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ROCKEFELLER TO HEAD UP FASCIST PRODUCTIVITY BODY

WASHINGTON, D.C., Nov. 13 (IPS)--A well-placed administration source has confirmed to IPS today that Nelson A. Rockefeller is slated to head the National Commission on Productivity (NCOP) upon his confirmation as Vice President. The source, who was despondent and unsure about the future of NCOP just 48 hours ago, today jubilantly reported that Rockefeller will spearhead a major reorganization and upgrading of NCOP. "We will become a booming institution under Rockefeller," he said.

The National Commission on Productivity is slated to take charge of the capitalist side of the class war during the first or second week in December, just as the effects of the nationwide coal strike have forced massive layoffs throughout the steel, auto, and railroad industries. The reorganized NCOP will then attempt to consolidate corporativist labor-management committees in the shell-shocked remains of the industrial workforce. In the true tradition of the Nazi Labor Front, the productivity committees will be set up on an industry-by-industry basis.

Rockefeller himself made the first suggestion that he should take over NCOP. At President Ford's Economic Summit meeting in September, President of the black National Business League Berkeley Burrell proposed the move, right after speaking to Rockefeller.

Rockefeller then activated his inside men on domestic policy--Treasury Secretary William Simon, presidential economic advisor William Seidman, and Labor-Management Council chairman John Dunlop. These three men drafted the reorganization plan and placed it on President Ford's desk, where it now rests. Sources report that whether Ford likes the proposal or not, he will be pressured to accept it by Simon and Seidman.

NCOP reports that it is about to activate two state-wide pilot projects in conjunction with the Department of Labor. A Texas project will work with non-union labor; an Illinois project will "deal" with union labor.

SPD LEADER ANNOUNCES THAT COALITION WITH STRAUSS MAY BE NECESSARY

Nov. 13 (IPS)--Herbert Wehner, the Parliamentary fraction leader of West Germany's Social Democratic Party (SPD), announced in a Nov. 9 radio interview that a "Grand Coalition" between the working-class-based SPD and neo-Nazi Franz-Josef Strauss' Christian Social Union could well be necessary in "periods of special emergency."

CANADA EMBARGOES WHEAT, SETS UP FOOD BANK

Nov. 13 (IPS)--A spokesman for the Canadian Wheat Board today confirmed that an embargo has been placed on exports of Canadian wheat for the explicit purpose of creating a food bank for "aid" purposes. With this move, Canada, which accounts for upwards of one-quarter of the world's grain supplies, has taken the lead in implementing the Rockefeller cabal's program of mass starvation through international food control.

The creation of such a food bank on a world scale--the "international grain reserve"--is a focal point of the psywar propaganda barrage emanating from the Rockefeller-run World Food Conference in Rome. This centralization of food supplies is the mechanism for implementing rationing on a world scale.

Under the guise of providing aid to the so-called underdeveloped world, where famine has already reached unprecedented proportions, Rockefeller is organizing the net reduction of world food supplies. Highly productive agriculture in the advanced sector--bankrupted by Rockefeller's Oil Hoax and credit squeeze--will be replaced by primitive slave labor agricultural "development" in the so-called Third World. Those select areas of the Third World deemed suitable for the introduction of such labor intensive "development" projects will be rewarded with subsistence levels of food from the World Food Bank.

At the same time that working class consumption in the industrial countries is severely cut back by just such embargoes as the one Canada declared, the entirety of the so-called Fourth World--approximately one billion people--will be condemned to death by starvation.

AP BLOCKS OUT RICHMOND, BOSTON LABOR PARTY VOTE

Nov. 13 (IPS)--When an IPS reporter called the Baltimore Sun today to brief that paper on U.S. Labor Party vote totals in the recent national elections, he was interrupted by the Sun reporter's comment: "Well, you people didn't get over 1-2 per cent of the vote anyway....I was just looking over the Associated Press wire." When asked if the AP wire listed Labor Party vote totals for Richmond, Va., where the Labor Party polled over 30 per cent of the vote in some areas, the response was, "no." The AP wire listed all other "official" Labor Party national vote tallies.

Checking further on this election coverage tampering, IPS called the Associated Press in Washington, D.C., which reported that they get their election results directly from the CIA's newly-created press syndicate in New York, the News Election Service.

To make his own position clear, Wehner went on to attack those left Social Democrats who insist on working-class politics, instead of recognizing that the Volk is, in Wehner's words, made up of "many layers and groupings and must be treated in a differentiated fashion." Wehner whined that he could not remain in a party that saw the world in terms of big finance capitalists versus workers.

The interview occurred two days before membership in the European Labor Committees, and thus any serious fight against the Rockefeller conspiracy, was declared incompatible with membership in the Social Democracy by the party executive.

With these statements Wehner broadcast not merely his demise as an "old fighter" for the working class, but the extensive putrefaction radiating from this political corpse.

Wehner explained that he has no love for Strauss, whom he candidly described as the SPD's "most dangerous domestic enemy," but he argued that practicality may dictate a government coalition with the burly brownshirt.

This funereal rejection of the working class and embrace of Strauss comes at a time when unemployment is rising at the rate of 20 per cent a month. It preceded by a few days the CIA-engineered terror campaign now sweeping West Germany. This red scare hysteria, built around the murder of a West Berlin judge by "Maoist terrorists," is the perfect pretext for a "special emergency." The press has already begun circulating rumors that the West German Chancellor, SPDer Helmut Schmidt, and the SPD Party Chairman, Willy Brandt, might become targets of terrorist violence.

In a related development, the Minister President of the heavily industrial state of Nordrhein-Westphalen, SPD right-winger Heinz Kuehn, recently announced that he "would not exclude" the possibility of a state-level "Grand Coalition" there.

Wehner, a Communist Party member in the 1930s, had long used his left image as an "old party fighter" to gloss over his history of opportunist treachery. It was Wehner who in 1967 engineered the last "Grand Coalition"--the government responsible for the "Emergency Laws" providing the legal means to hand dictatorial powers to the West German government.

Now, as the SPD staggers toward total capitulation to its Rockefeller-directed "Sewer Faction" leadership, Wehner's corpse has hurried to throw its support to the "winning side"--fascist strongman Strauss.

ROCKEFELLER RIGS OPEC "ANTI-IMPERIALISM"

Nov. 12 (IPS)--At a meeting of six Persian Gulf oil-producing countries yesterday in Abu Dhabi, a tiny satrapy of Saudi Arabia, medieval Saudi King Faisal proposed that taxes on Rockefeller's Standard Oil giants be raised because of "excessive profits" by the oil companies. The United Arab Emirates and Qatar joined the King in what the Washington Post described as a "growing campaign by the oil-producing states...to paint the oil companies as the true villains."

In order to pull off another Oil Hoax similar to last winter's huge price boosts and contrived shortages, Rockefeller is trying to create an appearance of "anti-imperialism" among his OPEC puppets. By this hard-to-swallow maneuver, Rockefeller hopes to terrify workers into believing that the current wave of mass layoffs, austerity moves, and the militarized economies in the advanced sector are an inevitable result of insatiable demands by "militant" OPEC regimes against greedy oil companies. At the same time, the Soviets and the so-called Left--excluding the Labor Committees--apparently have swallowed the "militant-OPEC" story hook, line, and sinker.

The real result of the OPEC meeting in Abu Dhabi was the finalization of plans to transfer ownership of oil companies in the Gulf from the companies themselves to the various CIA-controlled puppet regimes in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and the minute sheikhdoms. Iran already nominally controls 100 per cent of the Iran Oil Consortium.

By thus superficially "eliminating" the Anglo-American oil companies, whose role will be reduced to that of a middleman, this new arrangement will facilitate bilateral government-to-government deals like the Nov. 9 agreement worth \$15 billion signed between Saudi Arabia and Japan.

DEFFERRE ANNOUNCES END TO "UNITY OF THE LEFT" COALITION

Nov. 12 (IPS)--Marseilles mayor Gaston Defferre, head of the French Socialist Party's parliamentary group and a leading pro-Rockefeller spokesman, made it clear Nov. 9 that the programmatic Socialist-Communist "unity of the left" coalition officially has been dissolved by the Socialists.

Defferre, who received money from the CIA in the late 1940s to help decimate a Communist-led dockers' strike in Marseilles, advocates that French President Giscard d'Estaing invite the Socialist (SP) and Communist (PCF) parties into the government. In this way they can manage the economic austerity which--Defferre agrees--must be imposed on the French working class to pull the country out of the crisis.

Defferre's proposal is tantamount to a complete repudiation of the "Common Program" of nationalization, gradual progression of workers' living standards, etc., worked out by the SP and the PCF over the past years.

