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I. WORLD PRESS SUMMARY: INTERNATIONAL NEWS

WEST GERMAN DEFENSE MINISTER FORGETS HIS SCRIPT

OCT. 6 (IPS)--WEST GERMAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC DEFENSE MINISTER GEORG LEBER TOLD WEST GERMAN ARMY RESERVISTS YESTERDAY THAT "THE RECENT PUBLICATION OF SOVIET PLANS FOR A 'BLITZKRIEG' SHOULD NOT UNSETTLE ANYONE" BECAUSE NATO IS STRONG ENOUGH TO COUNTER ANY ATTACK, THE FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG REPORTS.

LEBER'S CLAIM THAT PARITY EXISTS BETWEEN NATO AND WARSAW PACT FORCES CONTRADICTS A RECENT NATO POLICY ASSESSMENT CONTAINED IN A STUDY BY THE BROOKINGS INSTITUTION. THE BROOKINGS STAFFER JEFFREY RECORD, CLAIMED THAT THE WARSAW PACT FORCES ARE VASTLY SUPERIOR TO NATO AND THAT THEREFORE THE SOVIET UNION IS PREPARED TO MOUNT A 'BLITZKRIEG' AGAINST CENTRAL EUROPE. THE REPORT HAS BEEN USED AS A PRETEXT FOR U.S. CALL TO INCREASE NATO FORCES.

LEBER ALSO TOLD THE RESERVISTS THAT THE MAJOR DANGER TO THE WEST GERMAN ARMY COMES FROM AN 'INTERNAL SOFTNESS' AS A RESULT OF A "CENTRALLY ORGANIZED INFILTRATION OF THE ARMY" BY COMMUNISTS. HE DID NOT SPECIFY WHAT HE MEANT.

LAST WEEK, DURING U.S. DEFENSE SECRETARY SCHLESINGER'S VISIT TO EUROPE, LEBER REPEATEDLY WARNED OF THE DANGERS OF THE SOVIET ARMS BUILD UP, THE VIEW SUPPORTED BY SCHLESINGER AT THE RECENT NATO PARLIAMENT.

BERLINGER ENDORSES PCI/PSI MERGER PLAN

OCT. 6 (IPS)--ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCI) GENERAL SECRETARY ENRICO BERLINGUER, SPEAKING AT THE UNITA FESTIVAL IN CATANIA, SICILY YESTERDAY, CONFIRMED THAT THE PROPOSAL OF PCI SECRETARIAT MEMBER BUFALINI FOR A DE FACTO MERGER OF THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST AND SOCIALIST PARTIES IS OFFICIAL PCI POLICY. ACCORDING TO THE PCI DAILY, UNITA TODAY, BERLINGUER CALLED FOR "THE PROGRESSIVE REALIZATION OF A RAPPROCHEMENT BETWEEN THE PCI AND PSI IN THE AREAS OF STRATEGY AND IDEA-ORIENTATION."

BERLINGUER ALSO EXPRESSED IMPLICIT SUPPORT FOR THE EFFORTS OF TRILATERAL COMMISSION MEMBER PIERO BASSETTI TO ORGANIZE A FASCIST MOVEMENT ON THE SHARDS OF THE DISINTEGRATING CHRISTIAN DEMOCRACY. THE SAME ISSUE OF UNITA GIVES FAVORABLE COVERAGE TO THE PARMA CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY BASSETTI AS PART OF HIS ON-GOING ORGANIZING.

PCP MOBILIZES FOR DEFENSE OF RALIS

OCT. 6 (IPS)--THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY HAS CALLED FOR A MASS DEMONSTRATION IN SUPPORT OF THE LISBON FIRST LIGHT ARTILLERY REGIMENT (RALIS), WHICH HAS BEEN CRITICIZED BY NATO AGENTS IN PORTUGAL'S AZEVEDO GOVERNMENT FOR OBSTRUCTING NATO-DICTATED RIGHT-WING MOVES. THE PCP HAS REPORTEDLY ALSO CALLED FOR "ARMED POPULAR RESISTANCE" IF THE GOVERNMENT PERSISTS IN ITS RIGHTWING COURSE, ACCORDING TO FRENCH INTER RADIO TODAY.

