

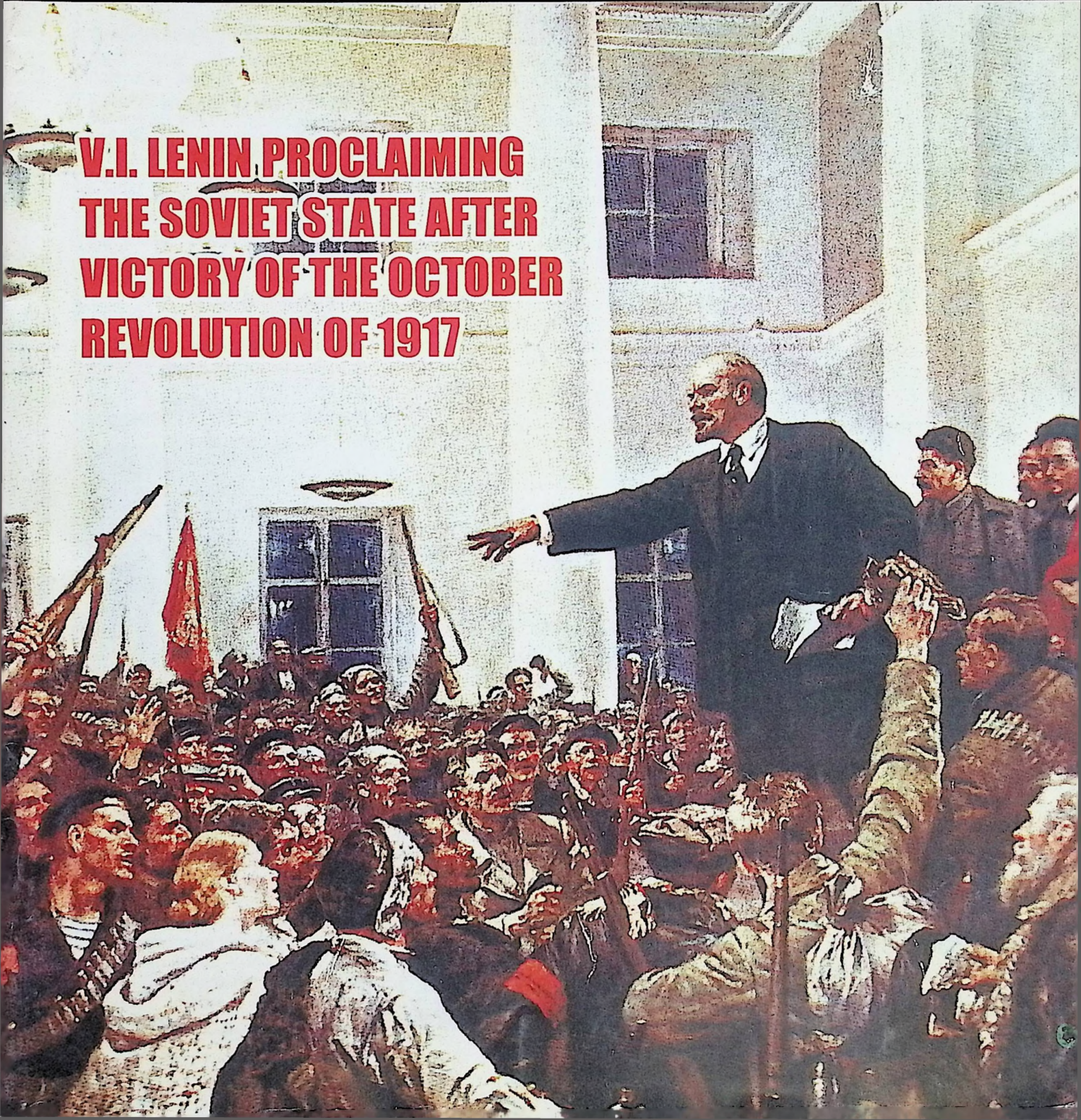
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# EDITORIAL

## THE TASKS AHEAD AFTER A VERY SUCCESSFUL THIRD WORLD CONGRESS

Dear comrades and friends:

The Third World Congress in Toronto, Canada ended on a very clear note of optimism and dedication to promote even more energetically the Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet people in their ongoing struggles for a rebirth of the Soviet Union and of Socialism!

Despite the refusal of Canada in granting visas to some delegates that wanted to attend the Congress, and despite the problem of finances for many delegates from Europe, Asia and South America who wanted to attend, their greetings that they sent conveyed their dedication and support to all the many delegates that participated in this important Third World Congress.



Viktor Bourenkov, Chairman of Soviet Friendship Society, Editor of Russian Edition of NSC

After hearing the reports of the Soviet delegation and of the delegates from many other countries, plus the discussions that took place over the 3 days, the Congress delegates adopted many resolutions and proposals that will guide the future work of the new Executive Committee and the new Editorial Board of Northstar Compass.



One of the most important tasks ahead now is to organize a Friendship Society with the Soviet People in countries where Northstar Compass is read in order to show our support for their daily ongoing struggles against the present regimes, that are nothing more than vehicles in the hands of US Imperialism..

There was an adoption of a resolution calling for UNITY OF ACTION of all the Communist and Workers Parties that exist now in former USSR against the common enemy!

