International Intelligence

Warsaw Pact nations parrot Moscow

As the leaders of the Warsaw Pact countries went into a second day of closed-door meetings in Sofia, Bulgaria, on Oct. 23, Radio Moscow reported that the "main attention" at the sessions is being given to "the situation in Europe" and "preventing an arms race in space."

Soviet leader Gorbachov delivered two major speeches at the Oct. 22 sessions. A joint Warsaw Pact final communiqué stated: "First and foremost, the Warsaw Treaty countries want Europe free of nuclear weapons. Europe has been the breeding ground of two world wars... and it is there where the two military alliances face each other.... There is no problem that cannot be solved, by constructive negotiations.... There is not one type of weapon that the Warsaw Treaty organization is not ready to reduce."

The meeting "welcomed" all the Soviet proposals, including the "total ban on space weapons."

Gaullist mayor supports SDI

At a "Colloquium on the SDI" held at the French National Assembly on Oct. 18, organized by the European Center of International Relations and Strategy, Jacques Chirac, Gaullist mayor of Paris, was a featured guest, and spoke strongly in favor of French participation in the American SDI.

Said Chirac: "The Europeans couldn't possibly do without American experience. However, those same Europeans must consult each other in order to establish, in common, the purposes of the transatlantic cooperation.

"France seems to me very well placed to take, in any case, the appropriate initiatives, which means that it doesn't adopt an attitude of a priori refusal in regard to the Amercan project."

He stressed the "considerable scientific, technological, and industrial spin-offs" that SDI will necessarily involve.

Foreign ministers attack Palme's policy

The foreign ministers of three Scandinavian nations have issued an unprecedented attack on the foreign policy of the Swedish regime of Olof Palme.

According to Svenska Dagbladet, the foreign ministers of Denmark, Norway, and Iceland sharply rebuked their Swedish colleague the week of Oct. 14 at a meeting of the five-nation Nordic Council. Danish Foreign Minister Uffe Elleman-Jensen explicitly charged that the foreign policy of Sweden is "only aiding East bloc strategy."

The ministers charged that the Palme government has consistently refused prior consultation before announcing new foreign-policy initiatives, contrary to the express purpose of the Nordic Council, and charged that Sweden's policy is "one-sided in favor of the East bloc."

Peruvian drug fighter cleared of slander charge

On Oct. 22, Judge S. Armas of the 33rd District Court of Lima completely absolved Luis Vásquez Medina, president of the Peruvian Anti-Drug Coalition, of charges of slander brought against him by former Prime Minister and Finance Minister Manuel Ulloa.

Ulloa sued Vásquez for 100 billion soles (about \$20,000) because of an article which Vásquez authored in the Anti-Drug Coalition's magazine, *Guerra a las Drogas (War on Drugs)*, charging that Manuel Ulloa's economic policy was responsible for the "meteoric" growth" in Peru's drug trade over a three-year period. Ulloa loudly announced that if he won the suit, he would donate the 100 billion soles to orphaned children in the

poverty-stricken area of Ayacucho, in southern Peru.

In the course of the trial, Vásquez affirmed that his attacks on Ulloa's economic policy "do not constitute slander. . . . These are facts which can be substantiated." Vásquez provided the court with ample evidence to back up his statements.

Ulloa had also threatened to sue *EIR*, whose Aug. 16 article entitled "Open the Ulloa File," named this "citizen above suspicion" as having connections to international networks involved in laundering drug money. *EIR* also published the Spanish-language book *Narcotráfico SA*, which reveals Ulloa's drug connections.

To date, the former Peruvian prime minister has not filed suit against the EIR.

In an interview following judge Armas' ruling, Luis Vásquez noted that the orphans of Ayacucho are still in need of the \$100 billion soles offered by Ulloa, and suggested: "He should donate the money anyway, subtracting the sum from one of his oversized accounts in the Bahamas."

Nancy Reagan means well

"This is a mother-to-mother forum," First-Lady Nancy Reagan said at the U.N. on Oct. 21 as she opened the second First Ladies Conference on Drug Abuse, with participation of 30 First Ladies from Africa, Asia, Ibero-America, the Middle East, and Europe.

She made an emotional appeal for "mothers" of the world to unite in fighting a "crisis threatening children."

Mrs. Imelda Marcos, first lady of the Philippines, told EIR, in answer to a question on her impression of Mrs. Reagan's conference: "For a first lady of America to start a program such as this [against a problem] which seeks to destroy the very foundation of society, is really a most laudable cause. . . ."