PSP TRIES TO RECRUIT ANGOLAN REFUGEES
FOR SHOCK POLICE

OCT. 6 (IPS)--AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN LISBON ON FRIDAY, A MEMBER OF THE "UNITED REVOLUTIONARY FRONT" (FUR) - A COALITION OF POLITICAL GROUPS WHICH STYLE THEMSELVES TO THE LEFT OF THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY AND INCLUDING SEVERAL GROUPS ALLIED WITH THE COMMUNISTS - CHARGED THAT ONE OF THE IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVES OF THE PORTUGUESE SOCIALIST PARTY'S RECENT ULTRALEFT COUP WARNING CAMPAIGN WAS THE "RECRUITMENT OF ELEMENTS FROM AMONG THE 'RETORNADOS' (RETURNED ANGOLAN REFUGEES) TO FORM A NEW FASCIST STYLE SHOCK POLICE." THE SOCIALISTS HAD INTENDED TO USE THEIR INVENTED COUP WARNINGS IN ORDER TO MOBILIZE A RIGHTWING "MARCH ON LISBON" THE GROUP REPORTED. THE FUR PRESS CONFERENCE WAS REPORTED IN SATURDAY'S O SEculo.

KOHL DISTANCES HIMSELF FROM HIS PARTY'S CORPORATIVIST
GENERAL SECRETARY

OCT. 6 (IPS)--FOLLOWING HIS JUST-CONCLUDED ONE WEEK VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION, CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY (CDU) CHAIRMAN HELMUT KOHL, HAS "CLEARLY DISTANCED HIMSELF" FROM HIS PARTY'S GENERAL SECRETARY, KURT BIEDENKOPF, ACCORDING TO TODAY'S WEST GERMAN DAILY DIE WELT.

BIEDENKOPF, A TRILATERAL COMMISSION MEMBER AND THE FOREMOST ROCKEFELLER AGENT INSIDE THE CDU, HAS OPPOSED PRO-DEVELOPMENT FORCES IN THE CDU AROUND GERHARD STOLTENBERG, AND, WITH KOHL'S APPARENTLY BEGINNING TO SHIFT TO SUPPORT OF THE STOLTENBERG GROUPING, SPECULATIONS HAS ARISEN THAT BIEDENKOPF MAY BE FORCED TO RESIGN.

LAST WEEK, ANOTHER WEST GERMAN ROCKEFELLER AGENT, MARTIN BANGEMANN, WAS FORCED TO RESIGN AS GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE FREE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

KISSINGER'S SECRET SECRETS

OCT. 6 (IPS)--THE SINAI PACT RECENTLY NEGOTIATED BY U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER INCLUDED THREE LEVELS OF AGREEMENTS, ACCORDING TO THE MOST RECENT ISSUE OF A WIDELY-READ THIRD WORLD-ORIENTED MAGAZINE, AFRIQUE-ASIE. SOME OF THE AGREEMENTS WERE TO BE MADE PUBLIC, SOME WERE TO BE RELEASED TO CONGRESS, BUT SOME WERE TO REMAIN ABSOLUTELY SECRET, INCLUDING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN EGYPT AND THE U.S. TO ELIMINATE "RADICAL" ELEMENTS OF THE PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE.

OTHER SECRET AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND EGYPT INCLUDE: EGYPT IS TO DENOUNCE ITS FRIENDSHIP TREATY WITH THE SOVIET UNION AS SOON AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT; EGYPT IS TO DEVELOP AN EGYPTIAN AND ARAB PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION, AND AGAINST COMMUNISM IN GENERAL; EGYPT IS TO REPLACE HER SOVIET WEAPONS WITH WESTERN WEAPONS; EGYPTIAN AND AMERICAN INFORMATION SERVICES ARE TO ESTABLISH COOPERATION ON MATTERS WHICH EFFECT THEIR RESPECTIVE INTERESTS IN THE ARAB WORLD.