Every delegate supported the call for unifying of all the progressive forces of the world, by establishing the Communist International, to struggle against US Imperialism – the enemy of all mankind!

There was a proposal that the Fourth World Congress should take place in 2014 in Moscow – or if that is not possible – in Santiago, Chile.

**Let all of us fulfill the decisions made by the Third World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People!**

Michael Lucas – Editor of NSC  
Chairman of the International Council



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## NEWS FROM FORMER USSR

### ANTICOMMUNISM WON'T PASS

STATEMENT OF COMMUNIST  
AND WORKERS' PARTIES  
IN FORMER USSR

On the post-Soviet area the anti-communist hysteria on the anniversary of the Soviet power execution in Moscow in 1993, the court in Kazakhstan has suspended the activity of Kazakhstan Communist Party.

A ridiculous pretext has been found by the ruling regime to actually ban the Communist Party of Kazakhstan. It was the participation of the 1<sup>st</sup> Secretary of the CC – Gaziz Aldamjarov in a meeting of an unregistered non-governmental union of citizens. Before then, a large number of citizens were subjected to police persecution. One of the leaders of the CPK regional party organization, Nutijash Abdrimova was sentenced to a heavy fine only because she dared to address the workers of the "KasMunaiGas" company who went on strike.

This is yet another act of the outrageous tyranny on the part –of the monarchist regime of Mr. Nazarbaev, who cannot tolerate the only possible force in the country, which courageously struggles against mass dismissals and impoverishment of the working people who struggle for friendship amongst nations.

The Government of Georgia upon the order of Mr. Saakashvili, adopted a Law on persecution which states that all of the former CPSU and the Young Communist League members, as well as former employees of the Soviet Union Institutions are banned to occupy any state positions or to teach at schools and universities.

We express our solidarity with the Communist Party of Kazakhstan and the United Communist Party of Georgia.

GET A NEW READER FOR NSC

### UKRAINE EXPORTS PEOPLE

Irina Malenko

Over 6.5 Million Ukrainian people have immigrated from the country in the last while due to the present hard economic situation under the present government there....this is more than 14% of the total population of Ukraine. 67% of these immigrants are men and 33% are women.

The greatest majority of these immigrants are from the Carpathian Region and from the Chernovitski region of Ukraine.

OH YES! CAPITALISM WORKS!

### POLAND CRITICIZED BY BELARUS OVER POLISH MINORITY INTERFERENCE

From BeITA

The Belarus Foreign Ministry spokesman criticized the politicization by Poland of the Polish minority living in Belarus. The Statement issued in Minsk by the Foreign Ministry said: " We cannot ignore the attempts by the Polish authorities to politicize the relations with the Polish national minority in Belarus, providing them with funds for interference with the domestic policies of Belarus, plus issuing irresponsible statements by the Polish top officials in regards to Belarus. These provocative actions could cause problems in our bilateral relations" - the Belarus official added.

### EPIDEMIC OF SUICIDES IN RUSSIA AND LITHUANIA IS GROWING RAPIDLY

From Interfax

In 20 years since the collapse of the USSR, there were over 800.000 suicides registered. Russia now is in second place in the growth of suicides; while Lithuania is in first place. The average age of those committing suicide is: men –age 45- while women -age 52.

The main causes are the growing economic hardships, lack of employment, medical care and seeing heir future as bleak – these are some of the findings by doctors and psychologists.

### APPEAL TO SHOW SOLIDARITY WITH WORKERS IN GEORGIA AND KAZAKHSTAN

By Eric Lee

It has been twenty years since the USSR is no more, but the world isn't aware of the struggles now or how the Trade Unions are being treated under capitalism in some of the former Soviet republics.

We are asking all to show support and protest against this situation in Georgia and Kazakhstan.

Workers at the Hercules Steel in Georgia – *Stalin's birthplace* – are facing the ongoing employer-government collaboration in **strike-breaking and union-busting**.

Unions charge that there is used forced labour and also the trafficking of Indian migrant workers.

Since Georgian government relies on the goodwill of the EU and USA, for this very reason there should be messages of protest to the Georgian Government that will have an effect.

Please take a moment to learn more and send off your message as soon as possible.

[http://www.labourstart.org/cgi-bin/solidarityforever/show\\_campaign.cgi?c=1101](http://www.labourstart.org/cgi-bin/solidarityforever/show_campaign.cgi?c=1101)

The workers in Kazakhstan have waged the **largest strike action in the whole of former Soviet Union since 1989**. They showed strength, commitment and discipline. Today they need your help. Read and send your message here:

[http://labourstart.org/cgi-bin/solidarityforever/show\\_campaign.cgi?c=1100](http://labourstart.org/cgi-bin/solidarityforever/show_campaign.cgi?c=1100)

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## PUTIN-MEDVEDEV PREMIER MUSICAL CHAIRS

By Eric Walberg

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev's nomination of Prime Minister Vladimir Putin as Russia's pretended to the throne and Putin's promise to keep his friend as Premier was hardly a surprise to the Russian people or to the rest of the world. Except to the few starry-eyed liberals, it was very clear, that the buck stopped not with Medvedev but Putin.