This change in line on the part of the CIA-Socialists is confirmed by SP executive member Jean-Pierre Chevenement who, in a Nov. 8 interview with the French regional daily L'Est Republicain, confided that he would abandon all national executive responsibilities in the party following the SP's congress next January. Chevenement, counterinsurgent coauthor of the "Common Program," always had appeared as a staunch supporter of a strictly-conceived alliance with the Communists, against any compromise with the bourgeoisie. His pro-autogestion tendency, the CERES, has been used as bait to lure the PCF into the SP's popular front trap. His departure from the national scene, as well as his endorsement of the PCF's arch-enemy Michel Rocard as an authentic leader of the SP, sanctions the collapse of the PCF's hope to consolidate an actual working class based alternative to Giscard. The Communists simply will have to put up or be left out.

In a Le Monde article Nov. 9 Defferre concludes that, despite Cuba's real social and economic achievements, Fidel's "solution" can no more serve as a model for France than...the fascist regime of Chilean murderer Pinochet! France, he argues, is committed to the individual and collective liberties which the Cuban bourgeoisie unfortunately do not enjoy.

HOW NBC TURNS ITS VIEWS INTO NEWS

NEW YORK, N.Y., Nov. 12 (IPS)--While the Labor Party was holding a rally Nov. 8 with workers from the General Motors Tarrytown, N.Y. plant, NBC television crews were nearby--filming laid-off United Auto Workers members drinking in a local bar. NBC-TV assignment editor Higgle told IPS today that his "objective" NBC reporters merely were filming a "human interest" story, on the demoralization of laid-off workers at the General Motors Tarrytown Assembly Plant.

When an IPS reporter asked NBC's Higgle why he dispatched a camera crew to film drunk workers, first he denied the fact. He then did an abrupt about face to "explain" that his press only were asking workers concerned questions like, "How does it feel to be out of a job?"

At the same time that NBC was busy demonstrating to workers this depression passivity, NBC affiliates across the country blacked out the Labor Party electoral victory in last week's national elections, where the Labor Party emerged as a mass-based working class party. NBC also has been involved in the numerous blackouts of Labor Party organizing events and attacks on our organizers by Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission and its UAW goons.

Higgle revealed some of his own psychology when confronted by IPS on NBC's blatant psychological warfare "news gathering" techniques. "I've heard your pitch a million times, sweetie. I don't have to hear it from you, too," was Higgle's serious response.

UAW GOONS ATTACK LABOR PARTY IN WOODHAVEN, MICHIGAN;
POLICE REFUSE TO ACCEPT CHARGES

WOODHAVEN, Mich., Nov. 12 (IPS)--Police today refused to accept charges here when Peter Signorelli, U.S. Labor Party candidate for Governor of Michigan, went to the Woodhaven police station to press charges against four United Auto Workers goons who assaulted Labor Party organizers this morning at the Woodhaven Ford plant. Police detective Valley stated to Signorelli: "Are you a communist? The Constitution doesn't apply to you."

Today's goon attack was launched to prevent the circulation of the latest issue of New Solidarity, which carries a front-page article on the emergence of the U.S. Labor Party as the mass-based party of the American working class--coming out of last week's elections. Three Labor Party organizers were attacked by four thugs in UAW jackets early this morning. The goons confiscated 70 copies of New Solidarity and every copy of a Labor Party leaflet before they got into the hands of workers at the plant.

Headlined "Operation Nuremburg Round 2,@ the leaflet exposes the UAW's role in brainwashing its own members and other workers through "alcoholic rehabilitation" programs. Dr. Rausch, counsel to UAW Region 1E, is identified as a kingpin in the brainwashing operation in that region. In the Woodhaven plant in particular UAW committeemen serve as "spotters," fingering workers--especially political workers--for referral to brainwashing "clinics."

U.S. Labor Party attorneys are presently contacting Michigan U.S. Attorney Ingersoll to press charges against the goons. The Labor Party will demand full investigation of the Ford Motor Company UAW-Woodhaven police department conspiracy to prevent workers from reading New Solidarity, to prevent the Labor Party from collecting information from workers in plants concerning last week's massive vote fraud against the working class, and to prevent information on the emergence of the mass working class party from reaching industrial workers.

The Labor Party will hold a return rally at the Ford Woodhaven plant Thursday, Nov. 14, at 2:30 p.m., organized by Labor Party supporters throughout the Detroit region.

THE SHAH JOINS THE "ANTI-IMPERIALIST" CAMP

Nov. 12 (IPS)--The Shah of Iran took out full-page advertisements in the major Western press this week, including the New York Times, to announce his "new oil pricing system" designed to limit oil industry profits. "The oil companies have no choice," blustered the Shah. "They have to accept it."

According to the Shah, the profits of oil industry giants, now "about two U.S. dollars" per barrel, will be reduced to 50 cents. "Do you want them to make more money?" asked His Majesty's advertisement. "I don't think so--unless you are a big shareholder in the oil company."

The royal advertisement went on to propose that the price of oil be linked, Brazil style, to the price of a "basket" of 20 to 30 other commodities. This represents a foot-in-the-door for Rockefeller to universalize the idea of fascist indexing of industrial goods to the rate of inflation.

Playing the American-Europe "split" for all that it's worth, the Shah, commenting on the possibility of U.S. military intervention into Iran or other OPEC countries, asked: "In all the oil-producing countries of the world? Is America going to do all these occupation jobs? Or will you gang up? Will you with the Europeans do the job? Do you think the Communists will stay silent?"

Of course, there is no possibility that the CIA would invade its own territory in Rockefeller-controlled Iran. But, if they did, would the Soviets intervene to protect the Shah of Iran or King Faisal?

CIA'S COAL STRIKE BRINGS WIDESPREAD LAYOFFS IN STEEL, RAIL

Nov. 12 (IPS)--The CIA-rigged strike of the United Mine Workers (UMW) began as scheduled early this morning, when UMW president Arnold Miller ordered 120,000 miners to walk off their jobs.

On Sunday night Miller had stated that if a settlement were reached this week, the strike would last no more than "two weeks." Last night, Miller stated that if the settlement were reached "soon," the strike "could" be over in three weeks. It has been widely reported in the press that a strike of more than two weeks would bring on massive economic dislocation and layoffs--an excuse for well-prepared militarization of the economy.

Secretary of Labor Peter Brennan announced last night that the Ford Administration has no plans to invoke the Taft-Hartley

Act unless the strike becomes "extended." He refused to answer any questions, commenting that the administration has "no plans at current time."

As the long-planned "inevitable" walkout became official, immediately related industries activated contingency plans. Steel companies began preparations this morning to shut down production and lay off workers. The three major coal carrying railroads--the Penn Central, Norfolk and Western, and the Chessie System--announced plans to lay off 2,000 workers and cut freight service. U.S. Steel announced it will cut its work force by 14,000 this week. Other steel companies have announced proportional cuts with more industries expected to follow suit shortly.

That the strike is just a cover for mass layoffs, especially in heavy industry, is clear from the fact that large-scale layoffs occurred in the weeks prior to the strike. 15,000 auto workers, 6,000 steel workers, and 4,000 rubber workers were laid off in the last two weeks of October alone. An additional 22,500 layoffs hit auto earlier this week; most of them were announced several weeks in advance.

Government and industry officials continue to cover up the fact that the U.S. has enough coal reserves to last four to six months.

CHASE MANHATTAN PLOTS OVERTHROW OF INDIAN GOVERNMENT

MANILA, Philippines, Nov. 12 (IPS)--The closed and highly "sensitive" meeting of the International Advisory Committee of Chase Manhattan Bank concluded yesterday in this city. According to a Chase spokesman, the meeting "covered a wide range of subjects," including Chase activities in Southeast Asia and the political situation in India. The meeting was presented with a report on this subject by J.R.D. Tata, Indian steel magnate, leading industrialist, and a member of the International Advisory Committee. Tata reported that India is facing famine "no joke" and that the end of Mrs. Indira Gandhi's regime "is near." The source declined to comment on further Chase response to this "prediction."

The meeting heard other presentations on the Asian situation, including those by Shiro Inoue, President of the Asian Development Bank; William Sullivan, U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines; Derek Davies, editor of the Far East Economic Review; and representatives of the Philippine government. Missing at the last minute was Mr. Fujino, chairman of the Mitsubishi Corporation, the leading Japanese ally of Chase.

ISRAELI ARMY ON GREEN ALERT

Nov. 12 (IPS)--The Jerusalem Post reported that the Israeli Army is presently on Green alert, two steps below full war mobilization. With Israel's economy stripped to accommodate the cost of its arms build-up, which includes nuclear weapons, the Israelis are now prepared to push the button. The only consideration now is the timing.

JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT SEES INCREASING THREAT OF WAR

Nov. 12 (IPS)--A spokesman for the Jordanian government today confirmed the Labor Committees' warning of a possible pre-emptive strike by Israel. "The possibility of war has always been there and has been increasing," he stated. He corroborated the urgency of the situation by agreeing that Israel could strike within 48 hours. The spokesman did not deny the fact that Israel possesses nuclear weapons and would not hesitate to use them.