II. CONTINENTAL

BANKS BAD CREDIT RISKS THEMSELVES

OCT. 6 (IPS)--MANUFACTURERS HANOVER TRUST COMPANY, THE GIANT NEW YORK BANK WHICH HAS MORE LOANS OUTSTANDING TO OTHER BANKS THAN ANY OTHER COMMERCIAL BANK, REVEALED YESTERDAY THAT THE STAFF OF ITS INTER-BANK LENDING DEPARTMENT IS SPENDING 25 PER CENT OF ITS TIME OVERSEEING BAD LOANS, ACCORDING TO THE JOURNAL OF COMMERCE. "THE PROBLEMS ARE OF SUCH MAGNITUDE" OBSERVED THE DEPARTMENT'S CHIEF JOHN SULLIVAN "THAT WE HAVE FOUND IT NECESSARY TO HIRE OR TRAIN SPECIALISTS IN VARIOUS INDUSTRIES" TO ASSIST THE LOAN OFFICERS IN SALVAGING SUCH LOANS. ONE OF THE SPECIALISTS, HE INDICATED, WAS HIRED AWAY FROM THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK.

MANUFACTURERS HANOVER - THE NATION'S FIFTH LARGEST BANK - IS KNOWN TO BE IN SEVERE LIQUIDITY STRAITS. LAST YEAR IT HAD TO WRITE OFF A \$30 MILLION LONG-TERM LOAN IT HAD MADE TO THE HOLDING COMPANY OF THE DEFUNCT FRANKLIN NATIONAL BANK. THIS WEEK IT HEADED UP A GROUP OF BANKS THAT MADE A \$300 MILLION RESCUE LOAN TO THE NEAR BANKRUPT CHRYSLER FINANCIAL CORPORATION TO STAVE OFF A DEFAULT ON OVER \$1 BILLION IN SHORT-TERM BANK LOANS.

III. ORGANIZING AND INTELLIGENCE

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KISSINGER AIDES TERM DEBT MORATORIA BREACH OF U.S. LAW

WASHINGTON, OCT. 6 (IPS)--AIDES TO SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER, WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE RECENT SERIES OF INTERNATIONAL MONETARY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS IN NEW YORK, WARNED AGAINST ATTACHING ANY SIGNIFICANCE TO TREASURY SECRETARY WILLIAM SIMON'S CALL THIS WEEKEND FOR A TEMPORARY DEBT MORATORIUM FOR NEW YORK CITY. THE AIDES SAID THAT SIMON'S STATEMENTS HAD "NO CONNECTION" TO "OTHER CITIES OR TO THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION." THEY ALSO SAID THAT FOREIGN DEBT MORATORIA WOULD VIOLATE THE U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT, WHICH THEY SAID STATES THAT "NO RECIPIENT CAN BE RELIEVED OF EITHER THE PRINCIPAL OR THE INTEREST" OF DEBT OBLIGATIONS TO THE U.S. THE OFFICIALS DENIED THAT THEY WERE ASSUMING THAT U.S. LAW GOVERNS THE POLICY DECISIONS OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

GOV'T MAY ALLOW HEARST TO COP A PLEA
TO PROTECT DOMESTIC NSC TERRORISM

OCT. 6 (IPS)--FEDERAL ATTORNEYS, ACTING ON ORDERS THAT ORIGINATE AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, WILL APPARENTLY ALLOW PATRICIA HEARST TO COP A PLEA IN ORDER TO PROTECT NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL-DIRECTED TERRORIST OPERATIONS FROM EXPOSURE DURING HEARST'S DEFENSE.

