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CREDO OF NORTHSTAR COMPASS

Northstar Compass is the public voice of the Canadian Friends of Soviet People (formerly Canada-USSR Association) and is dedicated to the resurrection of the Soviet Union as a Socialist State.

In our tradition since 1918 (Hands Off Russia Committee) we are devoted to international cooperation in building socialism and solidarity in a world at peace.

EDITORIAL

WHO WAS TO BLAME?

The Second World War ended in May of 1945. Much has been written, explained, false assumptions were made and a constant media blitz since 1945 to rewrite the truth for future generations, so as to hide the complicity of Western Imperialism in building up fascism.

Therefore, it is never too late to present facts, so that the present generation would be able to break through the fog of lies, clever propaganda and outright falsification of historical facts.

On the cover of NSC, you see the glorious Red Army veterans throwing fascist insignia at the foot of the V.I. Lenin Mausoleum as they celebrated the Victory over Nazism, fascism and Japanese militarism.

The sheer enormity of the tragedy caused by the Second World War - 50 million lives lost. destruction that defies accurate description to this day - impels us to look back again and again for an explanation of how it came about. More than 10,000 books have been written on the subject and the flow of memoirs and enquiries shows no sign of diminishing. Unfortunately, the more the Western writers of this type delve into the history of the war, the more liberties they take with actual facts and historical documents now available. The predominant tendency is to put all the blame on Hitler.

This is not historically correct since it heaps the whole blame on the perpetrator, while deliberately ignoring the very people who inspired and sponsored these crimes: the capitalist ruling circles of Germany, Britain, France and the United States!

The present offsprings of this system are the ones who, together with internal traitors inside the USSR and former Socialist countries in Europe, dismantled and temporarily defeated the socialist system which their predecessors were not able to do by war and devastation and over 50,000,000 people lost in this carnage.

It is less well known that Chamberlain's deal with Hitler was merely a sequel to a deliberate long-term policy pursued by Britain's ruling circles who backed Hitler and his armed hordes as the main bulwark in the struggle that the European, American and Japanese bourgeoisie had never ceased to wage against the world's first socialist country: the Soviet Union. This policy was both inspired and

elaborated in detail by the notorious "Cliveden Set" which incorporated the richest, most influential and most reactionary circles in Britain. This Cliveden Set regarded Hitler as its faithful ally. It was no accident that Lord Halifax (Britain) began his conversation with Hitler with the flattering assurance that "he and other members of the British government were fully aware that the Fuehrer had not only achieved a great deal inside Germany itself, but that, by destroying communism in his country, he had barred its road to Western Europe, and that Germany therefore could be rightly regarded as a bulwark of the West against Bolshevism".

HOW IT BEGAN

The Second World War did not start all of a sudden. The world drifted into it year by year. The drift



was encouraged by the policy of the Western leaders of those days, who gave in to Hitler all along the line. Some people take only Munich into account, but Munich was merely the culmination of a process that had begun long before.

- 1935-1936: Italy seizes Ethiopia. The Western powers leave her at the mercy of an aggressor with vastly superior forces.
- 1936: A fascist radio station transmits the signal "Clear sky over all Spain" for the launching of the Falangist revolt against the republic. While Germany and Italy openly assist Franco, the Western powers block help to the republic under cover

of a policy of "non-intervention". Hitler gets a testing ground for the Wehrmacht. Spain gets a fascist dictatorship.

- March 1938: The Anschluss in Austria. While talking about peace, Hitler expands the frontiers of the "Third Reich".
- 1938-1939: At the other end of the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo axis, the Japanese militarists try their strength on Lake Khasan. They are routed by Soviet troops, but a little later, they attack the Mongolian People's Republic, with which the USSR has a mutual assistance treaty. Once again, the aggressors suffer defeat.
 - 1938: The Munich agreement

is signed on September 29. Britain and France allow Hitler to take the Sudetenland from Czechoslovakia, just as they had agreed to the seizure of Austria.

- March 1939: The Nazis occupy Czechoslovakia.
- August 1939: The Western countries again rule out the possibility of a treaty against aggression by sending delegations without powers to the Moscow talks.
- September 1, 1939: Hitler attacks Poland and the Second World War begins. Now, everyone realizes that it is not "peace in our time" that the Chamberlains and Daladiers have brought Europe.

Joseph Stalin, Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston S. Churchill, the leaders of the anti-Hitler coalition. At their meetings in Yalta, they took important decisions on joint action in the war against Nazi Germany and on postwar co-operation.



- 1939-1941: The Nazi armies occupy Poland, Denmark, Belgium, Holland, Norway, France, Greece and Yugoslavia.
- 1940: On December 18, Hitler signs the Barbarossa Plan for war against Russia. "When we speak today of new lands and territories in Europe, we turn our eyes first and foremost to Russia", he wrote in 'Mein Kempf'. "This enormous country in the east is ripe for destruction. We have been chosen by fate to witness a catastrophe which will provide impressive proof of the correctness of the racial theory".



WE'RE NOTED!

According to numerous newspapers that Northstar Compass receives, the caricature of Yeltsin by our Editor has been reproduced many, many times in Soviet Union, plus in other countries where NSC is read!

YOU HAVE AN OPINION ABOUT NSC? WRITE!

NSC APPEAL!

The 5th Anniversary of Northstar Compass is upon us and we are planning our 5th Anniversary Conference in February of 1998. At this Conference, we expect over 60 delegates from Canada, USA, plus we're inviting guests from Russia, Ukraine and some other European countries to help us project the future of Northstar Compass.

We are appealing to our readers to help us financially in order to defray the costs of the 5th Conference, plus be able to continue publishing Northstar

Compass. For this purpose, we are ...

APPEALING FOR \$15,000 to keep on publishing and hold this extremely important Conference, since Northstar Compass now is read in 61 countries of the world!

PLEASE HELP US TO CONTINUE BRINGING THE TRUTH ABOUT THE STRUGGLES IN SOVIET UNION! IT NOT ONLY AFFECTS THEM, BUT US AS WELL, AS SHOWN BY THE DAILY ATTACKS AGAINST THE LIVING STANDARDS OF WORKING CLASS OF THE WORLD!

- Editorial Board

Below, we reprint the Ad by Lydia S. Karhu, an avid reader of NSC and contributor, which appeared in the People's Weekly World newspaper in the USA.

Congratulations Lydia! We could not have said it better ourselves!

Anti-Stalinism

Anti-Stalinism was instrumental in bringing "Trojan horse" style enemy ideology into the Marxist-Leninist movement for the past 40 or 50 years.

It eventually led to the destruction of the Socialist community of nations, Eastern Europe & the Soviet Union, itself.

The world "House of Socialism" that comrade Stalin was instrumental in building was destroyed by termites masquerading as "reform minded" Communists and "Socialists with a democratic face." They were able to do what U.S. imperialism's intrigue and Hitler's war machine were not able to accomplish – the replacement of Socialism with unbridled, ruthless, inhumane 'dog eat dog" capitalism."

Resurrection of the Soviet Union as a Socialist state International cooperation in building Socialism and solidarity in a world at peace.

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Lydia S. Karhu

FINAL CAPITULATION BY YELTSIN'S REGIME!

In a dispatch from Paris by AP-CP, the news came through that even shocked Western Imperialist representatives to NATO meeting – even President Clinton was taken aback, not to mention the Russian delegation that accompanied Yeltsin to Paris.

Yeltsin declared after he signed the NATO pact which brought Russia into the claws of NATO that: "All Russian (Soviet) nuclear warheads aimed at NATO countries will be taken off combat duty today." Yeltsin also added this statement: "the agreement I signed will protect Europe and the world from a new confrontation."

The pact that was signed gives Russia a voice, but not a veto in any of the plans and aims of NATO!

Western NATO countries must be chuckling to themselves in ecstasy that finally Yeltsin did for them the act of FINAL CAPITULATION that even they in their wildest dreams did not deem possible – that Russia would disarm itself and thus, leave NATO in a position to just walk in, in case of any upheavals by the Soviet people, without being afraid that the nuclear missiles would be used to defend the sacred Soviet soil and its peoples!

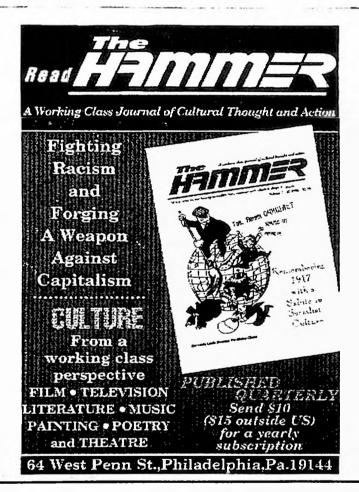
Of course, there's no talk or even a thought of U.S. and other NATO nuclear missiles being dismantled that circle the former USSR along its borders! In actual fact, this is an open invitation to NATO, World Bank, Transnational Corporations to go even further in taking the whole of Russia and other former republics into its clutches, economically, politically and impose on it its mass

imperialist culture as the final nail in the coffin.

If there ever was a time for the patriotic, communist parties and movements to solidify their unity, it is now! There is no longer ANY DOUBT as to the aims of NATO and its US imperialist ambitions. This is not time for parliamentary debates in Moscow by CPRF – this is the time for UNITY and a nation-wide political strike before it's too late!

We at Northstar Compass are not saying this only because of the danger to Soviet people, but we're stating this because of the danger to all of us in the world! The danger of rising fascism is real and people of the world would suffer a devastating calamity if the NATO machine is not stopped in its tracks!

TIME HAS COME FOR UNITED ACTIONS INSTEAD OF DEBATES!



THE HAMMER

Dear NSC reader:

Above, we publish the Ad for our sister publication, "The Hammer" in the USA, edited and published by a member of the Editorial Board of NSC from the U.S. Friends of Northstar Compass – Stephen L. Paulmier. It's an excellent publication

which is a working class journal of cultural thoughts and action.

We would urge all of our readers to subscribe to "The Hammer". It's only \$15 for a yearly subscription. Send your subs to NSC and we shall forward them to our comrades at "The Hammer"! May it keep on hammering for justice and progress!

NEWS DIGEST COMMENT

NATO CLAWS GATHER NEW VICTIMS!

Russia and 16 NATO countries signed a 16-page document called the Founding Act on Mutual Relations, Co-operation and Security, according to Interfax Agency-Moscow.

Take a look at the map below ... even a person who is naive can see graphically as to where NATO is heading and why! Only one

will have no veto power over NATO activity." You can guess the rest, can't you, our reader? It also states that: "Russia will have an office at NATO with an ambassador and military staff." If that is so, then why can't they have a say in the policy of NATO?

The key paragraph of this pact says it all, if you read through the diplomatic language: "... NATO and Russia will put into force a common security system based on SHARED VALUES AND COMMITMENTS (our emphasis – Editor)!

<u>Shared Values</u> – means capitalism, transnational corporate power, World Bank and putting down any uprisings by the working class!