TITO WARNS OF PRE-EMPTIVE ISRAELI STRIKE

Nov. 13 (IPS)--The Soviet News Agency Tass reported yesterday that Yugoslav President Tito has sent a message to Egyptian president Anwar Al-Sadat warning him of "an imminent Israeli pre-emptive strike" against an Arab country. The Washington Post today reported that the Egyptian government had sent a complaint to the United Nations concerning recent large Israeli troop movements.

U.S. NAVY AUGMENTS MIDEAST FORCES

Nov. 12 (IPS)--Three American destroyers and the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Constellation have been recently dispatched from the East China Sea to the Indian Ocean. According to an official of the Department of Defense, these ships "will augment Mideast forces."

It was also reported that Assistant Secretary of Defense Ellsworth is visiting Saudi Arabia and Jordan. The Defense Department declined to state the nature of his trip officially, but admitted that past visits have been arms-peddling missions.

WEST GERMAN MEDIA LINKS ELC TO RIGHTISTS, TERRORISTS

WIESBADEN, BRD, Nov. 12 (IPS)--A few hours before the convening of the German Social Democratic Party (SPD) National Party Council meeting, which passed a resolution of expulsion against SPD members working with the European Labor Committees (ELC), a television news broadcast indirectly linked the ELC to both a right-wing extremist and a left-wing terrorist organization.

The first element of intentional confusion was introduced when a television station ran its news account of the anti-ELC expulsion resolution immediately after a special ten-minute documentary on the violent murder of the High Judge of West Berlin by members of the CIA "underground organization," the Rote Armee Fraktion (Red Army Fraction). Despite the fact that the ELC is known throughout Europe by its English name, the subsequent coverage of the pending SPD decision referred to the ELC as the "linke Arbeiterfraktion," or "leftist Labor Committee."

In addition, the political significance of the million-member SPD attacking the 250 members of the ELC was purposefully obscured. The expulsion resolution was described as an effort to exclude "two extremist organizations," one ultra-left, the other ultra-right. The ultra-right organization in question is the Bund Freies Deutschelands (Federation for a Free Germany, BFD), a right-wing clique of West Berlin SPD'ers which just recently formed a Berlin branch of fascist Franz-Josef Strauss' Christian Social Union. The BFD group had been permitted to organize its faction over a period of several years until mid-October, when expulsion of ELC sympathizers came under consideration by the SPD Executive. The inclusion of the BFD in the expulsion resolution was an effort to hide the widespread anti-ELC hysteria in the party leadership.

In the weeks leading up to today's Party Council meeting, national newspapers, radio, and TV stations refused to attend ELC press conferences on the extraordinary SPD attack. Within hours of the West Berlin murder, however, a flood of anti-Communist cries for protection of national security, as well as rumors of spreading terrorism were streaming out of the media outlets.

BRZEZINSKI TO DISCUSS NCLC WITH JOURNALIST

Nov. 12 (IPS)--Zbigniew Brzezinski, Executive Director of the fascist Trilateral Commission, is planning to meet with a foreign journalist to discuss the Labor Committees, as soon as he returns from his latest round of conspiratorial Trilateral Commission meetings in Europe and the Orient.

The journalist, fully briefed by IPS, informed Brzezinski this week that he was being "quartered" in Labor Committee publications. Top CIA Rockefeller strategist Brzezinski claimed to be "upset to learn" of the Labor Committees' indictment of the Trilateral Commission as the planning body for restructuring the world economy along fascist lines. Loudly protesting his innocence, Brzezinski immediately requested a meeting with the journalist as well as a copy of New Solidarity.

MONDALE'S DETENTE SPEECH DICTATED BY CIA AGENT BRZEZINSKI

WASHINGTON, D.C., Nov. 12 (IPS)--Yesterday's speech by Senator Walter F. Mondale before a select gathering of Soviet officials at the Institute of United States Studies in Moscow was prompted and mandated by Zbigniew Brzezinski, the Executive Director of David Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission and a leading CIA operative.

A spokesman for Mondale's office here stated that the Senator, who is a member of the Trilateral Commission, spoke "extemporaneously" and that his remarks were "based on substantial background briefings" and "extensive discussions with Mr. Brzezinski." According to the spokesman, these briefings occurred last week, "just before" Mondale left for his week-long trip to the Soviet Union.

Mondale Urges Restraint and Cooperation

According to unreliable U.S. bourgeois press reports, Mondale told his Moscow audience that it would be in the interests of the Soviets to act on a "principle of restraint" during "this gathering world crisis," and that the future of detente and East-West trade agreements is dependent upon Soviet cooperation with "Western" efforts to solve the capitalist crisis. The New York Times reported that Mondale warned the Soviets that they cannot expect to be immune or remain isolated from the "economic tides that sweep the rest of the world."

This line has recently been used by Trilateral-Rockefeller agents to lure the Soviets into cooperating with the Rockefeller fascist restructuring policies. Brzezinski himself has recently promoted Soviet participation in Rockefeller's food control and slave-labor "energy development" program--provided the Soviets agree to the break-up of the Soviet Bloc.

The first significant call for such Soviet participation in its own destruction was an article, attributed to the pen of Senator Mondale but probably written by Zbigniew Brzezinski, in the October issue of Foreign Affairs, organ of David Rockefeller's Council on Foreign Relations. Entitled "Beyond Detente," the article called on the Soviets to move "beyond" mere "detente

rhetoric," toward a more "substantive" form of cooperation along the lines outlined for them by Rockefeller. Since the publication of "Beyond Detente," Mondale has been thrust forward as a leading spokesman on U.S.-Soviet relations, a role obviously assigned to him by his "Professor" Brzezinski. The Soviets have stupidly embraced Mondale as the "progressive, lesser evil" to hardliners like Senator Henry Jackson.

Announcing their continuing vulnerability to such psychological warfare, the Soviet Union said today that it is willing to provide Soviet oil to Rockefeller's U.S. oil companies in exchange for their more advanced technology and the U.S. extending "Most Favored Nation" status and credit to the Soviets. The Soviet press agency Tass reported today that the Soviets are prepared to cooperate on a large scale with the oil companies and have been engaged in discussions with Rockefeller's Standard Oil of Indiana and Arabian-American Oil Company. Tass attributed these statements of Soviet intentions to Soviet Oil Minister Valentin Shashin during a meeting with Senator Mondale in Moscow.

HUSSEIN PUSHED BACK FROM WEST BANK
IN MOVE TO PANIC ISRAELIS

NEW YORK, N.Y., Nov. 11 (IPS)--The sudden withdrawal from the West Bank by Jordan's moderate King Hussein--the ostensible "key" to any Arab-Israeli negotiations--has dealt a setback to Israeli attempts to "quell" West Bank operations. Hussein's forced retreat to the Jordanian East Bank has produced flash rumors in the press of a coup against him by an assortment of dissidents, something which would only serve to panic the Israelis further.

In a Nov. 7 press conference, Israeli Information Minister and former head of Military Intelligence Aharon Yariv, after expressing his "pessimism on the West Bank question," was asked, significantly, about Israel's reaction to an anti-Hussein coup. Yariv replied that Israel's first reaction would be "to hold onto the West Bank as tightly as possible." Feeding such rumors are the New York Times and Associated Press reporter John Bonar, who was expelled from Jordan Nov. 8 for filing a report on "discontent within the Jordanian army," reports gathered from sources he refused to reveal.

RED SCARE, TERRORISM CAMPAIGN
ESCALATES IN WEST GERMANY

WIESBADEN, BRD, Nov. 11 (IPS)--Last night's murder of the High Judge of West Berlin is being used to justify an intense red scare and terror campaign against West Germany's working class. Within 12 hours of the murder (attributed to a band of terrorists who were said to be avenging the death of an imprisoned member of the terrorist Baader-Meinhof gang), the West German Minister of Justice and the Interior Minister promised the public they would "do everything in their power" to capture the criminals. Homes of judges and other prominent citizens around the country who have some relation to the upcoming trial of imprisoned Baader-Meinhof members already were being protected by police teams.

Government efforts to create hysteria around the murder are being augmented by the bourgeois press. For instance, the Nov. 11 Dild Zeitung, a mass-circulation daily published by the notorious Springer publishing house, carried the banner headline: "Assassination! Terrorists Murder High Judge." Meanwhile, gangs of mindless university "leftists," many of them led by the Maoist KPD, rampaged through universities and public buildings, painting slogans on the walls supporting the Baader-Meinhof prisoners.

Early this year, Labor Committee intelligence determined that the Baader-Meinhof group was created by CIA and NATO brainwashers.

This new outburst of terrorism "coincides" with a debate in the Federal Parliament over the passage of an emergency anti-Communist ban against members of "organizations hostile to the constitution." If enacted, the ban could be used to forbid members of communist organizations from holding teaching positions or state office. In a

move aimed to push passage of the bill, parliamentary representatives from Bavaria, home base of neo-Nazi Franz Josef Strauss, introduced legislation to the Upper House Nov. 8 which would allow police to arrest political demonstrators with impunity. The legislation also would allow police to arrest innocent bystanders who fail to avoid "violent" demonstrations, deliberately adding to the red scare and terrorist hysteria.

