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East Germany closes border with Hungary

As part of its hard line against internal dissent and in an effort to stem the emigration of skilled manpower, East Germany has effectively closed its border with Hungary by starting to require a visa, according to a report on West Germany's Deutsche Welle radio Aug. 30.

The fate of some 20-30,000 East Germans already in Hungary who are trying to get into West Germany is in doubt, as Hungary has responded to East German government pressure and stopped their departure to the West.

Top East German Communist official Kurt Tiedke, apparently to rebuff West German politicians who are calling for reform, wrote in the party daily *Neues Deutschland*, "Why . . . should we be in favor of a 'socialism' that adopts the basic evils of capitalism'? Surely 'new thinking' cannot mean copying bourgeois policies or cribbing from Social Democratic programs which nowhere lead to socialism. . . . There will never be a return to the capitalist society of injustice."

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl has renewed his offer to meet with East German leader Erich Honecker to work out a solution. Honecker, meanwhile, is reported to be critically ill with inoperable cancer.

British Jewish groups reject Mordechai Levy

Jewish organizations in the United Kingdom are rejecting Mordechai Levy and the fanatical outlook he represents, the *Jerusalem Post* reported Aug. 30 in a story entitled, "British Jews Reject Militant Jewish Defense Organization."

Levy, an FBI stringer who has been employed by the FBI for dirty operations against Lyndon LaRouche and associates, is under arrest on charges of attempted murder and is currently in a New York prison without bail.

The Post notes that "Anglo-Jewish lead-

ers have firmly repulsed an effort by the selfstyled 'militant' Jewish Defense Organization in the U.S. to extend its activities to the U.K.

"Alarmed by the circulation of a letter from the JDO to various communal organizations, in which young Jews were urged to meet the JDO's 'worldwide head' Mordechai Levy on a forthcoming visit to the U.K., the Board of Deputies of British Jews has denounced the group's 'extremism and violence,' insisting that it 'has no place in Britain.'

"Board President Dr. Lionel Kopelowitz said: 'We do not welcome outside interference from extremist organizations, whatever their motives may be. . . . The JDO should know that its methods are anathema to our community.'

"The JDO is a breakaway group from the Jewish Defense League and claims to be active in South Africa, France, Canada, and Mexico, as well as the U.S. Citing its achievements in confronting neo-Nazi students, providing self-defence and firearms training for Jewish youth and organizing 'highly visible volunteer patrols' in the U.S., the JDO asked in its circular: 'Isn't it time that young Jews in England have their own JDO, to fight back against Nazis, skinheads, the PLO and other anti-Semites?' "

Turkey warns: Syria is backing terrorists

Turkish Prime Minister Turgut Özal warned on Aug. 28 that Turkey will not sit still in the face of Syrian-sponsored terrorist attacks.

"We know where these microbes' nests are located," Özal said, in response to the latest action on Aug. 27 by the Kurdish terrorist PKK, where some 15 Turks were kidnaped and several children burnt alive in the village of Siirt close to the Syrian border. "No one should forget that Turkey is militarily the strongest power in the region. If necessary, our armed forces will cross the borders to raze to the ground the roots of the terrorists."

Syrian-sponsored Kurdish terrorist ac-

tivities against Turkey have killed more than 50 people since mid-July.

Brazilian Congress notes Helga Zepp-LaRouche visit

The official record of Mrs. Helga Zepp-LaRouche's address to the Brazilian Chamber of Deputies has been released, on the Chamber of Deputies letterhead under the name of Federal Deputy Tadeu Franca (PDT/Parana). It is dated: Sessions Room, Aug. 30, 1989.

The record reads as follows, translated from the Portuguese:

"Mr. President, Honorable Deputies:

"This item is to inform the plenary of the Chamber of Deputies of the presence of Dr. Helga Zeep La Rouche [sic], wife of U.S. politician and economist Lyndon La Rouche, 67 years old, currently imprisoned without bail for a 15 year term.

"In testimony to a group of congressmen from the Nationalist Parliamentary Front, Mrs. Helga Zeep La Rouche thanked the solidarity of a significant grouping of Brazilian parliamentarians, who, together with her, appealed in solidarity for a fair trial, soon to be ruled on by the Richmond, Virginia, Court of Appeals, and for an immediate end to the forced labor regimen and systematic aggression Mr. Lyndon La Rouche is being subjected to.

"That is all I have to say. Thank you."

Gorbachov adviser says Berlin Wall will stay

Nikolai Portugalov, an adviser on German policy to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachov, said the Berlin Wall is here to stay, in an interview wth Deutschlandfunk radio on Sept. 5.

Portugalov responded to a question on German reunification and the Wall by saying, "The question is not whether the Berlin Wall will come down, but how it can be made less divisive." He said political efforts should concentrate on "improvements between the two German states," a formulation that excludes the idea of reunification.

