Kissinger Watch by M.T. Upharsin

'Get out of Venezuela, Dr. K'

Henry Kissinger, the silent partner in Bush's genocide in the Persian Gulf, has been doing his devilment in his usual Ibero-American haunts over the past few weeks. His itinerary has taken him to Venezuela and Mexico; his purpose being to sew up the oil supplies of Ibero-America for his masters in the international banking community.

Kissinger is an official economic and energy adviser of the Social Democratic government of Carlos Andrés Pérez, but he is not a popular man in those parts. In fact, "Kissinger Go Home" was the title of an editorial in the Caracas daily *Diario de Caracas*, on Jan. 26.

The editorial says: "Now the red carpet has been used to receive an adversary as an adviser: Henry Kissinger . . . Richard Nixon's secretary of state is now adviser to the Venezuelan government, even though he has been the bloodiest OPEC adversary and therefore, Venezuela's, during the oil embargo against the U.S.A. in 1973." The editorial then tells the story of how Kissinger created the International Energy Agency to oppose OPEC, and quotes former Venezuelan President Rafael Caldera, who says that Kissinger's visit "is worrisome, because he has been the most powerful adversary that OPEC has had in all its existence. An organization that has to continue to exist cannot follow Henry Kissinger's advice." The editorial ends saying: "Get out of Venezuela, Mr. Kissinger."

A meeting between Kissinger and the Venezuelan economic cabinet was followed by an official statement by Foreign Minister Reinaldo Figueredo that Venezuela fully supported the U.N. resolutions against Iraq.

Kissinger also made quite a splash

in Mexico City, where he was meeting with fellow Harvard graduate and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari on Feb. 9. Later, he dined with José Córdoba, the cabinet secretary, in the pink zone, the center of prostitution in Mexico City. But the high point of Kissinger's trip to Mexico was an exclusive interview given to the Mexican official television station Televisa on Feb. 11, on the show "24 Hours."

'Please explain how you differ from Hitler'

The interviewer shocked Kissinger by noting the parallels between Adolf Hitler's "New World Order" and that of George Bush, and asking him to explain the differences and similarities between the two. A visibly upset Kissinger replied that there were no similarities: Unlike Hitler, the U.S. is not seeking world domination. Why, if the invasion of Kuwait had happened two years from now, he said, the U.S. would not have had the military power to respond at all, since it's dismantling its Armed Forces and withdrawing from Germany. What is being sought in Iraq is to bring down Saddam and to establish a new "equilibrium."

In elaboration, Kissinger said the New World Order would be a "multipolar" order involving Tokyo, Beijing, Moscow, Paris, London and Washington. This is a reiteration of Kissinger's old dictum: "History is not made in the South"; only the North is fit to rule. Significantly, Kissinger omitted Germany from the ruling powers of the "New Order."

In response to another question, he said that while Germany and Japan have given some financial support to the allies, and he expects them to give more, he is very upset, saddened and disappointed because Germany has failed to give full backing to the U.S. war in the Gulf. This, said Kissinger, is disgraceful since it was only thanks to the unstinting support provided by the United States that the reunification of Germany was accomplished.

Kissinger also said that:

- Syria has renounced terrorism;
- Turkey should not take an active role in the war against Iraq, as it will cause problems with Iran and Syria;
- Jordan's King Hussein is in a difficult and vulnerable situation and he won't make it;
- Gorbachov is a great statesman, but might be on the way out;
- Egypt's Mubarak is also a great statesman, with a great future as a leader of the region. Kissinger said that the U.S. would not provide financial assistance to rebuild Kuwait and Iraq after the war. Kuwait does not need the money, he said, while the U.S. has other priorities that come before Iraq and the Middle East: Latin America, Eastern Europe, and the Soviet Union.

Not surprisingly for a man with his pedophilic reputation, Dr. Kissinger said he was very pleased with the crop of new, young Presidents in Ibero-America, and he lavished praise on "great statesman" Salinas de Gortari. It was noticeable, however, that Kissinger included none of his Ibero-American friends in the list of those who will run the "multipolar" New World Order.

In fact, Kissinger insisted that Mexico had to solve the problem of including its oil in the North American Common Market. Such an arrangement would violate the Mexican Constitution, which states that Mexican oil is the national patrimony of all Mexicans. Kissinger has as much respect for that as he does for the sovereignty of any country—absolutely none.