Commitments - means that

Potential NATO members Current NATO members Expected new members Norway Other Russia hopefuls Denmark Moscow Nether-Belarus Germany **Poland** Belgium Czech Rep. Slovakla Luxembourg Spain

question remains to be asked: "Against whom is NATO expanding to the East? If there's no longer the 'Communist Bolsheviks' in charge in former USSR, then against whom is NATO massing its army, its bases and missiles – if they state that Russia 'is no longer an enemy?'"

The 16-page pact states in one of its principles the following: "Russia

Russia and other Eastern states who join NATO will be forced to send their troops anywhere to put down any uprisings by the people as "peace keepers" for Western Imperialism!

NATO should realize as to what happened over 50 years ago to another "World Order" that some present NATO countries supported, abetted and urged to attack the East! Hitler met his Stalingrad and so will NATO!

"Each time another NATO member joins – it will be another nail in Russia's coffin. Now we know what western-style democracy is: Not a partnership of equals, but the chance to move up the western tanks."

- Anti-NATO Deputy Teilman Golian

CHANGES AND MORE CHANGES – BUT THE COURSE IS THE SAME!

Headlines in the press shouted: "Outraged Yeltsin fires top defence officials!". Another headline and endless coverage was: "Friendship pact inked by Russia and Byelorussia!"

WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN?



• Igor Rodionov, Russian Defense Minister, was fired only 10 months on the job, together with Victor Samsonov who supposedly have drawn up a plan against the incompetence and graft in the high command of the Russian Army!

Even anti-Sovieteers or anti-Russians (and there are many now – Editor) see through this manouvering of Yeltsin – they realize that Yeltsin and his regime is in trouble due to the outright robbery, mafiosi structures in the regime who control the policy and the purse strings.

Western intelligence agencies are gleeful at this scenario – army moral is practically non-existent; graft and corruption are growing alarmingly; soldiers are deserting; suicides; soldiers in uniform are forced to beg on the streets – all this is what the West and NATO wants, so that there's no possibility of the Russian army taking the side of the people in the coming upheavals.

Yeltsin and his NATO backed regime say that they have no money to fund the army. Of course not! No amount of Yeltsin's public "outcries, posturing" will solve the problems. The country is financially and economically in ruin in order to be easy pickings for the West and NATO. NATO is opposed to a strong Russian army, even though it's at the command of the present regime. NATO itself does not know whether the rank and file Russian soldier will obey their commands and go against the coming uprising of Soviet people!

Yeltsin can shuffle the cards in any way he can, but the game he is playing is crooked just the same. It's the Soviet people that eventually will hold the trump card!

PACT OF CO-OPERATION

• Boris Yeltsin and Alexander Lukashenko, president of Byelorussia, sign a pact for a union of co-operation in economy and military aspects. The theme of all the hullabaloo is that it's the "joining of forces of two brother peoples".

On the surface, this looks as a right step – the beginning of solidification of the two close Slavic peoples – only the nationalist Ukrainian leadership does not want to have closer ties as was the case during Soviet times.

What worries us is the fact that even some Communists in Russia and Ukraine feel that they should support this unity – but on what terms? Of course, unity in a common



cause is necessary, but what kind of unity will this be with the likes of Boris Yeltsin, the butcher of Soviet people, the traitor who sold out and dismantled the USSR and is the tool of the West and NATO?

Will Lukashenko who is pragmatic and sincere have any influence on Yeltsin's policies? What is actually behind this "union"?

Would this be just window dressing to try and influence the growing unrest in both Russia and Byelorussia? Both Lukashenko and Yeltsin were members of CC CPSU and they better look out! Or are they on the fast track towards capitalism, Western domination and accepting NATO as their saviour from forthcoming peoples' wrath?

Window dressing is temporary – it fades very soon and this "pace" will clearly show the two peoples that the

only real change that has to happen is the overthrow of the present leadership and re-establishing the Soviet Union!

AS I SEE IT

On May 27th in Paris, the pact was signed which brought Russia into NATO. Boris Yeltsin was so bubbling with and excited enthusiasm at this signing ceremony that he went around kissing everyone, including President Chirac of France - an outright reactionary - much to the surprise of even President Clinton, not to mention the Russian delegation that was surprised by his offer to dismantle all nuclear warheads that Russia (Soviets) has, thus leaving Russia defenseless against the

mighty NATO plans which have bases surrounding the whole of former USSR.

Looking at this scene, President Clinton stated that "this is a convincing victory for new NATO which was the dream of former US presidents close to 50 years ago."

COMMENT: NATO is the child of Marshal Plan which was initiated in 1946. US General George Marshal introduced to Congress of U.S.A. a plan to "help" Soviet Union and Eastern countries. The Congress approved \$15 billion, which today, is \$88 billion. Stalin and other leaders of the socialist democracies refused the Marshal Plan, knowing full well its future implications. They knew that it was a plan to destroy the socialist countries.

According to our way of thinking, for the first time in Russia's or Soviet history, came a man – Boris Yeltsin, who completely sold out and surrendered the biggest country in the world without firing a shot. In this way, he sold out and victimized all Slavic countries of Eastern Europe, besides other countries that were sold out as the present situation now has shown.

CHINA

A research study in China claims that there are over 57 million Communist party members in China. One third of all students in China expressed their wishes to become Communist members, while 90% of all Chinese students support the policies of Communist Party of China.

MONGOLIA

Unprecedented results of the elections held in Mongolia gave an overwhelming victory to the Communists of over 60% of votes under the leadership of Nastragin Bagabandi as president.

SERBIA

May 14 "Borba" newspaper of the Communist Party of Serbia reported that from this day, all radio and TV broadcasts will begin with the playing of the hymn "Hey Slavs Unite". This hymn was the rallying cry of all Slavic peoples in their struggles against oppression and for Socialism!

TITO UNCOVERED

According to German newspaper "Blitz" which fettered out archives of the former COMINTERN, Josepf Broz Tito was pleading to the English and American governments during Second World War for them to bomb Serbia, Crne Gore and also the Kremlin, and thus, get rid of Joseph Stalin. This is according to a document uncovered from the COMINTERN archives!

NSC is trying to verify this "archive materials" through our correspondents in Russia.

WHO HELPED ARM THE MUSLIMS IN CROATIA?

According to American Ambassador Peter Galbright, Russia was the main supplier of arms to Croatian Muslims during the UN embargo against Serbia. Although Iran was also a big supplier, it was Yeltsin's Russia who supplied the biggest chunk of deadly weapons. Profit takes precedence over lives lost.

FRANCE - REPORT FROM EUROPEAN UNION

Russia and Ukraine very shortly will sign an agreement with European Union to use the former Soviet large transport aeroplanes for troop movements!

<u>COMMENT</u>: Against whom will these troops and planes be used?

VATICAN

Everyone in the world knows Vatican's policy against abortion.

COMMENT: Contradiction is in

this fact, that the Vatican played a most important role in demolishing socialism in countries of Eastern Europe, especially in Poland. The results of this capitalism was that women in Poland were especially forced to abort their children due to the fact that they were not able to raise them and feed them. During socialism—in an atheist country, there was no need for abortion due to economic hardships!

AGENCY PRESS REPORT

Leading human rights activists in Argentina, "Mothers of Plaza De Mayo", demanded that Vatican arrest and prosecute Cardinal Pio Laghi, a former Ambassador to the Vatican from Argentina, who was involved in kidnapping and killing of political dissidents of Argentina.

COMMENT: Will Vatican lift the diplomatic immunity from the Cardinal? Or will this become like other cardinals and killers whom Vatican protected?

ZAIRE (CONGO)

Rebel chief forces swept and liberated the country which was run and ruined by former President Mobutu who disappeared with his billions. Kabila, the former Marxist-Leninist, proclaimed that Congo will be a capitalist multi-party system government.

COMMENT: Will this system, will this leader and multi-system bring happiness and prosperity to these long-suffering people? We should remember that the West inspired the assassination of former Marxist President Lumumba!

- Milenko Popovich

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NEWS FROM FORMER SOVIET UNION

Reprinted From: "POSTMARK PRAHA"

"RUSSIA WILL AGAIN BE GREAT AND SOCIALIST!"

82 foreign delegations from communist and left parties all over the world attended the congress, which was held in Moscow on 19-20 May.

The congress discussion and the Central Committee's political report, presented by CPRF chairman, G.A. Zyuganov, showed that, regardless of the continuing opposition of the present anti-people regime in Russia, the CPRF has not only maintained its position in Russian society but extended and consolidated it. It has won widespread popular support and become the working core of Russia's patriotic forces.

The party has taken on board everything that was best in the former Communist Party of the Soviet Union - its Marxist-Leninist and internationalist traditions. It presented itself at the congress as the strongest all-Russian opposition force, a party which no one can ignore. This was apparent in the last elections, when the party's list won two and a half times more votes than in 1993, gaining 45 percent of the seats in the State Duma. In the presidential elections, it won more than 30 million votes. Along with its allies, it has 37 regional governors who constitute a sizeable political potential and a significant if not major political base.

The party's parliamentary work is combined with extra-

parliamentary activities.

The CPRF has indicated where the attempts to restore capitalism in Russia will lead. Society is polarized between a small group of nouveaux riches and the impoverished mass. The policy of "wild capitalism" has meant the loss of more than a half of the country's economic potential and devastated the whole productive structure. At the same time, in the view of the Russian communists, the government's remedies for the country's profound crisis have no hope of success. The CPRF therefore continues to put up consistent, responsible and implacable opposition.

The party demonstrated at the congress that it is a militant and united party with vast intellectual reserves and experienced and responsible leaders who are strengthening their links with the broadest patriotic forces of the country in order to achieve their main goal: to lead Russia out of its deep economic and social crisis and bar the way to the restoration of capitalism.

The CPRF is calling on the people to take further major step not back to socialism but forward to socialism.

The congress completed its work convinced that Russia will again be great and socialist.

MOSCOW CONFERENCE OF COMMUNIST AND WORKERS' PARTIES

The KSCM was also represented at the April 15-17 Moscow conference of 43 communist and workers' parties, hosted by the Union of Communist Parties-CPSU and dedicated to the 80th anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution. Leaders of the Communist Party of Slovakia (KSS) and the Party of Czechoslovak Communists (SCK) also attended.

The conference adopted resolutions protesting at both the imprisonment and trial of Communists in Latvia, Lithuania and Georgia and the campaign to close the Lenin Mausoleum in Moscow. A joint communique was issued which, among things, expressed the view of the parties represented that the Soviet Union would again be restored "because socialism is an inevitable stage in the development of humanity".

The conference also announced the intention of the parties to publish a new international journal, in which communist and workers' parties could exchange experiences "as part of the process of strengthening the international communist and workers' movement".

