creative powers of universal labor (science) have broken through to higher levels of productive powers, finding resources where once there was mere rock.

Such technological breakthroughs most emphatically depend upon expanding the productive population engaged in society's process of reproduction. First, the creation of the scientific "clout" to make the "discoveries" imples a higher level of education and culture generally; thus requiring a larger population of teachers, etc. Second, in order for these discoveries to be realized in the necessary productive technologies, the productive population must be expanded, usually over wider areas of the globe, to make it possible to bring to bear a more complex "bill of materials" and more specialized skills. In sum, overcoming the only apparently "limited resources" which constrain population growth requires advancing to a higher state of technological development, which in turn depends upon an increased division of labor, i.e., population growth.

#### A Rockefeller Operation

In this and the following sections we will lay bare who the actors are controlling the ostensibly independent United Nations population control program. Actually the entire program is integrated into an international network of policy-making, funding, research, and organizing agencies. Overseeing the operation as Chairman of the Population Council is John D. Rockefeller III.

Funding comes from the World Bank, the United States Agency for International Development (AID), the

Swedish International Development Authority, the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations, and the lesser-known Hugh Moore and Milbank Memorial Funds.

Rockefeller's medical school outposts around the world conduct research and development in conjunction with national public health institutions and the U N World Health Organization. Complementing the purely biological research are sociological and related operational investigations, carried out at well-known CIA

"Europe is dying. In the heartland of Europe, in East and West Germany, Austria and Luxemburg, more people are dying than are being born. Zero Growth has arrived. In 1972, for the first time in the capitalist era, or the first time in nearly two hundred years, the population of Central Europe has begun to decline. And the rot is spreading outwards .... Not even during the last Depression, and only for brief periods and in more limited regions during the Nazi conquests, has capitalism so starkly demonstrated its inability to maintain the mere existence of human life."

—From "The Socialist Reconstruction of Europe" by John Lawrence, International Caucus of Labor Committees Economic Planning Commission, in *The Campaigner*, September-October, 1973 (Available from IPS).

campuses: Princeton's Office of Population Research, Harvard's Center for Population Studies, and the University of Michigan's Center for Population Planning are exemplary.

The birth control inventions and organizing schemes from these centers are tested upon unsuspecting "volunteers," then promoted to legislators and the population before finally being implemented widely by the abortion, sterilization, and contraception franchise chain around the world. Their success depends upon the crisis environment created by the prophets of doom, the actual ZPG organization and its related "emergency committees," information bureaus, and ecology fatalists. Under cover of this slick Madison Avenue barrage, the Planned Parenthood World Federation, the Church World Service, the AID front-group Pathfinder Fund and sundry other pill-pushers swing John D. Rockefeller's ZPG scythe.

#### From the Beginning

In January 1939, the Council of the League of Nations created a secretariat to study demographic problems in their economic, financial and social context. Before the committee could begin its work, however, World War II broke out, forcing it to take up residence at Princeton University's Office of Population Research. This center, the first in the Rockefeller family's academic population empire, had been founded three years earlier with a

\$250,000 grant from the Milbank Memorial Fund, one of the institutions within the Rockefeller Foundation's aegis.

At that time, Milbank had brought Frank Notestein from its Division of Research to become the first director of the Princeton office, where he headed the League of Nations study, titled "The Future Population of Europe and the Soviet Union: Population Projections 1940-1970."

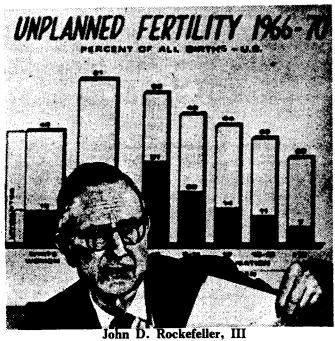
In 1946, the UN's Economic and Social Council created a Population Commission (PC) composed of governmental representatives. Initially, instructed to "assist national governments in locating, counting and classifying population." The PC worked in tandem with the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Agency in resettling the refugee populations of Asia and Europe. As IPS has previously demonstrated (see The Campaigner, May and June 1974), Rockefeller's leading fascist theoretician Dr. John Rawlings Rees, and his agents, capitalized on these opportunities to refine psychological control techniques; and it is probable that trusted Reesian agents soon captured the PC. It is noteworthy that the first director of the UN's World Health Organization, Dr. Brock Chisolm, was a longtime collaborator of Rees.

Not long afterwards, Frank Notestein returned, this time as an expert consultant to the Secretary General's



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Department of Economic and Social Affairs and as acting director of its newly-formed Population Division (PD). Throughout the late 1940s and the 1950s the two UN population agencies were limited in funds and scope of activity, concentrating on demographic problems, record-keeping and occasional advisory positions.



### **ZPG Takes Off**

Beginning in 1958 Sweden, hiding its role as Rockefeller's stalking horse behind its "neutral, non-imperialist" image, became the first government to begin foreign family-planning assistance, through the Swedish International Development Authority, initiating projects in Ceylon, Pakistan, Kenya, and numbers of other African and Asian countries.

In 1961, representatives from Denmark and Sweden unsuccessfully attempted to place the question of population growth and economic development on the UN agenda. The next year a similar draft resolution, supported for the first time by the Unitd States, enabled the PC and PD to have greater leeway in actually advising and training for action programs in the field. A later report in this series will document John D. Rockefeller's direct role in convincing President Kennedy to break with the "hands-off" policy of Eisenhower; it is here sufficient to note that his liaison to Kennedy was Secretary of State Dean Rusk, former head of the Rockefeller Institute.

In 1964, the Secretary General appointed an ad hoc committee of experts to recommend priority areas, including the peripatetic Frank Notestein and other agents from the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations. Their report, endorsed the following year, called for expanded research in the fields of fertility, mortality, internal migration and urbanization. Most of these individuals then served as organizers or moderators of the twenty-four meetings comprising the 1965 Second UN World Population Conference in Belgrade, insuring Rockefeller's hegemony over the proceedings.

As the U.S.'s own AID program began to blackmail the underdeveloped sector into accepting population control programs, John D. Rockefeller III himself rounded up the signatures of a dozen heads of state in 1966 and 18 more in 1967 for a declaration urging steps to reduce population that he presented to the Secretary General on "Human Rights Day." This personal armtwisting effort laid the basis for the massive expansion of the UN's program that began in 1967, when U Thant established a trust fund for voluntary contributions by governments and private institutions to supplement the UN's regular budget. Frank Notestein, then president of Rockefeller's Population Council, spelled out at a UN panel discussion the same year that the UN must expand its training role, leaving private foundations to bear the bulk of the cost of the actual birth control projects.

Substantial contributions from the U.S. (\$500,000), Sweden (\$200,000), and Denmark (\$100,000) were earmarked for training centers for administrators of birth-control pilot projects. Given the ground rules of the Secretary General's Fund, the contributing countries effectively controlled the decisions on the allocation of the monies.

Thus in 1968, when the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of International Organization Affairs pledged \$1.235 billion, one million dollars was designated for enlarging the new UN Population Program Officers operation. Recruited and trained by institutions under strict Rockefeller control, these Officers are then posted to various nations to assist in preparing their population control projects. By the end of 1970 some two hundred such projects in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Near and Middle East were being supported by the fund at a cost of \$6.7 million.