But Mrs. Reagan's conference has proceeded on the drug issue as if it were purely a family matter, with no mention of political or economic reality. The first lady from Sri Lanka broke with Mrs. Reagan's agenda and took the floor without a microphone to point out that in the Third World, drug consumption was

The microphone was never turned on for her to continue her remarks.

EIR holds first seminar in London

Seventy-two members of the diplomatic corps, press, and subscribers attended a three-hour seminar sponsored by EIR in London on Oct 23.

The seminar began with a press conference opened up by Laurent Murawiec with a presentation on the general strategic situation. EIR Executive Director for Europe, Michael Liebig, and a co-author of EIR's Global Showdown report on the Soviet military buildup, Konstantin George, presented the Soviet war-plan. Mark Burdman spoke on Soviet unconventional warfare and commented on an EIR film on the case study of Guatemala, which was shown.

Craxi still a U.S. ally

Italian Prime Minister-designate Bettino Craxi reaffirmed his strong support for the concept of strategic defense at a press conference at the U.N. on Oct. 24.

Referring to President Reagan's U.N. address, Craxi said, "At my own request, President Reagan has talked about a scenario of the future which I think is very interesting. . . . The SDI as it has been described to me will mean the whole world completely defended with space shields. And therefore, nuclear war would be eliminated. This is a fascinating and convincing picture. . . . Let us see now if the President can convince the Soviets."

Later, when a reporter referred to the program as "Star Wars," Craxi corrected him, saying, "This is not a project of Star

Wars, this is peace from the stars." Craxi said that discussions of Italian participation are ongoing.

Asked if he "blamed" the United States for the downfall of his previous government, he replied: "No, this was a crisis made

However, he excoriated the U.S. press for their coverage of the Achille Lauro affair, saying that he found "offensive, some of the things written about my country."

Craxi spent one hour with the U.S. press, explaining the military, diplomatic, and legal considerations involved in the Achille Lauro seajacking.

German leftists attack German Patriots

On orders from the office of former German Chancellor Willy Brandt, the Oct. 21 issue of the left-wing Social Democratic newsletter, Blick Nach Rechts, (Spotlight on the Right) carries a front-page attack on Patriots for Germany as a "new German-nationalist mass movement."

The article uses "nationalist" as if it were the equivalent of "Nazi."

The article singles out the passages from a recent Patriots' newspaper ad declaring "no" to decoupling from the United States, and "yes" to the American SDI, and its warning against a red-green coalition—i.e., a coalition of the Green Party with the Social-Democrats. It mentions that "Helga Zepp-LaRouche, chairwoman of the U.S.launched right-wing European Labor Party, led preparatory discussions with the expellee functionary and right-wing ideologue Prof. Emil Schlee for this German-American initiative in Washington.

"Behind it are U.S. circles, especially the movement Peace Through Strength, led by Milton Croom." It reports that signers Angelika Raimondi, Rainer Apel, and Michael Liebig, as well as Volker Hassmann, are "working for EIR together."

Blick Nach Rechts is controlled by Klaus Henning Rosen, the personal aide to SPD chairman Willy Brandt.

Briefly

- TAZ (tageszeitung), a radical ' Nazi-communist newspaper in West Germany, had its production facilities virtually destroyed by fellow radicals after it ran an interview with counterintelligence officials who said that local urban squatters had been infiltrated by the RAF (Red Army Faction).
- PLO CHIEF Yasser Arafat called in late October for a boycott of U.S. goods in the Mideast: "Those who esult of the "e use Cadillacs can use Mercedes and Peugots instead."
- CONSERVATIVE opposition leader Constantine Mitsotakis told the mid-October Athens rally against Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou's new austerity package that Papandreou is "consciously misleading and deceiving the Greek people about the economy and stealing their vote by promising them better days." He then led a march to Parliament to deliver a petition of protest against the austerity measures.
- RABBI MEIR KAHANE, Israel's racist demagogue, was refused entry into Canada in late October. The federal government said his presence would fuel tensions between the country's Jewish and Arab communities and among Jews.
- ADMIRAL James Watkins, Chief of U.S. Naval Operations, told a group of nearly 50 naval leaders from around the world on Oct. 21: "If deterrence fails, we must be ready to fight and win. Visible maritime alliances are absolutely essential parts of any strategy to defeat unwanted aggression. . . ."
- WASHINGTON has to accept Moscow's involvement in the Mideast peace process, wrote the London Times on Oct. 22. The Times stressed that President Reagan should make that step at the upcoming Geneva negotiations. Such an understanding between Washington and Moscow. which would bring in Syria, is the only serious chance for peace in the region, the article concludes.