The parties represented at the conference were: CP Abkhazia, Union of Armenian Communists, CP Australia, CP Azerbaidzhan, CP Bohemia and Moravia, CP Byelorussia, People's Party of Cambodia, CP Canada, CP China, CP Cuba, Party of Czechoslovak Communists (SCK), CP Estonia, United CP Georgia, German CP, CP Greece, CP Egypt, CP India, CP Refoundation (Italy), CP Kazakhstan, CP Kirgizia, Workers Party of Korea, People's Revolutionary Party of Laos, CP Latvia, Union of Lithuanian Communists, CP Moldavia, CP of the Podnestr (south Russia), CP Russian Federation, Russian Communist Workers Party, Russian Party of Communists, CP Slovakia, South African CP, CP South Osettia, Union of Communist Parties-Communist Party of the Soviet Union, Sudanese CP, Syrian CP, Workers Party of Turkey, CP Ukraine, Union of Ukrainian Communists, CP USA, CP Uzbekistan, New CP Yugoslavia.

NSC COMMENT:

As our readers know, we try to present all points of view coming from the anti-Yeltsin regime press and parties-movements, so that the reader will receive an all-round evaluation of the present struggles. We welcome these meetings, conferences, congresses – they are all on the road to the resurrection of Soviet Union.

Unfortunately, the Communist Party of Russian Federation seems to strive just for Russia to be "great and socialist"! A question has to be asked as to why the CPRF does not promote the Soviet Union? Holding a Congress as stated above, and at the same time, voting in support of Yeltsin to have Chernomyrdin again as Prime Minister and other legislature that was supported by CPRF Duma members, leaves a big question mark on the actual policy of CPRF! We hope to hear from them differently.

VICTOR



INTERVIEW WITH VICTOR ANPILOV

Moscow, May 1997

Q: Could you please shed some light on the state of the strike movement in the country?

Anpilov: The most striking feature is the fact that the communist movement – I mean all the communist parties and organizations – stand aside from the strike movement in the country. There hasn't ever been a single strike organized by the communist in the entire country. There is just one sort of exception – the strike at the industrial tractor plant in Cheboksary, the capital of the Russian Federation Republic of Chuvashia. Even here, we owe everything to a brave worker on the

strike committee. Now, you see that the administration is firing the members of the strike committee. It turns out that the workers' movement was not ready to face repression. And why? Because even this strike committee believed that one can work with the union and they believed that one can bring them to more progressive positions. The union as all the unions in general become the agents of the administration. The communists stand aside and the union does its work, in the service of the administration. The formation of new progressive unions is a hard process. Some unions are appearing in separate regions, but there are no attempts to form an all-Russia union.

Q: Is the strike movement growing in the country?

Anpilov: Yes, it's growing very rapidly. On the other hand, one can observe the relative growth of strikes that have a more desperate character – for example, in the form of hunger strikes. Many miners in the Kuzbas, workers of power stations in the Far East and many others, are or have been, on hunger strike. Also, many workers commit suicide. In Rostov-on-Don in a single factory, already 20 workers have committed suicide. In Moscow, the other day, there was a tragic case where a worker jumped into the oven. There are also plenty of suicides in the army. This is an expression of a no-way-out situation. It would be good if the CPRF1 did anything apart from working in the State Duma.² In the gubernatorial elections, the CPRF candidates won, but life does not change. For example, we published a letter from a Tambov³ communist where you could read: "The governor is a CPRF member, the mayor of the town is also a CPRF member, most of the town Soviets are in the hands of the CPRF, but in this region, unemployment grew by 40% last year, the standard of living

keeps dropping, hospitals are shut down, social benefits are cut." Then people wonder, who is responsible for this? Zyuganov doesn't want to take responsibility. He is afraid of committing mistakes. Zyuganov stands in parliament and does his best to restrain people from social protests. The communist Duma fraction deputies have one main problem on their minds: how to get re-elected in the next parliamentary elections in order not to lose their privileges as deputies – like a flat in Moscow, a car with driver ... The masses are becoming more revolutionary day by day. This fact has been pointed out even by the bourgeois press. The unions are afraid of talking about the mood of the masses. The masses are now more revolutionary than their leaders. We have now to come out to the masses. Go to the red belt around Moscow. Small towns find themselves in a much worse situation, the whole thing simply collapses. That is why we are now organizing a march on Moscow, departing from the red belt of Moscow. To summarize, the masses are becoming more and more revolutionary but so far, not a single party has been able to become the vanguard of these masses.

Q: What is the form that this march on Moscow will adopt?

Anpilov: The point here is that workers come according to a schedule to the town halls to protest and put forward concrete political demands. Not only demanding the payment of wage arrears, but demanding that the whole process of privatization be cancelled, the liquidation of the institution of the presidency, the restoration of Soviet power over the whole territory of the USSR, in essence political slogans to change the system. Our march will start from both Tula and Ryazhan. We will go on foot. We plan to cover 30 km⁴ per day, for six days. We will go to all towns on the way to Moscow to agitate among the people. These two columns (from the two towns) will meet in Podolsk, a place where social tension is very high. From there, we will go to Moscow and there, stay three days in camps at the Kremlin, the house of the Government, and the TV tower. We have the experience of 1992-93. With these actions, we are planning to destabilize society.

Q: You as a leader of a mass organization must have thought about the meaning and significance of the Albanian revolt.

Anpilov: This is a very important example. One should take account of the fact that the Albanian masses instinctively organized themselves, without a political vanguard, and seized arms. This is an example on the one hand of the possibility of revolutionary creativity of the masses, but on the other hand, the rebellion did not achieve the main goal, political power, which shows the necessity of a political vanguard. On the other hand, something that encourages us was the behavior of the army there which went over to the side of the people; the army refused to shoot at its own people. In Russia, a similar behavior of the army will be a factor in favor of the people's rebellion. Political actions like the march on Moscow will pull up from the ranks of the people, popular leaders who will be in a position to lead a popular revolt. I don't agree with those who assert that the vanguard is made of 10 people. Otherwise, I would not believe in my own people. The Albanian rebellion is interesting in terms of the creativity of the masses: how the masses, having seen the possibility of seizing arms, without thinking much about it, take arms. In Russia, unlike in Albania, a peaceful foreign intervention under any banner, say that of the UN, these mythical peacekeeping forces, or NATO, will be understood by the people as a military invasion. The army would promptly carry out its duty of defending the country. A foreign intervention in Russia today is not possible. In the case of a foreign intervention, the revolutionary mood of the masses would rise sharply. This is why Yeltsin is so afraid of the expansion of NATO; it helps the development of the revolutionary mood of the masses.

Q: Do you think a similar scenario is possible in Russia?

Anpilov: You know, there have been cases when someone has fired a bazooka at the houses of the new rich or even burned them. However, this type of action has a sporadic character. All practical people in Russia have understood that these reforms have no future. Take for example the Mayor of Moscow, Yuri Luzhkov. At the last May Day demonstration, he spoke the way Victor Appilov did 5 years ago. He now talks about the anti-human character of present reforms and so on. This is a direct result of the fact that particularly in the regions, a very strong anti-capitalist sentiment is growing. I am not afraid of pogroms, but I don't think they are likely to happen.

Q: But why? You keep saying that the people are more and more in despair.

Anpilov: A popular revolt, a spontaneous seizure of the house of the government and things of that sort are likely to happen. But disorganized pogroms, looting, etc., do not correspond to the character of the Russian people. For this, we need support in the regions. A popular rebellion will adopt harsher forms in the regions. Most probably, Soviet power will first be restored somewhere in the regions and then, like a fire, it will spread throughout Russia.

Q: Do you rely more on the regions, then?

Anpilov: If we manage to organize popular mass actions focused on a concrete political program, then popular leaders will appear in the regions, people from the ranks of the working class, who will lead the masses towards victory. The workers' movement in the regions is far more organized and compact than in Moscow.

Q: You place the main revolutionary potential in the regions?

Anpilov: If you take a look at the statistics of strikes, very few strikes take place in Moscow. They take place mostly in the regions. In Moscow, the strike movement has a more sporadic character, whereas in the regions, take for example, the tractor plant in Chuvashia, the strike committee was supported by the striking teachers and the workers of the chemical plants. In this sense, the situation there is easier for us. We hope that our march on Moscow will also be supported by the fleet, which is simply dying off. I am very sure that if organized mass resistance grows in the regions, there will definitely appear powerful popular leaders. And I don't rule out that some of these regional leaders may become national leaders. Then the situation in Moscow will become easier for us. Nobody can foresee the forms that the popular protest may take. Lenin once said: "Yesterday was early, tomorrow will be late." But this was a question of just three days. Today, our situation is different.

Q: Let's return to the question of the last presidential elections. Serious people keep asserting that Zyuganov in fact won the elections. Perhaps the difference (in the vote) was not great. But the very next day, Zyuganov congratulated Yeltsin. The rank-and-file of the CPRF could not protest the results since their leader gave up?

Anpilov: Yes, Zyuganov congratulated Yeltsin long before the official results were made public - the very next morning. I had proposed the formation of a popular committee for the counting of the ballots. The law permits this type of action. At that time, Zyuganov was very afraid of this. This popular committee could call the people into the streets. We all felt that this possibility scared Gennady Andreyevitch.5 I wish I was wrong, but Zyuganov's priority is not to permit a social explosion to occur. We say: let a social explosion take place if it is politically focused. It should be conscious; the fewer victims and blood, the better. But he is, in principle, against any kind of social unrest. He is protecting the regime.

- 1. Communist Party of the Russian Federation, led by Zyuganov.
 - 2. Russian Parliament.
 - 3. A city in the vicinity of Moscow.
 - 4. About 18 miles.
 - 5. Zyuganov.

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FOR OUR UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS!

Report at the March Plenum of Central Committee All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks

By: Nina Andreeva, General Secretary

In a very thorough, indepth analysis to this Plenum, Nina Andreeva outlined many facets of work and conditions that are the daily lot of Soviet people. We present here condensed facets of her excellent analysis, due to space reasons.

OUESTIONS OF INTEGRATION

The main question that is being discussed and decided by the working class and the present day bourgeois is the – rebirth of a mighty state. But their decisions are in opposite directions. Even three years ago, we stated that the leadership will be given by the people to those forces that will realistically present the road towards our socialist Motherland.

Bourgeoisie of course is for capitalism and for the integration of the economy that existed in former USSR. The love affair of the present "sovereign states" has ended. They are in deep economic financial troubles ... under the tutelage of the International Monetary Fund and Western imperialism. The West is on the road for absolute break-up of all the present "states" and thus guarantee that there is no competitor in future for the transnational corporate power.

Therefore, the present "presidents of independent states" have come to realize that integration with Russian capitalism is necessary if they are to hold on to their ill-gotten power and thus save capitalism.

We, as Bolsheviks, are for socialist integration on the basis of a Soviet Union and Socialism. The question of integration of Russian and Byelorussian capitalists can present a very strong and dangerous might for the working class.

The defeat or crash of capitalism in one country – Russia as an example – would hasten the rebirth of the Soviet Union. We must become ever more active, become the vanguard of the struggles against all sorts of pseudo-socialist and pseudo-democratic movements. We must struggle ever more strongly against opportunism and agreements

with the present regime.

