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POLITICAL ECONOMY

Europe Must Accept Brezhnev's Offer

by Dave Goldman

May 10 (IPS)—Reviewing their choices, Western European capitalist circles are now in the process of concluding that the Soviet Union's proposals this week for joint action against Nelson A. Rockefeller's nuclear madmen, and cooperation towards world economic development, constitute the only route open to them.

As the West German industrialists' house-organ *Handelsblatt* complained bitterly in its Friday editorial—citing the particular case of the German economy—Rockefeller and his allies have lied shamelessly about the true magnitude of the economic crisis. David Rockefeller's policy for the crisis, clearly expressed by his praise of Italy's "economic miracle" under conditions of Schachtian austerity, is thoroughly bankrupt. Well in advance of the June 30 international payments crunch, reviewed in the U.S. Labor Party's recent Emergency Statement on the economic crisis, the world monetary system is hemorrhaging at a score of weak points.

International trade is contracting at an annual rate pushing 40 per cent as a result of the Rockefeller depression policy towards the advanced sector, that is, loot where possible extend more credit where not. Nonetheless, several hundred millions of dollars' worth of trade commitments between the Soviet bloc and Western Europe have been added to the mass of existing East-West trade every week since late winter. Although current levels of trade expansion with the Soviets are negligible compared to the increase supportable under the International Development Bank framework, these deals represent the only significant batch of orders available to large sections of European manufacturing.

Western Europe's (and Japan's) trading dependency on the Soviet Union and its allies is roughly triple what it was a year ago, ICLC Intelligence estimates—this despite the acid predictions of such Rockefeller-allied "experts" as George Ball that East-West trade had reached certain inherent limits. To a great extent, the new trade negotiated this year has been financed with money freed momentarily by the contraction of trade elsewhere, that is, the mere transfer of existing capitalist facilities for trade-financing into the Soviet sphere. Within weeks, the process of trade expansion will grind suddenly to a halt, without the adoption of the Development Bank plan of U.S. Labor Party presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche.

This explains the willingness of two Christian Democratic parliamentarians in West Germany to commit themselves to the IDB plan last week.

Otherwise, the state of the international monetary system is well characterized by the case of Italy. Were Italian central bank chief Guido Carli, the author of David Rockefeller's "miracle," a lowly

accountant, his actions during the past year would have drawn him a 20-year stretch in Federal prison rather than the praise of the New York banking community. In recent discussions with IPS, several leading New York financiers claimed that they had no fear of a wave of national bankruptcies, citing Italy as proof. Carli repaid \$500 million borrowed from West Germany last month, and made an extra installment or two on part of Italy's \$13 billion external debt. But how? Carli strangled production, reduced "costly" imports of industrial raw materials, and paid off two months' debt service bills.

But Italian banking sources contacted this week by IPS revealed that regional and local governments in their country are now engulfed by a wave of de facto debt moratoria, the direct outcome of Carli's book-juggling. Internally, state credit has already collapsed, in order to maintain the facade of national solvency abroad.

Third World Moratoria

Added to this, the \$140 billion debt owed by underdeveloped countries is in immediate danger of general default, sources at the International Monetary Fund confirmed this week. Every Third World member of the dollar empire's caretaker organization is now under a Dun-and-Bradstreet-style credit review, a situation without precedent in the Fund's 30-year history.

Nonetheless, IMF sources said, not one loan has yet been approved from its \$4 billion "extended oil facility," a war chest for emergency cases in the Third World (including Italy)...because the IMF has found no "creditworthy borrowers." As certain New York bankers, such as George Ball's firm of Lehman Brothers, have emphasized, the IMF cannot bail out the monetary system without going bankrupt itself.

The same is true for the World Bank, which, according to spokesmen, "cannot afford" to re-schedule the payments on its loans, in order to "meet its own international obligations." At a Paris meeting this week, the Bank turned down an urgent request for loan re-scheduling from two debtors, Pakistan and Tanzania.

At the level of the leading international banks, no money is going out for "normal commercial banking reasons," financial sources report. New loan volume is less than half of last year's, and directed exclusively towards countries or corporations in which banks have large previous commitments, and prefer re-financing to the prospect of default on much larger masses of debt.

Immediately, this process threatens to devastate West Germany and other trading nations. German reconstruction following World War II has been financed with very large volumes of bank credit, at a level roughly twice that of American debt-to-output ratios. High levels of debt service can be sustained, the West Germans are aware, provided that

they are surpassed by higher levels of production increases. But the national credit system cannot stand a sustained dropoff in economic activity. Neither can Japan's, where corporations paid 19 per cent of their total revenue to retire debt obligations, last year apart from the portion of debt payments met by the extension of new "roll-over" credits.

In this regard, David Rockefeller's "best efforts," from the January IMF meeting which created the unusable "special facility," to the trip to Italy two weeks ago to announce the new "economic miracle," are viewed as a cheap confidence game by large sections of the international financial community.

Resistance to the Rockefeller faction on the part of European capitalist elements is an entirely new ball game—although certain of the principals do not yet fully understand why themselves. During the past fortnight, the ICLC's mobilization against the thermonuclear war threat raised up the prospect of the political annihilation of the Rockefeller faction once and for all. Considering the intervention in the U.S. Congress by Sens. McIntyre, McGovern, and others, the West German politicians, industrialists,

and military are aware of the immediate consequences of a successful fight against "counterforce" within the U.S. for their own situation. Such agents as Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and Thyssen Steel magnate Curt ("I am an American agent") Birrenbach are very close to being immobilized.

Rather than politely debate the importance of good relations with the Soviet Union and the possibility of using ruble credit to finance East-West trade, as two months ago, the schlotbarone are grimly setting about the business of creating the political machine appropriate to call the shots on these questions (see article this issue).

But these gentlemen have yet to declare themselves publicly on the most important issue: the Soviets' offer, which parallels closely our own programmatic thrusts. The Rockefeller faction is demonstrably incompetent to hold the economic situation together, even if it were to survive the rage of every sane element of society against its nuclear ambitions. No political faction of any coloring in Europe can operate on a day-to-day basis against the pressure of economic crisis, except on the basis the Soviets propose.

SPECIAL FEATURE

An Open Memo to Congressmen:

Soviet 'Open Diplomacy'

by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

NEW YORK, May 11 — Those of you who have been subjected to massive covert and overt intimidation by pro-Rockefeller forces are not unaware of the reasons why the Rockefeller-allied major news agencies have collaborated to variously suppress and distort the most important Soviet "open diplomacy" pronouncements in decades.

With these two most pertinent official documents, Secretary-General Brezhnev's address and the "open call" of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and Supreme Soviet, you have on your desk the strongest possible basis for a way out of war and economic chaos, through immediate positive negotiations with the Soviet Union. Both should be studied in the light of my May 7 communication to you.

I append a summary analysis, prepared by our intelligence staff, concerning the pattern of treatment of these two documents by representative press agencies.

Reaffirms Deterrent Policy

The most conspicuous passage in the address of Secretary-General Brezhnev is the public reaffirmation of the long-standing Soviet version of "mutually assured destruction" in respect of any nuclear confrontation affecting what the Soviets regard as a decisive strategic self-interest.

The affirmation of such a policy by an authoritative spokesman of the Soviet state is, of course, an indispensable feature of the policy itself. "Deterrence" is not effective unless the commitment to comprehensive thermonuclear retaliation is announced.

According to the same generally-acknowledged doctrine, once such a statement of policy is issued by one side, the other side must carefully weight the question whether the threat of deterrence is actually a bluff.

The pro-Schlesinger forces insist that Soviet deterrent is a bluff; those who have lost the courage of their own judgment under massive personal pressures, wishfully, hysterically insist that the Brezhnev affirmation is a bluff.

As we know, as qualified political and military sources corroborate our view, the Brezhnev announcement is absolutely no bluff. Indeed, certain NATO spokesmen speak clearly — so far behind doors — of the insanity and incompetence of "office boy" generals such as Haig, and denounce as insanely irresponsible those who confide strategic military command responsibilities to computer print-outs.

The key paragraph in the Brezhnev address affirms the conclusion independently reached, that any effort at thermonuclear showdown at a point of fundamental Soviet political or military strategic self-interest, such as the Near East or Balkans, means total Soviet retaliation against the entirety of NATO and NATO's political and military allies. If the members of Congress fail to muster the courage to resist mere personal intimidation, the continuation of the present Rockefeller-associated drive toward confrontation means

the general incineration of most families in the U.S.A., including the families of weak-kneed congressmen.

The "Open Call"

The main features of Secretary-General Brezhnev's address are overwhelmingly corroborated by the form and contents of the "Open Call" (as published by Neues Deutschland of May 10). Three main features of that document are of outstanding significance.

First, the "Open Call" is a resort to "open diplomacy," bypassing all the ordinary channels of protocol. "Open diplomacy" is not without precedent in Soviet practice; however, the resumption of such a tactic at this time is in itself a fact of the most extraordinary significance. Such "open diplomacy" represents nothing less than a next-to-last resort on the brink of an impending general catastrophe.

Second, the "Open Call" carries the highest possible authority which could be given any document issued from the Soviet Union. All of the highest agencies of Soviet society have subscribed to its authorship: the Central Committee of the CPSU, the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, and the Soviet government.

Third, the burden of the "Open Call" is a proposal for an entirely new range of profound measures of economic cooperation as the professed alternative to both thermonuclear holocaust and general economic chaos.

The "Open Call" is in no respect a timid document. The opening paragraph is clear in its references to the parallels of 30 years earlier. "...the victory cost an immeasurably high price. It was paid for with the lives of dozens of millions of men, women, and children, with colossal destruction, with the devastation of many states. The extent of the losses that were suffered was immense, the severity of the sacrifices immeasurable. But they were not in vain..."

It is only after such points have been emphasized and developed that the "Open Call" proceeds to develop proposed alternatives.

The passage most to be emphasized in that connection is the following:

"The gigantic growth of technical and scientific knowledge at the present, and the interrelated, powerful development of the productive forces in peacetime, now make it possible to transform the material culture and life of humanity. The achievements of the scientific-technical revolution make possible a fundamental improvement of living conditions on earth, and the extirpation of hunger, poverty and epidemics."

The document, a short space later, emphasizes that such measures are "demanded in memory of the dead and in the interests of the living."

In practice, these Soviet proposals are as clear a statement as any reasonable person could desire in support of Soviet intent to cooperate in such ventures as the International Development Bank. Already, we have determined that governments and parties representing an overwhelming

majority of the so-called "Third World" population are disposed to accept a proposal of this type. The current Soviet "Open Call" is the most authoritative public commitment of the leadership of the Comecon sector to cooperative agreements of the same genre.

Informed political persons are aware of the thinness of the pro-Rockefeller forces currently dominating North American and Western European life. The emphasis on covert and overt "dirty tricks" intimidation by the pro-Rockefeller forces essentially reflects the marginal and diminishing popular constituency which the pro-Rockefeller forces enjoy throughout the industrialized capitalist sector.

The pro-Rockefeller forces appear to have a powerful grip on the machinery of power, but at the same time suffer an accelerating loss in political support in depth. Once the grip of the pro-Rockefeller forces is loosened, that entire machine will collapse in the fashion of a burst dam.

This, of course, is the immediate source of the thermonuclear holocaust danger. Unless the pro-Rockefeller forces can establish consolidated rule by terror during the immediate weeks ahead, the collapse of the monetary system and aggravated erosion of their constituencies means an end to their hegemony. Rockefeller may be likened to a new King Canute — unfortunately with a thermonuclear capability supplementing his desperate shouting.

The current open revolt of the West German industrialists faction led by Herr Stoltenberg is the most conspicuous sign of a general and growing contempt for Rockefeller policies within NATO circles themselves. French "pluton" compliance with pro-Rockefeller forces is on shaky domestic ground. A significant conservative British faction is moving in the direction of allying with Stoltenberg and Company. There is a less powerful but potential eruption of opposition with Italy. The accelerating growth of the influence of the U.S. Labor Party here is in substantial part a direct result of our leading position in vocal denunciation of pro-Rockefeller policies.