WHILE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, AS OF LATE THIS AFTERNOON, WERE DENYING PRESS REPORTS THAT A DEAL INVOLVING IMMUNITY FOR HEARST IN EXCHANGE FOR TESTIMONY AGAINST JAILED SYMBIONESE LIBERATION ARMY (SLA) MEMBERS, INFORMATION OBTAINED BY IPS WOULD INDICATE THAT THE HEARST DEFENSE TEAM IS SEEKING SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT.

ACCORDING TO REPORTS FROM A SOURCE PREVIOUSLY CLOSE TO THE HEARST DEFENSE, F. LEE BAILEY IS NOW IN TOTAL CHARGE OF THE DEFENSE. BAILEY, A NOTED TRIAL LAWYER WHOSE ROLE IN THE HEARST CASE NOW APPEARS SUSPICIOUS, IS REPORTED TO BE IN DISAGREEMENT WITH THE PREVIOUS DEFENSE STRATEGY OF MAINTAINING THAT MISS HEARST WAS BRAINWASHED AND DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY CRIMES OF HER OWN FREE WILL. HE MAY SOON ATTEMPT TO WITHDRAW THE AFFIDAVIT ATTESTING TO HER BRAINWASHING DRAWN UP BY HEARST'S FORMER CHIEF DEFENSE COUNSEL TERRANCE HALLINAN. THE HALLINAN DEFENSE STRATEGY MIGHT HAVE LED TO THE EXPOSURE OF THE NSC-RUN SLA OPERATION.

AT THIS MOMENT, HEARST IS BEING PROGRAMMED FOR HER TESTIMONY BY GOVERNMENT APPOINTED PSYCHOLOGISTS, INCLUDING NOTORIOUS CALIF. ASSED BRAINWASHER L. "JOLLY" WEST. SUCH TESTIMONY WILL ATTEST TO THE AUTHENTICITY OF THE SLA AS A RADICAL TERRORIST ORGANIZATION. HER TREATMENT HAS INCLUDED MASSIVE DOSES OF THE DRUG THORAZINE, ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, WILL HELP TURN HER INTO A WALKING ZOMBIE.

THE NSC IS APPARENTLY READY TO REACTIVATE THE SLA IN SOME FORM. A COMMUNIQUE RECEIVED BY THE PRESS YESTERDAY STATED IN PART THAT "THE SLA LIVES...IN SPIRIT AND MILITARY STRENGTH AND WILL GIVE PROOF OF THIS IN THE NEAR FUTURE."

THE TURN IN THE HEARST DEFENSE IS NO DOUBT AT LEAST INPART MOTIVATED BY THE GENUINE DESIRE OF THE HEARST FAMILY TO SECURE HER RELEASE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. PLAYING UPON THE HEARST'S DESPERATION, THE GOVERNMENT PROSECUTORS ARE PREPARING TO RETURN THEIR DAUGHTER IN EXCHANGE FOR THE SILENCE OF THE HEARST FAMILY AND PRESS EMPIRE ON THE CONSPIRACY THAT KIDNAPPED AND BRAINWASHED HER.

NEW YORK BANKER ADMITS:
NO HOPE OF DEBT REPAYMENTS FROM THIRD WORLD

NEW YORK, OCT. 6 (IPS)--A TOP INTERNATIONAL LOAN OFFICER AT A MAJOR NEW YORK CITY-BASED BANK ADMITTED IN A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION TODAY THAT BECAUSE OF THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES' INABILITY TO MEET THEIR DEBT OBLIGATIONS, THE NEW YORK BANKS HAVE COME UP WITH A NEW INTERNATIONAL LENDING POLICY. ACCORDING TO THIS NEW POLICY, "THE CREDITWORTHINESS OF INTERNATIONAL CUSTOMERS NOWADAYS IS DETERMINED PURELY ON THE BASIS OF THEIR ABILITY TO MAKE TIMELY INTEREST PAYMENTS."