ISRAEL PUT ON WAR FOOTING; POUND DEVALUED 42 PER CENT

NEW YORK, N.Y., Nov. 11 (IPS)--Moving to implement a full-scale war economy, the Israeli government yesterday announced a brutal package of sweeping austerity measures, including an incredible 42 per cent devaluation of the Israeli pound. Along with the devaluation, taxes were increased and price subsidies were eliminated on basic food commodities. The price of bread, milk, eggs, and sugar has doubled overnight.

As small-scale rioting erupted in several Israeli cities over the austerity measures, Israeli Premier Rabin declared, "This will not be the last step. We have to face all the struggles--military, political, economic, and social." General Rabin cited Israeli arms purchases as the main impetus for the economic assault, ranting about the fact that "arms have poured into the Arab countries and we have to confront this increased strength." It was not clear whether Rabin was referring to the multi-billion dollar arms sales by the U.S.--Israel's "staunch ally"--to Saudi Arabia.

In New York, a spokesman for the Israeli government told IPS that Israelis would willingly accept the new hardship. "The harder life is for Israelis, the harder they give," he said. "Over the last few years, Israelis have gotten used to the idea of peace, and now they have to respond as if we were in a state of war."

At the same time, in what the Washington Post called "another war-preparation measure," the Israeli Cabinet extended the length of service of women in the army, included high school senior volunteers in the Civil Guard, and announced that it was considering steps to speed up military mobilization in emergency.

HUNGARY SUBMITS TO CAPITALIST PENETRATION

Nov. 11 (IPS)--The Hungarian government has passed a bill permitting foreign capitalist businesses to open up branch offices in the country. Presented by a government spokesman as a step toward "new and more successful forms of cooperation," this move, reported to have taken place in early October, actually constitutes a

major step toward opening up the Soviet bloc for incorporation into Rockefeller's fascist "new world order."

The Hungarian government's concession was followed early this month by a similar one between Poland and West Germany. While Yugoslavia and Romania have permitted such capitalist penetration for some years, Poland and Hungary are the countries closest to the Soviet Union to surrender their state monopoly on foreign trade to this extent.

Such deals are meant to achieve the result outlined last week by New York Times columnist C. L. Sulzberger, who called for the "Finlandization" of Eastern Europe--i.e., coaxing it away from the influence of the Soviet Union. But the wealth of the Soviet Union itself is the real prize, and inroads such as these in Hungary and Poland illustrate what is in store for the Soviets if they capitulate to Rockefeller's psychological warfare against them. Their current bargaining for a \$100 million Eurocurrency syndicated bank loan is forcing them to bring all their economic vulnerabilities right out into the open, enabling Rockefeller to wring important concessions from them.

GOVERNORS TO MEET ILLEGALLY TO PLAN ENERGY CRISIS CONTINGENCIES

Nov. 11 (IPS)--Tomorrow in Lansing, Mich., the Midwest Governors' Conference will convene an illegal meeting for the purpose of planning short-range and long-range energy crisis contingencies for the United Mine Workers strike and beyond, according to informed sources. This planning session is unauthorized by Federal law, which explicitly denies states the right to implement emergency powers autonomous of Federal authorities.

Alex Sutherland, a liaison from the Council of State Governments to the Midwest Governors' Conference, told IPS: "You should not be surprised that the Feds don't know what is going on with this planning....They can counsel all they want, but they have no authority in this."

A scheduled meeting of the National Governors' Conference with the Federal government for crisis planning was cancelled abruptly last week.

In Michigan, where Midwest Governors' Conference organizer Governor Milliken already has set up emergency measures under the state's "Emergency Energy Act," state authorities are now empowered to seize private property; to allocate fuel and other critical supplies, including manpower; to mandate stockpiling and rationing; to evacuate and relocate populations; and to mobilize state and local police, including state militia and National Guards. Fourteen other states already have enacted similar laws.

AFL-CIO HOBBY'S GOON CONVICTED
IN NORTH CAROLINA COURT

DURHAM, N.C. (IPS)--Teenie Cowan, the Tobacco Workers International Union (TWIU) goon who ripped up Labor Party sound equipment during a rally at the American Tobacco plant on Oct. 13, was convicted of malicious destruction of property here Nov. 6. The conviction was obtained on the basis of what Judge Wallace called "clear and irrefutable evidence" of guilt, despite prosecution attempts to get Cowan off on technicalities of the arrest warrant.

Subpoenaed in the case were North Carolina AFL-CIO President Wilbur Hobby and three officials of the TWIU. Although none of the four appeared in court, the District Attorney refused to make a motion to have them held in contempt of court. Hobby has spent the past four months unsuccessfully trying to counteract the growth of the Labor Party in North Carolina, while his brother is influential in TWIU locals at American Tobacco.

Attempting to depoliticize the case, Cowan's attorney labored to establish that only minimal damage was done by the attack. But even the District Attorney, not wanting to be caught in a flagrant coverup, conceded that "this is not a civil suit to collect damages, but a case of the plaintiff's right to conduct an electoral campaign."

In trying to establish minimal damages, Cowan's lawyer pointed out that Labor Party organizers repaired their own sound equipment. The lawyer then asked Labor Party candidate Marion Porter if she thought "communist or socialist labor is really worth \$15 an hour."

Judge Wallace set a Nov. 20 date for sentencing and assessment of damages.

LABOR PARTY GAINS 10 TO 20 PER CENT OF VOTE
AMONG SAN FRANCISCO WORKERS

Nov. 11 (IPS)--A precinct-by-precinct breakdown of the U.S. Labor Party vote in the San Francisco elections has revealed not only an average 10 to 20 per cent base of support for the Labor Party among industrial workers, but the total failure of CIA operations when confronted by even relatively small-scale Labor Party organizing.

Analysis of election returns indicates that votes for Labor Party candidate Richard Clancy, running for a Board of Education seat, totalled far more than the official six per cent tally (14,330 votes) or even the 11 per cent estimate made originally by Labor Party analysts. A strict class voting pattern has been established: Even when obvious vote-stealing is disregarded,

black and Hispanic unemployed as well as white trade unionists cast their vote for Labor in percentages ranging from 10 to 14 per cent in some areas to as high as 46 per cent in one largely Hispanic working-class precinct.

The Organizing Process

The 46 per cent return came from a district in the Inner Mission section, where Labor Party penetration in the past six months has, on the surface, been minimal. This district was the target of a Labor Party organizing drive last spring, exposing the CIA's responsibility for the Symbionese Liberation Army/"Zebra killings" terror campaign.

The CIA eventually deployed the local police to harass the Labor Party out of the area. Although the San Francisco Labor Party was unable to counter this harassment effectively, cross-penetration into the district continued through New Solidarity sales and a widely-circulated poster ripping the mask off United Farm Workers (UFW) leader "Saint" Cesar Chavez.

When Labor Party organizers returned in force to the district a week before the election, they discovered that the cumulative effect of this process had created tremendous interest in the Labor Party. Sales of the Spanish-language New Solidarity hit 100 a week. A United Farm Workers dupe admitted the deadly effect of the Labor Party expose of CIA counterinsurgency field-hand Chavez, when he confessed sadly that "Chavez isn't popular here any more." This accumulated motion was concretized in the 45 per cent Labor vote--a severe body blow to the CIA since the Inner Mission section is a hotbed of their operations.

During last June's statewide elections the Socialist Workers Party (SWP), the CIA's left electoral arm, beat the Labor Party 14 to 1 in this area in the race for Superintendent for Public Education. This time around, the Labor Party received a 10 per cent overall vote, decisively beating the social-fascist SWP.

There are indications that many of the stolen Labor Party votes were in fact funnelled to the faltering SWP. For example, in the Visitacion Valley section, where the official tally of 10 to 11 per cent was low compared to actual Labor Party influence, the anti-working-class SWP vote nearly matched the Labor Party's --although they have never dared organize in this heavily blue-collar district.

PSI LEADER ANNOUNCES
LABOR-INTENSIVE "DEVELOPMENT" PROJECTS

Nov. 11 (IPS)--Italian Socialist Party (PSI) faction leader Giacomo Mancini, acting as spokesman for the Interministerial Committee for Economic Programming, announced yesterday the creation of four new "development" projects for the exploited and half-starved Italian Mezzogiorno (southern region). Mainly for reforestation and irrigation, the projects also will include the mining of hydrogen resources.

As Mancini stressed earlier, these will be labor-intensive projects along the lines of the fascist New Deal programs currently being touted in the latest issue of the weekly L'Espresso. L'Espresso is published by FIAT owner and Trilateral Commission member Gianni Agnelli, Rockefeller's top ally on the Italian scene.

The mass labor-intensive projects are being announced at the same time that Agnelli--through both FIAT and the large employers association Confindustria, of which he is president--is creating massive layoffs in the industrial north. Left without employment, these laid-off workers will be forced to accept jobs at miserable wages in the southern slave-labor projects now being introduced.