PRINCIPLES OF REBIRTH OF A SOCIALIST STATE

The road to unity is only through the unity in work of all the masses and parties under the leadership of Marxists-Leninists. Only under these conditions can we go towards the resurrection of Socialism and Soviet Union. There is no other alternative! In this respect, there must be the following undertaken and concluded:

- Nationalization of the banks and industrial enterprises;
- Workers' control must be established over the industry and manufacturing;
- Nationalization of the land and rebirth of the collective and state farms;
- Liquidate the present regime with Soviet specialists, qualified and who were or are not involved in the present robber regime. Above all, we must re-establish the Soviet state power.

WHAT METHODS, WHAT FORCES MUST BE IN PLACE TO START THE REBIRTH OF USSR?

Parliamentary road towards accomplishing socialism and the rebirth of the USSR – is Utopia. The only road towards our goal is a socialist revolution. By this, I mean that the working class will be the ruling class. This can only be accomplished if the people take to the streets in the all country-wide political strike, which would paralyze the present state apparatus.

Therefore, the main task in front of the AUCPB is to organize this vanguard to lead this socialist revolution, unite all of the Marxists-Leninists, who today are struggling for a rebirth of our Motherland. Of course, if there existed a unified communist party, this task would become much easier. Objectively and subjectively, this question of a

unified party at this moment is still not ready.

ORGANIZATIONAL UNITY OF THE PARTIES

We should not forget that the whole process of struggling for a unified communist party is one form of the class struggle. Therefore, the call for unity by the "Union of Communist Parties-CPSU", Communist Party of Russian Federation, Russian Communist Workers Party, and lately, the call also from the Russian Communist Party-CPSU to join them - is just a call and practically nothing more. Let me just state that V.I. Lenin was categorically against the unity of Bolsheviks with corruptors of Marxism, with social democrats -

card, thanks to the present regime) ... they believe in their leaders, although the majority of members are honest communists, but unfortunately, they still cannot see through this "facade" – that they are being led in a different direction – nowhere. (Pravda, Number 40, 1997)

"Moment of Truth" (No. 1, 1997) stated in their publication that "Zyuganov is not a communist, not a patriot but a defender of the interests of the present Russian nationalistic bourgeoisie, and a helper to the American imperialist interests".

I must state that in the CPRF, there are many honest, dedicated communists – unfortunately, they still do not understand as to where Zyuganov is leading them. Therefore, we are appealing to the rank and file

capitalism. This concept is promoted by Zyuganov, Shenin, Ligachev. They state that they shall build a "renewed(?) socialism" and USSR. This "new socialism" will allow multi-party system to operate private ownership for individuals (they feel that there are no classes). The economic basis of this proposed programme is the eventual building of economic basis of super imperialism. Their plans practically follow Gorbachev's theory which saw the end of USSR!

The block of UCP-CPSU, in spite of some zig-zags, is marching side by side with Zyuganov and the CPRF, trying to find different variations of civilized capitalism. They use "renewed socialism" or as Zyuganov states, "optimal socialism".



"with those small bourgeoisie, trying to liquidate the revolution".

Let us examine these appeals for unity, and see whether they adhere to Marxism-Leninism.

"Communist Party of Russian Federation" (Zyuganov) is communist in name only, although numerically, it classifies itself as the largest "communist party". We stated many times in our documents that CPRF is no longer not even social democratic, but a liberal-bourgeoisie party, becoming integrated in the mesh of Yeltsin, Chemomyrdin and others. Their participation in the Duma as a fraction, collaborating with Yeltsin, thus giving him "legitimization". These former bureaucrats of CPSU have cushy jobs, privileges, perks, credit cards (Master Card – each member has this members of CPRF to look where the present leader is leading the party. Remember that Zyuganov was a disciple of Alexander Yakovlev and Gorbachev!

Unfortunately, the Union of Communist Parties – CPSU is under the influence of CPRF (Zyuganov) and we made this fact known in our joint meeting in March of 1994.

CPRF AND UCP-CPSU – HOW DO THEY PLAN TO RESURRECT THE USSR?

When the Third Congress of Peoples of USSR took place, it was evident that this mass organization has clearly shown signs of the influence of the present leadership of CPRF. They do not plan to build a socialist society on the territory of the USSR, but a somewhat cosmopolitan

THE DRIFTING OF RCWP TOWARDS CPRF

The joining of the Communist Party of Russian Federation (Zyuganov) into the ranks of Union of Communist Parties-CPSU has objectively helped to further divide the communist movement. With the influence of Zyuganov, the Union of Communist Parties has split into two parts. From the ranks of the Russian Communist Workers Party, there was formed the Workers-Farmers Russian Party. After that, another division took place, with Anpilov and Tiulkin going their separate ways and the formation of "Workers Russia".

Today, there are pretender to the unifying process – the Tiulkin Russian Communist Workers Party, although they haven't the membership necessary to fill this role. They cannot draw the masses to them, since they were never involved with or discussed theory. They criticized the AUCPB for boycotting the elections. But only in January of this year, Tiulkin was quoted in the newspaper Pravda (No. 21, 1997) that "1996 was a year of cleansing."

We cleansed ourselves of illusions that through elections we can get rid of the present regime". Maybe they realize now that the fact that RCWP and others took part in this election gave legitimacy to Yeltsin's regime.

RCWP has made its position clear and that, we feel, is for the best. The people now know where they stand and are under no illusion. We hope that RCWP will get out of the clutches and influence of Zyuganov's CPRF.

OTHER PARTIES AND PLATFORMS IN THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT OF RUSSIA

Russian Communist Party-CPSU (Prigarin) pretends to the role of uniting all communist parties in Russia under its wing. They heap abuse on the AUCPB and the divisions inside our ranks. We state that there is no division in our ranks. We have excluded 21 people from our ranks. We are, in future, going to cleanse our party as Lenin did in his time.

Russian Communist Party-CPSU is using its energy in a futile attempt to gain seats in the Duma elections, and lost much valuable time in this quest and thus, have weakened their potential. Today as before, the most important question is – the formation and unification of the vanguard carrying the banner of Marxism-Leninism towards the class struggles ahead.

FORMATION OF THE BLOCK OF PARTIES ON THE BOLSHEVIK PLATFORM FUNCTIONING ON THE TERRITORY OF THE USSR

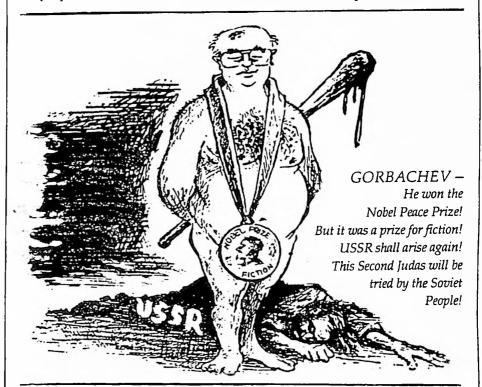
At the end of 1996, our AUCPB has appealed to all leaders of the Marxist-Leninist parties to discuss and voice their opinions on the Declaration for the formation of a unified communist party, bring in

suggestions, recommendations to arrive at a consensus for this needed unity. To this date (April 10, 1997) the following parties have replied and agreed to join: All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks, Communist United Party of Azerbaijan, Workers-Farmers Russian Party, Communist Party of Workers of Predniester Republic, Movement "Workers Russian" (Anpilov), All Union Movement "For Soviet Union" (Kozlobaev). On our proposal now is being considered also by Russian Communist Party-CPSU (Prigarin). Other parties are still considering our proposal.

USSR in order to build and solidify the movement for a birth of one genuine Marxist-Leninist Bolshevik party of the Soviet Union.

Dear Comrades:

Time is of essence and the present regime will not give us peace and time to solidify our ranks. The plan of General Lebed to become president in 1997 shows more clearly than any other factor – the agony of the present regime and their plans to go in any direction that will guarantee their rule, including starting a provocation to get an uprising going and thus establish a fascist dictatorship!



It is a fact that today, there are two centres of communist movement on the territory of the USSR: One, Union of Communist Parties-CPSU; while the other is the proposal of the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks. There shall be problems, but today, the only possibility is to unite all Marxist-Leninist parties without an organization structure, and in this way, proceed in a realistic political Bolshevik Communist movement on the territory of the

Working class – the main revolutionary might is split asunder, not only politically, but by nationality, profession, religion and territorially. The apathy and distress is evident. Today, the working class is dominated by the yellow trade union leadership, trying by all means to suppress the militancy of the workers. The same leaders who formerly were responsible for the destruction of the USSR are now the same people leading the "trade"

unions" which are meant to be a buffer zone between revolutionary upheavals aimed at the present regime. Our task must be to fight revisionism, opportunism and to de-Zyuganovite the peoples' movement and communist parties – all the facets that prevent genuine unity. We must politicize the masses more effectively and prepare them for the life and death struggles ahead.

We must never abandon the revolutionary theory and practice of Marxism-Leninism. All of us must understand that we cannot build a genuine communist party without understanding its theory as propounded by Lenin. Without Lenin, there cannot be a Lenin party!

In conclusion, I must state again, if we do not expose opportunism and not defeat it forever, we shall not be able to get the victory in our heroic struggle for socialism, for the Soviet Union of equal nations and peoples!

EDITORIAL COMMENT:

The policy of Northstar Compass is always to present the complex situation in former Soviet Union from different parties and movements as clearly as we can. We invite our readers in the USSR and other countries to send us their thoughts and ideas about all of the present movements that exist there.

As we mentioned before, sometimes it is perplexing for our readers to go through this maze of parties, movements, programmes, claims, counter-claims, political infighting, personal attacks and come out with a clear head in order to distinguish between political rhetoric and just muddying the waters!

We feel that our NSC readers in five years can draw the proper conclusion as to "who is who" in the Soviet Union!

If the communist-socialist-patriotic forces in the USSR do not soon learn to unite, the "new Russians", the new capitalists, the mafia, the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, headed

by U.S. Imperialism, will soon make this UNITY IMPERATIVE!

We feel the time has already come to the end where the endless debate has to cease, before fascism gets a stranglehold in the Soviet Union, thus making the struggle very severe, deadly, and maybe a very prolonged one!

ARISE YOU MIGHTY LAND!

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UKRAINOPHOBIA OF DESCENDANTS OF STEPAN BANDERA

"In a family there's sometimes a freak of nature. This freak of nature was the OUN-UPA."

- Victor Polishchuk, Scranton, Canada

NEWSPAPER "ROAD TO VICTORY" BLAMES THE VICTIMS OF OUN-UPA? In which way? Somehow, looking at this newspaper, it has a different political spectrum of articles, but as I leafed through it, my attention was riveted to an article. This newspaper, as I found out, is not printed or edited in Kiev. The newspaper listed its editorial centres as Munich, Germany, New York, USA (???). The administrative centres of this "Independent Ukraine" are in fact the actual editorial leadership of this newspaper! Anyway, this newspaper is far from using the language that is being used by the citizens of our country, as an example, the leader of the present nationalists, Slava Stetsko (wife of former leader), widow of former Premier-Minister and of former pro-Hitler so-called "Ukrainian Government", Yaroslav Stetsko. She just recently came to Ukraine from Germany and other foreign countries, where she was an immigrant, and she now strongly works for and demands from the Ukrainian people that she be elected as a Peoples' Deputy to Ukrainian parliament!