West Germany, which is a keystone of NATO capabilities,

merits special consideration. The pro-confrontation faction in that nation presently consists of SPD chairman Willy Brandt, Franz-Josef Strauss, Herr Biedenkopf and his protege Helmut Kohl, and the West German Maoist-nihilist sects! (Of course, we have our own U.S. Maoists and semi-Maoists, such as Jeffrey Record, Ray Cline, and Senator Jackson converging upon alliance in fact with the "Revolutionary Union.")

It is exemplary of the vulnerability of the Brandt-Strauss-Biedenkopf de facto strategic coalition that Herr Brandt and his allies reacted with hysteria to publicity circulated in West Germany by a relatively small Labor Committees organization there. The spectacle of the pro-Rockefeller de facto coalition's alliance is destroying the SPD, factionally splitting the Christian Democratic Union and creating large-scale constituencies for alternative political leaderships.

The mixed British reaction to Eric Severeid's recent pompous eruptions reflects the situation there, as does, similarly, the special response to the Soviet "Open Call."

Underneath the efforts of the pro-Rockefeller forces to keep a grip on government by sheer muscle of intimidation, the broad social base of most parties in the capitalist industrialized sector is ready to dump Rockefeller and his allies and to consolidate around new leaders offering credible solutions to the threats of war and economic chaos.

Provided a significant minority of forces join us in that stubborn effort, we confidently assure you that within a short period of weeks, major forces in all sectors of the world will rally to collaborate with us in establishing a new monetary system and enacting related measures essential to arresting economic collapse and resuming the expansion of agricultural and industrial production and employment on a world scale.

Given the pre-existing readiness of major "Third World" forces for such proposals, and the present clear commitment from the Soviet leadership, we now have before us all the essential ingredients of political feasibility for the steps we have proposed to you.

Text Of CPSU-Soviet Proclamation

May 10 — Here we print in full the text of the proclamation issued by the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Soviet government calling for an end to confrontation and for international development efforts. The proclamation was published today on the front page of Neues Deutschland, the newspaper of the Socialist Unity Party (Communist Party) of the German Democratic Republic (East Germany).

TO THE PEOPLES, PARLIAMENTS AND GOVERNMENTS

Call by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and the Government of the Soviet Union.

Thirty years ago, the most bloody and destructive war in world history came to an end. The victory over fascism and militarism in this greatest of all wars has become an important milestone in the fate of humanity. This victory has forever left a feeling of great pride and of deep sorrow in the memory of the freedom-loving peoples. Pride, because at that time, forces were defeated which under the black flag of fascism, racism, and chauvinism threw entire peoples into slavery. Sorrow, because the victory cost an immeasurably high price. It was paid for with the lives of tens of millions of men, women and children, with colossal destruction, with the devastation of many states. The extent of the losses that were suffered was immense, the severity of the sacrifices immeasurable. But they were not in vain. Soldiers of all continents who fought against the armies of Hitler Germany and of militarist Japan, partisans, resistance fighters, anti-fascists who fought in the underground, individuals who, away from the front, forged the victory — they put their life on the line for the struggle and without consideration for themselves, in order to protect their homelands, their ideals, their homes, and their families. They wanted to uproot fascism and militarism once and for all, and forever liberate humanity from the horror of war. They went into the great battle hoping and dreaming that they would achieve a lasting, just and democratic peace. Their heroic efforts bore fruit and led to tremendous changes; social and political changes of the greatest significance took place, and for the first time in history the objective possibility was created to eliminate world war from the life of humanity.

The 30th anniversary of the end of World War II is a special kind of anniversary. We celebrate it in a new, more advantageous atmosphere. Europe and the entire world have, in reality, come closer to the great goal for which the peoples of the anti-Hitler coalition had been striving. In the relations among states the principles of equality of rights, of sovereignty, and of the renunciation of force increasingly prevail. The way to this goal has not proved easy. Throughout these 30 years a difficult and hard struggle was underway. Even today, it has not come to an end. The Cold War for decades hindered the construction of the edifice of peace. The aggressive, reactionary circles attempted, from a position of strength, to impose upon the world an order which would have contradicted in the most basic terms the interests of the peoples and of social progress. This unleashed an armaments race as never before, in which the latest accomplishments of science were exploited, and repeatedly brought the world to the brink of a new war catastrophe.

We do not have the right to forget that in the past 30 years — first in one, then in another country, and occasionally in entire regions of the world — blood has flowed; that such regions became the theatre of warfare which cost the lives of millions of people. Even today, the peoples of the Arab and other countries are forced to fight an embittered struggle against reactionary forces, oftentimes with weapons in their

hands, in order to have the possibility of determining their own road of development under the conditions of a just peace, of independence and freedom.

However, as a result of the efforts of the socialist countries, and as a result of the efforts of all those who have peace near to their hearts and who actively fight for it, the death-carrying nuclear missile weapon has not been used after World War II. An important role in this was played by the realistically thinking peoples of the West.

On the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the great victory against fascism, the Soviet people, the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the Supreme Soviet of the USSR and the Soviet Government call on all peoples of the world, the parliaments and governments of all countries, to finish once and for all with the dangerous policy of "Cold War," to put an end to the interventions in the internal affairs of other peoples or states, to direct their efforts towards the creation of an atmosphere of assurance in the peaceful future of humanity, towards securing a solid and long-lasting peace on earth.

For three decades now humanity has been spared a world war. That is a great success of the forces of peace whose significance is imprinted ever more deeply into the consciousness of the peoples. Never before has so much been done to firm up peace than in the last years. As a result of the determined peace policy of the socialist states, of the activities of the democratic forces of all countries, and also as a result of the realistic posture of governments who have come to realize the dangers inherent in the continuation of Cold War, the situation in the international theatre has fundamentally changed. Historical agreements which determined the international detente process have been concluded. Special significance must be accorded the agreements between the two greatest states on earth — the USSR and the USA — concerning the prevention of a nuclear war and the limitation of strategic armaments. Important treaties and agreements are in effect between the USSR and France, the USSR and the Federal Republic of Germany (West Germany), between other socialist states and the Federal Republic of Germany, as well as the Four-Sided agreement on West Berlin. The first steps on the way towards the limitations of the armaments race have already been taken; a settlement of the existing international conflicts by peaceful means is being aspired to.

In the relations between states of different social orders, an ever more important place is taken by elements such as the recognition of the inviolability of the borders, the solution of issues of conflict at the negotiating table, regular consultations, long-standing economic cooperation, and exchange of scientific and cultural achievements.

The All European Conference of states is nearing its close. It is an unprecedented event in the history of the continent, which was the main theatre of two World Wars and for centuries the nodal point of the most explosive international conflicts. The success of this conference and the realization of its recommendations will introduce a new stage in the life of Europe, will mean the victory of the ideals of peace and of reason. This, in turn, will exercise a positive influence upon the development of international relations in the entire world.

Direct colonial rule, which has been a constant source of sharp tension and a justifiable reason for armed struggle, the national liberation of the oppressed peoples, has essentially been eliminated on this earth. The last colonial empire, the Portuguese one, has crumbled.

All these utterly important changes are the realization of the will of the peoples towards peace and progress. These changes prove that the prevention of wars between states is

no utopia, but a realistic perspective and an entirely achievable goal. The profound changes of the system of international relations on the basis of the principles of peaceful coexistence have gotten underway. They can and must be continued and be brought to conclusion. This is demanded both in memory of the dead and in the interests of the living.

In the present epoch, peace is a necessary precondition for social progress of humanity and for safeguarding the sovereign rights of the peoples to live their lives in the form they desire. The entire development of the three postwar decades is an obvious testimony to that effect.

The gigantic growth of technical and scientific knowledge at the present, and the interrelated powerful development of the productive forces in peacetime, now make it possible to transform the material culture and life of humanity. The achievements of the scientific-technical revolution make possible a fundamental improvement of living conditions on earth, and the extirpation of hunger, poverty and epidemics.

Simultaneously, the immense social changes and reforms which have taken place in the course of the past 30 years have demonstrated graphically, as exemplified by various countries, that anti-human reactionary forces can be checked, and that on this basis negative consequences of the scientific-technological revolution can be prevented.

Since the end of World War II, many peoples have achieved enormous successes. These, however, could be incomparably greater if the colossal means, the minds, and the energy which in this period were expended on the production of arms of death and destruction, had been utilized for creative goals.

Notwithstanding, influential forces are now, as before, at work, who are tenaciously striving to hold back efforts towards a lasting peace. Already, an unprecedented mass of weapons in peacetime, among them rockets and nuclear weapons, is accumulated. The arms race continues. All of this unleashes profound and well-founded concern, and demands the greatest efforts in the struggle for peace, for the termination of the arms race, for disarmament, and for the halting of material preparations for war. The Soviet people and the Soviet state, who bore the major burden of the struggle against Hitler's fascism, declare once again their firm intention to do everything within their power to eliminate war from the life of humanity, jointly with other peoples and nations.

We direct this proclamation to all peoples, parliaments and governments, and above all, immediately and officially to those who are entrusted on the international arena with the representation of their nations and of the public of their nations. We count upon a response by them which is equal to the importance of the problem and call for active involvement in the interest of a permanent and assured peace.

Eight Objectives for Peace

The Soviet people and the Soviet government, who sup-

ported the essential weight of the struggle against fascism, proclaim anew their firm commitment to do everything which depends on them, in accordance with the other peoples and governments, to eliminate war from the life of humanity.

In accordance with the will and the passionate desire of all the Soviet people, we will strive toward the following:

(1) That the principles of peaceful coexistence of states with differing social orders will be brought to bear fully and in every respect upon all international relations.

(2) That the process of international detente will be made irreversible.

(3) That the arms race, with all kinds and types of weapons, will be limited and brought to an end, that the course toward universal and complete disarmament will be unerringly continued.

(4) That the existing sources of war be eliminated while unconditionally recognizing and respecting the right of all peoples for independence and equal security.

(5) That regional security systems and a general system of security and cooperation on the basis of equal rights between states be created.

(6) That mutually advantageous relations in the fields of economics, science, technology and culture be maximally developed, respecting the inalienable rights of every country to dispose of its natural resources and to protect its laws and customs.

(7) That real guarantees for an effective participation in world policy, on the basis of equal rights, by all countries and peoples be ensured; That neo-colonialism and all discrimination, no matter against which country, be eliminated.

(8) That an international climate be created in which potential aggressors, adventurists, and sabre-rattlers will everywhere meet with decisive and organized resistance, and in which security and trust in a peaceful future will, in reality, become the common property of all countries and peoples.

In the name of 250 million Soviet people, we appeal to all who hold the future of our earth close to their hearts to employ all their powers so that this future will be a peaceful one. A lasting peace and the freedom of the peoples are the most beautiful memorial for those who died in the war. Lasting peace and peoples' freedom are the imperishable ideals which inspired the heroes of the struggle against fascism and which also inspire us. We will do anything so that this ideal will become the immutable law of the life of humanity.

We address this call to all peoples, parliaments, and governments, and in the first place officially and directly to those who hold the responsibility of representing their government and public opinion in their country in the world arena. We await their response, a response worthy of the scope of the problem, and call on them to act in favor of a solid and sure peace.

Brezhnev Warning To Rockefeller: Mutually Assured Destruction

The following are excerpts from the speech by Leonid Brezhnev, General Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, delivered May 8 in Moscow at the celebration of the 30th anniversary of the victory over fascism. This speech reaffirmed the Soviet commitment to the nuclear strategy of Mutually Assured Destruction against the Schlesinger doctrine.

...The experience of the war years demonstrated that a difference in social systems is no hindrance to the unification of efforts in the struggle against aggression and for peace and international security. During the years of the war we worked together, and we worked together well, to put an end more quickly to the war. Now we are solving another no less important, and perhaps more complex, task: to pave the way for cooperation aimed at preventing a new worldwide catastrophe.