The machinery to handle the worker relocation is being set up now through the restructuring of the Cassa Integrazione or Unemployment Fund, a plan designed two months ago by Umberto Agnelli, Gianni's younger brother.

PSI'S MANCINI BACKS TRILATERAL COMMISSION POLICY

Nov. 11 (IPS)--A leading member of the Italian Socialist Party (PSI) has come out in public support of Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission strategy. The Nov. 9 issue of Avanti, the party's daily, published a letter from PSI faction leader Mancini to Professor Mario Albertini, president of the European Federalist Movement.

Mancini's letter "very willingly" subscribes to the petition that the European Parliament be charged with the new political statute of a United Europe. Adhering strictly to the line laid out at the Trilateral Commission's recent secret meeting in Bellagio, Italy, Mancini's letter calls for an "autonomous" European federation--that is, an independent block between the Soviet Union and the U.S.--based on the unity of "popular progressive forces," a polite term for the left's capitulation to the Rockefeller cabal. The European Federalist Movement is strongly supported by Altiero Spinelli, Italian member of the European Economic Commission and a fellow traveler of Rockefeller's fascist Trilateral Commission.

Mancini's "New Society" is based on the immiseration of the industrialized countries in order to finance the redevelopment camps in the underdeveloped sector, a plan the Rockefellers developed from the study of the Third Reich's policy of "economic cooperation" in Eastern Europe. Mancini makes this explicit with his blunt call for "a relationship [with the Third World] which would...provide that some of the costs may fall on the backs of the European working class, at least on those sections which are best off."

UAW BUREAUCRATS DEMAND SHORT WEEKS AS "ANSWER" TO LAYOFFS

DETROIT, Nov. 11 (IPS)--More than 22,500 additional layoffs hit the auto industry today. Though timed to coincide with the beginning of the nationwide coal strike, the layoffs had in most cases been announced at least two weeks earlier.

UAW General Motors Division Vice President Irving Bluestone promptly announced that the UAW was organizing its workers to write their Congressmen and President Ford to "demand" increased unemployment benefits and public works jobs. "It is the best thing we can do to fight this unemployment," Bluestone stated.

Bluestone had told a press conference in Flint, Mich. on Saturday that the UAW Supplemental Unemployment Benefits (SUB) fund is at a "dangerously low level." Half of the GM workers have already exhausted their benefits, Bluestone stated. "The fund just can't absorb any more layoffs," he concluded. The UAW local 599 in Flint recently herded laid off members who had exhausted their SUB benefits into slave-labor public works jobs under the WREP program.

UAW President Leonard Woodcock and his lackey, Secretary Treasurer Emile Mazey, had previously denied Labor Party charges that the UAW SUB funds would run dry. As late as last month, Woodcock had publicly reassured local presidents that there was absolutely nothing to worry about.

In an effort to further demoralize auto workers, Dennis McDermott, the head of Canadian United Auto Workers (UAW), announced that he was in favor of "short work weeks" to deal with layoffs in the auto industry. "If there are further mass layoffs," McDermott told the press, "it sometimes makes sense to spread the misery around." McDermott was speaking at a "UAW Canadian Leadership Session" at the UAW's Black Lake brainwashing center.

ELC DECLARED "INCOMPATIBLE"
BY GERMAN SOCIAL DEMOCRACY

WEST BERLIN, Nov. 11 (IPS)--The National Party Council of the German Social Democratic Party (SPD) passed a resolution today declaring that dual membership or activity in the European Labor Committees (ELC) was "incompatible" with membership in the SPD. This is intended to contain the organizing of a handful of SPD members who have joined with others from Italy, Sweden, and other countries in a "Unity for Socialism" faction within the European Social Democracies.

At the same meeting, the National Party Council refused to consider an alternative resolution presented by the Unity for Socialism group. This explicitly identified West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, and trade union leaders Heinz Oskar Vetter and Eugen Loderer, as guilty of political collaboration with the Rockefeller-controlled Trilateral Commission and Council on Foreign Relations. The Unity for Socialism counter-resolution, which is presently being mass distributed to the SPD working class base, demands that Schmidt, Vetter, and Loderer be expelled from the SPD because their policies are incompatible with the interests of the European working class.

Leber Ignores Pickets

The Party Council members were met at the meeting location by an ELC-Unity for Socialism picket line. Defense Minister Georg Leber, an American-trained former trade union bureaucrat who has just recently introduced an extensive reform program in the German army to improve its domestic counterinsurgency capabilities, attempted to ignore the picket line. When personally addressed, he accepted ELC propaganda as well as a briefing on the imminence of war in the Middle East. His response: "You think you're truth-sayers, don't you."

Rudi Arndt, a self-proclaimed sympathizer of the SPD left who is employed as the Mayor of Frankfurt, attempted to engage in jolly interchange with the "protesters" on the picket line. When he recognized the ELC newspaper Neue Solidaritaet, he timidly grumbled and ran away. While the SPD members in the Unity for Socialism group were excluded from the meeting, one representative was able personally to deliver a copy of the counter-resolution to each member of the Council.

Alongside the passage of the anti-ELC resolution, there is one other visible outcome of the Council meeting. In order to quell massive distrust and hatred in the party ranks against Rockefeller-puppet Schmidt, the SPD will be treated to a "Dr. Jeckel-Mr. Hyde" routine performed by Schmidt with the help of the more popular former Chancellor Willy Brandt. A few hours after the proceedings, Brandt addressed a crowd of SPD voters at a West Berlin electoral rally and called for "party unity and

support of the Chancellor's government policies." Brandt's image is being dragged out to smooth over Schmidt's drastic austerity policy and the official government policy of relocating unemployed workers for low-wage development projects.

STARVATION PLANNERS DEMAND SOVIET CAPITULATION AT FOOD CONFERENCE

MILAN, Nov. 11 (IPS)--The World Food Conference in Rome has completed the first draft of a plan for an international commodity monitoring system which is explicitly geared to rope the Soviet Union and the rest of the East Bloc into Rockefeller's fascist restructuring of the world economy.

While continuing attacks on the European Labor Committees (ELC) have thus far prevented any focused opposition to the Conference's Rockefeller line, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz followed Henry Kissinger's lead and threatened sanctions against the Soviets if they fail to submit to the proposed Rockefeller regulation of food production.

As a follow-up to the police attacks on ELC pickets outside the Conference earlier this week, the Food Conference's daily newspaper Pan published a clumsy polemic against the ELC's alternative proposal to the Conference, intended to be the definitive rebuttal of the Labor Committees' program for expanded food and industrial production.

This piece of sophomoric drivel, its CIA authorship betrayed by its bottom-rung conceptual level, trotted out a series of dog-eared criticisms of the ELC's fusion power proposal ("impossible") and program to mechanize agriculture in the underdeveloped sector ("where will they get the gasoline?"). The hilarity peaks with the article's implied claim that it is the ELC, and not Rockefeller and his hirelings staging the Food Conference show, that represents the interests of the "major energy companies."

In place of the actual socialist program offered by the Labor Committees, the Food Conference is proposing that the Soviet Union and its allies hand over detailed information on all aspects of their food and related production to a Rockefeller-dominated agency--probably some UN front. Today's New York Times points out that this will "break through the type of secrecy that exacerbated the worldwide impact on supplies and prices of the 1972 Soviet grain deal," which the Times credits with causing the (Rockefeller-rigged) inflation in grain prices.

Agriculture Secretary Butz, like Henry Kissinger, made it clear to the Soviets that Rocky means business. Commenting on discussions in Rome with the head of the Conference's Soviet

delegation Deputy Foreign Minister Nikolai Rodionov, Butz stated, "I tried to explain to him that, in the absence of information, they must expect the rest of the world to build defenses against them." These "defenses" are presumably the sanctions with which Kissinger threatened unnamed uncooperative nations a week ago.

SPECIAL MILITARY REPORT

AN ANALYSIS OF THE 1973 OCTOBER WAR IN THE MIDEAST

Nov. 13 (IPS)--Despite a press campaign designed to convince readers that unbridled feverish nationalisms in the Mideast inevitably will lead to another major war, the actual location and content of any Arab-Israeli or Iran-Iraq conflict comes straight from the drawing boards of the CIA and David Rockefeller's fascist world planning body, the Trilateral Commission. The current scenario for nuclear war in the Mideast, though in certain respects a qualitative escalation of previous CIA-staged encounters, is of the same general order as the October 1973 war--a complete set-up from start to finish. How this set-up works becomes clear from an examination of the military aspects of these armed confrontations, using the 1973 October War as a paradigm.

The function of the 1973 Arab-Israeli war to camouflage the centralization of world liquidity in Rockefeller-controlled banks, via his puppet sheikhs, has been documented extensively in New Solidarity and IPS. With minor exceptions, the script of the war itself was played as written by the Trilateral Commission and coordinated by the CIA.