What is the essence of this newspaper? Here is one of the articles that it printed - "Ukrainophobia crimes looked at by the conference". The author of this article is someone called Grigory Demian. The essence is about the fact that people who at that time, through a miracle, escaped from the clutches of "fighters for freedom of Ukraine" (read: from Bandera's bands) and remained alive, had the courage to meet in Kiev at a conference of the victims of the bands of OUN-UPA (Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists-Ukrainian Underground Army - Editor). But since these people saw these terrible crimes not in a cinema but with their own eyes as to what the Ukrainian bourgeois nationalism is in reality, felt this terror on their own skins, do they not have the right to discuss their problems, which are tied to the concept of human rights of people? Besides all this, the danger and consequences from the present growth of nationalism-fascism in Ukraine today is very real. Anyway, it looks, if we are to believe this author, that the sufferings of these people from nationalist bandits is nothing more but a "communist imperialist revanchism", but the real Ukrainian people - these are the heirs of Stepan Bandera and Yaroslav Stetsko. In this scoundrelous lie, without doubt, even Mrs. Stetsko does not believe it. But from those times when Ukrainian nationalists. together with the Gauleiter Kokh, were establishing in Ukraine a "new order", there grew up a new generation of people. They, understandably, can be fooled much easier and thus utilized in the present schemes of falsehoods. That is why these descendants of Stepan Bandera depend on this situation.

But you cannot hide the truth from the people. Soviet people who defeated fascism are not afraid of themselves. Never! Ukrainophobia is the malady that the present nationalists are sick with. They tremble in front of the forthcoming people's courts and the conscience of those murdered by them and of those that are still alive. The one truth remains from beginning to the end – that this article is a lie from top to bottom.

WHO IS THIS KLIM SAVUR AND COMPANY? In one of the photographs accompanying this deceitful article is Klim Savur. His name is already given to one of the streets in Lutsk. The caption under this photo states: "Only one moment in the acts of MGB (Ministry of Internal Security - Editor) on the body of the Chief Commander of UPA Dmitri Kliatchivsky - "Klim Savur". He died February 12, 1945 near the village of Susk, Kostopolski region. Yes, the moment of the "acts" in the photo is not shown. Photograph shows only a dead man, taken much later after he was dead. But the question is still as to who is Klim Savur (D. Kliatchivsky)? In January of 1944, he headed the bandit group called "North" of UPA, he met with a colonel of the fascist SS Shiefeld to discuss the joint action of both groups against Soviet partisans and the Red Army, which at that time were liberating Ukraine from the fascists. At this meeting, according to captured German materials regarding this meeting, the fascists promised to arm and clothe and supply the UPA gangs to spy and utilize diversions against the Bolsheviks. Klim Savur, who was at the same time an officer of the SS,



All over former Soviet Union, demonstrations are taking place weekly.

People are realizing that usurpers of power must be replaced and tried by the people!

received a full complement of SS uniforms, pistols, guns, machine guns, besides his officer's uniform. As the archival materials show, Hitlerites during spring time of 1944 gave the OUN-UPA tremendous amount of arms and ammunition.

Now that the present nationalists are coming out of their camouflage skins, so that they could show that they "fought against the fascist Germany", we need to show some facts and truth about this falsehood. If the Germans supplied arms to band of Savur and company, why is it that no one remembers that they gave even one bullet to anyone in the partisan movement? This is child's naivety that these modern nationalists try to hoodwink the present generation of followers of Stepan Bandera. Everyone knows the fact that when Hitler invaded Ukraine, coming together with them were the Bandera units of cutthroats. The head of one of these OUN bands wrote in his diary: "June 23, 1941 a company of our unit attacked the village of Verba and captured it. We shot 50 Red Army soldiers. In 24 hours after we did our job, the Germans entered the village. They were pleasantly surprised and delighted as to how we managed to cleanse the village. After that, our boys, together with the Germans, liquidated all Soviets."

Then who were the butchers that attacked the Ukrainian people - Red Army soldiers, who died at the hands of the bandits in the sacred struggle for freedom of Ukraine, or these OUN bands, who invaded our land together with the fascists and butchered these Red Army soldiers? From the first days of the war, OUN, led by leaders such as Bandera, Stetsko, Melnyk, Savura and others, were fighting against their own people on the side of Hitler. Already on July 1, the "Premier", the so-called Ukrainian "government" Yaroslav Stetsko sent a telegram to Hitler: "With the success and with heart-felt thanks and glory to your heroic army, which covered itself with glory on the field of battle with the most ferocious enemy of Europe -Moscow Bolsheviks - we send you, the great Fuehrer, on behalf of the Ukrainian people and its government, conceived in liberated

Lemberg (Lvov), sincere greetings and wishes to bring to a victorious conclusion and full victory." When Bandera and Stetsko were taken off their leadership pedestals for a brief period, the leader of another wing of OUN Andrey Melnyk, telegraphed the Governor of Ukraine Kokh the following: "We are expressing our deep thanks to the Fuehrer and the Reich Chancellery of Germany for the liberation of the Ukraine from Bolshevism". In a memorandum in the name of Kokh. on October 18, 1941, A. Melnyk writes: "Understanding the importance of this historical moment, Ukrainian National Council will help in all phases and help to the liberators of Ukraine – to the great German army on the road to victory over Bolshevism ... we ask you to allow us to organize the society "PROSVITA" (Enlightenment), which will expel and throw out Bolshevism from the minds of Ukrainian people, and also to organize a youth organization for complete re-education of the Ukrainian youth ..."

The Melnykites, Banderites cooperated with Hitler and fascists during the course of the whole Second World War. In this way, commander of the group of UPA "Tiutiunnika", Vorobets stated at his trial that at the end of January 1944, the Soviet army in the region of Dubrovitsi, Rovensk district surrounded the German garrison of hundreds of German soldiers. Group of "Tiutiunnik" helped the fascists to break out of the encirclement and to cross the front line near the district of Lutsk. In their thanks to the banderites, the Germans supplied them with 4 cannons, 2 anti-tank guns, 6 machine guns plus other supplies. One of the leaders of these bands, Herasymovski, during spring of 1944, stated: "We must stop the mistaken notion forever, that the Banderite groups look at Germany as its enemy". During meetings with the German Gestapo, he stated also that "OUN will inform the Germans about the situation in the war zones behind the Red Army lines. OUN will upkeep and hold in readiness its bands behind the Red Army lines, will harass and inflict casualties on the Red Army rear, railroads, ammunition dumps, storage facilities, and become active saboteurs.

The co-ordinator between German special troops and security organs and OUN-UPA was Peppe. As a result of such co-ordination, the Germans opened special diversionist schools. One of these schools was situated on the island in the Lake Svitiaz. This school was inspected by none other than Klim Savur. But this school was soon liquidated by the Soviet partisans.

But nevertheless, the OUN bands were co-operating with the fascists and actively fighting against the Red Army and the partisans. They organized massive liquidation of the people.

"OUR POWER MUST BE FRIGHTFUL". This is the command that was given by Stepan Bandera on the eve of the Second World War and it was designed by the leadership of OUN (Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists). "During the time of chaos and confusion, you can allow yourself - he wrote - to liquidate the unnecessary Polish people, Muskovites and Jewish elements". Then the blood letting started in full force on the innocent people. Putting into practice the plans of Bandera, the head commander of UPA, captain of SS Roman Shuskevich in 1944 demanded from the Banderite bands: "We must accomplish the fact that not one village should recognize Soviet rule. The Ukrainian Underground Army must proceed in this way that all who recognized the Soviet government must be liquidated. I repeat again – do not threaten people, liquidate them! Do not fear that people will condemn us for our cruelty! From 40 million Ukrainians, let there remain only 20 million – meaning that only half remains – there is nothing terrible in this".

If we are to believe these present nationalists, then were these leaders like Bandera and Shushkevich not turncoats?! Because of their appeals to their bands, at the hands of the OUN bandits, hundreds of thousands of innocent people perished. There took place, as the present Ukrainian nationalists try to instill into the heads of young generations that there was a "Ukrainian-Polish War". There were more than 200,000 Polish people murdered. According to the figures and analysis of Doctor of Historical Sciences, V. Maslovsky after the end of the Second World War, there were murdered over 90,000 peaceful people of all nationalities - this figure includes Ukrainians also. In Volyn after the liquidation of German forces and German fascism, when all the territorial borders were decided and put into effect, the terroristic acts and murders by these hidden nationalists at the hands of the OUNites cutthroats there died 8,400 people – amongst them, 1,055 children.

The liquidation of their own people by the OUN-UPA bands was carried out in the most vicious and sadistic manner. "Not too far from the Monastery in the village of Novyj Zagorov – tells Desiatchuk Fred, member of OUN band – we cut to pieces with axes Soviet activists, including 7 members of the Zholkovsky family. We threw the bodies into the cellar. Here, we also threw 16 more bodies from the village of Gorokhovka – among them, 3 children. Here, we brought Stanislav Smosorski with his two

children – a boy and a girl. We shot with rifles the father and little girl. The youngster begged on his knees not to kill him. Then "Chumak" told us to bury the youngster alive, and this we did (M. Zarichnyj – "Spravedlivist"). These are from documents at the trials held.

Veteran of the War and Labour, I. Lishchuk told that only in the Gorokhovsky region (Volyn) the bandits of OUN-UPA butchered 135 people by cruelest of means - they hung 10 people, 13 were strangled, 18 were burnt alive. During the war years and after the war in this small district alone, over 740 innocent people were murdered - amongst them, 190 women and 145 children. Bandits cruelly tied up and tortured Alexandra Maksimovna Laganovska and her father Maxim Laganovsky from the village of Boriskovichi. They were beaten by wooden sticks, tortured and burned by red hot irons, they were made to stand barefooted on red hot irons, they were slowly being cut by axes and finally, they strangled them with a rope. The bandits killed young children by smashing their bodies and heads against the textile machines. During this January night in this village, 29 people were murdered. All the bodies were thrown into a well.

Inhuman and terrible agony during these bandit attacks is told by I. Ilkiv from village of Stryj (Lviv region): "From the back of my friend in the village, Ivan Zereiki, these bandits peeled off his skin. Michael Kraevsky was killed by an axe. Alexander Kinika-the younger, after severe torture, they buried him alive. On the necks of Slepach-father, mother, daughter - they tightened the knot and strangled them to death. My father was butchered with axes. In great agony died Ivan Korchevoy, Evdokia Ilkiv, Alexei Kinik-elder, and other villagers".