Nor can we forget that since the end of the Second World War the fires of war have repeatedly blazed in Asia, in Africa, in the Near East, and in Latin America. These wars, which were caused by the unwillingness of certain circles to reconcile themselves to the liberation of peoples, claimed the lives of millions of people. Can this be permitted to continue? No, comrades, it cannot!

For those whom it concerns, it is time to grasp a simple truth: In our time, attempts to suppress the peoples' liberation movements are doomed to failure. And the best proof of that is the glorious victory of the Vietnamese people in the struggle against foreign interventionists and their henchmen.

That victory crowned the years-long heroic struggle of the patriots of Vietnam. It is the result of their skillful use of various forms of struggle -- military, political, and diplomatic. Moreover, that victory is the triumph of the effective and militant solidarity of the countries of socialism. It

also speaks of the great moral and political significance of the sympathy and support on the part of the progressive forces of the entire world....

...We can also note with satisfaction that the elimination of the hotbed of war in Indochina creates the conditions for further improvement of the international atmosphere. This benefits the cause of international detente, including, we assume, detente in the relations between our country and the United States of America.

The struggle for peace continues: It must know neither a breathing space nor pause. Every people has the right to live under conditions of reliable security and lasting peace. This must hold without exception!....

...And, finally, the struggle for putting an end to the arms race, for disarmament, is acquiring ever greater significance for the strengthening of peace.

In spite of the persistent efforts of the Soviet Union and the other socialist states, who have long urged a curtailment of military expenditures and preparations for war, an arms race of unprecedented dimensions goes on in the world.

Yet such a stockpiling of arms, including weapons of mass annihilation, grows increasingly more senseless. The unleashing of a nuclear war would spell the unavoidable annihilation of the aggressor himself, not to mention vast losses for many other countries and peoples, even if they were not formally involved in the war (emphasis added). It is also clear that it is impossible in the long run to combine the development of international detente with a constant increase in the military potential of states and the perfection and stockpiling of arms.

Therefore it is not enough simply to talk about disarmament; it is time to begin concrete agreements about the reduction of the military preparations of states. It is precisely this that the Soviet Union is striving for.

Press Lies And Distortion Of Brezhnev Speech

The following is a partial gridding of bourgeois press distortions and suppressions of Brezhnev's speech of May 8 and the May 10 proclamation of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Soviet government.

Bourgeois Press on Proclamation of CPSU and Soviet Government

Press of May 10

Baltimore Sun: Wholesale distortion by Michael Parks, who writes: "The Soviet leadership expressed satisfaction with the current trend in East-West relations, noting that 'the situation in the international arena has changed radically' away from the Cold War tensions that followed World War II....Although the Kremlin declaration is highly rhetorical and presented no departures in policy, its highly optimistic and conciliatory tone was taken by Western diplomats as a new Kremlin effort to demonstrate its willingness to be forthcoming in East-West relations."

Washington Post: Recognizes that the Central Committee call is "unusual"; then pushes the CIA "detente" line on the proclamation — namely, that the Soviets' call for peace is conciliatory capitulation — writing "more than any other pronouncement in a series which began last month with a meeting of the CPSU CC (Central Committee), today's stressed the gains of detente, which it said have 'radically changed' the world situation for the better."

Suddeutsche Zeitung: Downplays all the 30th Anniversary of V-E Day proceedings entirely.

New York Times: Blacks out Central Committee statement altogether.

Avanti (Italian Second International Socialist Party); **Corriere della Sera** (Agnelli; Milan), **Il Giorno** (Milan): Black out statement altogether.

La Stampa (Agnelli; Turin); **L'Unita** (CIA-controlled leadership of the Italian Communist Party): Edit and rewrite Proclamation to transform it into Second International polycentrist manifesto.

Bourgeois Press on Brezhnev's Speech

Press of May 9

Financial Times (London): Thrust of the coverage is that "...The Kremlin's foreign policy based on detente is to continue as before, and once again it is Mr. Brezhnev who has reaffirmed his country's course." The coverage makes no mention of Brezhnev's reference to the Mutual Assured Destruction response of Soviets.

Washington Post: Coverage focuses on Brezhnev's references to Vietnam. Brezhnev said to talk five minutes.

Baltimore Sun: Front-page article which correctly locates possible war danger as the key to Brezhnev's statement; Vietnam and the Mideast mentioned only in passing. No mention of Brezhnev's favorable references to Yugoslavia.

Suddeutsche Zeitung: One of the worst liars. Headline of article: "Brezhnev Sees No Danger of War."

Le Figaro: Plays up Brezhnev speech as panegyric to detente.

Le Monde: Reporter Almaric lies that Brezhnev's speech was not significant because no Party First Secretaries attended. Pushes line that Soviet CP is terrified of U.S. reaction to loss of Vietnam.

International Herald Tribune: Downplays Brezhnev speech, saying it lasted only five minutes.

London Times: Only coverage which points to MAD reaffirmation in Brezhnev's speech.

Die Welt, DPA (rightwing Springer press): Pushes detente line.

Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung: Does not mention Brezhnev's concern about war threat. Soviet's program of world-scientific development suppressed.

Bourgeois Press on Yugoslav-Soviet Relations as Referenced in Brezhnev Speech

Suddeutsche Zeitung, May 10: Presents Tito as anti-Soviet who had no help from Soviets in fighting the Nazis. Tito is quoted as saying that (we) Yugoslavs "alone freed our country, that is the historical truth and nothing else."

Die Welt (rightwing Springer press) May 9: Emphasizes close Brezhnev-Tito links.

WEST GERMAN MILITARY SOURCE CORROBORATES NATO
FACTIONALIZATION OVER ROCKEFELLER NUCLEAR DOCTRINE

WIESBADEN, WEST GERMANY, May 7 (IPS) -- IPS correspondents here today conducted an extensive interview with a member of a West German think tank. The source, who holds the rank of Brigadier General, corroborated in detail the ICLC analysis of extreme factionalization in NATO circles over the attempts by the Rockefeller cabal to forcefully make their policy of nuclear confrontation and "limited nuclear war" against the Soviet Union a NATO strategic doctrine.

Asked about MC 14/4", a document which embodies this brinkmanship policy, the sources exclaimed, "when they are entirely up against the wall, it is entirely possible that they seek confrontation...but this is madness; it leads to catastrophe."

"They do not know the Russians," the source noted, "nothing has changed from Sokolovsky's doctrine (of total retaliation--ed.) If today the Americans do something in Yugoslavia, tomorrow Norway will be occupied or even Central Europe, for God's sake."

Throughout the conversation, the source noted that Germans have a much greater respect for Soviet military power than does the U.S. He did, however, accept the differentiation between Rockefeller -- the currently dominant force in U.S. policy -- and other forces in the U.S.

Another element of "MC 14/4" -- a rapid arms buildup by NATO forces on the continent -- was rejected out of hand by the source. Conventional arming of NATO to achieve parity with the Warsaw Pact was "nonsense," according to the source. "Seen from the military standpoint we are living in a transitional phase: the Warsaw Pact is overwhelmingly superior. We know how the West could possibly win back the initiative in a few years, but to date, nothing has been achieved. It will become dangerous if the Americans behave as if they already had something which they will first have in a few years."

Elaborating on this "transition point," the source went on to describe how warfare stood on the edge of "revolutionary changes." The changes described by the source were at some variance with the demands for more reliance on tactical nuclear weapons proposed by the "limited nuclear war" doctrine. The source noted that traditional weapons were obsolete, especially tanks. Military organizational structures, particularly the division and brigade forms, were also obsolete. New weapons technology, above all laser technology, will radically change the entire structure of military organization: small, highly-mobile units will take the place of large ones. These developments can be seen in the use of the new Soviet armored personnel carrier (Schuetzenpanzer) PT-76, as well as the Bundeswehr's FLA tank. This, however, was only a first stage and it would be at least five years before anything changes decisively. With respect to new forms of organization, the source

mentioned the ideas of Beaufre and his concept of a special, "territorial army."

The source gave IPS a striking picture of the intellectual state of the Bundeswehr and the CIA think-tankers who are attempting to influence its policies. At this point, he saw the Bundeswehr as intellectually spineless: "everything is becoming routinized." The Bundeswehr Academy (Hochschule) was described as totally functionist. Throughout the military, the source said, there were very few "independent thinkers" left. "We have discussions -- informal discussions -- but each of us has so much to do, is working under such pressure, that we can't do much."

The source had biting criticism of the CIA think-tanks that helped formulate limited war doctrine. On the RAND Institute he said: "One time I was in Santa Monica. There a bunch of people sit around a huge computer, put something in, and get something out. What is this supposed to mean? I stick by (Werner) Heisenberg's (book) 'The Part and the Whole,' which says that it is impossible to formalize everything. We must be creative; we can't bypass that." Characterizing the London Institute for Strategic Studies, the source said: "Its main task is to count the number of cups of coffee which they drink during the day."

"Science must have impetus," said the source, "but these conflict study institutes -- they are abstract and oriented to the past."

SEN. McINTYRE BLASTS "SCHLESINGER-JACKSON" DRIVE
TO PRECIPITATE NUCLEAR WAR

May 6 (IPS) -- U.S. Senator Thomas J. McIntyre (D-NH) yesterday charged that a faction within the U.S. government led by Secretary of Defense Schlesinger and Senators Henry Jackson (D-WASH) and James Buckley (R-NY) was pushing the United States dangerously close to thermonuclear war, by activating the so-called Schlesinger doctrine of limited thermonuclear warfare. McIntyre's speech came as the International Caucus of Labor Committees (ICLC) went on full international alert, charging that Nelson Rockefeller and his cohorts were moving into position to detonate a limited nuclear exchange in the Mideast as the precipitating incident to a full-scale nuclear confrontation with the Soviet Union. McIntyre thus followed up by four days a speech made by Senator George McGovern which attacked the Schlesinger-Kissinger strategic doctrine. McIntyre warned, "I fear that the Secretary's new nuclear warfighting policies and his related requests for counterforce technology are a grave threat to gains for our security at SALT...Secretary Schlesinger and his congressional allies would take us much further than imagined before toward exotic new destabilizing technologies..."

McIntyre openly charged that the justification for Schlesinger's counterforce and tactical nuclear war strategy "is, in fact not military, but political or diplomatic...in other words, they are concerned that unless we have this capability it might adversely affect the political position of the U.S. in the world. My sub-

committee cross-examined witnesses in great detail trying to get them to define what nation would act differently in what specific cases against the security of this country. We still haven't been given an adequate answer." McIntyre continues, "The logic and technology of the Secretary's proposals, like himself, are creatures of a small community of theorists and scientists that have arisen as a behind-the-scenes force in public policy in the nuclear age...President Eisenhower warned us in his famous farewell address not only of the 'military industrial complex' but also of the dangers that public policy could become the captive of the scientific-technological elite."

McIntyre threatens open factional warfare within the Democratic Party strategy, "...it is ironic that the most conspicuous congressional spokesman of Dr. Schlesinger, a member of my party, is voicing a position substantially to the right of the Nixon-Laird congressional consensus of the early 70's. There is no question in my mind that the Nixon administration's greatest achievement and deepest rooted taproot of public support was derived from having recognized that this nation wants a swift end to the arms race. I believe that there is neither valid policy ground substantially to the right, or for that matter, to the left of the broad center of arms strategy symbolized by SALT. Certainly there is no policy ground or national constituency in my party or my country for a return to the cold war or a new technological arms race."

"President Eisenhower, who had personally 'witnessed the horror and lingering sadness of war' knew that 'another war could utterly destroy this civilization which has been so slowly and painfully built of thousands of years.'"

NEWS ANALYSIS

Soviet Union Makes World Appeal: Development, Not Nuclear War!