ASKED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, THE SOURCE REPLIED: "FOR MOST THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES, WE DON'T EXPECT TO SEE PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE." QUERIED ON THE ABILITY OF COUNTRIES LIKE EGYPT TO EVEN MAKE INTEREST PAYMENTS, HE MUMBLED, "THE TROUBLE IS WE KEEP FOOLING OURSELVES ON SOME CUSTOMERS' ABILITY TO PAY EVEN JUST THE INTEREST. IT HAPPENS ALL THE TIME."

LEADING GERMAN BANKER SAYS:
U.S. IN WORSE SHAPE THAN 30'S

FRANKFURT, OCT. 6 (IPS)--A LEADING WEST GERMAN BANKER SAID TODAY THAT THE UNITED STATES ECONOMY IS IN WORSE SHAPE THAN IN THE 1930'S.

DR. KURT RICHENBACHER, NUMBER-TWO MAN AT THE DRESDEN BANK, SAID, "THE U.S. RECOVERY NEVER HAD A CHANCE--AND IF IT DID, (FEDERAL RESERVE BANK CHAIRMAN ARTHUR) BURNS' MONETARY POLICY WOULD HAVE KILLED IT YEARS AGO. THE BIG LIFT TO THE U.S. DOLLAR IN PAST WEEKS CAME FROM THREE THINGS: THE EXPECTATION THAT THE U.S. UPSWING WOULD COME, THAT THE U.S. WAS BETTER OFF THAN EUROPE, AND HIGHER SHORT-TERM INTEREST RATES IN THE UNITED STATES." RICHENBACHER ADDED, "NOW, ALL THAT IS LEFT IS INTEREST RATES -- AND BURNS WILL HAVE TO LOWER THEM" TO SAFEGUARD THE BANKING SYSTEM.

"BURNS' PROBLEM IS THAT HE CAN PUSH DOWN SHORT-TERM RATES, BUT LONG-TERM RATES ARE OUT OF HIS CONTROL BECAUSE OF THE \$90 BILLION BUDGET DEFICIT," HE CONTINUED.

ON THE INTERNATIONAL MARKETS, RICHENBACHER SAYS, "FEW PEOPLE REALIZE HOW BAD THE SITUATION IS COMPARED TO THE 1930'S -- NOW YOU HAVE A HUGE AMOUNT OF INTERNATIONAL LENDING, AND HALF THE BORROWERS ARE NOT CREDITWORTHY. THERE WILL SOON BE A SITUATION IN WHICH THERE ARE NO BORROWERS AND NO LENDERS."

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THIRD WORLD WANTS "IMMEDIATE ACTION" ON DEBT MORATORIUM

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., OCT. 6 (IPS)--THE SRI LANKAN AMBASSADOR AND DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED NATIONS, SENEVIRATNE, TERMED U.S. TREASURY SECRETARY WILLIAM SIMON'S PROPOSAL FOR A NEW YORK CITY DEBT MORATORIUM "VERY IMPORTANT" TO THE THIRD WORLD POSITION AT THE CURRENT U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY. IN A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW TODAY, HE ALSO REVEALED THAT, BECAUSE THE U.N. CONFERENCE ON DEBT MOOTED FOR LATE 1976 WAS "TOO LONG TO WAIT," THE ECONOMIC COMMITTEE OF THE U.N. SPECIAL SESSION WOULD TAKE UP THE DEBT ISSUE IN TWO WEEKS AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. "WE WANT IMMEDIATE ACTION," SENEVIRATNE STRESSED.

BRITISH DIPLOMAT PREDICTS UK "DELIGHTED"
AT SIMON'S CALL FOR DEBT MORATORIUM

WASHINGTON, D.C., OCT. 6 (IPS)--A HIGH BRITISH OFFICIAL OF THE WORLD BANK AND THE BRITISH EMBASSY TOLD IPS THAT "IF (WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR) MR. SCHMIDT IS RIGHT ABOUT THE STATE OF THE INTERNATIONAL BANKING SYSTEM, THEN THE BRITISH WILL BE DELIGHTED" WITH U.S. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY SIMON'S OCT. 4 PROPOSAL FOR A NEW YORK CITY DEBT MORATORIUM. SIMON'S REMARKS WERE COVERED IN A FRONT-PAGE INTERVIEW IN YESTERDAY'S NEW YORK TIMES.

"THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF TALK IN THE PAST WEEK OR TWO AROUND HERE ABOUT THE KREDIT ANSTALT (A MAJOR AUSTRIAN FOREIGN TRADE BANK) COLLAPSE IN AUSTRIA IN 1931, WHICH TICKED OFF AN INTERNATIONAL PANIC. ...YOU (IPS) REALLY MUST CALL UP SIMON AND TELL HIM 'I TOLD YOU SO!'"

POLLS GIVE USLP 40 PER CENT OF TOMORROW'S GREENSBORO VOTE

GREENSBORO, N.C., OCT. 6 (IPS)--MARION PORTER, US LABOR PARTY CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR OF GREENSBORO, ANNOUNCED TODAY IN A MAJOR PRESS CONFERENCE THAT FOUR SEPERATE ELECTION POLLS CONDUCTED BY GREENSBORO WORKERS PREDICT THAT SHE WILL GET 40 PER CENT OF THE EXPECTED VOTE IN TOMORROW'S CITYWIDE PRIMARY. IN SOME CASES, PORTER SAID, POLLS ACTUALLY EXCEEDED THE 40 PER CENT FIGURE. AT THE LORILLARD TOBACCO PLANT, EIGHT OUT OF TEN WORKERS POLLED STATED THEY WOULD VOTE FOR THE LABOR PARTY. SIMILAR RESULTS WERE OBTAINED IN A POLL OF CITY POSTAL WORKERS.

DESMOND-MCCARTHY PREDICT 15-18 PER CENT OF VOTE
IN SPRINGFIELD PRIMARY

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. OCT. 6 (IPS)--USLP MAYORAL CANDIDATE STEVE DESMOND AND COUNCILMANIC CANDIDATE JOHN MCCARTHY ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT CONSERVATIVE INTERPRETATION OF POLLS TAKEN IN THE LAST FEW DAYS WOULD GIVE THE U.S. LABOR PARTY A 15-18 PER CENT VOTE TOTAL IN TOMORROW'S NON-PARTISAN SPRINGFIELD PRIMARY.

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THE USLP PREDICTION IS BASED ON STRAW POLLS CONDUCTED OVER THE WEEKEND IN WHITE AND BLACK WORKING CLASS NEIGHBORHOODS OF THE CITY WHICH HAVE HISTORICALLY TURNED OUT 50 PER CENT OF THE CITY'S VOTE: HUNGRY HILL, PINEPOINT/16 ACRES AND FOREST PARK. AN AGGREGATE OF 25 PER CENT OF WORKERS IN THESE NEIGHBORHOODS DECLARED THEY WOULD VOTE LABOR PARTY. MANY OF THE WORKERS WHO SAID THEY WOULD VOTE FOR THE LABOR PARTY GAVE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE USLP CAMPAIGN.

IN A MOVE WHICH INDICATES THAT DESMOND'S OPPONENTS ARE CONTEMPLATING VOTE FRAUD, NBC CHANNEL 22 TV (SPRINGFIELD) AND LOCAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY AGENTS HAVE PRESSURED DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEEMAN JESSE PARKS TO WITHDRAW A STATEMENT WHICH HE ISSUED JOINTLY WITH DESMOND CONDEMNING ANY VOTE FRAUD.

WOODCOCK MOVES TO SILENCE JORDAN SIMMS,
OUTSPOKEN LOCAL PRESIDENT

DETROIT, OCT. 6 (IPS)—JORDAN SIMMS, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED AUTOWORKERS (UAW) LOCAL 961 AT CHRYSLER'S ELDON GEAR AND AXLE LAST WEEK HAD HIS LOCAL PLACED IN RECEIVERSHIP BY LEONARD WOODCOCK'S UAW INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP.