A great tragedy was perpetrated

in the village of Malyj Midsk (Rovenshchina). During the night of 1944, bands of OUN invaded the home of Alexei Romantsev. He was not home at that time. They forced his wife Nadezhda Pilipovna to lie on the floor. In front of her eyes, one of these modern nationalist "hero" cut off from a 14 year old boy his testicles and cut off his tongue. They somehow found a 9 year old girl hiding under bed covers (Galina) and started to torture her. Her



He fought for his city, on this square he shed his blood. Now, he has to beg since he cannot live on the miserable pension. Veterans are forced to beg or starve!

mother instinctively rose up to defend her other child, Nadia, who was 3 month old. But the bandit hit her with a rifle butt, picked up the 3 month old child, cut open her stomach, while the instestines spilled out ... after this, the last bandit to leave killed the mother. (Peter Rusin, from Rovno)

Is this enough? Is there anything else to say as the present nationalists always shout "Glory" to "Heroes"!?! Terrible panic is seizing these present nationalists and those who have managed to escape the just retribution of Soviet people, this also affects the present ultra-nationalists and their leaders. This fright shall never leave those people! This is why these present bandits are planning another bloodbath to get rid of the still living witnesses to the crimes that were perpetrated. As Stepan Bandera stated, "do we need blood, we shall give them blood, is there a need for terror - we shall bring on the terror to its poisonous boiling point ... In the struggles there must be ethics. The codex of a nationalist should be a personal nationalist conscience".

OUN-UPA SHALL NOT PASS!

The savage-wild instincts, demand for blood is also urging forward the present descendants of Stepan Bandera, Yaroslav Stetsko, Andrei Melnyk, Klim Savur. "The forthcoming Third World War" was the slogan of the 1977 Bandera's newspaper 'Homin of Ukraine' -" is the opportunity, the glorious path for the Ukrainian people and nation". In the program of tasks for the Ukrainians should be that "Ukrainians that do not accept the idea of nationalism must be absolutely liquidated". "It is time to understand by everyone of the ethnic community that are living on our territory - this was the call from the tribune of the Congress of Ukrainian Nationalists in Kovel (Volyn, 1933) - that only Ukrainians must live and be the masters on their land!" Force even now is the cry of the present nationalists and ultra-nationalists. "Only through the use of guns and might of the Ukrainian people we shall cleanse Ukraine from this dirt, that is amongst our midsts", stated A. Shkilm chief editor of the journal

"Nationalist". One of the leaders of the Ukrainian nationalist organization in Ukraine now, A. Lupynis, appeals for an armed uprising, demands: "Time is not far off when the Russian people shall understand what war is. We shall demolish Moscow, as we demolished Sukhumi."

Now, maybe this is enough? Everyone now understands what the present generation of nationalists as their forefathers were, are extremely terror stricken as to what the Ukrainian people that are alive and witnesses to the terror that was perpetrated against them. This haunts them to no end. They are attempting to build national-fascism. They try to drown their terror in new adventures, new bloodletting. Let us unite, dear countrymen, to struggle against this dark cloud! To all world, we must proclaim:

"OUN-UPA" WILL NOT PASS!

From Newspaper: "BOLSHEVIK"
Russia

HE SOLD, HE DRANK, HE SQUANDERED

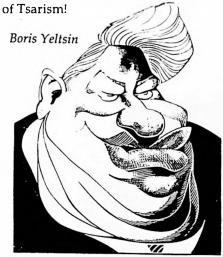
In six years of criminal regime, Russia, from 6th place in production, has fallen to a 40th place in the world. Russia from 1995 sits on a "pin head" since it depends on the West and the West can starve us to death in a minute.

50,000 people who are able bodied to work are dying from alcoholism due to the terrible conditions. Over 600,000 people are regularly using narcotics, one in four school children in Moscow knows about narcotics not only by hearsay. There are over 11,000 narcotic pushers here according to police files.

Death is now an epidemic, with

over 2,000,000 Russians dying each year due to no health care system in place. For 1,000 births, there are 450 abortions, and of the 10 newly born babies, there is only 1 child that is born healthy! Today, every third Russian is an invalid, and every year, the growth of invalids grows by 80,000 people due to the devastating lack of medical help.

The country is dying much quicker than during the terrible times



We owe to the West over 400 billion dollars, not counting the interest rates which are going up each year, while Russia owes internally (back wages, pensions, help to invalids) more than 10 times the sum we owe to the Western Imperialist countiles. It is of no use for us to await payment back from the present regime – the PRESENT REGIME IS BANKRUPT – CANNOT DO ANYTHING! MONEY IS OUTSIDE OUR BORDERS!

Every year, the outpouring of our money reaches a sum between 40-60 billions of dollars, deposited in foreign banks. Over 73 trillion rubles did not get into our budget but found themselves in the pockets of the criminal regime mafia. Over 50% of all trade in the banks is done by the hidden economy.

Today, the export of our women into foreign bordellos is of alarming proportions, to serve the "New

Russians" and their Western masters.

Let us all unite and we shall deal with these robbers and traitors!

As you can see by the inclusion of the drawing of Yeltsin in this newspaper, this drawing appeared in Northstar Compass and was done by the Editor of NSC and has been reproduced in former Soviet Union in countless of newspapers. As the saying goes – "A picture is worth a thousand words!"

ROAD TO VICTORY!

From Newspaper MOLNIYA Organ of "Workers Russia"

On April 20, 1997, there took place a Congress of Communists of "Workers Russia", in whose session there were present delegates from 34 regions of Russia; guests from All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks; Union of Communists of Latvia and guests-observers from Russian Party of Communists-CPSU.

The political decision arrived at this Congress was for the Russian Communist organizations to join the Party of Soviet Communists. The final name of this all union communist party will be decided at the United Congress of Soviet Communists. The Moscow organization of Communists of Workers Russia, Communist Party of Chuvash; Belogorodsk Committee Marxist-Leninist Party; Krasnoyarsk Committee of Russian Communist Workers Party already have joined. The task in front of the communists is to organize inside of a month unified conferences in all the regions of Russia, discuss the Draft of the United Communist Party, to join the Russian organization of the Soviet Communists and to start the process of picking delegates to the United Congress of Soviet Communists. The United Congress of Soviet Communists of USSR is planned to be called for October 4-5, 1997 in Moscow. Communists who are to organize and speak in their localities are asked to start the process of signing up members and collecting their membership dues and organize all the help that's needed for the United Congress.

The most important task in organizing this United Congress is for all party clubs, regional, territorial and local clubs is to cleanse the ranks of opportunists, revisionists. This also must become the rallying point of the MARCH ON MOSCOW July 12-21, organization of protests of workers along the way under the slogans of doing away with privatization, eliminating the post of presidents, resurrecting of the Soviet Union. During the course of the MARCH ON MOSCOW, the opportunity should be used to sign up Soviet Communists and hold elections of delegates to the Congress.

Communists must lead the struggle and fight for the gains that were ours and won by the Great October Revolution of 1917 and generations that benefited from these gains. The will of the Soviet people was shown on March 17, 1991 when an overwhelming majority of Soviets voted for the Soviet Union to remain as it was. USSR – MUST BE!

But without the rebirth of one political structure of workers and peasants, the question of the resurrection of the USSR can take scores of years. No matter what we are told and what we are promised, we cannot allow any more time to pass us by! Even the forthcoming celebrations of the 80th Anniversary of the Great October Revolution will not solve the problem. We Soviet Communists must unite and lead the working class towards victory!

NOTE:

The Co-ordinating Committee has elected Victor Anpilov as its Secretary of the Central Committee of Party of Soviet Communists until the Congress, with right to speak in all regions of USSR and in foreign countries as well on behalf of the forthcoming Party of Soviet Communists.



GUARCY GOUVEA General Secretary

Uniao Cultural Brasil-URSS De Sao Paulo

BRAZIL: WEALTH FOR THE RICH AND A MOUNTAIN OF DEBTS FOR THE POOR

Mr. Lucas asked me to send news from Brazil. Our country, like most of Latin America, lives a confused post-military dictatorship phase. The military dictatorship was a period (about 20 years) of fascistization, when the ruling classes, scared through the growing use by the population of the vote as a weapon to change society, decided to suppress elections, resorting to a military coup and government, with all support from American CIA.

The spark that keeps us going in the struggle is still very alive and how it burns! And specially now that we have been receiving your invaluable journal! It has helped us to see through the darkness that has descended upon us with the dismantling of the Soviet Union.

Unfortunately, this post-military dictatorship phase that we are going through now, which could be a transition to a more democratic society, is being dominated by the overwhelming power of the economic groups that hold control over the communications media,

specially TV. Besides not having a strong state-owned TV, like most of the European countries and Japan, we have a private quasi-monopoly (Globo) that strongly supported dictatorship while it lasted, backed a false transition government thereafter and now directs the population to vote for the same politicians that helped the dictators and presently wear a democratic mask.

While our ruling classes exerted the dictatorship through the armed forces ("the military held the cow while the rich sucked the milk"), they used the State as an extension of their properties, and became much richer than before, aggravating the poverty of the population.

Such process of enrichment of a minority to the detriment of the great majority of the population has led to an incredible level of concentration of wealth and income. A survey of 52 countries by a British entity last year disclosed that while Hungary was the country with the least concentration of income (the 5% richer received 3.5 times more than the 5% poorer), Brazil was the one with the highest concentration (the 5% richer received 35 times more than the 5% poorer).

Although we have an immense territory, all this land is concentrated in the hands of a few landowners. We have one of the greatest cattle herds in the world but in spite of the needs of so many hungry children, the economy is so geared to the interests of the enrichment of a few that our milk production is ten times lower than that of the former Soviet Union. The other day, a report of the United Nations showed that the percentage of our adult population that has never gone to school reached 32.9%, against 3.7% for Cuba. In one of our states, last year, the infant mortality reached 300 per thousand children born.

In this context of tremendous inequality, of incredible concentration of private wealth and public poverty, fearing the prospects of an impoverished majority coming to national power, the ruling classes, preaching to the poor that what happened in the Soviet Union is the inexorable fate of mankind, are privatizing all that they can, and sinking the country under a mountain of debts.

In addition to selling out the common property of the nation, as they have recently done with Cia. Vale do Rio Doce (a state-owned enterprise with immense reserves of iron with an expected duration of hundred years, manganese, gold, aluminium, huge forests), given away for a price that barely pays 3 months of interest of the country's debts, they take out many billions of dollars from the country's treasury to cover "losses" from big bankers that financed the political campaigns of their parties and candidates.

There is no doubt that our ruling classes have been showing a great determination in burdening the nation with debts and taking over all its assets. In spite of that, we are quite certain that when the hour of the truth comes, the people shall disown the debts and get back all that has been taken away.

- Guaracy Gouvea



By: Frank Ray Davis

CLARIFY, PLEASE: The Bible claims Cain "slew" Abel with the jawbone of an ass. So, did he hit him with it, or did he bore him to death, like in today's congresses and parliaments where jaw-boning asses shake, rattle, and rule?

NO REST FOR THE WICKED: American agents will now have a hand in selecting Mexican narco-cops. Bad scene for the poor dope peddlers. They'll now have to buy off TWO sets of officials.