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Portugalov further declared that Moscow does not intend to prescribe perestroika for implementation in East Germany, and that the refugee problem, being an "exclusively German-German affair," should "also be settled in talks between the two Germanies."

Portugalov is usually cited by experts in Bonn as "signaling a new Soviet openness on the German issue."

Sharon defends Israelis training drug armies

Israeli Trade and Industry Minister Ariel Sharon told a political meeting in Jerusalem on Aug. 29 that the former Israeli soliders accused of abetting Colombian drug traffickers were superb fighters and that nothing had been proved against them.

"But they already have been judged," he said. "And this nervousness, and this restlessness, and this extremism, and the jumping from side to side and from subject to subject—it is simply unbelievable.'

Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin confirmed on Aug. 30 that Israeli security firms had indeed operated illegally in Colombia. "One or two Israeli companies either worked without permission or went beyond the permission," Rabin said.

Polish Senate attacks Hitler-Stalin Pact

The Polish Senate passed a resolution attacking the Hitler-Stalin Pact as having paved the way for the enslavement of Poland.

The resolution says that the German aggression of Sept. 1, 1939, and the Soviet aggression of Sept. 17, 1939 were coordinated between the two dictators with the aim "to divide and enslave the nation of Poland." Soviet work camps and Nazi concentration camps were set up with the same aim, namely to "extinguish the Polish people," the resolution read.

The Latvian Welfare Fund, based in London, similarly charged, in a leaflet distributed throughout Western Europe, that "despite glasnost and liberal leanings, Gorbachov still hangs on to Hitler's [Baltic] gift to Stalin."

"Annul the Nazi-Soviet Pact," the leaflets said. "Latvia, Estonia, and Lithuania were not Hitler's to give nor Stalin's to accept—why does Gorbachov still keep them?"

The leaflet demanded the end of Russian colonization of the Baltic; the dismantling of the sinister KGB informer network; an end to Russian chauvinism: a halt in conscription into the Red Army and its withdrawal from the Baltic states; the revocation of voting rights for Russian colonists; and reparations for the hundreds of thousands killed and deported.

On the other side, Neues Deutschland, the daily of the ruling East German Socialist Unity Party, came out in defense of the Hitler-Stalin Pact on Aug. 31, writing that the "non-aggression pact" was signed because Stalin wanted to "prevent the formation of a imperialist bloc against the Soviet Union." which he did by breaking Hitler's German Reich out from the circle of the imperialists.

Stalin won "precious time," by this pact, for "improving the defense of the Soviet Union against an aggression by the fascist Wehrmacht which was expected," the East German daily wrote, adding that by doing so, Stalin performed "real statesmanship" in a crisis that was posing a serious threat to the existence of the Soviet Union."

Most refugees in Europe since 1949

The year 1989 will witness the most massive wave of refugees in Europe since 1949, according to a report on West German Deutsche Welle radio Aug. 29.

These refugees will include at least 350,000 ethnic Turks fleeing Bulgaria; 150,000 East Germans fleeing to West Germany, one-third of them illegally through Hungary: 150,000 ethnic Germans from the Soviet Union and Poland fleeing to West Germany; 100,000 Jews emigrating to the U.S. and Israel via Austria and Romania; 50,000 Romanians fleeing to Hungary; and 200,000 Poles, Hungarians, and Yugoslavs emigrating for economic reasons to work in the West.

Briefly

- BRITISH PRIME MINISTER Margaret Thatcher will be in Moscow Sept. 23 on her return from a five-day visit to Japan, the Soviet Foreign Ministry announced Sept. 5. British officials "declined to confirm" the Soviet announcement.
- ISRAELI archaeologists have uncovered "what may be Satan's 3,000-year-old shrine . . . the Temple of the Devil," the London Observer reported Sept. 4. Baal-Zebub, literally "the Lord of the Flies," was one of the chief gods of the Philistines.
- **MEXICAN** Congress THE backed Colombia's anti-drug war, issuing a declaration Aug. 30 offering solidarity and demanding that all international support for Colombia not violate the nation's sovereignty, nor imply the intervention of foreign forces in matters exclusively Colom-
- AN IRA TERRORIST cell has been detained in Scotland, under Britain's Prevention of Terrorism Act, British press reported Sept. 2. The cell was suspected of planning a terrorist act against Queen Elizabeth II and/or Prince Charles and Princess
- INTERPOL is strengthening its presence in South America in an effort to "strongly support the efforts of Colombian President Barco" against the drug lords, Interpol officials have announced. The agency will open an office in Argentina which will coordinate with South American governments
- JAPAN is being pressured by the U.S. to negotiate a dollar amount. possibly \$30 billion, in exchange for Soviet withdrawal from the Kurile Islands, seized from Japan at the end of World War II. Secretary of State James Baker reportedly expects the Japanese to invest huge sums in the Soviet Union, once Washington gives the okay.