## Dateline Mexico by Josefina Menéndez

## 'Brandt's no German, he's a drunk'

The Socialist International head ran into PLM "truth squads" in Mexico, and found it difficult to carry out his KGB mission.

Socialist International head Willy Brandt thought he had it all figured out. Taking advantage of the fact that Henry Kissinger is running U.S. Ibero-American policy, the sodden Nazi-Communist had every hope of winning the governments of Ibero-America over to his KGB-scripted wrecking plan against the United States.

Putting up front a lot of rhetoric about "debt moratoria" and "non-interference" in the affairs of Nicaragua and the Contadora group, Brandt seemed to be relatively successful in winning support for his "mediation" in Venezuela and Colombia. Confronted by the Mexican Labor Party (PLM) in Mexico City, however, he ran into trouble.

On Oct. 17, when Brandt showed up to have discussions with the Mexican Senate's Foreign Relations Committee, he was greeted personally with a copy of Lyndon LaRouche's statement on the Nazi-communist alliance threatening Mexico, as were the senators themselves. The PLM members then formed a noisy educational picketline outside the Senate.

"Did Brandt learn to speak Russian in Henry Kissinger's bed?"; "Schiller and Humboldt, Yes; Brandt and Nietzsche, Never"; and "Brandt: the Errand Boy of Kissinger and Moscow" were just some of the humorous signs carried by the PLM truth squad, which simultaneously briefed passersby on how Brandt—who supported the British war against Argentina, and still supports the Malthusian IMF and the Green Fascist revival—was

working to try to hand Europe over to the Russians by working for the removal of U.S. troops—including their transfer to Ibero-America.

The intervention clearly had a salutary effect in the Senate meeting itself. After a while, a senator was sent out by the head of the Senate with the request that the picket line move a little farther away from the building. "You have already done what you wanted: The meeting is destroyed," he said.

Brandt was apparently too unnerved to face the truth squad. When the meeting was over, he sneaked out the back door.

Under the pressure, however, the great "anti-imperialist" spilled the beans on his real sympathies the next day. Speaking at the Colegio de Mexico, the Club of Rome's major outlet in Mexico, Brandt declared that the problems in the world economy come, not from too much power held by the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, but from too little!

"The faults . . . come from the governments which do not give these international institutions the necessary powers to work well," Brandt intoned.

In expressing such sentiments, Brandt was directly echoing none other than his KGB-run colleague Henry Kissinger. Kissinger elaborated a similar line at the International Monetary Fund conference at the end of September—arguing that governments must give their national sovereignty over to a supranational disciplinary force that

will impose the necessary austerity.

Thus, the "anti-imperialist" Brandt is conspiring with Kissinger to strengthen the hand of the very looting agencies which are tearing the countries of the Third World limb from limb.

After expressing support for the IMF dictatorship, Brandt then tried to sell himself as a proponent of a new world economic order based on debt moratoria for the poorest countries, reductions in interest rates, limiting debt payments to a set percentage of export revenues, and so on. In an economic system where the IMF is preventing high-technology investment and policing population control—key tenets of the Brandt Commission program—such "relief" is only a slightly slower road to starvation.

Up front in Brandt's mind, as he put it, was the role that his trip through most of Ibero-America played in strengthening his "political family." As in Europe, the purpose of that family, the Socialist International, is to foment terrorism and all kinds of political unrest in opposition to the United States—all in the interest of extending Soviet domination over Europe and the rest of the world.

Brandt also spoke at the Mexican Workers' Confederation, where a PLM truth squad also appeared to picket. For some reason—drunkenness?—he arrived an hour and a half late, and stayed only half an hour.

Unfortunately for the Socialist International head, even the New York Times of Mexico, *Excelsior*, felt compelled to report on his embarrassments. Brandt's drunkenness, as well as his ties to Henry Kissinger and Moscow, were all covered in the press.

It took Brandt nine years to come back to Mexico after his last encounter with the PLM. Maybe this time he got the message.

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