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Haig blocks food aid to Vietnamese population

For the first time since the Vietnam War, the U.S. State Department has prevented shipment of humanitarian food aid to Vietnam by a private American organization. Secretary Haig has forbidden the Mennonite Church to send 250 tons of wheat to Vietnam to alleviate malnutrition there.

The DOS, which is pressing direct U.S. support for Khmer Rouge chief Pol Pot, cited Vietnam's liberation of Cambodia from the Khmer Rouge as the grounds for the ban. The DOS piously stated that Vietnam could end its food shortage by "ending its diversion of resources from economic development to military conquest."

Mennonite spokesman Bert Lobe expressed shock in a Christian Science Monitor interview, calling the move unprecedented. He added that after a tour of Cambodia he is convinced that the Kampuchean people, despite traditional animosity toward Vietnam, far prefer the Vietnamese-controlled government to the Pol Pot murderers.

DOS officials stated that the policy stems from a review begun in the final months of the Carter administration. Carter personnel have been kept at State by Haig.

A bourgeois caper in El Salvador

Roy Bourgeois, the Chicago priest who is a militant in the movement against the Salvadoran government, went overboard during his recent mission to join the guerrillas in that country. The Maryknoll Catholic priest disappeared April 26 only to resurrect himself from the presumed dead May 6 in the safety of the U.S. embassy.

Salvador's armed forces issued a fascinating communiqué the next day: "In the case of Father Roy Bourgeois ...

there was a premeditated plan by the leftist organizations whose objective was to obtain support from the world public, particularly the U.S. people, for the demonstration of the sympathizers of Salvadoran terrorism in Washington on 3 May...

"First, the priest 'disappeared' from his San Salvador hotel on 26 April. Second, on 30 April a body with the priest's suit and shoes appeared near San Salvador. Third, on 3 May the aforementioned demonstration was held.

"Therefore, it can be established that this priest's mission was to promote at the international level the success of the demonstration in Washington.... We all know that he has lost his moral authority and has cast doubts on the seriousness and honor of the order to which he belongs."

The remaining six Maryknolls in El Salvador took the military warning with dead seriousness and beat a religious retreat to Guatemala. There, after "agonizing soul searching," they divined that the good Father Bourgeois's guerrilla sojourn had indeed made life in Central America even more difficult for the American Maryknolls and their Jesuit comrades.

Chinese document admits infanticide

A new Chinese journal, *Population Research Quarterly*, published an official policy document recently confirming earlier reports that China's one-child-only law has driven the population to kill their children.

In the document issued by the Communist Party Propaganda Department and State Family Planning Commission, it is admitted that in many villages where "feudal prejudice against females is still widespread," families are murdering or abandoning their first-born female infants so they may try again to produce an heir to the family name without breaking the law.

The solution, according to the docu-

ment, was that a large-scale publicity campaign should be launched to convince the peasants of the equality of the sexes.

China, which is admired as a model for Global 2000 planners such as the Club of Rome and the Population Crisis Committee/Draper Fund, recently published a plan to nearly halve its population by the year 2080.

Socialists agitate against Japanese nuclear power

Japan's Socialist Party has demanded the immediate shutdown of all nuclear power plants in Japan until their safety is confirmed. The demand came in the wake of news of a radiation leak when, in suspicious circumstances, a nuclear plant worker "carelessly" left open a valve allowing radioactive waste spillage. A small amount of radioactivity leaked into surrounding land and water.

Shutdown of plants for months of inspection would close down 13 percent of Japan's electricity supply.

Meanwhile, the mayor of a small town in Japan who had lost a vote of confidence because of his advocacy of a nuclear plant in the town won a decisive majority in a new election. He defeated his antinuclear opponent 6,800 to 5,800—in a vote making headlines throughout Japan as a pacesetter.

Morocco hits Qaddafi destabilizations

Moroccan Foreign Minister Mohammed Boucetta on May 12 denounced the danger Libyan strongman Muammar Quaddafi poses to northern Africa. During a three-day official trip to Washington, D.C., Boucetta demanded that the U.S. government "become aware of the Libyan danger which threatens Morocco." Libya has become the main arms supplier

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to Polisario, a group engaged in guerrilla warfare with Moroccan forces.

Morocco has launched a diplomatic offensive against Libya, sending envoys around the world to expose Qaddafi's activity throughout northern and central Africa.