Medvedev's claims to fame have been cosmetic or at fiddling, starting with the faulty start button with US President Obama, proceeding with a series of giveaways – allowing US troops and materials to transit Russia into Afghanistan, leaving in place many US bases on the territory of Russia and former Republics-acceding to the US sponsored missile shield right on its very borders. And then ending with the a abstention in using Russia's veto power and thus allowing US imperialism to re-colonize Libya.

At this talk about domestic reforms and a NEW EUROPEAN FACE FOR RUSSIA was nothing more than hot air – because more and more was handed out to the internal private elite as well as into the hands of foreign corporations.

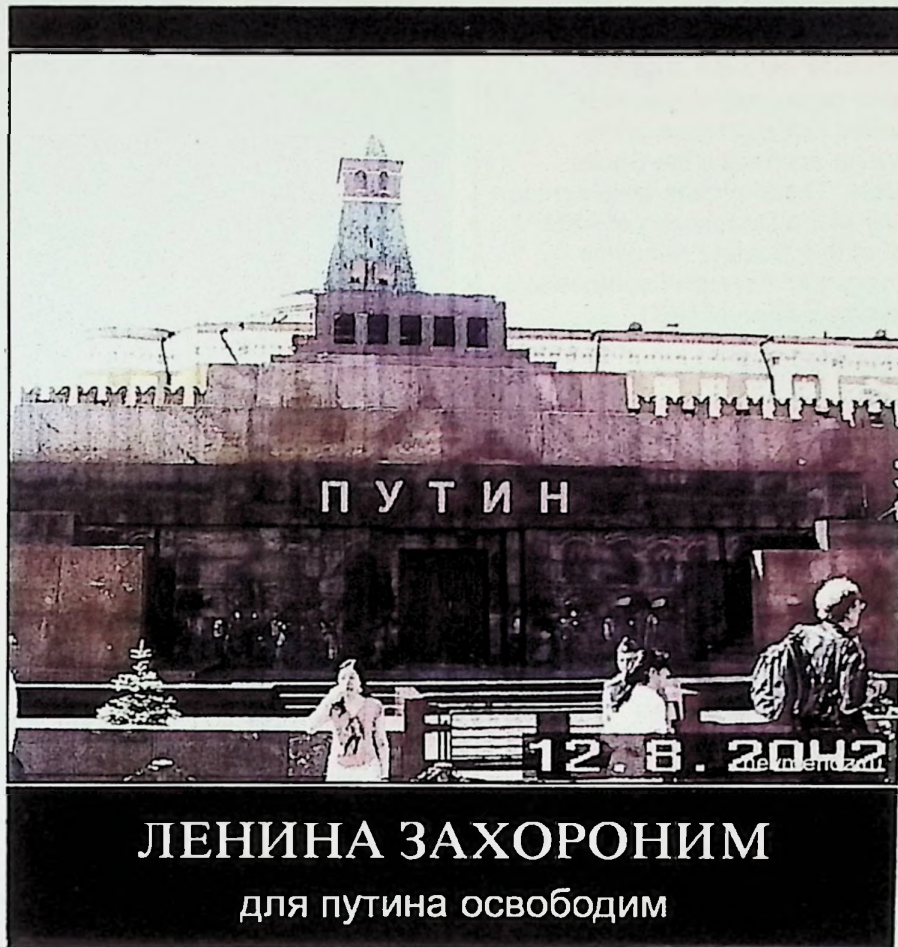
This push by Putin and his money-backers for President is being met with unease by the Russian people.

It is no wonder that more and more Russian people pine for the good old days of Soviet State Socialism. The Communists are regaining their respect as solutions to Russia's pressing domestic problems and its foreign challenges requires a genuine spirit of unity. Even Putin many times steals pages from the Communists program.

The later defection from this charade was confirmed by resignation of Finance Minister Alexei Kudrin who said publicly that he will not work together with Medvedev-Putin duo! He was then promptly fired by Medvedev. It is not likely that Medvedev will last as Prime Minister because there other forces together with Putin in the Kremlin.

## IS THIS THE PLAN OF MR. PUTIN AFTER HE BECOMES PRESIDENT?

WE SHALL REBURY LENIN AND MAKE ROOM FOR PUTIN



### GREETINGS TO THE THIRD WORLD CONGRESS - DONETSK, UKRAINE

Dear comrade delegates:

You are gathered at this Third World Congress in Canada in our common struggles against imperialism throughout the world. Please accept this comradely and friendly greetings from myself and many comrades from across Ukraine.

Down with Imperialism and wars!

Long live Communism and peace all over the world!

*Tamara Yakubovskaya, Donetsk, Ukraine – together with leaders of the All Ukraine Union of Soviet Officers of Donetsk Region*





**ONGOING STRUGGLES ARE GROWING AGAINST THE PRESENT REACTIONARY REGIMES ALL ACROSS FORMER SOVIET UNION!**

These photographs give NSC readers just a glimpse of the growing actions by the Soviet people. These photos were sent to us by Maria Donchenko of AKM and of the Soviet Friendship Society with Foreign Countries and Russian Edition of NSC.