To anyone with some knowledge of the Middle East situation, it had been obvious for most of 1973 that a war was in the making:

*A continuous series of meetings had been taking place in Damascus and Cairo, involving the very highest ranking military and political figures of the Arab world.

*It had been announced publicly that plans were being drawn up for "unified political and military action" against the Israelis. These moves were facilitated by the reactivation of the Jordanian front, which involved extensive military cooperation between Syria, Jordan, and Egypt.

*Huge arms buildups were underway, particularly in Egypt with the establishment of heavy air defenses along the Suez involving Soviet SAM-6 and SAM-7 missiles and Soviet technicians to operate them. U.S. satellite surveillance of the area revealed 20 Soviet SCUD missiles, having a range roughly of the distance from Northern Egypt to the key Israeli population centers such as Tel Aviv. Presumably this buildup was in response to the Israeli-developed Jericho missile which has a 300 mile radius. (Both the Jericho and SCUD missiles can be fitted with nuclear warheads, which conclusively are possessed by the Israelis and possibly also by the Egyptians, thus providing a frightening backdrop for the next war.)

*For months, Egyptian maneuvers involving massive amounts of armored equipment and bridging devices had taken place at regular intervals along the Suez. The Israelis had responded to each

maneuver with a high degree of vigilance, including the preparations for rapid mobilization of the Israeli Defense Force. On the last, largest such maneuver, however, no such preparations took place. Why?

The Israeli Vulnerability

To understand the susceptibility of the Israelis for a CIA set-up on this occasion, the Israeli mobilization procedure must be explained. First of all, with limited manpower resources in their relatively tiny nation, the Israelis do not have the forces or economic base to maintain a large standing army. Therefore, they must rely on a heavy mobilization of reserves, a process which takes 72 hours and which severely disrupts the economy as a whole, even if carried out only partially. Thus, the decision to mobilize is not taken lightly. In view of this process and considering the frequency with which the Egyptians had previously cried "wolf" on offensive maneuvers, Israeli intelligence was relieved to learn from what they termed "friendly intelligence sources" that this time the movement of Egyptian arms and men was a simple training maneuver which could be safely disregarded as a threat. The CIA (the intelligence source in question), of course, knew exactly what the score was, having detailed intelligence on the size and quality of the buildup. They knew as well that Russian advisors and families had been evacuated in large numbers in the few days before the outbreak of fighting. While Israeli intelligence, Shin Beth, watched the buildup with growing alarm, they received repeated assurances from Washington, including many from Kissinger himself, that this maneuver was nothing to worry about. Finally, in the 24 hours or so before the initial strike, a debate was raging in the highest Israeli political and military circles on whether to carry out a mobilization. The debate finally resulted in the decision to prepare for war, but it was days too late.

It must be understood that for a small, highly vulnerable nation like Israel, surrounded by a massive arms buildup on two fronts, the only rational military tactic is to launch a pre-emptive strike, trying to sabotage the offensive capabilities of the enemy before they can be activated. In other words, the point is to catch the enemy in its staging areas, as the Israeli air force did in 1967 when it knocked out the entire Egyptian air force while the Egyptian planes were still on the ground. By not exercising this pre-emptive option, the Israelis were in real difficulty in the opening days of the engagement.

The Initial Attack

Oct. 6 at 1400 hours a simultaneous offensive was launched against Israel by Syria in the north and Egypt in the south across the Suez. Due to the lack of mobilization, the Israelis were badly outnumbered on both fronts and in immediate danger in the north. The Israelis had two understrength armored brigades in the Golan Heights, along with 150 tanks, backing up several

infantry positions, each of platoon strength, with a total strength of less than a brigade. The Syrians, on the other hand, had a force of two armored and three mechanized divisions, along with a commando brigade and approximately 1,000 tanks, for a total force of 45,000 men. Thus, they outnumbered the Israelis by 10 to 1.

The Syrians sent a heavy armored thrust down the Damascus-Quneitra Road, accompanied by attacks along the north and south of the road. Simultaneously, Syrian commandos dropped from helicopters, hitting the rear of the key Israeli observation posts on Mt. Hermon. They wiped out these posts, threatening North Galilee, taking control of the position which dominated the area along which any Israeli counterattack would have to come.

The armored attack along the Damascus-Quneitra Road was designed to penetrate as far and as fast as possible, ignoring potential Israeli threats to exposed flanks. At Quneitra, the Syrians split into two heavy combined-arms columns, one to the north and west of Quneitra and the other south toward the Jordan River Valley, south of the Sea of Galilee. In the northern thrust the Syrians bogged down not far beyond the 1967 cease-fire line. The southern thrust took heavy losses as it ran into the Israeli defenses, consisting basically of mine fields and an anti-tank ditch (two to three meters deep and eight to 10 meters wide with the dirt piled up on the inside edge). The Syrians had bridging equipment capable of dealing with this obstacle. However, at each point where a crossing was necessary, an extremely narrow shooting gallery was created for the accurate Israeli artillery and tank fire. Hundreds of Syrian tanks were lost in these ditches. Although by Sunday night the Syrian forces were within seven miles of the Jordan River, it was at an enormous expense. Eight hundred Syrian tanks were lost to mines, anti-tank weapons, other tanks, and, increasingly, as the Syrians pushed past the cover of their anti-aircraft fire, to the massive Israeli airpower.

By Monday morning, Oct. 8, the Israelis had mobilized sufficiently to launch a counterattack consisting of three armored divisions and to begin a mop-up operation which drove the Syrians back onto defense lines outside Damascus by Oct. 12. On Oct. 13, the Israelis began transferring resources to the Sinai, and except for a fierce battle on the Golan Heights on Oct. 22, this sector was largely static for the rest of the war.

The Suez Front

In order to follow the action on the Suez front, it is necessary to have a basic understanding of the fortifications along the Canal itself. During and following the 1969-70 war of attrition, both the Egyptians and Israelis had constructed large fortified walls of sand running parallel to the canal on their respective sides. The Israeli wall was called the Bar-Lev line. Basically it consisted of 35 to 40 "strong points," each supported

by two observation posts. Manned by about 50 men each, these strong points had only company level infantry support weapons such as machine guns, anti-tank weapons, and some mortars. Further back behind the wall were steel-fortified logistics and command posts, connected by an artillery road.

In front of the wall, the Israelis had mine fields and wire, along with a system of hoses through which oil and flammable chemicals could be sprayed onto the canal to turn it into a sea of flame. These hoses were never used, although the chemicals had been placed in position two days before. Their use was an issue in the intense debate raging in top political-military circles--whether to go ahead and spray the chemicals, so that in event of an attack a match could be thrown which would drastically hamper the Egyptians' canal-crossing operations.

Journals about the war explain that the hoses were not used because the wily Egyptians had sneaked in the night before a force of commandos who cut or plugged the hoses. While this is true, it does not explain what actually happened--that the Israelis, although seriously contemplating the use of the hoses, held back on the advice of the CIA and veiled threats from Kissinger. Kissinger hinted at a cut-off of aid because use of the hoses would constitute the outlines of a pre-emptive strike. Thus the commando action was effective only in the context of the CIA-induced decision of Israel not to use the hoses, a decision made before the commandos had the opportunity to cut the hoses. (It should be noted that the chemical-fire attack was the only marginally sane action the Israelis could have taken under the circumstances.)

At the same time the hoses were cut, the Egyptians placed explosive charges on the Bar-Lev Line. As their attack began at 1400 hours Oct. 6, these charges were detonated, and water cannons, some of the first pieces of equipment ferried across, were used to blast holes in the sand dunes which constituted the Bar-Lev. Through these holds poured the tanks, which were ferried across and the armored personnel carriers, most of which were amphibious. Bridges supported on plastic boats were constructed in a matter of minutes, and infantry rapidly followed the armor--all with artillery barrages and air strikes on the Bar-Lev.

Against one understrength brigade of Israeli reservists holding the line, supported by an armored brigade of 240 M-48 Patton tanks, the Egyptians threw three mechanized divisions, one at each of the three assault points on the Bar-Lev. These were followed by two more armored divisions, for a total of five Egyptian divisions, along with paratroop and commando units. The Israelis had estimated that it would take 24 to 48 hours to cross the Suez, but within hours most sections of the Bar-Lev had crumbled and hundreds of Egyptian tanks were in the Sinai. During the Canal-crossing operations, the Israeli air force was attacking, but it took very heavy losses from the Russian-built SAM 2, 3, and 6 missiles. To the extent that

the Israelis flew low enough to avoid the radar network on which these missiles operate, they were vulnerable to the shoulder-fired heat-seeking Sam-7's or multi-barreled air defense guns.

Within 24 hours, the Egyptians had 500 tanks in the Sinai. Part of the reason for this is clear--the Israeli Sinai armored brigade was back at Bir Gifgafa, several hours away. It was not brought forward to the Bar-Lev as would have been the normal policy, after the Israelis saw the type of mobilizations the Egyptians mounted.