In a call addressed "To the Peoples, Parliaments, and Governments of the World" the Soviet leadership at its highest level — the Central Committee of the Communist Party, the Supreme Soviet and the Government — has made proposals which parallel those of the International Caucus of Labor Committees, and which lay the basis for world peace and unprecedented economic development.

Provided that the working class in Europe and the United States along with sane capitalist circles proceed in the next few days and weeks to implement the International Development Bank and annihilate the insane Rockefeller cabal, these programs can be actualized. Otherwise nuclear war is guaranteed. The Rockefellers have no other choice at this juncture but to proceed with their publicly stated policy of nuclear confrontation with the Soviet Union.

Just one day before the Open Call was issued the General Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union (CP-SU), Leonid Brezhnev, warned Rockefeller and his lackeys that the Soviet Union would respond with Mutually Assured Destruction (MAD) to any nuclear provocation in which Soviet strategic interests were at stake.

This stern warning to the Rockefellers was given in a speech commemorating the 30th anniversary of the great victory over Nazi Germany. Brezhnev stated that: "The unleashing of a nuclear missile war, without any doubt, would mean the annihilation of the aggressor himself, not to mention the immense losses for many other countries and peoples even if they themselves were not formally involved in the war."

Cabal's Mad Response

Despite this unmistakable warning coming from the highest

level of Soviet leadership, Rockefeller-Schlesinger and the robots from the RAND Corp. have psychotically chosen to black out Brezhnev's statement in their controlled press. The most criminal piece in the history of yellow journalism appeared in the New York Times which deliberately misinterpreted Brezhnev's speech so as to make it appear as if Brezhnev himself was giving tacit support to Schlesinger's "new detente" of limited nuclear exchanges.

This corroborates the evaluation of the ICLC, which was further substantiated this week in discussions with NATO officers, Pentagon officials, key Congressmen, and other government officials in the U.S. and Europe, that Rockefeller — despite these warnings — is determined to push ahead with the suicidal "MC 14/4."

Even as Brezhnev's statements were coming from Moscow, Rockefeller agents in the Senate Arms Services Committee led by Henry Jackson (D-Wash.), in alliance with Mao Tse Tung, voted up appropriations for nuclear weapons demanded by Schlesinger-RAND to implement the "counterforce" strategy.

Since President Ford is a mere puppet for the Rockefellers, without the intellectual resources to be held responsible for his inactions, it is imperative that Congress take emergency steps to enact legislation for the creation of an International Development Bank and a new monetary system.

Such action, followed by treaty arrangements for industrial and agricultural development with the Third World-sector countries and Western Europe, would as strongly implied by the Open Call be acceptable to the Soviet Bloc, and would prevent nuclear holocaust and economic devastation. Until that occurs the Rockefellers

hold the world hostage, at a "hairtrigger to nuclear war."

The Brass Knuckles Are Out

Rockefeller's inability to provide any foreseeable concessions to his former capitalist allies in Western Europe, who face economic ruin by June 30, has impelled the Rockefellers to use brute force to discipline capitalist ranks into accepting his nuclear war as the lever to implementing the "final solution."

Rockefeller mouthpiece Eric Severeid, whose commentary on CBS news called for a military dictatorship in Great Britain, was directed against the financial circles in Britain who are preparing to make a break with Rockefeller. This widely publicized commentary was timed to coincide with a nationwide search and seal operation in West Germany to intimidate conservative layers in the BRD (West Germany) into accepting a "radioactive coalition" government.

These highly visible and desperate actions came in the wake of growing anti-Rockefeller alliance between a section of British finance and West German industrial layers.

In addition to a spate of anti-Rockefeller articles in the British press, the British faction moved to defuse the situation in the Middle East by throwing its support behind Abba Eban, former Israeli Foreign Minister, who announced from London his intention to launch an open fight inside Israel for the convocation of a Geneva Conference. On the other side of the Atlantic the leaders of the British government, Wilson and Callaghan, were closeted in a room in Washington with Schlesinger, Kissinger, Rumsfeld, Sisco et al. and were arm-twisted into agreeing to sabotage the Geneva Conference! This Rockefeller

maneuver was then blasted in the British press.

In West Germany Herr Stoltenberg, the Chairman of the conservative Christian Democratic Union (CDU) in Schleswig-Holstein, who only a month ago was unexpectedly featured in the Financial Times of London as the most appropriate candidate for Chancellor, made his candidacy public on May 10. Stoltenberg is in open opposition to the Biedenkopf-Kohl "radioactive coalition," and has the firm backing of the Ruhr industrialists. This coincided with a purge of one of David Rockefeller's key henchmen in West Germany, Herr Mommsen, from the board of directors of Krupp.

On the same day that Brezhnev gave warning to the Rockefellers, the Communist Party of France (PCF), in a signed editorial by their International Affairs Director Jean Kanapa called for an open debate in the National Assembly on the French government's policy of nuclear brinkmanship.

This came as the French government openly adopted the Schlesinger-RAND creature called the "European Defense Community." The agreement between Bonn and Paris now places the puny French tactical nuclear arsenal at Rockefeller's disposal, to be used to "protect" West Germany and the Mediterranean from the Soviet Union. This tactical arsenal would be used in any NATO action against Yugoslavia, Rumania, or East Germany. That is precisely the "MC 14/4" endgame strategy.

Kanapa blasted this Bonn-Paris provocation against the USSR and demanded that: "the government explain itself clearly, publicly on these capital questions...and that it explain itself in front of the National Assembly....We demand that he (the Prime Minister) give the assurance that the Pluton tac-

tical nuclear weapon will never, under any circumstances, be set up in the BRD."

The PCF has also called on the working class and the Gaullist bloc to mobilize against this provocation. On the programmatic front the PCF has announced a special Central Committee meeting for the end of this month in order to "update" the Program Commun. This PCF action is one of the few exceptionally appropriate responses from among the Communist parties of Western Europe. The leadership of the Communist Party of West Germany (DKP) has been so terrified that it has adopted the grand strategy of Thaelmann, the Communist leader of the 1930s who surrendered the communist movement over to Hitler without a fight. DKP officials contacted over the week on the imminent threat of nuclear war responded by mourning over the "smallness" of the DKP — so small that it could do nothing to stop the destruction of the human race. Despite its claims of smallness, the DKP has 40,000 members, and was able to mobilize over 20,000 people in the Ruhr this weekend to commemorate V-E Day.

The conference of the International Workingmen's Association which brought together official and unofficial delegates from several Communist parties, left-social democrats, and working-class cadres from North Germany, shows the form that the struggle must immediately take. If this struggle being waged throughout Europe is also joined by the PCF then the initiating mass forces will exist to galvanize the entire range of anti-Rockefeller opposition.

The combined moves of the British-German bourgeoisie, the PCF, ICLC and the USSR have in no way limited the dangers of nuclear war. On the contrary, Rockefeller's limited deployment

capability now leaves him little option but to go all the way to the brink. The possibility that Rockefeller may ignite a confrontation in Yugoslavia or the Middle East this week is extremely high.

Military analysts close to the Bundeswehr stated off the record this week to IPS that "NATO now has a strategy of intervention into Yugoslavia, in the event that Tito dies, to prevent a Soviet occupation." The Rockefeller press has heated up this option by a deluge of articles on the "aggravation of relations" between the USSR and Yugoslavia. That this is an outright lie coming straight out of Langley, Va., is shown by the warm remarks of Brezhnev towards Marshall Tito and Tito's statements over the past weeks giving recognition to the international role of the USSR.

In the Middle East a most favorable environment has been created for working out a lasting peace between the belligerent parties. Abba Eban's fight in the Mapai Party of Israel for a Geneva Conference; Soviet peace initiatives in the Middle East; and the Soviets' direct efforts at breaking Arafat away from the CIA have created a situation in which a durable peace can be worked out.

Under this type of pressure, which threatens to bust the Rockefeller machine at the seams, Rockefeller may unleash the Israeli crazies, the "Black September" CIA gang or some other monster to provoke incidents that would lead to war.

The ICLC has forewarned governments, parliamentarians, and news agencies to this danger. However inoculation at this point is not enough.

As the open call and Brezhnev's speech imply only the direct intervention of "peoples, parliaments and governments" will stop Rockefeller. That is our immediate and heightened responsibility.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF

ROCKEFELLER PUSHES FOR NUCLEAR CONFRONTATION; SOVIET COUNTERMOVES

ITALIAN MILITARIZATION MOVES FIGURE IN ROCKEFELLER'S END GAME STRATEGY

May 6 (IPS)--In the overall strategic context of the U.S.--Rockefeller forces' search for a nuclear confrontation with the Soviet Union at the earliest possible date, developments over the past few days in Italy and the Middle East are of immediate significance. "We must find a place where we can take a stand, bring about a test of strength," according to former Assistant Director of the CIA, Ray Cline. As pro-war forces in Israel are desperately trying to counter growing sentiment in the country for a positive response to Soviet peace initiatives with "news" of an impending Egyptian attack, Italy, according to Corriere della Sera, is witnessing the largest "anti-terrorist" police/military mobilization since 1970. The action, involving between 20,000 and 30,000 police, carabinieri, special "finance" police, and military detachments from all branches of the armed forces, started May 1 and is concentrated in the Tuscany and Bologna-Florence regions. Immediate nationwide targets of the action are all transport and communications links, specifically railways, and the Rome and Milan airports. This is a classical coup d'etat-type of deployment and significantly is centered in Communist controlled regions of the country.

Collateral evidence--such as statements by Head National Security Council staffer Winston Lord and a May 5 piece in the New York Times by CIA stringer Drew Middleton--points to the broader strategic significance of the Italian deployment. Lord remarked that "nothing will happen in Europe until Tito dies," while Middleton speaks of a crisis "after the death of Marshal Tito," as if the occurrence of such an event in the near future were a forgone conclusion.

We must indeed consider, therefore, that undoubtedly existing CIA plans for the assassination of Marshal Tito could be activated at any moment and that such an event would then become the pretext for a massive NATO incursion into Yugoslavia. An Italian coup would be timed to coincide with or immediately precede such an operation to secure Italy as a NATO operating base.

ROCKEFELLER CONDUITS CALL FOR GRAND COALITION IN BRD

May 6 (IPS)--Circles closely allied with the Rockefeller faction have called for the formation of a Grand Coalition between the ruling Social Democratic Party (SPD) and the right wing of the Christian Democratic opposition (CDU) as the aftermath of parlia-

mentary elections in the key German states of North Rhine-Westphalia and the Saar.

The *Suddeutsche Zeitung*, which is closely allied with U.S. Defense Minister Schlesinger's military faction, today called for the formation of a "bridge" between the SPD and the opposition to be formed in the Bundesta, the upper House of Parliament. The *Baltimore Sun* went one step further and called upon the CDU to break the ground for such an emergency government by politically isolating right-wing fascist Franz Josef Strauss from his present alliance with the CDU.

EAST BLOC LEADERS ISSUE WARNING TO ROCKEFELLER

May 6 (IPS)--In speeches delivered yesterday at the Berlin garrison of the Soviet Army in East Germany (DDR), East bloc leaders stated in no uncertain terms their hardline position vis a vis Rockefeller's insane nuclear brinksmanship. Today's *Neues Deutschland*, the major East German daily, relates the stern warning of Party Head Eric Honnecker: "The possibility of sharp turns in the international situation is not excluded. It is therefore our internationalist duty not to relax revolutionary class vigilance. Peace exists because we are strong and well-armed."

Drawing upon the experience of his own country, the Ambassador from Czechoslovakia, directly addressed Rockefeller renegade Nicolae Ceausescu of Rumania: "Those in a socialist state who isolate themselves from the Soviet Union...harm the interests of socialism and progress...anti-Sovietism leads without exception to the other side of the barricades, regardless of the earlier merits of individuals or the Party."

