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INTRODUCES TRILATERAL COMMISSION

Dec. 18 (IPS)--Dieter Cycon, leading military expert for the West German ultra-right-wing daily Die Welt, today introduced the Trilateral Commission to his West German readership. In an editorial portraying the Ford-Giscard get-together in Martinique as a breakthrough in European-American relations, Cycon attributed the progress to the "powerful American support" which emerged for a reconciliation with France.

"Just three days before Martinique," Cycon wrote, "the Great Commission founded by David Rockefeller from American, European and Japanese experts published a report which supports the most rapid dialogue possible with the oil producers." Cycon represented the American "concession" on the issue of opening negotiations with the oil-producing nations as the core of the American reconciliation with France.

At the same time, Cycon delivered a sharp attack on Henry Kissinger, whose tough "political" demands on the Europeans were hindering their "economic" perspectives. Thus, Cycon hung Kissinger with the responsibility for provoking the "independent Europe" posture adopted by the European governments earlier this fall--a pathetic irony, considering that the plans for an "independent Europe" originated with the Trilateral Commission.