- \* Picket-demonstration to support Libya
- \* Picket in support of the Palestinian independence
- \* Meeting of protest against the closing of plants and factories in Russia
- \* Action in support of the political prisoner and the workers movement
- \* A Social March was held in Moscow
- \* Meeting in Moscow on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the 1993 Rebellion
- \* Picket held in Arhangelsk
- \* Meeting on the 1977 Constitution Day in Moscow
- \* Meeting with the Ambassador of Syria in Moscow
- \* Meeting held in Kiev in defense of the Cuban Five







More and more demonstrations – more and more Soviet Flags are carried – and more and more pictures of Lenin and Stalin are seen on the streets of former USSR! *Time is coming soon!*







Ever-wider demonstrations are taking place all over former USSR







Young people are leading struggles





## THIRD WORLD CONGRESS REPORT

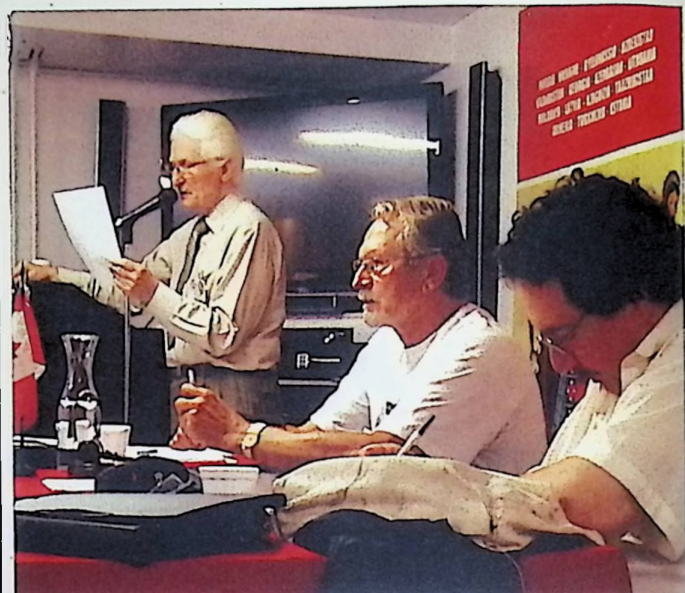
SEPTEMBER 9-10-11, 2011 – TORONTO,  
BY MICHAEL LUCAS,  
CHAIRMAN – EDITOR OF NORTHSTAR  
COMPASS.

Dear comrades and friends:

On behalf of the outgoing Executive Committee of the International Council and the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass, I would like to sincerely welcome all of you to this Friendship House in Toronto, which is the headquarters of our International Council as well as that of our very generous patron, the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians. Many sincere thanks to these comrades who always were and are devoted to Socialism, the USSR, and for the coming rebirth of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

The Second World Congress was held in Toronto in 2005 and there was the celebration of the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Northstar Compass Conference in 2006, plus the International Council Conference in 2008. But since 2005, we were not able to hold a Third World Congress until this year! There were reasons for this unfortunate delay, and although most of you are aware as to the reasons for these delays – please allow me to very quickly explain to comrades here who might not be aware of the actual reasons for the delay in holding this Third World Congress.

The International Council was very excited when the Russian Academy of Sciences agreed to host the Third World Congress in Moscow on November 6-7-8, 2007 under the direction of Professor Dzhohadze. As it turned out, the Presidium proposed by them was composed of 17 Professors and Academics and not ONE of the elected International Council or NSC members, **except myself** – always being called "Professor Lucas" by the Russian Academy of Sciences. I informed the International Council and NSC members, in order to ask them as to what should we do.



Michael Lucas, Chairman / Editor presenting a report with Frank Trampus Chair of Toronto CFSP and Dr. Angelo D'Angelo, Chair of the USFSP at the Congress Presidium

Over 92% replied to cancel the Congress, since this Congress would be controlled by revisionists in the Presidium, like Zyuganov and Dzhohadze and, not guided by the International Council or the NSC Editorial Board members! Of course I was vilified in the Russian press by Dzhohadze and others and was defended only by comrades of the Soviet Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries.

We were very fortunate that our comrades in Chile, headed by comrade Eduardo Artes Brichetti, Editor of Spanish NSC invited us to hold the Third World Congress in Chile in April of 2010. In February of 2010 there took place there a horrific Earthquake and devastation. After consulting with the International Council members, the majority decision was made that we cannot overburden our Chilean comrades with the preparations for this Congress and that is why it was cancelled.

With the help of comrade Frank Trampus and his Communist contacts in Serbia, we planned to hold the Congress in Belgrade of this 2011 year. After preparations were on their way and invitation letters were sent out all over our world contacts, we received news that the Serbian Government will not



allow any "foreign progressive conference" to take place in Serbia. On top of this refusal, the premises where the Congress was to take place and being rented by our host, the New Communist Party of Yugoslavia, was being taken over by the city authorities and the comrades have to vacate the premises.

***So dear comrades – welcome to the Third World Congress at this Friendship House In Toronto, Canada!***

The present dangerous world situation; the onward push by US-NATO for world domination and exploitation of all natural resources; the countless deaths and destruction in Iraq, Afghanistan, Libya and other countries – have produced demonstrations, unrest, uncertainty and an upsurge of activities in many countries of the world. This situation presents us with an opportunity for growth in our activities as well as a challenge, which we must discuss at this World Congress – where do we go from here – as a Friendship Society?