SOVIETS FORCE MITTERRAND TO BACK DOWN

May 6 (IPS)--The Soviets forced French Socialist Party leader Francois Mitterrand to back off his previous statement in support of an independent European defense structure, according to French press reports of Mitterrand's discussions with hard-line Soviet Politburo members Suslov and Ponamarev in Moscow.

EAST BLOC SCORES CHINA'S RAPPROCHEMENT WITH NATO

May 6 (IPS)--The East bloc press renewed its attacks on China, singling out for comment Peking's growing ties to NATO. Today's *Neues Deutschland*, organ of the East German Communist Party, reports on an article in the Mongolian paper *Enen* which condemns the "Maoist clique for openly supporting NATO policies in Europe." Similarly, the Czechoslovakian Party organ, *Rude Pravo*, wrote April 24 that Peking "sees world war rather than peace as its prospects....for its hegemonic and chauvinistic aims, Peking is willing to gang up with anyone...."

TIME BLACKS OUT CONGRESSIONAL OPPOSITION TO ROCKEFELLER;
CLAIMS CONGRESS IS RETREATING

May 6 (IPS)--In today's New York Times Washington reporter Leslie Gelb blacks out all Congressional motion against Rockefeller's nuclear endgame strategy--Sen. Thomas McIntyre's speech in New Hampshire yesterday; Sen. McGovern's speech Friday asserting that the situation is on a "nuclear hairtrigger;" and the behind-the-scenes alarm in Congress.

Instead, Gelb claims that both liberals and moderates are backing away from their earlier intention of challenging the Administration with attempts to make a major cuts in Defense spending and to reduce overseas forces.

WASHINGTON POST COLUMNISTS KRAFT AND WILL WARN CONGRESS, PRESS AGAINST CRITICISM OF ROCKEFELLER NUCLEAR STRATEGY

May 6 (IPS)--Joseph Draft and George F. Will writing in today's Washington Post, launch wholesale attacks on debate and criticism of the Rockefeller faction's military and foreign policy decisions for nuclear showdown. Both Will, from the extreme right wing, and the "moderate" Kraft are issuing orders to Congress not to pursue public debate against Rockefeller, and to tell the press to end the past month's cabal-permitted "open season" on the CIA.

SCHLESINGER HEATS UP BERLIN HOT SPOT TO PROVOKE SOVIETS

WIESBADEN, BRD, May 7 (IPS)--U. S. Defense Secretary James Schlesinger is attempting to create a new Berlin crisis as another trigger point for thermonuclear confrontation with the Soviets. According to the Frankfurter Allegemeine Zeitung today, Schlesinger told Christian Democratic Deputy Representative Abelein of the West German Parliamentary Defense Committee that he "would not advise the Soviet Union to test American resoluteness in West Berlin.

FRENCH POLITICAL AND MILITARY CIRCLES AFFIRM TOTAL OPPOSITION TO ROCKEFELLER NUCLEAR ENDGAME

PARIS, May 8 (IPS)--IPS correspondents here in the last few days have conducted lengthy interviews with leading French political and military figures who stated their full understanding of and opposition to the leading Rockefeller faction's present thrust towards a nuclear confrontation with the Soviet bloc.

One source, recognized as one of the leading spokesmen for the Gaullist movement, corroborated the ICLC analysis that European circles know Rockefeller will not stop even at the complete devastation of their own countries.

The Second French source, who holds the rank of general, angrily characterized this dabbling with tactical nuclear weapons as "pure idiocy." He stated: "Those who think that the Soviets will not strike back in full are complete idiots. These are little generals and politicians playing games with toys that they don't understand. This tactical nuclear warfare game is ridiculous, is idiotic."

The source further stated that what is now developing has actually been "a long-time strategy of the U.S.," identifying the leading edge of its proponent-faction as "Rockefeller and his people." The military source stated: "As for Rumania, the USSR can get them in three hours and as for China, all of China would be rapidly destroyed, with the Russians suffering destruction only in Siberia."

SOVIET COMMUNIST LEADER AFFIRMS SUPPORT FOR EAST GERMANS

May 8 (IPS)--Speaking yesterday in East Berlin, Soviet Communist Party Politburo member Fyodor Kulakov--who is regarded as a spokesman for party head Leonid Brezhnev--stated unequivocally that his Party stands behind the "consistent internationalist course" being pursued by the East German Communist Party (SED). Kulakov's remarks came in a speech delivered at a celebration of the 30th anniversary of the liberation of Germany from fascism.

EAST GERMAN LEADER ATTACKS "SCHISMATIC" ATTEMPTS TO SPLIT COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

May 8 (IPS)--Hermann Axen, a politburo member of East Germany's ruling Socialist Unity Party (SED), gave an interview May 4 on the progress of preparations for this year's conference of European Communist Parties to be held in Berlin. Axen, like French Communist Party leader Jean Kanapa two weeks ago, debunked Western press stories that the conference would be canceled. The "fascist circles" and others spreading these rumors, he said, "fear that the conference will give a new impulse to the struggle of the working class....They fear the growing unity of the European Communist Parties and the inevitable failure of their schismatic activity." The "schismatic" forces referred to are the leaders of the Italian Communist Party and other CIA agents who are trying to build an anti-Moscow faction to delay and disrupt the conference.

TIMES WARNS CONGRESS: STOP MEDDLING IN "SECURITY" AFFAIRS

May 8 (IPS)--Dusting off its retired Military Affairs editor, Hanson W. Baldwin, the New York Times today threatens Congressmen with "irresponsibly" threatening the nation by openly discussing matters of security and intelligence with the press and the population.

Baldwin warns, "How does one define the thin line between freedom and license, security and repression, the "right to know" and irresponsibility? The political extremists and fanatics, in pursuit of revolution, believe that the ends literally justify any means."

CIA COLUMNISTS ATTACK OPPONENTS OF NUCLEAR WAR

May 8 (IPS)--CIA columnists Evans and Novak, writing in today's

Washington Post, attempted to aid the Rockefeller-Schlesinger clique in their efforts to eliminate Congressional opposition to their drive for a nuclear confrontation with the Soviets. Under a flimsy cover, Evans and Novak are trying to intimidate Congressional aides from further contact with the U.S. Labor Party. The columnists single out William Ashworth, an adviser to Sen. McGovern (D-S.D.), a key Schlesinger opponent and Foreign Relations Committee staffer.

CIA DIRECTOR COLSBY: NUCLEAR WAR "TECHNICALLY FEASIBLE"

May 8 (IPS)--Interviewed by a reporter after his speech delivered yesterday to a San Francisco businessmen's lunch at the Commonwealth Club of California, William Colby, Director of the CIA, said of Schlesinger's policy of "tactical nuclear warfare," that he thinks it is "technically feasible." When pushed on whether it was politically feasible, and whether he thought the Soviet Union would back down, Colby stated that the question was "too complicated and difficult to answer here."

NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT REFUSES TO HAVE NATO FLEET PATROL OIL PLATFORMS

STOCKHOLM, May 8 (IPS)--Norwegian Foreign Minister Knut Frydenlund has announced that the Norwegian government would not permit the NATO fleet to participate in the protection of its oil platforms. The reason given for this decision is that NATO patrolling of the drilling areas would increase the danger of confrontation between NATO and the Soviet Union. The Soviets maintain a major naval base on the coast of the Barents Sea, one of the areas being considered for Norwegian drilling.

BRANDT POSTPONES MOSCOW TRIP

May 9 (IPS)--Willy Brandt, Chairman of the West German Social Democratic Party and leading agent of the CIA-controlled Second International, announced yesterday that he is postponing his trip to the Soviet Union, planned to begin on May 15. Brandt's announcement follows Moscow's extremely cold reception of French Second International agent Francois Mitterrand.

NUCLEAR BOMB SHELTERS SECRETLY BUILT IN WEST GERMANY

May 9 (IPS)--The new subway transit tunnels being built in the major city of Hannover will have metal ceilings intended to cut down radioactivity from a nuclear explosion. According to construction workers employed on the underground project, the tunnels will probably never be used for public transit, but are chiefly designed as bomb shelters in the event of thermonuclear war.

MILITARY MANEUVERS SIGNAL MOVE TO MAKE FRANCE NATO'S "LIMITED NUCLEAR KEYSTONE"

May 9 (IPS)--The French government is now moving to place France in the keystone position of NATO military strategy. A week-long series of national military maneuvers in France, known as Manat-75, signals that France's traditional "Force de Frappe" strategy is being replaced by a "limited nuclear warfare" policy coherent with that of NATO. An article in the May 8 issue of the French daily Le Monde, by NATO specialist Jacques Isnard confirms that France's "limited nuclear" capability against the Soviet bloc is now operational.

CHINA ESTABLISHES TIES TO EEC; ESCALATES ATTACK ON USSR

May 9 (IPS)--Today's Washington Post reports an announcement made in Peking by Sir Christophere Soames that China is establishing diplomatic ties with the Common Market (EEC). Soames, the EEC Commissioner for External Affairs, is a longtime liaison between Rockefeller business interests in Britain and Europe.

A UPI dispatch from Hong Kong indicates that China has escalated its propaganda campaign in support of Rockefeller's brinkmanship against the USSR. A "People's Daily" article says that, "As the Soviet Union follows Hitler's route toward world domination, the U.S. is becoming every day more and more vulnerable and strategically passive."

FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY LEADER DEMANDS PUBLIC DEBATE ON "LIMITED NUCLEAR WAR"

NEW YORK, May 9 (IPS)--French Communist Party (PCF) Central Committee International Secretary Jean Kanapa has called for a public debate in the National Assembly on the French Giscard government's policy of "provocation" of tactical nuclear war and charged that the French government's policy is to "command 'the opening of tactical nuclear fire' to face up to a 'threat,' even conventional." Kanapa demanded "that the government explain itself clearly, publicly on these capital questions...and that it explain this in front of the National Assembly...we demand that he (Prime Minister Cirac--Ed.) give the assurance that the Pluton Tactical Weapon will never, under any circumstances, be set up in the BRD."

UNSERE ZEIT ATTACKS WEST GERMAN MAOISTS

May 9 (IPS)--An unusually forceful attack against the West German Maoists and their support of NATO against the socialist bloc appeared in today's issue of Unsere Zeit, the daily newspaper of the Communist Party of West Germany. The attack, entitled "Maoists and Strauss for strong NATO," coincides with the visit of a high-level delegation of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union to West Germany. The article cites an April 30 call by the Maoists to struggle.

CDU'S STOLTENBERG ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR FEDERAL CHANCELLORY

May 9 (IPS)--Gehard Stotenberg, the Christian Democratic Minister President of the West German province of Schleswig-Holstein, and the central figure in a growing factional line-up in his party against Rockefeller's nuclear end-game strategy, today announced his intention to put himself forward as a Federal Chancellor candidate during the CDU Executive Committee meeting on Monday. Earlier this week, Stotenberg publicly attacked the principal Rockefeller agent in the CDU, Kurt Biedenkopf, emphasizing that fundamental political ideas, not party issues, separated the two men.

The increasingly anti-Rockefeller, right-wing daily, *Die Welt*, reported that a "group of friends" had urged Stotenberg to make this move, cautious reference to the existence of an anti-Biedenkopf faction.

TIMES ATTEMPTS TO COOPT CONGRESSIONAL DEBATE ON SCHLESINGER DOCTRINE

May 9 (IPS)--In a lead editorial titled "Defense Defended," the New York Times attempts to coopt the current Congressional debate over Defense Secretary Schlesinger's limited nuclear warfare policy now being generated in the Senate Armed Services Committee. Wooing Congress by declaring "a normal or preferably a better than normal Congressional review of the Administration's defense requests is much in order," the Times tries to keep the debate focused on future military programs and policies, knowing full well that the Schlesinger "counterforce" policy has been activated already and the U.S. already possesses the necessary arms.