THE OFFICIAL CHARGES LEVELLED AGAINST SIMMS BY THE INTERNATIONAL REFERRED TO HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE U.S. LABOR PARTY AND HIS SUSPENSION OF LOCAL 961 FINANCIAL SECRETARY KRONENBERG.

WOODCOCK'S ACTION FOLLOWED AN EXTRAORDINARY HEARING LAST WEEK AT UAW SOLIDARITY HOUSE HEADQUARTERS HERE ATTENDED BY PRESIDENT WOODCOCK, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENTS IRVING BLUESTONE, DOUG FRASER, AND KEN BANNON AND UAW DISTRICT 1 HEAD GEORGE MORELLI, SIMM'S IMMEDIATE SUPERIOR. SIMMS, WHO BROUGHT 50 WORKERS TO THE HEARING TO TESTIFY ON HIS BEHALF, WAS INFORMED OF THE DELIBERATIONS OF THIS KANGAROO COURT IN A LETTER FROM UAW SECRETARY TREASURY EMIL MAZEY. THE OCT. 3 LETTER INDICATED THAT "SUPERVISORS" FROM THE INTERNATIONAL WOULD ARRIVE LATER THIS WEEK TO TAKE OVER THE UNION. EITHER FRASER OR MORELLI IS RUMORED TO BE ONE OF THE SO-CALLED SUPERVISORS.

SIMMS IS WELL-KNOWN NATIONALLY AS AN ACTIVE BLACK RANK-AND-FILE TRADE UNION LEADER. OVER RECENT MONTHS HE HAS COLLABORATED WITH THE USLP IN FIGHTING FOR MUNICIPAL DEBT MORATORIA, THE PRESERVATION OF DECENT IN-PLANT WORKING CONDITIONS AND THE DEFENSE OF THE ANGOLAN AND PORTUGUESE REVOLUTIONS FROM ILLEGAL CIA INTERVENTION. THE WOODCOCK DECISION TO PLACE SIMMS' LOCAL LOCAL IN RECEIVERSHIP WAS TAKEN ONLY DAYS AFTER A MAJOR CAMPAIGN AGAINST IN-PLANT DRUG TRAFFIC WAS LAUNCHED BY THE USLP IN CONJUNCTION WITH NUMEROUS TRADE UNION LEADERS, INCLUDING SIMMS.

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DURING THE OCT. 1 HEARING, UAW DISTRICT 1 LEADER MORELLI REFERRED TO SIMMS AS A "DICTATOR" FOR SUSPENDING KRONENBERG, AND CRITICIZED THE UNION HEAD FOR HIS "POLITICAL" ACTIVITIES WITH THE LABOR PARTY.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY KRONENBERG, STATED THAT A MEMBER OF A MINORITY FACTION IN LOCAL 961 THAT IS CONTROLLED BY MORELLI, HAD FUNCTIONED AS A SABOTEUR WITHIN THE LOCAL MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR SIMMS TO CARRY ON HIS WORK AS PRESIDENT. IN ONE INSTANCE, KRONENBERG REPLACED ALL THE LOCKS ON THE DOORS OF THE UNION HEAD-QUARTERS SO SIMMS COULDN'T ENTER THE OFFICE. THESE DISRUPTING ACTIVITIES DATED FROM SIMMS' VICTORY OVER MORELLI'S CANDIDATE IN THE LATEST 961 LOCAL ELECTION. KRONENBERG'S SUSPENSION HAD BEEN UPHELD BY THE MEMBERSHIP.

SIMMS SAID TODAY IN DETROIT THAT HE IS PREPARED TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS TO PROTECT HIS MEMBERSHIP FROM THE UAW'S ATTEMPT TO TURN AUTOWORKERS IN CONCENTRATION CAMP VICTIMS. THE LABOR ORGANIZERS' DEFENSE FUND WILL DEFEND HIM AGAINST THE UAW ACTION.

END OF LATE IPS OCTOBER 6, 1975