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# Non-Aligned Nations Hit Kissinger At Colombo; Ready New International Economic Order



Aug. 14 (NSIPS) — The week-long Ministerial Conference of the Non-Aligned nations in Colombo, Sri Lanka, preparatory to next week's Non-Aligned summit there, has concluded with a series of strong denunciations by leading progressive forces in the Non-Aligned movement of Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's economic and political tactics of blackmail and destabilization against the Third World. Led by Iraq, Cuba and Guyana, the Non-Aligned action is intended to pave the way for dealing with the central issue of the summit: an action program for debt moratoria and the creation of a New International Economic Order.

Guyana's Foreign Minister Fred Wills led the attack on Kissinger's destabilization operations by proposing that the Third World Press Pool created last month in New Delhi be used to disseminate information on destabilization threats. He elaborated on the many ways that these operations are carried out. Supporting his proposal, the Cuban delegation specifically singled out for denunciation the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency and its admitted assassinations against foreign leaders. Iraq, abandoning any kind of narrow regional focus, called on the Conference to pay special attention to the "pressures and destabilization actions by the U.S. that are underway in Latin America, against Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, and other countries."

Iraq called concretely for the Non-Aligned movement to provide its moral and political support to any member country under pressure or threat from the U.S. Yugoslavia has proposed what would amount to a Third World security council that would convene within 24 hours of any aggression against any member country to take appropriate action. The measure was opposed by Syria, which declared that such a measure is a direct attack on Syria's massacre under orders from Henry Kissinger, of the Palestinian and Lebanese left in Lebanon.

On economic issues, the center of discussion is the bringing into being of the New International Economic Order in the context of the full realization by member nations that up to now, every Third World attempt — most especially those at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in Nairobi, Kenya in June and the ongoing "North-South" talks — to get cooperation from the western industrialized nations for needed transfer of resources has been thwarted by Kissinger and his West German allies, most notably. The Cuban news agency Prensa Latina has indicated that the North-South talks

collapse is a central theme of the closed discussions, and Prensa Latina, reflecting Cuban views, calls for issuing a deadline for western action, implying possible use of the Third World's strongest weapon — unilateral debt moratoria — if greater cooperation is not forthcoming. Cuba will make proposals for international monetary reform, certain to be backed up by a large number of other countries. The Palestine Liberation Organization, a full member of the group, referred to U.S. imperialist control over debt as a "very powerful instrument of blackmail."

### The World Lines Up

The forthright airing of the U.S. destabilization modus operandi and the Non-Aligned nations' determination to fight back has recieved the support of the socialist sector led by the Soviet Union. A lengthy commentary released by the Novosti Press Agency of Moscow reviews in detail the sequence of attempted destabilization moves directed against the Colombo meeting itself: British derecognition of Uganda, shady activities in Yugoslavia which President Tito has uncovered and exposed. The commentary exposes as fraud the U.S. attempt to divide the movement and derail it into a theory of "equidistance" in which the Soviet Union would be rated "equal" to U.S. imperialism. The themes of this article have been reflected in other socialist sector coverage, which has also located in recent weeks the role that Third World debt plays in wreaking havoc in underdeveloped countries and in permitting U.S. pressure against foreign governments.

The most extensive Third World coverage of the first week in Colombo has appeared in Mexico, led by articles every day in the daily El Dia. In two successive articles El Dia made public that Mexico and other Latin American nations attending the Colombo summit, which Mexico attends as an observer, have been threatened with losing economic aid and financial credits, and exposed the huge \$55 billion debt of Latin America as intolerable and untenable.

The Atlanticist western press coverage has revealed the greatest hysteria, with a prominent theme being the not-too-intelligent charge that the Soviet Union is orchestrating a takeover of the Non-Aligned Movement. The Baltimore Sun has blared a nonsensical headline "Non-Aligned Nations to Meet Amid Pressures to Affiliate with Communist Bloc," a line without reference to the actual developments. Other papers have played on the existing divisions within the movement,

attempting to magnify the problems, while others have blindly asserted that nothing can happen of significance at the meetings.