CORPSES SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES: Human Rights Watch declared human rights are worse off than ever in Mexico. The Mexican Government snapped right back with a big T'aint So! But HUNDREDS of murdered opposition-party members are hard to gainsay – unless murder is a human right.

KARL ALWAYS CURRENT: "The Lord of the Skies" they call Mexico's biggest dope peddler. Karl Marx had the same idea about the Lord of the Skies being pusher of the "opiate of the people".

INTERNATIONAL **NEWS**





THE BRITISH GENERAL ELECTION

By: Ernie Trory

On the eve of the General Election in Britain, the New Communist Party called upon working people everywhere to vote Labour. But it warned: "Whichever party wins, we shall still be living in a capitalist society based on the exploitation of

labour and driven by the demands of the capitalist ruling class for ever-increasing private profits."

The General Election has now been held and the Tories have been routed. They have suffered their biggest defeat since 1906. Labour now has 419 seats in the new parliament against 165 for the Conservatives, and 46 for the Liberal-Democrats. But the victory has been gained at a price. In targeting "middle England" in their election campaign, the right-wing leadership of the Labour Party (now usually referred to as "New Labour") has discarded any ideas it may have professed in the past of achieving socialism or, as it was originally worded in the now defunct Clause 4 of the Labour Party Constitution, of "securing for the workers by hand or by brain, the full fruits of their industry".

Nevertheless, the outer defences of the capitalist system have been breached, forcing the ruling class to fall back upon previously prepared positions – to use an expression made familiar during the Second World War. Communists in Britain must now get to grips with the task of winning workers away from their support of right-wing social-democracy; for the restoration of their lost class-consciousness; and for the will to fight for a socialist system of society.

In an editorial in the 9th May issue of the New Worker, it was stated: "Labour's right-wing leaders want us to think that the result of the election was an endorsement of their class-collaborationist posture and the 'reforms' of the Labour Party." But this was not the case. As the Editor of the New Worker also wrote: "The Tories were beaten because the government was discredited and detested – the people voted for a change."

Not all Labour voters agreed with

the rightwards trend taken by the Labour Party in its efforts to capture 10 Downing Street, but they bit back their criticisms during the election in order "not to rock the boat". How long will it be before they again begin to express themselves? The Annual Conference of the Amalgamated Electrical and Engineering Union, meeting only a day or two after the General Election, has already sent a powerful message to new Prime Minister, Tony Blair, by instructing its union leadership to do everything possible to maintain its links with the Labour Party. One delegate went so far as to remind the conference that it was the trade union movement that created the Labour Party.

"We know full well", the *New Worker* editorial continued: "that Blair and his clique want to play along with the major thrust of ruling class policy: that they want Britain fully integrated into the European Union; that they do not want re-nationalization, that they do want to retain anti-union laws; to protect the wealthy from tax rises; and to cut social spending."

Tony Blair has already appointed his Cabinet. No surprises there. But the appointment of Sir David Simon, Chairman of British Petroleum, to become his Minister for Trade and Competitiveness in Europe, with a seat on key cabinet committees including Trade and Industry and the Treasury, may cause a few raised eyebrows. According to an article in the Guardian on the 8th May: "Sir David has turned round BP from the depths of financial crisis, notched up numerous appointments on company boards across Europe, and is an adviser to the President of European Commission and to the Prince of Wales." When Sir David took over at British Petroleum in 1992, ousting Sir Robert Horton as Chairman, he instituted a recovery programme that cost 60,000 jobs.

New Labour will, of course, attempt to carry out its election pledges, such as they were, including reducing class sizes in education and bringing down Value Added Tax on domestic fuel from 8 percent to 5 percent, but as the *New Worker* editorial pointed out: "These are only minimal improvements – tiny crumbs for the working class." No promises were made concerning the lot of the ten million pensioners, among the lowest paid in Europe, that the new government will ignore at its peril.

Nevertheless, the Labour victory has raised the morale of working people throughout the country and given them expectations of a better standard of living. How far these expectations can be realized, however, will depend on the pressure that can be built up outside parliament. The fact that there are now some 120 women Members of Parliament, of whom 101 will sit on the Labour benches, gives hope of support from within the House of Commons for pressure in the interest of women's causes from outside. And the election of two Sinn Fein Members of Parliament, though they will not take their seats, has to be seen as a vote for peace in Northern Ireland.

Ken Biggs Postmark praha



COMMUNISTS HOLD RALLY

Postmark Praha reports that amidst the ever worsening economic situation in the Czech Republic, the Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia held its first open air rally since 1989 in the town of Kladno. It was attended by some 2,000 residents of this steel town located some 30 kilometres west of Prague. The rally was called to protest increasing rents and mass redundancies at the local Podli steel plant. Addressing the rally were Miroslav Grebenicek, leader of the Communist Party, and Vojtech Filip, its local MP, as well as the leader of the pensioners' party (DZS) and the vice chair of the 60,000 strong Tenants Defence Association.

The vice chairman is a former employee of the Podli steel works of some 20 years - now unemployed. She told the gathering that her prospects of employment were grim to say the least. In a short moving speech, she described how she was told that she was too old when seeking employment. She remarked on the fact that there were virtually no other employment opportunities in the area where alternate employment could be sought. The speech was punctuated by calls for the resignation of the present government and its policies of de-industrialization.

The Communist Union of Youth carried a banner entitled "Stop the liquidation of industry". Conspicuous by their absence were the Podli trade union leadership and the local Social Democrats. The Communist daily Halo Noviny reported that both had decided to boycott the event.

For his part, Grebenicek called for the resignation of the government and its replacement by a government of fair and honest independent experts. The Communist leaders' remarks drew stormy applause from the gathering, reports Postmark Praha.

Many residents of this steel town joined teachers and other school workers in a giant demonstration in

the capital city Prague, estimated by some to number as much as 130,000 people. The teachers were protesting the planned dismissal of some 10,000 teachers, school closing and planned increase in teachers' class contact hours. The demonstrators among other things were protesting the unkept promises of the 1989 Velvet Revolution.

The pharmaceutical supply companies have cut off supplies to the largest hospital in the republic, the General Faculty in Prague and 29 other hospitals. Patients' relatives were asked to procure prescribed medication from external sources and supply same to their hospitalized loved ones. Postmark Praha reports that health minister Jan Strasky, a champion of privatization, paid grovelling tribute to the state-owned drug company Zdravotnicke Zasobovani for its reliable and efficient supply of drugs and medicine.

With the health services in shambles, growing unemployment and ever increasing redundancies not to mention the government's financial difficulties, the promises of the Velvet Revolution appear to be nothing more than so much wishful thinking. It is becoming abundantly clear that capitalism cannot provide the standard of living and the quality of life enjoyed under socialism. The attempts of the bourgeois media to tell us that all is well in the former Socialist countries of Eastern Europe is becoming more ludicrous everyday.

SOCIETY FOR CO-OPERATION IN RUSSIAN AND SOVIET STUDIES

Compiled by George Hess

London, England

Our readers will be interested to read about what the Society is doing in England, since for many years, the Canada-USSR Association and their

society had friendly cooperation in work for friendship with Soviet Union.

"On May 9th of this year in the grounds of the Imperial Museum, there will be an official launch of a Russia-British joint project: 'A memorial to Soviet Losses in World War II.'

It was through the idea and decision of the Society for Cultural Relations with the USSR that this project was conceived and now will stand proudly for all people to see, giving honour to the millions of Soviets that perished defending the people against the scourge of fascism.

This joint sponsorship of the Society for Co-operation in Russian and Soviet Studies and the Embassy of the Russian Federation in London, also helped by British Parliament agreement, has brought this project to fruition."

On behalf of the Council of Canadian Friends of Soviet People and the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass journal, we offer congratulations to our sister British organization on a job well done and much needed.

From: COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHILE (Proletarian Action)

Dear Comrades:

We request that you send us some videos which might be of use for our revolutionary work, as well as any communist publication – if they are in Spanish, so much the better, but just as well in other languages.

We would appreciate as well if you could send us posters (or stickers), badges and any other items.

- Communist greetings

PUBLIC DECLARATION

In support of the historic and heroic struggle of the coal miners, we are advancing in the construction of a

new and better trade union movement.

- In the first place, we salute the coal miners and their proletarian families who have served and are serving today as such examples of worker and popular dignity and combativity; to them, we send our militant and revolutionary solidarity.
- We applaud the combativity, firmness and combative resolution demonstrated on May 5 on confronting and striking back against the bullying police repression ordered by the neo-liberal government of "collaboration". The valiant attitude of these comrades of Lota are an example for future mobilizations of the workers and people. At the same time, they show in a very bad light the conciliators and contrivers who traffic within the same C.U.T. [a trade union organization] with the trade union aspirations and struggles.
- In support of the just and totally necessary economic demands, one cannot forget that the closing of the coal mines and the lay-off of the miners is taking place in the framework of the global politics of the capitalist state existing in Chile which is a puppet of imperialism. Therefore, the present struggle and all popular and worker movements must be anti-capitalist and a step towards the democratic, popular and socialist revolution.
- The experience, the skills and the setbacks in the social struggle of the coal miners are first of all their own, and they must evaluate them, but they belong as well to the whole revolutionary and trade union movement of Chile and international as well; therefore, we call on everyone to study, synthesize and spread them so that they may serve in the development of new worker and popular struggles.

Long Live the Coal Miners!

The Workers Do Not Surrender, But Struggle To Win!

 Political Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Communist Party (Proletarian Action) PC[AP]

We send our greetings and our support to the heroic Chilean workers and the present struggles of the coal miners!

From: AUSTRIA

Dear Friends:

I'm very happy to be in Europe as NSC wandering journalist at this time. Communism and indeed most of left thinking people are realizing the importance of French and English gains by socialists. Greed of the financial and industrial complexes just received a kick in the computermouse's balls. The scramble to re-program and re-define contents of the Maastrich Treaty, austerity programs to benefit the rich, thinktank criterion for longer hours, part-time uses, and needs for high unemployment have received jabs from the business-ends unmechanized pitch-forks. Damage control departments have been up all night trying to explain the losses by central-right, middle centralextreme right, and extreme right politics. The best they have come up with is, "This was the biggest blunder by the right and there will have to be a re-orientation of European political construction". This is amazing news. Especially to bankers, bond-markets, stock holders and gold bullion price manipulators, and believers that policies of humanitarian Republicans deserve to rule international trade and commerce, with financial austerity.

It takes very little research into the writings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin to show that Capitalism's methods, always against working classes, would destroy political control for themselves, because workers can be pushed only so far,

and no farther when they want to work and feed their families. The reversal of a damage control foundation slogan where "The Rich have a right (?) to get Richer, and the Poor have a need to be Poorer", is now in place here in Europe.

In France, communists with 38 seats and possibly one more will be able to assist left policies benefiting the working class. Creating needed jobs will have to follow uses of financial government policies which are more closely associated with Leninist science of economics, than with anything from right-wing governments, and much from new left ideological, even theological beliefs.