I'm certain that there will be many reports at this Congress that will touch upon this topic – because the future of our work will depend on our decisions to be made at this Congress. We must find a more active and effective approach to show our friendship with the Soviet people.

We must struggle more effectively against revisionism, which has somehow blunted our efforts

to constructively criticize those comrades who think that our job is to be only friends – not to criticize Putin or Medvedev – after all they are "Russian and were communist party members, and as friends since 1918, we should just be friends!" Sometimes it seems that we get more criticism from the so-called "left" than from the right.

Before outlining as to what we have achieved, what are our weaknesses are and what we must do in order to go forward – please let me state the following:

- (1) U.S. Imperialism has now achieved what Fascism was not able to achieve – the New World Order
- (2) USA – together with NATO has bypassed the United Nations Organization
- (3) U.S. is using other imperialist countries like Britain and France to help achieve its

goals

(4) U.S. unfortunately has most of the leadership of the ex-Soviet Union under its influence –

one example was Russia's refusal (together with China) to use its Veto Power in the UN, in

order to stop the ongoing bombing of Libya. By abstaining, Russia and China gave the go-

ahead signal to US-NATO bombing. Therefore Russia and China are just as guilty as is

US-NATO. No amount of constant Russian statements now that they are against the

bombing of Libya will ever erase their guilt.

The present leadership of Russia and China should have known – or did know – that US-

NATO viewed Gaddafi as a serious obstacle to the Imperialist strategies of "divide and rule"

They wanted to disrupt Gaddafi's plan to create a "United States of Africa" which had the

majority consensus amongst most leaders on the African continent. But the European Union

under guidance of US Imperialists wanted to set up only the Mediterranean Region (UPM)

with the aim of cutting off North African region from the rest of Africa...using the old racist

clichés of the 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> centuries – which claimed that Africans of Arab origin were more

evolved and civilized than the rest of the continent.

This failed because Gaddafi knew what was behind this imperialist scheme, when it

became known that only very few African countries were invited to join –and without the

African Union being informed. Gaddafi was setting an example for the rest of the African

Continent and so Gaddafi had to be stopped by all means by NATO and the EU – since the

Oil and the resources cannot belong to the people.

His removal is designed to remove all barriers to the unhindered mobility and



ambitions of US/European capital and install subservient leader in Libya.

(6) Thanks to the traitorous policy of the present leadership of Russia - NATO has surrounded all of Russia with bases - including bases inside some of the former Soviet

Yes, time is long overdue for **UNITY** amongst the many left-wing communist parties and movements, not only in Russia, but also in all of the former Soviet Republics! I sincerely hope that our Soviet delegates in their presentations to this Third World Congress, will try and explain the present situation and touch on some of the reasons as to why for 20 years since the dismemberment of the USSR, no agreement was reached in order to form a **UNITED FRONT** and collectively struggle against the common enemy!

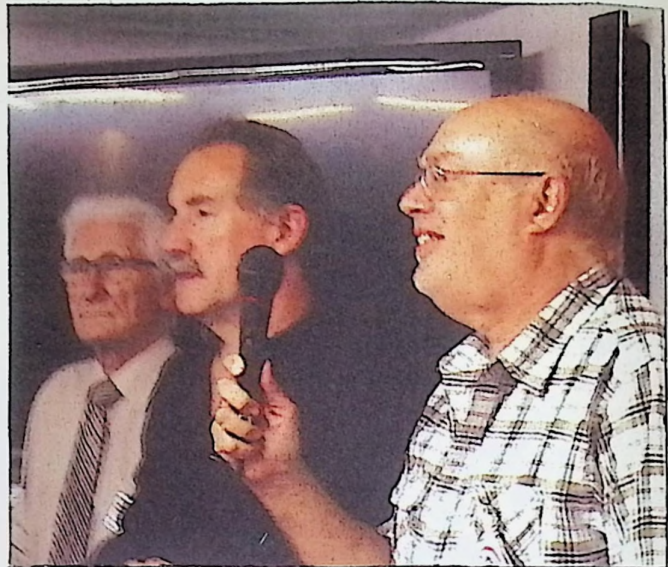
I informed the International Council members frequently with information relative to our work and garnered their suggestions where necessary to keep our work ongoing. As I mentioned before there were many conferences, meetings and events held in order to promote friendship, understanding and solidarity with the Soviet people.

All of these events were always published in Northstar Compass as well as leaflets were sent out besides monthly NSC whenever it was possible.

In this regard I must give credit where it is due. The Canadian Friends of the Soviet People - the Toronto Branch at this Friendship House deserve great credit in making sure that our Friendship with the Soviet People keeps on going. Let show our appreciation to the Toronto comrades.

There are some weak points in the work of the International Council that we must resolve in order to make more headway in the future.

\*There must be more interaction by members of the International Council with this central office. I know that all of you are involved in other important and crucial work in the progressive movements and in publications. Please understand that myself as Chairman and Editor and Helen Lucas as the Financial Secretary are doing unpaid volunteer work, and as senior citizens on pension, we have to be frugal in our living expenses.