The basis for Atlanticist fear concerning the meeting is not only what the Colombo meeting itself might decree, but the snowballing danger of breakaway support for such decisions by western and Japanese political and economic circles. Anti-Atlanticist Italian Premier Andreotti has made clear by Italy's mammoth trade deal just concluded with the Comecon sector and by its support for the Palestine Liberation Organization that Italy will pursue a pro-Third World policy. Japan's Foreign Minister Miyazawa told reporters that Japan's view of the Non-Aligned meeting was that it "is possessed of important significance for the world" both economically and politically and that "Japan has a deep interest in the developments of the Conference." Like-minded pro-Gaullist, forces are fast gathering decisive strength in France. it is clear that there is

ample support on both sides of the "North-South" dividing line for the required political and economic measures required to make the New International Economic Order a reality in the aftermath of this Non-Aligned summit.

# Coming In The Next Issue!!

This week Nelson Rockefeller and Henry Kissinger have intensified their terror tactics against Third World governments signalled by the massacre of nearly 16,000 men, women, and children surrounding the area of the Palestinian refugee camp Tal Zaatar. (see Special Report this issue). The next issue of New Solidarity International Press Service will feature a full report on Mr. Kissinger's global terror in the Mideast, the Aegean, and throughout the continents of Latin America and Africa.

# What Will Happen At Colombo?

# Excerpts From The World Press

## The Fight For Unity

Cuba's Prensa Latina news agency, Aug. 11:

"The necessity for international monetary reform and other essential demands of the developing nations in the economic field will be underlined at the fifth summit of the Non-Aligned countries. In meetings prior to the summit of heads of state, various delegations made proposals in this respect. The Cuban delegation detailed dramatically the situations faced by the developing countries, stressing that in the three years that have passed since the Algiers summit the tendency prevailing in the developing sector is economic deterioration. In presenting these ideas Cuba called on all countries in Latin America, Asia, and Africa to fight against the structures created and maintained by imperialism...

"The struggle on economic policy has taken the form of numerous debates in international forums and negotiations, making more profound the platform of demands for a New International Economic Order. In its proposals, however, Cuba presented the example of the UNCTAD IV conference, where it could be seen once again that the advanced capitalist countries utilized various methods to postpone the demands made by the developing sector. The delegation added that the Non-Aligned... should increase their effort to adopt measures of action that reach for the objectives of the New International Economic Order."

The West German Die Zeit, Aug. 13:

"The main dividing line in conflicts no longer runs East-West but North-South, between the rich and the poor. So the consequences of interdependence as it is understood in the 1970s is that what leads the list of priorities is no longer the creation of a new political order but the creation of a new world economic order... The Third World, that conglomeration of the newly rich, the slowly established, the hopelessly poor — who have already been described as the Fourth World — is determined to present itself as the third force ... And so it is not amazing that the movement began to assume increasingly more anti-Western and increasingly less neutral characteristics.

"What is India's desire for peace after the war with China and Pakistan? What is its state of being non-aligned after the Aid and Friendship Treaty with the Soviet Union? Among the non-aligned today who is really free? — Cuba? Iraq? Somalia with its Soviet military bases? Mozambique, or Angola, trying to become a member?...

"The goal of the Colombo conference must be that two-thirds of humanity, which has over two-thirds of the raw materials but does not have more than one-third of the income, will finally be taken seriously in the balance of power... But the history of the so-called non-aligned leaves little hope that this goal will be attained."

The West German industrialists' newspaper Handelsblatt, Aug. 11:

"The conference of the Non-Aligned nations in Colombo will be above all an economic conference — in spite of the political decisions that are planned there about the definition of the concept of 'non-aligned,' the establishment of a news pool through already existing press agencies, and the inclusion of 10 more states into the Non-Aligned group. For the Non-Aligned states, which are all developing countries, have resolved to use the takeoff for their version of the New International Economic Order that began in Nairobi for further rapid action."

The French daily Le Monde, Aug. 12:

"(The differences among the participants at Colombo) as well as the Lebanese-Palestinian crisis, are going to divide a conference which by becoming larger has lost much of its cohesiveness. One needs considerable tact, not to mention compromises, to find a common policy for North Korea — which sent an ocean liner to carry its imposing delegation — and pro-Western Ivory Coast, between Peru, which has returned to the U.S. camp, and Angola."

The Baltimore Sun, Aug. 10:

"(Indian Prime Minister) Gandhi warned her fellow Congress party members not to be disoriented by the press efforts to belittle the importance of the forthcoming Non-Aligned summit. Some people are calling it a 'jamboree.' She said the conference is going to focus on 'economic problems, because the countries already have a united stand on imperialism.' "