MARSHAL VACILEVSKI--INTERVIEW IN O SECULO

May 9 (IPS)--Marshal Alexandre Vacilevski, former Chief of Staff of the Soviet Armed Forces, in an interview in Thursday's Portuguese daily *O Seculo* stressed that the Soviet victory against the Nazis in the Battle of Berlin was due to the "singularity" of the all out offensive strategy employed. Significantly, Vacilevski concluded that the Berlin operation "provided a rich and useful experience, in many of its aspects, that did not lose its importance in present conditions."

CHINESE PREPARE FOR NUCLEAR WAR

May 10 (IPS)--The Chinese have perfected an air filter system capable of removing nuclear fallout from the atmosphere according to Daily Telegraph correspondent Claire Hollingsworth in Nanking yesterday. The report corroborates that the Chinese are preparing for nuclear war, systematically encouraged by the Great Han Chauvinist leadership of the Communist Party of China. Hollingsworth was part of a British press delegation that was taken on a tour of vast underground shelters 1.5 miles long and supposedly capable of housing up to 20,000 people.

MAO ATTEMPTS TO PROVOKE BERLIN CRISIS

May 10 (IPS)--Fourteen members of the CIA-Maoist countergang, "League Against Imperialism" crossed the Eastern checkpoint into East Berlin today and defaced a Soviet Mausoleum with posters of U.S. President Ford and Soviet Party Chairman Brezhnev in an attempt to spark a Berlin crisis. According to police, 200 members of the gang were allowed to pass the Western checkpoints--six have been arrested in East Berlin.

TITO PRAISES SOVIET STRUGGLE AGAINST FASCISM

May 10 (IPS)--Today's L'Humanite, paper of the French Communist Party, carries a major article on Yugoslav leader Tito praising the Soviet's struggle against fascism and the cooperation which took place between the Red Army and the Yugoslav Partisans in World War II. The article counters current CIA press screeching over Yugoslav/Soviet tensions.

SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO LISBON STRESSES EMERGENCE OF WORLD SOCIALISM

May 10 (IPS)--At a meeting commemorating the end of the Second World War, Arnold Lalinin, the Soviet Ambassador to Portugal, declared, regarding the victory of the Portuguese, Vietnamese, and Cambodian people, that the radical changes in the world in favor of socialism are "supported by its ideological base, its military and economic power, (which) is lashing imperialism and limiting the sphere of its influence....It is necessary to maintain vigilance against the neo-fascist danger."

PCF RECEPTION CELEBRATES COMMUNIST VICTORIES

May 10 (IPS)--French Communist Party General Secretary George Marchais pledged PCF efforts to strengthen ties between France and Indochina through the immediate extension of aid for the reconstruction of Indochina, at a widely attended reception to celebrate the recent Communist victories in Indochina.

BRZEZINSKI REVEALS ROCKEFELLER PLAN TO RE-ARM JAPAN

May 11 (IPS)--Simultaneous with a front-page New York Times scare-story on communist threats to South Korea, Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission Chairman Zbigniew Brzezinski, appeared on today's "Meet the Press" television program to call for U.S. efforts to rearm Japan in light of the Korean situation.

TIMES SLANDERS NUCLEAR WAR OPPONENT MCGOVERN

May 11 (IPS)--In an abortive effort to lend credibility to its attacks on Senator George McGovern, the CIA's New York Times today trots out Clare Boothe Luce to bewail the plight of the Vietnam refugees. She in turn calls on Harvard and CIA sociologist David

Riesman to plumb the depths of guilt, self-pity, and callousness which according to Luce are the earmarks of the American reaction to the refugees.

Quoting Riesman on the "extraordinary callousness" of the antiwar movement, Luce intones: "The latest expression of this callousness comes, not surprisingly, from Senator George McGovern, long-time leader of the antiwar movement, and hero of the campus rioters and draft-card burners."

KRAFT COVERS FOR ROCKY'S ARM-TWISTING

May]] (IPS)--Columnist Joseph Kraft today attempts to explain the silence temporarily prevailing over the debate between Congress and the Executive on foreign policy with a proposal that there exists a new "amity." Kraft's column, "a moment of good feeling," celebrates the supposed softening of positions between the two branches of government.

RESTON PSY-WAR SHOWS ROCKEFELLER COMMITTED TO BRINKSMANSHIP

May]] (IPS)--Rockefeller press operative James Reston writing in the New York Times today made absolutely clear to the world's working class that Nelson Rockefeller's drunken determination to precipitate nuclear war has not been tempered by Soviet proclamations that their policy remains Mutually Assured Destruction (MAD). Reston donates his column inches today to quotations from Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA) Director Fred Ikle, who declares the U.S. to be "defenseless against attacks that could come" from any number of sources and that mutual deterrence theories all have collapsed because of "the inability to identify the aggressor,"

NATO'S SOUTHERN STRATEGY

SOURCES CONFIRM ASSASSINATION THREAT AGAINST TITO

May 6 (IPS)--High-level NATO sources in Western Europe have fully corroborated the International Caucus of Labor Committees' (ICLC), analysis of an imminent assassination plot against Yugoslavian President Tito, to be organized directly by the Rockefeller financial and military faction. The sources stated flatly that, "If they (the Rockefeller faction) do anything foolish in the Balkans, the Soviet Union will takeover Europe in a day."

WEST GERMAN ROCKEFELLER REPRESENTATIVE BEING DEPLOYED TO YUGOSLAVIA

WIESBADEN, BRD, May 6 (IPS)--Kurt Mattick, key foreign policy expert of the Social Democratic Party (SPD) and a well known errand boy for the Rockefeller cabal, is presently heading up the SPD delegation to a meeting of the so-called socialist-faction in Trieste, Yugoslavia. The meeting coincides with imminent CIA plans to spark a Balkan crisis by activating a plot to assassinate Yugoslavian President Tito.

CARRILLO ISSUES INTERNATIONAL CALL FOR SABOTAGE OF WORKERS' MOVEMENT

May 6 (IPS)--Speaking yesterday in Bucharest, Spanish Communist Party (PCE) head Santiago Carrillo praised relations between his own party and Nicolae Ceausescu's Romanian Communist Party (RCP) as "a model for workers' parties throughout the world." The basis of the PCE-RCP relationship is the two parties' virulent anti-Sovietism.

CIA AGENT CONFIRMS: "CLEAN" ANGOLAN COUNTERGANG HAS CIA'S BACKING AGAINST PRO-SOCIALIST MPLA

May 7 (IPS)--A specialist in a CIA think-tank told this news agency yesterday that the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA), which cultivates a "non-violent, non-ideological image," has support from the Portuguese and U.S. governments. His information indicated that this is specifically CIA support. CIA press channels imply that only the Front for the National Liberation of Angola (FNLA) has CIA support.

PCF PUBLISHES VEILED ATTACK ON PCE-NATO ALLIANCE

May 8 (IPS)--L'Humanite, daily of the French Communist Party,

carried a guest editorial May 5 which is a barely disguised attack on the CIA-Amendola leadership of the Italian Communist Party (PCI). Guy Besson, President delegate of the France-USSR Association, writes in commemoration of the victory over Hitler: "To get out dusty flags, to spell out the same old speeches, to deposit soon-faded flowers...constitute a meaningless ritual"--references to a recent PCI "commemoration" in which the Amendola clique called on the membership to accept its "patriotic" reinterpretation of world War II and the rest of history, demonstrating alongside NATO forces.

NATO SECRETARY-GENERAL REGRETS LOSS OF SALAZARIAN "DEMOCRACY"

May 8 (IPS)--NATO Secretary-General Joseph Luns has insisted that Portugal's return to NATO's nuclear planning committee is contingent upon the establishment of democracy in that country, according to an interview Luns gave last week to Deutschlandfunk.

WEST GERMAN SOURCE CONFIRMS CIA PLOT EXISTS TO ASSINATE TITO

WIESBADEN, BRD, May 8 (IPS)--Sources within Franz Josef Strauss' right-wing Christian Social Union (CSU) independently confirmed today the existence of a CIA plan to assassinate Yugoslavian President Tito, thereby creating a new "Balkan Crisis" and provoking a Soviet occupation of Yugoslavia. The source expressed particular concern about the consequences of such a provocation for the Yugoslav foreign workers in West Germany, who would be immediately drafted into the Yugoslavian army in the event of a nationalist coup.

CONFIRM NATO PLANS FOR INVASION OF YUGOSLAVIA

WIESBADEN, BRD, May 9 (IPS)--Sources inside the CIA-linked Eastern Europe Institute in Munich confirmed today the existence of NATO contingency plans for an invasion of Yugoslavia upon the death of the current President of the country, Marshal Josip Tito.

The statements made to IPS by the Institute spokesmand were corroborated by an East Europe specialist working for the West German government, also contacted today in West Germany. This specialist said that if NATO is alerted by "contacts" inside Yugoslavia, then NATO is prepared to mobilize. He connected this preparedness to militarization of Italy, which is taking place "only with CIA and NATO permission," and which indicates NATO's readiness to mobilize.

SOARES BLASTED AS CIA-LINKED COUNTERINSURGENT

May 10 (IPS)--In an article in Thursday's Lisbon newspaper O Seculo, Concalves Andre viciously condemns current moves by Portuguese Socialist Party head Mario Soares to divide the communist-dominated trade union confederation, intersindical. Andre, linking Soares to CIA trade union counterinsurgents, stated that "...one

must not forget the profound links of this party (the PSP) with the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, which was created in the period that followed the Second World War to hinder the influence of the communist workers" and was supplied with funds "by the AFL-CIO and its leader, George Meany, considered to be the liaison between the CIA and the European trade unions" at that time.

PORTUGUESE SOCIALIST PARTY HEAD SOARES PUSHES CIA'S SOUTHERN STRATEGY

May 10 (IPS)--Mario Soares, head of the Second International linked Portuguese Socialist Party (PSP), announced that he has accepted an invitation by French Socialist head Mitterrand to meet May 24-25. According to the Lisbon daily, O Seculo May 8, Soares made the announcement at a press conference held in Lisbon. The meeting, which will be attended by Socialist Party representatives from Spain, Greece and Italy, will discuss the creation of an "original model of socialism for this area of Europe." The CIA linked "Institute of Strategic Studies" recently held a similar meeting in Rome.

An article in Thursday's L'Humanite, organ of the French Communist Party, viciously attacked Soares' anti-communism, reporting that at that same press conference Soares announced that his party would hold an international symposium in Lisbon to which Swedish and Danish Social Democrats as well as Italian, Spanish and Yugoslav communists would be invited.

MIDEAST: THE TRIGGER FOR CONFRONTATION

ISRAELI PREEMPTIVE STRIKE TO TRIGGER ROCKEFELLER ENDGAME SCENARIO

NEW YORK, May 5 (IPS)--Developments of the past twenty-four hours confirm that Rockefeller intends to make immediate use of an Israeli preemptive strike in a new Middle East war to force a thermonuclear showdown with the Soviet Union. In the highest circles of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, knowledge of these breaking developments was not known. The catalyst for the implementation of U.S. Defense Secretary James Schlesinger's insane and increasingly repudiated doctrine of "limited tactical nuclear warfare" will be an Israeli nuclear attack on Soviet-allied Iraq in the context of a general, CIA-provoked Arab-Israeli war.

In Israel, acting on orders from Rockefeller and Schlesinger, Defense Minister and CIA hawk Shimon Peres announced in a speech yesterday to Parliament that Egypt had completed war preparations and was readying forces for crossing into Israeli-occupied Sinai, thus hinting at an Israeli preemptive strike. Meanwhile, a spokesman for the Jordanian government in Washington confirmed to IPS that Israeli troops were massing along the entire length of the Syrian and Jordanian ceasefire lines, and in Lebanon, according to East German radio, Israeli forces fired on Lebanese troops and the Israeli Air Force violated Lebanese airspace, perhaps for reconnaissance purposes.