George Gruenthal, Webmaster of NSC translating for Eduardo Artes Brichetti, Head of the Communist Party of Chile PC/AP

I am bringing this point up comrades for the first time, only because there are some so-called "friends" who are trying to besmirch us of stealing finances from the International Council and Northstar Compass...this is a political attempt to cast a shadow upon our work. There is a Chartered Accountant doing our financial books.

For those who are not aware of why we have such a wonderful Friendship House to meet in and also have an office on the premises, plus the generous support of the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians towards us and NSC in particular - please understand that Helen Lucas and myself are unpaid Directors of the Society - and to be blunt - janitors also! Because this Friendship House was built in 1860. and the Carps bought it in 1946, the building needs major repairs. The Carps have to spend large sum of money in order to get the outside façade repaired and reconditioned - or the City of Toronto might take action against the Carpatho-Russian Society.

These Carpatho-Russian expenses will affect the publication costs of Northstar Compass, since the constant financial help will have to be curtailed for some time. This urgent question will be discussed in full when it comes up on the Third World Congress Agenda.

Dear comrades - we certainly will overcome this problem, if we all dedicate ourselves to making certain that Northstar Compass keeps on being published.



Dear comrades:

Northstar Compass is now published in an English, French, Russian and Spanish Editions and growing in popularity, effectiveness and NSC has also web page editions. With the Internet growing in effectiveness, there are suggestions to eliminate the printed version of NSC and in this way save on the printing and mailing costs. We should all discuss this question that is on our Third World Congress Agenda.

Because of the preset political situation in Russia, the Russian Edition is not coming out on a regular basis. There are many reasons for this problem and I hope that the Soviet delegation will be able to throw further light as to the reasons why.

If you will permit me, I would like to make some remarks as to how I feel as an Editor about NSC not being given any recognition or publicity in the progressive press that some members of the Editorial Board and Executive Committee of the Council represent in their countries. The exception is the newspaper Workers Weekly in Nepal - Dialogue Newspaper in the Czech Republic - For USSR newspaper in Moscow.

If we are really sincere that NSC should publish different articles from as many countries as possible, articles written now and then by Executive members should be a MUST - we cannot just have NSC rely on the Internet or publications that come 3-4 weeks late. Each newly elected Council and NSC executive member should promise to do this as his or her duty!

### SUGGESTIONS RECEIVED FOR IMPROVING OUR WORK AND NSC

\* NSC should concentrate and report on all movements in former USSR

\* Our readers are interested in other struggle in countries, but this should not exceed 25% of

NSC contents

\* NSC is not a judge of the purity of Marxism-Leninism and we should not question China

\* The International Council must be situated in Europe, but NSC must be published in Canada

\* NSC should not criticize Putin or Medvedev - they are Russians

\* NSC should regularly publish articles such as - expose of revisionism in former USSR; the combination of internal and external

forces joining to dismember the Soviet Union;

relevance of Marxism-Leninism and the immense role that Stalin played

\* NSC must support with articles all anti-imperialist movements all over the world, this is the

noble task of NSC

\* The Russian, Spanish and French editions should have the fighting spirit of the English edition

and not become just an academic publication

\* NSC with the help of the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians - not only was being

published every month for 20 years, it had also written, edited, published and distributed all

over the world the following publications: Geography and History of Ukraine - Secret Documents - Next to Stalin - My Calvary book of Poetry - From the Carpathian Mountains to

Canada and the 600-page history book, Journey for Friendship Between Northern Neighbors.

Some of these books were also published in Russian, Slovak, Italian and Spanish

Most of you comrades I hope received the book "Journey for Friendship Between Northern Neighbors" in which I tried to present the struggles since 1918 when the "Hands Off Russia Committee was formed in Canada in 1918. The documents included in this historical account were the only ones that we managed to save after our Friendship House was set on fire by reactionary elements.

Not being a professional historical author I did what had to be done in order for those facts to be recorded for the archives and libraries in many countries of the world. I must tell you comrades that CSIS (Canadian Secret Intelligence Service) in Ottawa demanded that we send them 6 copies of the book! At least we have them reading this book - besides this, we have to always send 2 copies of NSC to Ottawa each month.

Dear comrades:

Here are three points that we should be aware of, discuss them and try to



**solve them to the best of our abilities,**

(1) A resolution was proposed and accepted by all the delegates at that First World Congress held 2001 -that when the delegates return back to their own country and to their organization - party or movement – that they undertake to establish a Friendship Society with the Soviet People and in this way help to build solidarity with them in their struggles against the counterrevolution. Before the revisionists took over, in practically every country there were actively functioning Friendship Societies with the USSR.

So far there are Friendship Society with the Soviet People functioning in Canada, USA, Australia and Nepal – that use the name SOVIET! Although there are other organizations and movements that are promoting friendship – they do not use the name "Soviet", and since there is no longer the USSR, they just want to use the name "Russia".

Unfortunately even in former USSR, most communist parties use only "Russia" in their

name! Why? That is why it's so heartwarming to have two Officers from the Union of

Soviet Officers as our guests. Please stand up so that we can show you comrades our comradely appreciation.

