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Germany's Anti-Bailout President Hounded Out

Feb. 17—Yet another prominent casualty in the war between the imperial "governance" forces and the national constitutions in Europe occurred today, with the resignation of German President Christian Wulff. Wulff faces a legal investigation of his private financial affairs, announced yesterday by the Hanover district court. The announcement came after two months of an intense witchhunt by the mainstream media, proclaiming one suspected misdeed after another. He said in his farewell press conference that he decided to resign because the case would absorb his energies to a large extent now, and Germany needs a strong President at this time of great international challenges, a person who would be able to invest all his energies into the defense of the German state and society.

Wulff has repeatedly stated that the European Union's super-bailouts of the banks pose serious national constitutional questions. It has often been rumored that Wulff might not put his signature on the next round of planned legislation to secure the bailouts. This is also the reason that Helga Zepp-LaRouche several weeks ago called on Wulff to stay in office, in spite of the scandal-mongering (see *EIR*, Jan. 27).

Wulff, an elected official, was harassed by the bloodhounds of the same mainstream press who are also putting out heavy propaganda for the hyperinflationary bailout of the euro, slamming critics with charges of backwardness, chauvinism, and the like.

It is not ruled out that Germany, which has to elect a new President within 30 days, may get a non-party technocrat in the post, a German variant of the same process of governance, bypassing the constitution and democratic procedures, which has already imposed pro-euro technocratic regimes in Greece and Italy, and led to change of governments in Ireland, Portugal, Spain, and Belgium. The abrupt change in the Presidency of Ger-

many could also be a prelude to the fall of Chancellor Angela Merkel's government, way ahead of the next scheduled national elections in Autumn 2013.

Pope: Stop Banking-Media Cabal That Lords over Man

Feb. 16—Speaking recently to seminarians in Rome yesterday, Pope Benedict XVI blasted "the power of evil in finance and in the media, two major powers which in themselves are good, but can be so abused as to become often the contrary of the real intentions."

The Pope said, "The power of appearance, an appearance that replaces reality itself, becomes more and more powerful, and man does not see reality any more." In the end, "the virtual world becomes truer and stronger." Instead, "We want no appearance, but truth, and this gives us real freedom."

"Today we see how the world of finance can dominate man. Possessing and appearing dominate the world and enslave it," because "the world of finance is no longer an instrument to promote the welfare and the life of man, but becomes a power that oppresses him, like worshipping in Mammon the false divinity that dominates the world."

Observers describe the Pontiff's statements as a reaction to recent media stories involving some Cardinals accusing others of plotting to kill the Pope. If that is true, Benedict has raised the stakes in connecting evil media campaigns to the financial powers that are destroying the world, and implicitly calling for finance to become "an instrument to promote the welfare and life of man."

Amnesty Int'l: Libya Is Sinking into Chaotic Hell

Feb. 16—Amnesty International, under the proprietorship of Her Britannic Majesty's MI-6, was part of the "humanitarian interventionist" gaggle which screamed for American and European support of the Libyan insurgency against the Oaddafi regime in early 2011.

Having accomplished the destruction of the Qaddafi government and family on behalf of opposition forces, including al-Qaeda affiliates among others, Amnesty International finds itself simply shocked, that Libvan society is descending into murderous chaos. A report issued yesterday charges that much of Libya is now ruled by militias with more power than the central government, and that the militias "are largely out of control," and committing war crimes. Amnesty reports that militias have targetted African migrants and refugees, and forced the displacement of entire communities; detainees say they were bound and tortured during interrogation.

Argentina: Brits Violate S. Atlantic Nuclear Treaty

Feb. 10—Argentine Foreign Minister Hector Timerman delivered his government's official protest denouncing Britain's militarization of the South Atlantic, which includes the deployment of a submarine armed with nuclear weapons, as well as of the ultramodern *HMS Dauntless* destroyer.

Speaking at the UN, Timerman showed pictures of the submarine *Vanguard*, capable of transporting nuclear weapons, and warned that "Argentina will not accept the existence of nuclear weapons in a Latin American zone of influence. The information Argentina possesses is that [the U.K.] has introduced nuclear weapons into the South Atlantic, and it isn't the first time." This action is a violation of the 1967 Tlatelolco Treaty, which prohibits nuclear weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean, he warned.

Britain's Ambassador to the UN, Lyall Grant, effectively confirmed Argentina's accusation, when he stated today that "It is well known that ... as part of our overall defensive posture, there are submarines on patrol all around the world at any time."