U.S. MOVES FORCE ISRAEL TOWARDS MASADA: WASHINGTON POST

May 6 (IPS)--The U.S. reassessment of its Middle East policy and recent overt U.S. attempts to "pressure" Israel have, in effect, "hardened the Israeli position." This is the evaluation of this morning's Washington Post, inadvertently revealing that U.S. policy has brought the region to the verge of war.

U.S. TO SUPPLY ANTI-AIRCRAFT MISSILES TO JORDAN

NEW YORK, May 6 (IPS)--The U.S. will supply the Kingdom of Jordan with the advanced Hawk anti-aircraft missile, the State Department announced yesterday. Coupled with the announcement that a decision on whether to supply Israel with the Lance Missile system that Israel requested will be made in "due course."

WEST GERMANS CONFIRM NUCLEAR WAR THREAT IN MIDEAST

WIESBADEN, BRD, May 6 (IPS)--A high official at the West German Foreign Ministry confirmed today that any military escalation

of the Mideast situation would take the form of an Israeli nuclear pre-emptive strike. According to the official, there has been a change of attitude towards Israel in the U.S., "the pro-war faction in the Israeli government is pressing the United States to support such a confrontation." He affirmed that the group around U.S. Defense Secretary James Schlesinger is in full agreement with the "Israeli's view."

PERES CHARGES "SOVIET-AIDED EGYPT" PREPARED FOR WAR

NEW YORK, May 6 (IPS)--With a virtuoso red-scare performance, Israeli warhawk and Defense Minister Shimon Peres yesterday charged that Egypt, aided by the Soviet Union, had completed its preparations for war. Peres cited supposed stepped-up shipments of heavy Soviet weapons to Egypt in recent weeks, including tanks and jet fighters and added that "for the last five years" a Soviet "spy ship" has been operating off the Israeli coast.

KISSINGER: POSSIBILITY OF CONFLICT WITH SOVIETS OVER MIDEAST

May 6 (IPS)--As Rockefeller agents in Washington, Tel Aviv and the Arab capitals set their Middle East war machine into motion yesterday, the U.S. State Department released the tape of a speech in which U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger evoked the possibility of a U.S.-Soviet confrontation over the Middle East.

SOVIETS REBUFF PLO'S ARAFAT

May 7 (IPS)--The Soviet Union delivered a stinging rebuff to the Palestine Liberation Organization head Yasser Arafat. In a series of meetings with Soviet leaders, during a week-long visit to Moscow, Arafat was told in no uncertain terms that Moscow would tolerate no terrorist sabotage of a Soviet-backed peace settlement.

KISSINGER TESTIFIES TO ISRAELI "ISOLATION"

May 7 (IPS)--Stepping up pressure on an increasingly desperate Israel, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee yesterday that Israel "was more isolated than ever" and that Israel "should have been more forthcoming in the negotiations with Egypt," according to today's New York Times.

JEWISH PRESS PRIMES FOR WAR

May 7 (IPS)--Today's Jewish press, a right-wing weekly published in New York, openly advocates Rockefeller's planned nuclear showdown in the Middle East. "If an oil boycott should materialize, we face the fact that we have no alternative but to have a confrontation with Russia," the Jewish Press screams in an editorial.

ISRAEL DEFENSE MINISTER PERES THREATENS ISRAELIS PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE TO NON-NEIGHBORING ARAB STATES

NEW YORK, May 8 (IPS)--Israeli Defense Minister Shimon Peres raised the threat last night that Israel will extend a pre-emptive strike beyond the immediate, neighboring Arab states.

Following his sudden and baseless red scare warnings earlier this week that Egypt had "completed preparations for war" with increased Soviet arms shipments, Peres last night conjured up imminent dangers from Egypt's neighbor, Libya, not a state bordering on Israel. Peres warned that Libya is "using Soviet arms and the ideology of Mohammed for the purpose of endangering everything that is stable in the Mideast."

SWEDISH PRESS PUSHES "LIMITED" NUCLEAR WARFARE

May 9 (IPS)--The leading Liberal Party newspaper in Sweden, Dagens Nyheter is currently advocating the policy of "limited" thermonuclear warfare in its pages. A May 7 article by Professor Ingemar Doerfer titled "The Short War" attacks traditional defense policy from the standpoint of theories advocated by U.S. Defense Secretary James S. Schlesinger.

PCF POINTS UP FACTIONS IN ISRAEL

May 8 (IPS)--L'Humanite, the French Communist Party daily, for the first time reported on the internal factional differences on the leadership level in Israel. Prior coverage by L'Humanite had always depicted Israel as a monolithic anti-Arab bastion.

Mentioning that the future of negotiations is a source of **dispute** L'Humanite noted that former Foreign Affairs Minister Abba Eban is now openly disagreeing with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, and instead emphasizing the necessity of a national debate to determine the kind of peace plan Israel should present to the Arabs, which could include a pull-back from the West bank.

BLACK SEPTEMBER TARGETED AS CIA-CONTROLLED BY IRAQI-BASED LEADER OF PLO OPPOSITION

May 8 (IPS)--In an unprecedented action, Abu Nidal, Baghdad-based leader of the opposition faction within the Palestinian guerrilla group Fatah, has denounced the Black September terror unit and its leader Abu Iyad as CIA-controlled, according to yesterday's Washington Post.

EBAN CHALLENGES RABIN, OPENS FACTIONALIZATION IN ISRAEL

May 8 (IPS)--Former Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban has openly launched a challenge within the Israel Labor Party against current Premier Yitzhak Rabin for leadership of the Party, according to the May 5 Jerusalem Post. Eban's split is reportedly largely based on dissatisfaction with Rabin's overly hardline and failure to aggressively develop new Israeli peace initiatives.

The Jerusalem Post of May 4 launched a vitriolic attack against Eban for having openly criticized the hardline pro-war types while in London recently.

EBAN ATTACKS ISRAELI WAR HAWKS

May 9 (IPS)--Former Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban today attacked the Rockefeller-backed warhawk faction within the Israeli government as responsible for sabotaging the development of peace in the Middle East, in an interview with the Israeli newspaper Ma' Ariv. Eban, who earlier this week announced his candidacy for Prime Minister, is seeking to mobilize support for his policy to counter the military faction around generals Rabin and Peres and their collaboration with Schlesinger's nuclear brinksmanship.

In an effort to sabotage and disorganize Eban's support for the Soviet-backed Geneva Peace Conference, Austrian Chancellor and CIA-Second International agent Bruno Kreisky has been ordered to "mediate" between the Israel Labor Party and the Egyptian Arab Socialist Union.

STUDY BY INSTITUTE FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES PREDICTS MIDDLE EAST WAR

May 10 (IPS)--Two of the major West German conservative daily newspapers, Die Welt and the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, today review a study released by the London International Institute for Strategic Studies predicting that a war in the Middle East and a consequent oil embargo are virtually inevitable. The study claims that Europe must accept a new Middle East war as a fact of life. "Whether or not negotiations have a chance, the danger of a new war remains very real."

FINANCIAL:
THE COLLAPSE IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

STEEL STATISTICS SHOW BUST

May 6 (IPS) -- Steel production declined by 2.1 per cent last week, the fifth consecutive weekly drop, according to the American Iron and Steel Institute.

AUTO SALES GIVE THE LIE TO "RECOVERY" MANIA

May 6 (IPS) -- Sales of domestic-built new cars fell by a whopping 26 per cent from April last year to register the lowest April sales in 14 years. The sales rate in the final third of the month was down by 32 per cent from a year earlier.

WORLD BANK TRIAGES MEXICO CITY WATER SUPPLY

May 6 (IPS) -- Sources in the World Bank confirmed today that "disbursements have been stopped on some aspects" of world bank-funded water development projects in Mexico City. This information corroborates a report in the Mexican daily Excelsior May 4 that \$90 million of world bank grants for the Mexico Valley Water Commission were suspended, allegedly due to "disagreements" between administering agencies.

The immediate results for the half million persons affected have been severe cases of dehydration in children and complete breakdown of sanitary conditions.

NEW YORK SINKING FAST; ROCKEFELLER REFUSES TO BAIL

May 7 (IPS) -- In a top level Washington meeting yesterday on New York's precarious financial status, David Rockefeller personally let New York State and City officials as well as the Treasury Department know that the banks are through bailing out New York. According to a New York Times report, featured prominently on the front page, New York State Governor Carey, New York City Mayor Beame, Treasury Secretary Simon and Federal Reserve Board Chairman Burns, along with leading Rockefeller bankers, met to discuss ways that the Federal Government can help New York come up with the \$1.5 billion it must borrow before June 30.

The Times called the meeting "perhaps the most dramatic action" on the City's cash flow problem yet.

In a lead editorial today entitled "no cash, no credit," the Times dramatically compared the critical New York situation to the predicament in 1932-33 when, in exchange for new credit, the banks demanded a four-year program of stringent economies." The "only realistic options available," the Times warns are "massive layoffs or a freeze on wages."

TETHER STEPS UP ATTACK ON ROCKEFELLER FORCES

May 7 (IPS) -- C. Gordon Tether, Financial Times columnist, stepped up his attack on the Rockefeller clique, openly referring to the recently held annual meeting of the so-called Bilderberg organization in his May column. Tether writes: "And it has to be recognized that it is not everywhere accepted that the annual Bilderberg conferences are the innocent 'think tank' exercises they purport to be." Tether continues that "It is claimed the real purpose of these annual get togethers...is to decide on the most suitable collective action these 'dynasties' can take to advance their cause in the ensuing year."

VENEZUELA CALLS GULF'S BLUFF

May 8 (IPS) -- The Rockefeller-controlled Gulf Oil Company yesterday afternoon denied that it had bribed any Venezuelan or Ecuadorian officials. According to several press sources, Gulf finally acted after Venezuelan President Perez two nights ago threatened to close Gulf's operations there if Gulf did not clarify within 48 hours an ambiguously phrased leak in last Friday's Wall Street Journal. The Journal had reported that Gulf gave \$4 million in bribes to a political party in one of the countries, which has caused six days of internal instability within both countries.

Mr. Clark at Gulf's Pittsburgh headquarters told IPS that internal investigation of the alleged bribery is headed by 80-year-old John J. McCloy, Gulf Board Member and former Chairman of Chase Manhattan Bank.

BANKERS WRITE OFF BOSTON

May 8 (IPS) -- Boston City Treasurer James Young, who told this news agency last month that Boston's credit rating, unlike that of New York, was "excellent," revealed yesterday that Boston has no money and that the banks refuse to give it any. Boston is the second major U.S. city, following New York, which has been declared not worth a dime by the Rockefeller banks.

JAPAN MISSION TO LOOK OVER U.S. FIGHTER AIRCRAFT

May 8 (IPS) -- Amidst discussion within certain circles within Japan of using rearmament to solve its economic crisis, it was reported in today's Journal of Commerce that Japan's Defense Ministry is sending a mission to the U.S. in June to decide on procurement of new fighter planes, to replace its current aging stock. Importantly, Tokyo authorities say that they have not decided whether to buy the fighters or to build them within Japan.

JAPAN-EAST BLOC AGRICULTURAL COOPERATION CENTER TO BE ESTABLISHED

May 8 (IPS) -- An East-West Agricultural Cooperation Center is to be established by June to coordinate cooperation between Japan and the East Bloc countries in agricultural modernization of the Soviet Union and East Bloc, according to the April 28 Asahi News.

TETHER SLAMS ROCKEFELLER "MULTINATIONALISM"

May 9 (IPS) -- Leading British financial columnist C. Gordon Tether yesterday launched an explicit attack on Rockefeller's international financial intentions warning that "the implications for democracy hardly need to be underlined." Tether further noted that Rockefeller has laid out an explicit choice to near-bankrupt industrialists: accept narrow "nationalist" viewpoints, or submit to his vision of "internationalism and economic cooperation." Tether says this "growing internationalism" "could end up by generating frictions capable of bringing about the collapse of our civilization (and) cannot be dismissed out of hand."