We must again discuss and adopt a Resolution on setting up Friendship Societies with the Soviet People - as a start – in countries where the delegates came from to this Third World Congress. The Resolution Committee that was elected should make certain that this is one of the Resolutions that they will present.

(2) I hope that our Soviet delegates will touch upon the following important question.

The Soviet Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries was organized after the decision was made at the First World Congress and this Society would undertake to publish the Russian Edition of NSC.

Although the Society is meeting and trying to expand, the weakness is that the other former Soviet Republics comrades are not involved in the friendship work or in the publication help for the Russian Edition of NSC.

Dear Soviet comrades – we understand the political and economic hardships, the



Top: Ray Berbling, Chair of the AFSP making a report to the Congress. Bottom: Kosta Parousis of the CFSP-Toronto Branch proposing a toast



different political trends and the lack of some communist parties or movements that you belong to – to appreciate, to understand the work that NSC and the International Council is trying to do in order to help the Soviet Union be reborn! NSC gets requests from Ukraine, Belarus, Kazakhstan and even Brazil for the Russian Edition of NSC.

I do hope that at this Congress we will try to resolve this question!

(3) Why was the name Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians added to the masthead of

Northstar Compass as also the Organ of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People?

This was done in order to show that the "CARPS " are donating these finances to NSC in order to promote friendship and understanding as per the Constitution of the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians.

(4) Our Soviet comrades and other delegates should give their opinions on this extremely pertinent question that also affects the work of the International Council, NSC and all anti-imperialist movements in the world, who are struggling for peace, against Imperialism and the creeping of fascism....



Why is it that after 20 years of the counterrevolution in the USSR and with countless "Communist Parties" that sprung up like mushrooms after a heavy rain – there is still no **UNITY** or **UNITED ACTION** against the present regimes in former USSR? Are any attempts being made for unity? Are there any definitive statements or analyses made by the leaders of these parties, movements made as to the cause of this **DISUNITY**?

Yes comrades, we, and myself in particular have been criticized for daring to venture into this question that only Marxists can solve! We as friends of Soviet people, of Socialism and of Stalin since 1918 - according to some of these so-called "Marxist Leaders" are not worthy to even bring this question up!

Hoping that the discussion on this question will be very fruitful and Marxist-Leninist in content.

Dear friends:

In your delegate materials you will find - \* Agenda \* Third Congress Report \* List of delegates \* Proposed Resolutions Committee \* Proposed Nominations Committee \* Proposed International Council Executive \* Proposed Editorial Board of Northstar Compass plus some of delegate's presentations.

Dear comrades:

In conclusion I would like to make the following observations and proposals in order for us to move forward in our work for the rebirth of the USSR and of Socialism.

\* The new elected International Council should be located in Europe for logistical, practical reasons and for more effective and close consultations – with a newly elected Chairman.

\* Northstar Compass – looking at the present situation of personnel, should be located either in the USA or in Canada.

\* The Fourth World Congress, in order to be more effective and uplifting in spirit and results, must be held in former Soviet Union in 2013 or 2014.

Dear friends:

This is hard for me to read – even though I agonized in writing this - as some of you know, I had a serious physical stroke to my right side –



General Alexei Fomin of the Union of Soviet Officers from Moscow reporting on their ongoing struggles in Russia against the present regime

this is the second stroke I had – and as you can see I have managed to overcome it with no serious consequences. Being 85 years young - I would ask all of you to try and elect a new Editor of Northstar Compass if it is at all possible!

The present danger in the world is due to the fact that there is no longer the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to stand up to the dangerous schemes of US-NATO Imperialism and its worldwide expansion, bordering on fascism with its New World Order. The actions of Russia and China by their refusal to use their **UN VETO POWER** - in fact allowed the US-UN barbaric bombing of Libya! Humanity will never forget or forgive this traitorous act!

***This world needs a rebirth of the USSR and Socialism!***

***Mankind cannot allow US-sponsored fascism to arise and dominate mankind – no matter under what "democratic" label it promotes itself!***

***Our duty at this Third World Congress is to rededicate ourselves to help the Soviet People in their struggles for the rebirth of the Soviet Union!***

***BACK TO THE FUTURE! BACK TO THE USSR!***



# SOVIET FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY IN ACTION: THE APPLICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY TO THE STRUGGLE FOR SOCIALISM IN THE TERRITORY OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

VIKTOR BOURENKOV, CHAIRMAN

## Introduction

The Soviet Friendship Society for Friendship with the Peoples in Foreign countries was established in March 2003 following the call by the First World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People (Toronto, September 2001).

The Society pursues the following aims:

- To act as a bridge between organizations and movements determined to re-establish the USSR as a socialist state;
- To support the class struggle of the working people;
- To co-ordinate solidarity with the anti-imperialist struggles around the world;
- In the course of the struggle for the re-establishment of the USSR, to strengthen the ties of friendship and solidarity between the peoples, to organize public meetings for international delegations, to raise awareness amongst the public movement on the international situation.

Following the tasks set forth by the World Congress and the International Council, we produced the first Russian-language edition of *Northstar Compass* in December 2005.