The Moroccans charge that Qaddafi has established secret air bases in Chad, Mali, and Mauritania to further his subversive activities in nations with Islamic populations or nomadic populations bordering the Sahara. The Moroccans are also charging that Qaddafi is building up his Pan-Islamic Legion, a mercenary force which Qaddafi is liberally arming with largely Soviet weapons to carry out his designs in Africa.

Ahmadou Niass, known as the "Ayatollah of Senegal," was arrested last month in Niger, which is one of Qaddafi's targets, according to the French daily Le Figaro. Niass, now living in Libya, is known in the region as a recruiter for Qaddafi and one of the principal Libyan agents in charge of Qaddafi's subversion apparatus in western and central Africa, according to Le Figaro.

IMF prepares to destabilize Zambia

The IMF's restructuring of the Zambian economy is creating the conditions for the destabilization of Zambia and the possible downfall of President Kaunda.

Kaunda "appears increasingly cut off from the realities of his embattled country and shows no sign of deviating from policies that have manifestly failed," claims the London Observer this week.

The Observer was referring to the fact that much of the Zambian bureaucracy is fighting to develop the country, and rejects the guidelines of the IMF's conditionalities. The Bank of Zambia, for instance, had moved against the dictates of the IMF and proceeded to construct the large Tika iron and steel project. But in order for Zambia to receive the latest 800 million SDR loan, Kaunda had to agree to disband the entire project. Kuanda is

now under heavy pressure to curb such prodevelopment tendencies in his country.

M-19 trials called 'unserious'

The Colombian military's handling of the ongoing trials of more than 70 M-19 terrorists came under attack from Colombian Attorney General González Charry last week, who charged that the proceedings were characterized by "disorder and total lack of seriousness."

Charry singled out the fact that the terrorists were using their trial as a propaganda arena and their jail cells as public relations offices. "I don't understand how—given that an incommunicado ruling applies to prisoners—a prisoner arrested one day could appear the next day on all the TV stations making statements as if he were the president of the republic."

Charry, an outspoken opponent of the powerful drug legalization forces in Colombia, has also been the first public official to denounce the farcical court proceedings in which the terrorists have sung songs and marched out of the courtroom on the slightest pretext. International "human rights" organizations like Amnesty International are "observing" the trials, allegedly to protect the prisoners but in actuality to provide a cover for their antics.

The overall effect of the trials has been to turn assassins and kidnappers into romanticized "political prisoners." In fact, this week it was announced that several of the M-19 leaders in jail have gone on hunger strikes à la Bobby Sands to "express their solidarity with the Colombian working class."

The media has also done its part in this scenario. A lengthy interview with M-19 chief Carlos Toledo Plata in the latest issue of the popular weekly magazine *Cromos* featured the kidnapper and murderer as a charismatic, silver-haired guru who likes to preach national redemption.

Briefly

- JACQUES ATTALI, rumored to be the next French health minister, is an advocate of euthanasia as state policy. Claude Cheysson, possible foreign minister, is the European Communist commission for Third World affairs: he supports Brandt Commission/ World Bank policies. One of the leading candidates as prime minister, Pierre Mauroy, major of Lille, is a strenuous advocate of a decentralized government and economy, and "regional identities," which he refers to as "the Swedish way" but is closer to the Pan-European Union's program.
- KING HASSAN of Morocco sent an emissary to the Kremlin May 6 to discuss questions of "mutual interest," according to a Soviet announcement. Details were not released, but the messenger was received at the highest level, by the Soviet Prime Minister, Nikolai Tikhonov.
- CHINA is busy making badges for the inheritor of British imperial tradition, Queen Elizabeth. According to travelers' reports, badges bearing the image of the monarch are being sold in the city of Suzhou near Shanghai. Her Majesty was invited to visit China at her convenience last month by the Peking regime.
- BAGET BOZZO, an influential Italian socialist priest, commented in a May 14 interview on the attack against Pope John Paul II: "We are watching very rapid changes in the world. All the key figures have been hit, from Reagan to Giscard; Schmidt could be another victim, or U. N. President Waldheim. Very deep forces are operating in the world, forces that are changing history but are too deep to be perceived." Asked about the Aquarian Age, he said, "Yes, I have been thinking for 20 years that the Church will die. Maybe it will resurrect, but it will be less hierarchical, less authoritarian."