Communists in the former Soviet Union have been awakened by the socialist trends here in Europe. The telephone lines have heated up between Gasprom, and Washington to such an extent that operators and owners are calling for anti-Hari-Kari rates be adjusted to prevent financial blood-letting. Debates are predictable concerning European policies and foreign policies and a new breed of Elastic-Potentates, specializing in Socialists' Flexibility with regard to the European Union, and Euro-dollar will hit this area in a "Blitzkrieg Mode".

Will write again from Italy in a few days.

Regards,Jerry Morse

FRIENDSHIP NEWS

To: WORLD PEACE COUNCIL Paris, France

Dear Friends:

Following consultations re: WPC meeting in Greece, I regret to inform you we shall not be able to participate. Our first knowledge of the meeting was only last week as a result of your telephone call to me. However, I must further advise you, with the deepest regret, that our successful efforts to participate in the October, 1996 Mexico City WPC Assembly have not been followed by further successes in further activity and at the present, we do not foresee immediate possibilities of activity by the Ad Hoc, Preparatory Committee. Despite this, we would deeply appreciate receiving materials you consider relevant and for circulation among continuing friends and supporters of the WPC. We could reimburse you for same.

This decision is, of course, made with profound regret because we are keenly conscious of deepening dangers to Peace, together with the intensified necessity of heightened activity in the intertwined social, economic, cultural and political problems that arise at this time and which, both in Canada and elsewhere, are intensifying. Our concerns have been increasingly sharpened by the advance eastward in Europe of the NATO military alliance. Our immediate concern includes particularly the action of the Canadian government in committing our country and people to this development. As elsewhere, the economic costs of many billions of dollars to our people and economy comes precisely during the wholesale cuts and assaults on health, education, old age and youth programs that we have won over the many years. We fully understand we are not unique or alone in this and fully realize it is happening under the generally described programs of "privatization", "globalization", "downsizing" that benefits the few at the expense of the many, on a world-wide scale.

The new "Drang Nach Osten" (drive to the east) by NATO powers is

a STRATEGIC military preparation just as it was a half century ago under the Hitlerite Nazis. Stripped of the demamogic hyperbole and wildly exaggerated smokescreens about "freedom and democracy", the aims and purposes are also strikingly similar in intent. This could not be more strikingly underlined than by an article appearing in the Friday, May 9th edition of the New York Times headlined "Russia's Oil Grab". Written by the former Secretary of Defence of the U.S. Government Caspar W. Weinberger and his associated author Peter Schweizer, the article states flatly that "Our (i.e., U.S.) long term security interests are at stake." They state that the Russian Government's actions to maintain effective control of the oil fields of Azerbaijan and Armenia and the transportation and flow of the production, if successful, would be a "strategic victory" and would prove "more significant than the West's success in enlarging NATO ..." It will be recalled that the Hitlerite drive to capture these same oil fields for his hideous war also provided a significant "strategic defeat" for Nazi war aims. This article in the front running editorial pages of U.S. Imperialism (by the co-authors of a book they produced while Weinberger held office in the Reagan administration, titled "The Next War") cannot be ignored or treated lightly. At stake in the oil fields are some 200 billion barrels with more to come in the area and rivalling the Middle East Reserves. The authors also reveal that Armenia has received more U.S. aid per capita than any other country with the sole exception of Israel. But Russia, they say, is seeking to intimidate Azerbaijan by extending military assistance at unprecedented levels to Armenia. While these are my personal views, it appears the war potential described above is very

great. It is a potential war situation that demands to be addressed.

May we extend to your meeting the warmest greetings and wishes for success.

Ray Stevenson
 Co-ordinator for Canada

Ray Stevenson was former Editor of NSC.

GUEST EDITORIAL

MULTI-LATERAL AGREEMENT ON INVESTMENT (MAI)

By: George Hess

The May issue of "People's Voice" (voice of the Canadian Communist Party) contains an article by Emil Bjarnason in which he quotes a release made by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives. The release states that led by the U.S.A., the countries that comprise the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) are secretly negotiating a global investment treaty. Canada, the release states, is actively supporting this initiative.

This agreement will establish a whole new set of rules for global investment. The rights of citizens and the powers of government will be largely superseded by those of the TNC's (transnational corporations). It will grant the TNC's the right and freedom to buy, sell and move their operations at their behest anywhere in the world without any government intervention or control. The article further states that the corporations will have no obligations regarding jobs, workers, consumers, or the environment.

The article goes on to say that even if a national government imposes performance requirements on domestic companies, these cannot be applied to foreign-based corporations. Foreign based corporations will have the right to sue local governments or states. This document will encompass a binding investor-state dispute settlement mechanism. Governments however will not be granted reciprocal rights to sue the TNC's for damages on behalf of their people.

Investors will be compensated for any expropriation of their investments. Therefore, nonconforming tax measures on corporations may be designated as creeping expropriation for which compensation could be demanded. If any future government wanted to take public ownership and control over a sector of the economy that had been previously privatized, it would be forbidden from doing so. They would also be prevented from reintroducing regulations that had been scrapped previously.

No government would be allowed to impose measures that would impair the operation, management, maintenance, use, enjoyment, or disposal of investments on its territory by foreign based corporations. This draft also would prevent governments from targeting corporations for operations which violate labour, environmental and human rights in other countries. It governments will give justifications they need to sell their capitulation to transnationals to their electorate by claiming that they must comply with international commitments.

In short, if these measures are adopted even in a watered down version of what the above statement describes, it will mean the end of national governments as we know them and the enslavement on a global scale of all the working class of the world by a global bourgeoisie. \square

SPECIAL FOR NORTHSTAR COMPASS

From Newspaper:
"HAMMER AND SICKLE"
Krasnodarsk, Russia

MARSHALZHUKOV

1996 was the 100th Anniversary of the birth of one of the most dedicated, respected and well known military leader in all of the world.



.K. Zhukov

In 1995, on the 50th Anniversary of the Great Patriotic War, there were monuments unveiled to Marshal Zhukov in Moscow, Leningrad, Omsk and other cities. On the Kaluz territory where Zhukov was born, a museum dedicated to his exploits was opened. All this is correct and should have been done as soon as Zhukov passed away.

But the official propaganda, fanned by the anti-Soviet and picked up by the present regime, was to the effect that Zhukov was "good" in the struggle against "bad" Stalin. The bourgeois writers, politicians have heaped such lies and nonsense as to the relations between Stalin and Zhukov that now it is hard for any scholar to know facts from fiction. This propaganda had its peak during the 50th Anniversary of the end of the Great Patriotic War. This was meant to heap abuse against the Commander-In-Chief Stalin who was the head of the General Headquarters and Commandant of iall that transpired during that

terrible war which cost the Soviet people close to 27 million deaths.

The most vicious and historically incorrect lie is that Stalin always distrusted Zhukov, was jealous of him and thus banished him to the Ural Region where he was the commandant of Sverdlovsk district. The facts are different than the propaganda would have us believe now.

Zhukov got this important command because there was no one better suited, more knowledgeable, more dedicated than Marshal Zhukov. What was the reason for Zhukov to be sent to the interior of USSR? We are speaking the early 1950's when the Soviet Union was forced into the Arms Race for its life. In this arms race, the main emphasis was on atomic armaments, rockets and other weapons. The most concentrated research conducted in the Ural region. These experiments, research, development and all other facets of this highly specialized industry had to have someone in charge who was an organizer, knowledgeable, had command authority and respect, plus the uncanny ability to get impossible things made possible! This industrial development had to be hidden from the prying eyes of USA spy planes and satellites. Is it not self evident that Captain Powers of USA U-2 spy plane was shot down exactly over the region where Soviets were developing their counter-measures?

Atomic armaments was a revolutionary concept in military warfare and strategy. Who better than Marshal Zhukov, the innovator, conceptualist and an authority whom everyone listened to! Zhukov set up the first training academies for atomic armaments to train future defense staff, since USSR had to catch up and maintain this parity with world imperialism!

The first atomic testing took place on Tomsk testing grounds on September 14, 1954 ("New World", 1994, No. 3, page 217).

It seems that this time frame and significance still await study and historical analysis, since it was to Stalin and Zhukov that the Soviet people owe thanks against stopping the atomic blackmail by USA and other imperialist powers.

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RESULT OF "INDEPENDENT UKRAINE"

From Newspaper: "TOVARISH", Kiev

Common sight in Ukraine now. This woman has a sign pinned on her coat which reads:



"I'm an invalid. Pension is only 33 grivni. I am starving. Please help me." Photo taken in Kherson.

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MANCHURIA 1945 (30 min. \$15.00) Film shows actual footage of the fight against militarist Japan and their defeat by the Red Army, plus the liberation of Manchuria.

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The 1979 events in Afghanistan are shown and explained in detail. See the truth of what really happened!

VOICES FROM RUSSIA (48 min. \$20.00) An excellent video showing now the massive workers' marches of protest against the present regime of Russia on May Day and November 7th, plus interviews with Victor Annilov of "Workers

SECRET LIVES OF TRAITOR KING (60 min. \$22.00)
King Edward VIII of England is shown before the Second World War and during, as the actual traitor in British monarchy, fully in contact and cooperating with Hitler. Actual BBC documentary footage. Historical gem, and BBC called the King a spy!

CUBA AGAINST THE ODDS (30 min. \$15.00) An anti-blockade film shows the world rallying to help Cuba, plus historical footage of Fidel Castro coming to power. Film shows present day life & the life of mafiosi during Batista reign, interview with Castro. Inspiring!

STRATEGY OF ACCELERATION (80 min. \$20,00)
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The siege of Leningrad will go down into history as the greatest struggle for survival of humanity; the courage, the tragedy and heroism of Soviet people.

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KARL MARX (50 min. \$20.00)
Well done documentary that depicts life, work and the historical influence of Marxism on the world.

ANTON CHEKHOV (30 min. \$15.00) An excellent biographical sketch of this very important great Russian literary genius.

YOUTH FESTIVAL OF WFDY 1968 BULGARIA (30 min. \$15.00) The most spectacular youth cultural and sports event to be seen, when young people from over 125 countries gathered in Sofia.

CONQUERORS OF THE UNIVERSE (50 min. \$20.00) The history of the development of the Soviet space program and technology.

V.I. LENIN (30 min. \$15.00) Historical footage of V.I. Lenin during pre-revolutionary and post-revolutionary days in Russia. This film is a classic.

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FIDEL RETURNS TO HARLEM (160 min. \$22.00) Fidel Castro on his visit to United Nations Organization, stops to give a talk in Harlem, New York to an overflow audience who gathered at the Abyssinian Baptist Church. This is an indepth insight into the heroic and diplomatic Fidel Castro.

RUSSIA SECRETS (160 min. \$25.00) This award-winning video is based on actual footage done by cameramen, plus secret cameras that filmed the carnage of cannon and tank fire against the Supreme Soviet building (White House) and thousands of deaths in 1993. Film is in Russian only, but the graphics and story is so compelling that language is not a barrier. It is chilling, gruesome and this film will be used when the present traitors are brought to justice.