the controllers of terrorism in West Germany can be firmly identified and the appropriate changes in the foreign and economic policy in the interests of West Germany undertaken."

Further proof of the ELP's claim that top-level West German circles, including the Federal government, are apparently not entirely ignorant of the background of terrorism appeared when government spokesman Gruenewald and Federal press office chief Boelling hastily and only a few hours before the Zepp-LaRouche press conference announced a government press conference at the same time as the ELP conference. The same trick was successfully employed at the last two press conferences of LaRouche, but this time some journalists appeared anyway. The more awkward the tricks employed here, the more justified the suspicion that the Atlanticist circles in Bonn must have every reason to prevent distribution of ELP exposés. Within the last two weeks, police and certain Social Democratic Party circles in Hamburg and Hannover have attempted to halt the ELP campaign against terrorism with arrests and intimidation.

BRD Command Adopts 'Maginot Line' Policy

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WIESBADEN, June 17 (NSIPS) — The official West German government reaction to international exposure of Atlanticist authorship of blind-terrorist and fascist-coup projects is uniform hysterical denial. Since recent Italian officials' disclosures of West Germany-NATO involvement in the Red Brigades' crimes, an iron gag has been clamped down on the mouths of frightened West German officials concerning the terrorist investigations as a whole.

It can not be coincidental that Chancellor Schmidt's key personal representative, Gruenewald, abruptly called an unscheduled full-dress press conference at 2:30 on Monday. June 14. Since this is the second time such a "coincidence" has occurred recently, there is no doubt that this was a calculated effort to black out the pre-announced European Labor Party (ELP) press conference on terrorism scheduled for that same hour.

The following facts clarify that confusion:

First, press conferences on behalf of the Chancellor's office are usually called toward the end of a week, and are convened at between 10:00 in the morning and noon.

Second, excluding major weekend developments, no major political press conferences are held on Monday. Monday is part of the journalists' and parliamentarians' extended weekend, so that only a major breaking development would draw a significant representative of journalists and other relevant persons to a conference convened on that day.

This, incidently, was one of the advantages the ELP saw in the Monday afternoon date. That avoided any reasonable possibility of a conflict with any major press conference. That is, were the government to schedule an impromptu press conference, it would be done during Monday morning, not afternoon.

Third, there was no major weekend development warranting a press conference on Monday afternoon — rather than Tuesday morning at the earliest. Especially not an impromptu press conference, and, above all, not a full-dress press conference!

Fourth, this was the second time this had occurred in that way — although Gruenewald's previous impromptu press-conference call did not go to the extreme of being full-dress.

Fifth, this curious development coincided with a sudden crack-down against the government's receipt of the massive documentation of fact presented by the ELP. This was emphasized by the fact that the relevant West German government office, on Tuesday morning, represented itself as having secured a detailed briefing on the contents of the ELP press conference.

For the benefit of self-professed skeptics and other donkeys, the ELP intends to prove its analysis.

The next major ELP press conference in Bonn will be convened at 3:00 AM on the first July Sunday that Gruenewald is off to the Australian Outback or some such distant place. The spectacle of poor Mr. Gruenewald scrambling back, arriving, breathless, travel-soiled, and saddle-sore, with a couple of kangaroos peeking out of his pockets, to give an emergency 3:00 AM Sunday press conference on West German policy concerning slim—melioration in Monaco, ought to convince even a donkey that something very curious, indeed, is at work behind the scenes.

The Regime's Folly

Evidently, Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and his friends have learned nothing from the "Watergate" affair. The Maginot Line was a foolish idea when it was first conceived, and President Nixon's "stonewalling" against the Kissinger Institute for Policy Studies-led cold coup d'etat was not an improvement in "Maginot Line" design!

Any sensible politician who had come up through the ranks of U.S. big-city constituency politics would know better than Schmidt's government. When one's government and party are being investigated for possible complicity in some scandalous or nastier sort of problem, the intelligent political figure leads the clean-up operation himself.

If we start only from such a point of reference as the "Socialistische Politik" editorial board circles, in fact there are sections of the social-democratic machine which have connections to the Institute for Policy Studies and various nasty countergang and other operations coming out of their trousers at many points. Add the Interpol connections, and so forth, and blatancy of the Baader-Meinhof links to CIA tunnel-digger Andreas Baader and the Heidelberg (Mental) Patients' Collective, and the BRD has some of the smelliest cess-pools currently being maintained.

Add to direct implication of NATO and the BRD in Italian terrorism by leading Italian officials, and official court revelations pouring out in Italy, the recent admissions of West German national Daniel Cohn-Bendit that he was nothing but an agent in the May 1968 affair. Every informed official in the BRD knows that there is a nasty mess to be cleaned up in West Germany, and that notables of the SPD itself will have to be "sacrificed" as indefensible in that process.

As a consequence of the government's current "Maginot Line" policy, when the unstoppable wave of disclosures outflanks and overwhelms the current "stonewalling" postures, a lot of high officials who might have avoided that acute embarrassment are going to see their political hides added to the collection nailed up for public exhibition.