WHY EGYPT DID NOT PRESS ITS ADVANTAGE

The Israelis did launch an armored counterattack on the first night, but it was largely destroyed, while still on the road toward the Bar-Leve, by Egyptian commandos who came across with the first wave and kept going past the Bar-Lev using the RPG-7 and wire-guided Sagger anti-tank missiles. By late Sunday afternoon, the Israelis had lost 150 of 240 tanks. At this point, before Israeli reserves could have been brought up, the Egyptians could have launched a major offensive with their five divisions toward the three key passes which would provide a clear road to Tel Aviv 20-30 miles distant. However, the Egyptian command did not launch that attack, which from a military point of view, was absolutely the rational move.

The cover story frequently reported to explain the Egyptians failure to attack at this point is that they would have outrun their air cover and thus have been susceptible to Israeli air strikes in the open desert. While undoubtedly this fact had to be taken into consideration, the real reasons for not considering such an attack lie elsewhere. The Soviets knew from intelligence gained by the Cosmos satellite they launched two days before the war that the crucial passes of Mitla, Khatmia, and Giddi were practically undefended by the Israelis, and that it would have been child's play for the Egyptians the charge across the desert, outnumbering the Israelis almost ten to one. However, the Soviets realized that the U.S. might get excited were such a threat to the very existence of Israel carried out. Therefore, it is most probable that the Soviets never even gave the Arabs intelligence on Israeli troop strengths and concentrations. Instead, they preferred to structure the war from the outset simply as a static war of attrition where the Arabs would win back prestige and a certain portion of the Sinai, no more.

The point to be made here is that the CIA, from its psychological profiling of the Soviets, knew exactly what the Soviet perception of U.S. actions would be for various contingencies, and the U.S. took this profile into account in their plans for a staged war. Rockefeller knew that there was no inherent threat of the war getting out of hand with the Arabs, because he knew the mind of the Soviets completely. Ultimately, this psychological warfare is the key to plans for the tactical nuclear war in the Mideast that Rockefeller has on the drawing boards now.

Using the psychological techniques of brainwashing, Rockefeller has established an aversive environment by out-flanking the Soviets in every major political battle over the past few years. This year, that process of psychological manipulation has been escalated. Rockefeller has manipulated the Soviets' perceptions of his actions on them, to the point where he and his CIA-RAND programmers are able to predict exactly what the Soviet response will be to any particular move the Rockefeller forces make. This then establishes the basis for carrying out a successful "limited nuclear war." The Clausewitzian conception of bending one's opponent to one's will in war, does not in this age refer in any important sense to who has bigger muscles or a bigger nuclear arsenal, but to whether or not, through psychological warfare, you can induce your enemy to make a series of apparently-tactical retreats, one after the other, until he has been driven into a strategically indefensible position.

The Israelis Did Not Take Cairo

Though the Arabs were completely predictable as to the manner in which they would fight, it is possible that the Israelis, for a very brief moment, threatened to throw a wrench into Rocky's war scenario. On Oct. 14 and 15, after Israeli armored reserves had time to be mobilized, a fierce series of battles took place in the Sinai. Israeli forces, through superior handling of tanks and decided air supremacy, inflicted heavy losses on the Egyptians. In this period, both the U.S. (which started its own air resupply of the Arabs on Oct. 10) drastically stepped up the rate of supplies and weapons to the front. Although they inflicted heavy losses on the Egyptians, the Israelis had been taking insufferably high losses themselves, particularly in respect to their small manpower. A war of attrition, instead of a fast-striking war of maneuver, was exactly what the Arabs desired. This would minimize Israeli tactical skill while maximizing Egyptian quantitative manpower superiority. In an effort to break out of this trap, around midnight Oct. 15, the Israelis launched a daring attack across the Canal. The operation involved three tank brigades: one to launch a diversionary attack on the Egyptian Second Army at the juncture of the Egyptian Second and Third Armies, one to hold the crossing area open, and one brigade to cross. The men crossed in rubber boats (rather than helicopters, to avoid radar), and the tanks were ferried across on barges. Israeli folk hero Arik Sharon and a small staff personally conducted operations. Dividing the elite paratrooper brigade of 1,600 into seven or eight columns and supporting each with one or two tanks, Sharon sent them after the SAM sites along the canal. By noon October 16, a full armor brigade crossed a rapidly constructed pontoon bridge, followed by four more armored brigades. By night Oct. 16, nothing stood between Sharon's forces and Cairo but open road.

With only 50 miles northeast to go to the enemy's capital and no enemy forces of consequence in sight, the audacious and reasonably intelligent Sharon commanded his forces to turn south. Why? Here again, a few uninteresting cover stories have been proposed. The first is that Sharon would overextend his communications

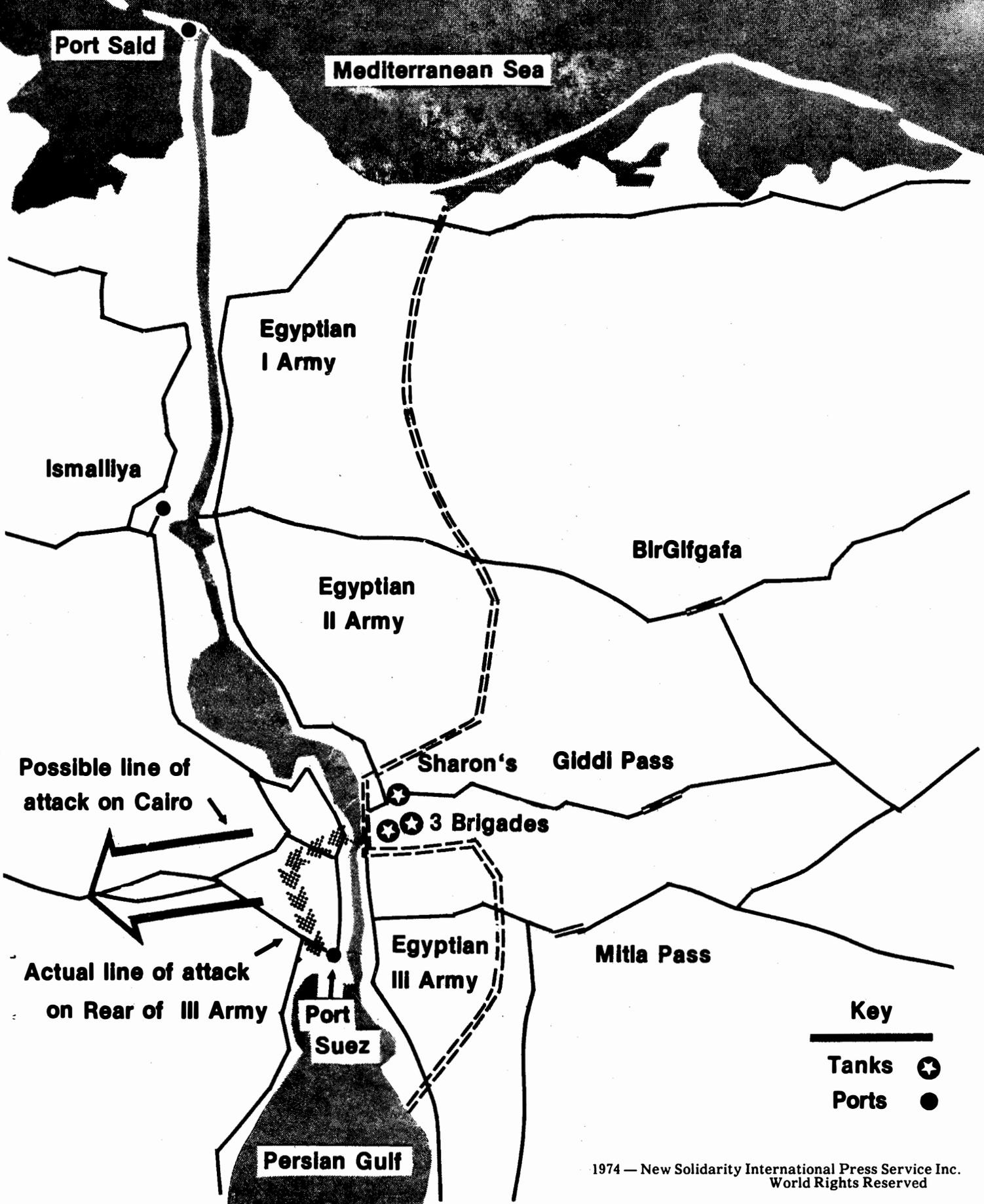
line by going a mere 50 miles in a single thrust. To anyone familiar with the armored thrusts of World War II, covering larger distances in more difficult circumstances, this is ridiculous. It is especially silly since enough SAM sites had been knocked out to give the Israeli Air Force relatively free rein of the skies and thus a possibility for a key supporting role in a blitzkrieg thrust to Cairo.