LAYOFFS BEGIN AS STEEL INDUSTRY COLLAPSES

May 10 (ISS) -- Wielding the threat of job loss due to production cutbacks, U.S. Steel in Birmingham, Alabama has pressured the Jefferson County Board of Health to grant the company permission to continue operation of its five open-hearth furnaces, according to yesterday's New York Times. The Board of Health had ordered U.S. Steel in 1972 to "clean up or close down" the furnaces at its Ensley Works by May 15. U.S. Steel has begun layoffs at its Chicago South Works and Gary Works -- the beginning of what will be a massive wave of layoffs as the steel industry collapses.

COMECON WARY OF EEC MANEUVERS

May 10 (IPS) -- Following the announcement that Christopher Soames, former British Ambassador to the Common Market (EEC) has enlisted China into another anti-Soviet alliance, spokesmen for Comecon claim that there are efforts to split the East Bloc alliance through trade deals. While Comecon will continue to negotiate with western countries for joint trade agreements, they are wary of the intentions behind the EEC overtures.

CBS WARNS -- BRITAIN BECOMING "UNGOVERNABLE"

May 10 (IPS) -- In a cover for the actual state of fascist-style control of the British economy, Eric Severeid, top commentator on the CIA's CBS News Thursday offered "his opinion" that Britain is "drifting slowly towards ungovernability," perhaps even a Chile-style coup, because of the actions of left-wing militants in the trade unions and the influence of the Communist Party. Noting that a "chronically weak, dispirited Britain" would be "able to play no effective role in the world or the alliance," Severeid concluded that "that would suit very nicely the long-range strategies of the Soviet Union."

DUNLOP SAYS MILITARIZATION MAY BE NECESSARY

Hartford, May 11 (IPS) -- U.S. Secretary of Labor John Dunlop admitted that he has a plan for setting up the U.S. working class for possible militarization in the near future in comments to U.S. Labor Party organizers outside a labor/industrial relations conference on wage-price controls here two days ago. In attendance were officials from the U.S. and Canada.

CONTINENTAL

CBS SLANDER ATTEMPT TO DISRUPT U.S. LABOR PARTY MOBILIZATION TO STOP NUCLEAR WAR

May 5 (IPS) -- With the Labor Party's organizations in North America and Western Europe fully mobilized to head off a Rockefeller-engineered "limited nuclear exchange" with the Soviet Union, the CBS Radio Network has ordered affiliated stations throughout the country to slander the U.S. Labor Party as an initiator of racial violence. The CBS slanders stemmed from an FBI-organized racial incident in Boston May 3, in which the responsible fascist grouplet, the "Progressive Labor Party," was repeatedly referred to as the "Labor Party" in CBS broadcasts. CBS affiliated stations in New York, San Francisco, Baltimore and Boston are known to have carried this slanderous account of the FBI riot, indicating that CBS sent the slander out nationally.

The legal staff of the U.S. Labor Party filed a formal grievance with the CBS Radio Network at its national offices in New York today. Labor Party lawyers are demanding equal time, a public retraction, and are preparing legal action to ensure such immediate redress.

TRADE UNIONISTS DEMAND ROCKEFELLER'S IMPEACHMENT

May 6 (IPS) -- Three trade union leaders from the industrial heartland of the U.S. today endorsed a letter urging "friends of labor" Congressmen Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-MASS), Sen. George McGovern (D-S DAK) and Rep. Ron Dellums (D-CAL) immediately to set into motion impeachment proceedings against Vice President Nelson Rockefeller.

The three signers are Stanley Glass, President, IAM 82, Detroit; Jordan Syms, President, UAW 961, Detroit; and Albert Bell, Treasurer, Textile Workers of America 226, Toledo.

In a related move, Akron City Council President Ed Davis telegraphed Senator Kennedy today urging him to "do all in your power to stop nuclear war and begin steps to impeach Rockefeller."

QUEBEC JUSTICE MINISTER ANNOUNCES HE WILL CALL IN ARMY IF POLICE STRIKE; FIREMEN SET TO STRIKE

May 6 (IPS) -- Quebec Justice Minister Jerome Choquette announced Sunday that he would not hesitate to call in the Army if Montreal Urban Community (MUC) police go on strike to support pension fund demands. Under pressure, police extended their strike deadline last week, as the government mobilized up to 2,000 special police and military around Quebec.

DIRTY TRICKS OPERATION TO UNDERMINE CAPITOL HILL OPPOSITION TO ROCKEFELLER

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 6 (IPS) -- Indications have been received by IPS that a dirty tricks operation has been launched to sabotage the growing sentiment on Capitol Hill to impeach Rockefeller and remove from office his principal factional allies who are

driving for a nuclear showdown against the Soviets.

Yesterday, Senator Edward Kennedy's district office in Massachusetts reported receiving a call from an unknown person who claimed Kennedy and the Labor Party had a verbal agreement to be in a factional alliance to impeach Rockefeller. Kennedy's Washington, D.C. office which called the Labor Party for clarification of this remark, was assured that the Labor Party has made no such claim and is spreading no such rumor.

UNDER USLP PRESSURE, AFSCME'S WURF REVERSES STAND AND OPPOSES VOLUNTARY PAY CUTS

May 7 (IPS) -- AFSCME President Jerry Wurf met with AFSCME officials in Detroit ten days ago to instruct them to refuse any "voluntary" pay cut proposals put forward by Detroit Mayor Coleman Young. According to N. Carney, Director of AFSCME District Council 77 in Detroit, Wurf told the assembled AFSCME officials, "We're not going to share the poverty," and threatened to put AFSCME locals in Detroit in receivership if they backed down. Wurf's reversal is directly attributable to burgeoning U.S. Labor Party organizing around debt moratoria, the International Development Bank, and the Detroit Free Press strike which made acceptance of wage cuts an issue too hot for any union official to endorse.

NADER CALLS FOR END TO HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

May 8 (IPS) -- The Health Research Group, a unit of Ralph Nader's Public Citizen, Inc., yesterday called for "a nationwide moratorium on new hospital construction." The Nader group claimed that there are 350,000 surplus hospital beds in the U.S., and that elimination of these beds would save \$8 billion a year.

The American Hospital Association immediately issued a rebuttal correctly charging that some of the recommendations in the Nader report were "irresponsible and a real threat to the health and well-being of the general public."

DRIVE TO IMPEACH ROCKY GROWS AS WORKERS FORCE CONGRESSIONAL STAND ON NUCLEAR CONFRONTATION

May 8 (IPS) -- The U.S. Labor Party campaign to impeach Rockefeller immediately--to stop his strategy of nuclear confrontation against the Soviets--gained momentum this past week, with a total of 58,696 signatures on Impeach Rockefeller petitions now collected and turned in to USLP offices. An estimated 12-15,000 calls were placed this week to congressional offices by Labor Party supporters and other layers opposed to Rockefeller's nuclear strategy.

DETROIT FREE PRESS DESPERATE; "SPECIAL SUB OFFER" FAILS

May 8 (IPS) -- The Detroit Free Press' desperate attempt to gain back lost sales through a "special subscription offer" has failed, according to reports received by the U.S. Labor Party. The Free Press efforts to counter the USLP's Free Press strike have con-

sisted primarily of pleading calls to former subscribers. Such calls have been answered with an abrupt "We're striking!"

MEXICAN AUTO WORKERS CALL FOR DEBT MORATORIUM

May 8 (IPS) -- The Unidad Obrera Independiente (UOI), a 40,000 member independent trade union in Mexico, based largely in the auto industry at Volkswagen and General Motors plants, called for the declaration of a debt moratorium for restarting all idled auto plants and increased production. This important call by the UOI in its newspaper Claridad shows the tremendous influence of Latin American Labor Committee organizing in Mexico.

LANDLORDS, BANKERS HALT CITY TAX PAYMENTS--DEMAND AUSTERITY

May 9 (IPS) -- The New York City real estate giant, Helmsley-Spear, confirmed today that a large proportion of City landlords have stopped paying all real estate taxes. Under the guidance of banks holding mortgages on near-bankrupt properties, several hundreds of millions of dollars in potential City tax revenue is earmarked instead for mortgage payments.

According to the Economic Development Council, about one-third of all apartment buildings in New York are in arrears on the City tax payments while the City government will not make any moves to collect its taxes from non-paying landlords. The New York City Comptroller's office said yesterday the City "is doing nothing" and will do nothing about the defaults. A spokesman for Helmsley-Spear boasted this morning that "landlords are taking advantage of the fact that it takes four years for the City to do anything about non-payment of real-estate taxes.

The Helmsley official, John Kibbee, stated that in most cases of default on real estate taxes, banks holding mortgages have deliberately violated contractual obligations which compel them to enforce the mortgage's payments or the deposit of equivalent sums in escrow from mortgage income. The Helmsley spokesman demanded "austerity - a lot of it," as the solution to the City's financial crisis.

HOUSE MAJORITY LEADER O'NEILL TO STALL TROOP-CUT AMENDMENT

May 10 (IPS) -- Columnists Evans and Novak in today's Washington Post report that House Majority Leader Thomas O'Neill (D-MASS), following a private request from Defense Secretary Schlesinger to staff a congressionally-imposed U.S. troop-cut overseas, informed Rep. Ron Dellums (D-CAL) this week that he would not support a troop-cut amendment to the pending Military Authorization Bill that Dellums plans to introduce from the House floor.

NEW YORK TIMES OBSCURES BRINKSMANSHIP DEBATE IN CONGRESS

May 10 (IPS) -- The New York Times today continued the coverup of the nuclear debate currently underway in Congress. John Finney in a front-page article misrepresented the debate over Schlesinger's counterforce strategy by saying that this current debate is simply

the "annual defense debate in the Senate" and that liberal senators, as always, are going after the Department of Defense to cut its budget.

CIA SLANDERS USED TO CONTAIN USLP ORGANIZING OF CONSERVATIVES

May 11 (IPS) --Major slanders attempting to contain the USLP's explosive organizing drive into right-wing and conservative sectors have recently been circulated by Charles Baker's "Home Front," a publication of the Institute for American Democracy (IAD), and Harry Hydes' "Areas of Concern Newsletter." The IAD slander, to which the entirety of their last issue was devoted is a compendium of previous slanders, notably those of Paul Montgomery for the New York Times and Paul Valentine for the Washington Post.

USLP RALLIES SWEEP CAMDEN THREE DAYS BEFORE CITY ELECTION

CAMDEN, N.J. May 11 (IPS) -- Three days before the City Council elections here, the U.S. Labor Party has hit the streets with three roving street rallies making the point: "A vote for the Labor Party next Tuesday is a vote against nuclear confrontation." At least 80 per cent of the workers in this industrial city with an unofficial unemployment rate of 60 per cent responded to the Labor Party with intense concern and excitement, committing themselves to call Rep. Florio to demand congressional debate on the threat of nuclear war.

DE HOYOS SPEAKS IN NEW JERSEY

NEWARK, May 11 (IPS) -- Carlos DeHoyos, speaking at the Newark Regional Conference here today, emphasized that the key to breaking up the controlled Reesian state is internationalism, so effective was the speech he gave that immediately after finishing, he was surrounded by 5-6 workers: "What effect does the Impeach Rockefeller campaign have in Mexico?" asked one worker. Another wanted to know how the ICLC in Mexico deals with the literacy problem, to which Carlos answered that the development of the cognitive of the labor force is best done by laying out program for them.

CIA'S KILEY CHARGED WITH BRIBETAKING TO KEEP OPEN GAY BARS

May 11 (IPS) -- Self-confessed CIA agent Robert Kiley, recently appointed head of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) is facing charges of taking \$50,000 in bribes to keep two homosexual bars open here.

Kiley served directly under Central Intelligence Agency Director Richard Helms as head of Covert Action 5, and later as chief aide to Mayor Kevin White of Boston, before taking the job of MBTA chief. Kiley directed LEAA re-organization of the Boston Police Force and personally coordinated last summer's Boston "race riots."