The other story in circulation is that Sharon was performing the critical task of cutting the logistical lifeline of the Egyptian Third Army in the south. However, this conveniently ignores the fact that the majority of the Third Army at that point was on the wrong side of the Canal, and that part on the west bank posed no immediate threat to the strength of Sharon's invasion force. The fact is that Rockefeller's game plan for politically strengthening Sadat and pulling the Arab rulers closer together for the necessary oil hoax would not have been served by an Israeli attack on the Egyptian capital.

The last war represented a \$50 billion tax on the world's working class. This one, in all likelihood nuclear, represents still higher stakes--a direct strategic and massive psychological attack on the Soviet Union, regardless of who fights the war, Egypt and Israel or Iran and Iraq. The point to be made is that any future wars absolutely cannot be analyzed from the internal dynamic of the countries involved or a military study of which tanks knocked out what. The proper mode of analysis is one which takes into account the glaring military discrepancies in the October War and answers the question--how will Rockefeller benefit?

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MAP of ISRAEL COUNTERATTACK on SUEZ FRONT

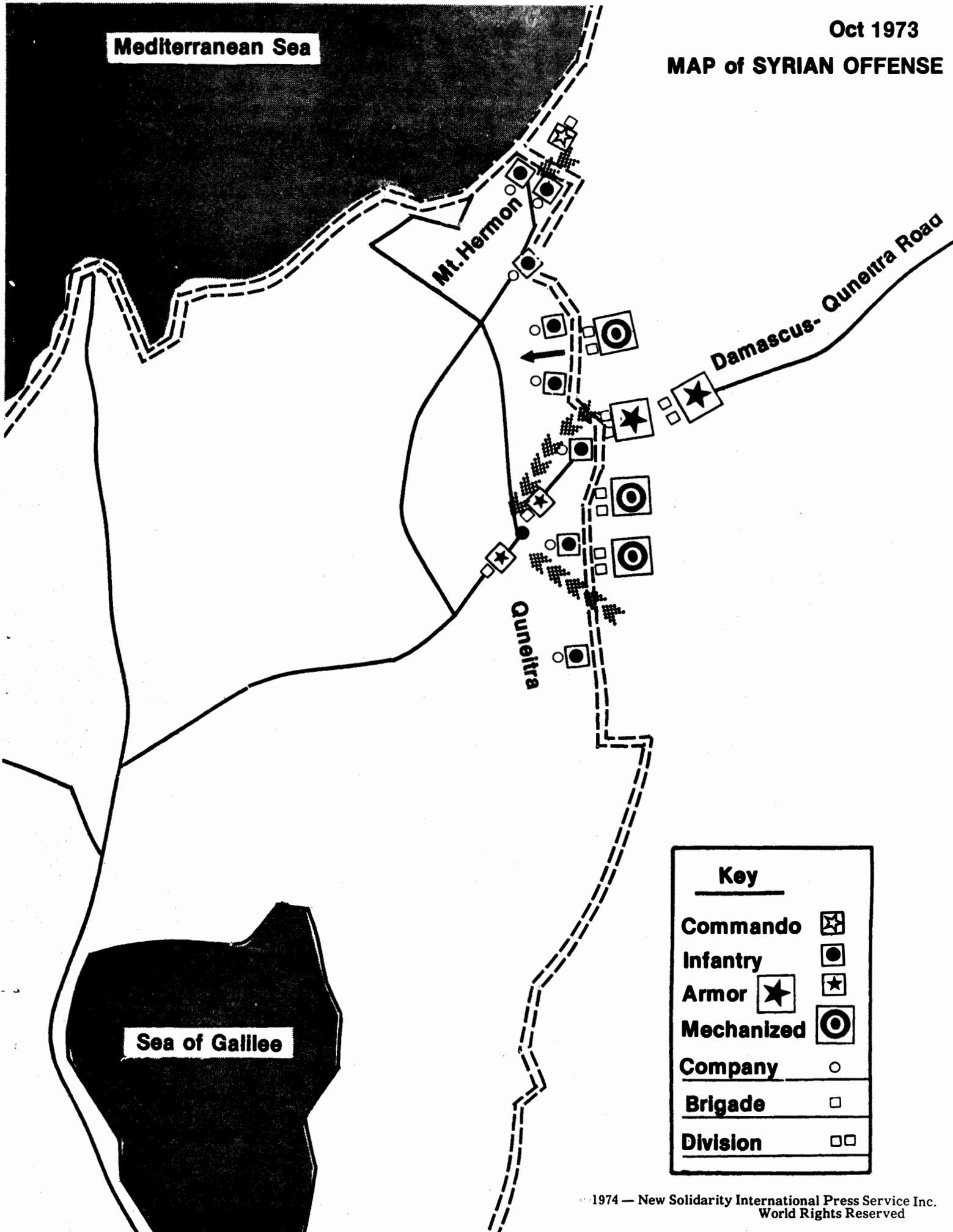


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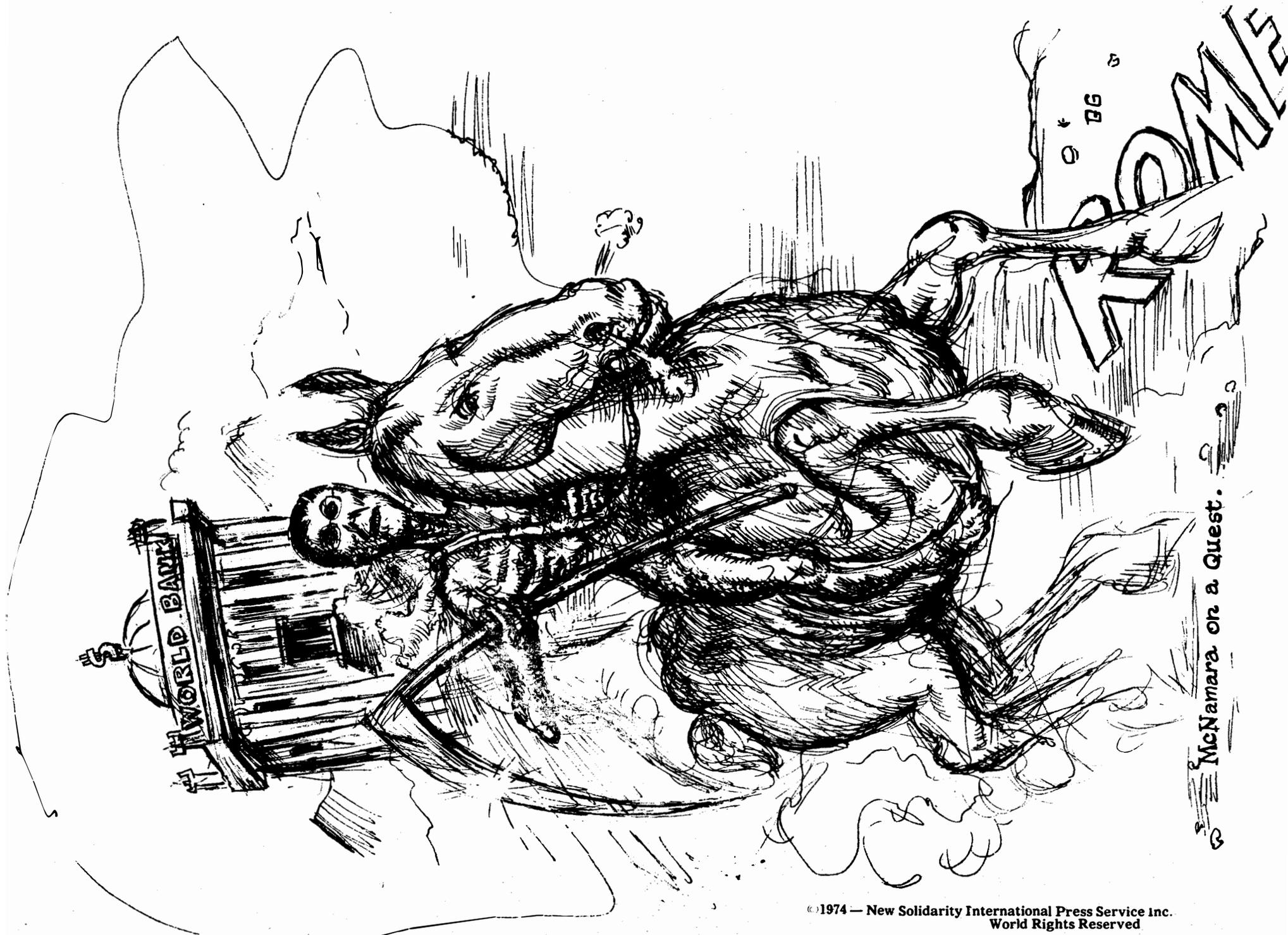
- Tanks (star-in-circle symbol)
- Ports (solid circle symbol)

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MAP of SYRIAN OFFENSE



| Key | |
|------------|----|
| Commando | ☒ |
| Infantry | ● |
| Armor | ★ |
| Mechanized | ⊙ |
| Company | ○ |
| Brigade | □ |
| Division | □□ |



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