## Brief history

September 2001 First World Congress sets forth the task to establish  
March 2003 Friendship Society established in Moscow  
Summer 2004 A series of events organized by the Society in Moscow  
June 2005 Conference of the Society  
September 2005 Second World Congress held  
December 2005 First issue of Russian NSC comes out  
2006, 2007 New branches of society established in the territory of the

## USSR

In 2008 and 2009 Society representatives took part in the conferences in Toronto.

## Organizational structure

The founding meeting in March 2003 had adopted the Constitution of the Society. The 2005 Conference made some minor amendments to the Constitution.

The Conferences, which are held at least once every two years, elect the Central Coordination Council and the Central Control and Revision Commission, which are the governing bodies between the Conferences.

## Geography

Since its foundation in Moscow, several new branches of the society have been formed in the territory of the Soviet Union. The most active branches now are in Moscow, Voronezh, Saransk (Russia) and Donetsk (Ukraine).

## Moscow

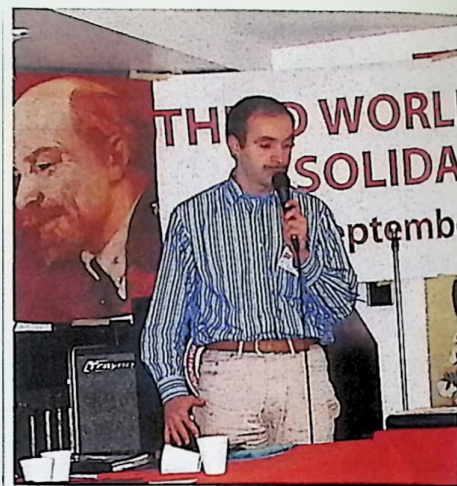
There are two branches represented by the *Venceremos* and *Trudovaya Stolitsa* public movements. Activity includes actions of international solidarity with Cuba, publication, distribution and broad promotion

## Saransk, Mordovia

The branch is active in the Left Front of Mordovia and regularly holds public rallies and actions commemorating Soviet historical events and bringing to the minds the necessity of struggle for the socialist future. In particular, in 2011 there were public actions on the Victory Day, and to present the truth concerning Lenin and Stalin.

## Voronezh

The activity of the branch is a part of the *Trudovoy Voronezh*



movement activities. Members and supporters of the Revolutionary Communist Youth League (Bolshevik) play a large part in this work. Public meetings cover the topics of Marxism, Soviet History and the international events. The youth is involved in regular concerts devoted to resistance to Capitalism and Soviet History. In summer 2011 a youth camp was held that brought together young people from left-wing organizations from different parts of Russia. The international aspects of work include meetings with foreign guests and the distribution of *Northstar Compass*.

## Donetsk

The branch led by Tamara Yakuboskaya is tightly linked to the union of poets who are dedicated to the struggle against capitalism. Public meetings are held regularly and aim to bring new people into the struggle. The poets and the Society's branch are known beyond Donetsk thanks to their brochure.

## Uniting the movement for the re-birth of the Soviet Union and socialism

The Society co-operates actively with the organisations and movements involved in this struggle. In particular, the Russian Communist Workers' Party — the Revolutionary Party of Communists, the CPSU, RCP-CPSU (Prigarin), the youth organisations of RCYL(B) and the AKM-TR, "Za SSSR" newspaper, "Lenin i Otechestvo" movement. The struggle takes various forms, including the involvement in the labour movement and in the protest



movement. The role of the Society is to provide the international link to this struggle in the territory of the USSR. This is accomplished, first of all, by the publication of the Russian-language *Northstar Compass*. We also distribute the English-language NSC as well as news from the international communist movement and the anti-imperialist struggles.

We keep ties with a number of public organisations in Russia. Apart from left-wing political parties these are the Soyuz public movement, the Venceremos group, the International Union of Slavic Journalists, the Cuban Embassy in Russia, the Soyuz concert group and others.

While we are developing broad public support, we realise that the input by communist in the task of re-establishing the USSR is crucial and central to our movement.

### **International Solidarity**

The Society has been watching actively at the events around the world. On many occasions we have collaborated with the Venceremos group around the issue of supporting the Miami Five, picketed the US Embassy in Moscow and distributing publications in their support. We spoke in support of movements against imperialism. We issued a number of statements against the war, condemning the US aggression in Libya.

### **The web site**

The Russian-language website <http://www.ns-c.org/> is updated regularly. We make most articles from the Russian *Northstar Compass* available on-line.

### **The journal**

The publications of Russian-language NSC are central to the Friendship Society's activity. Our production capacity is at current maximum of around 6 issues per year.

We select articles from two issues of English-language NSC, which we think would be most interesting to Russian-language readers, and translate them. We also add relevant articles in Russian from our writers or from other sources. We believe this kind of composition for Russian NSC is optimal, as the

Russian-language version has never been intended to be the direct translation of its English-language counterpart.

The Editorial Board is comprised of the representatives of the Society, the affiliated movements and comrades from abroad. What every issue depends on most are the translations. The translation work is co-ordinated by Maria Donchenko (AKM-TR, Moscow), who does a large amount of translation herself.

Since we started, we have acquainted many new subscribers from Russia, the adjacent ex-Soviet republics and beyond.

### **Printing**

The Moscow District Branch of the Russian Communist Workers' Party — Revolutionary Party of Communists has organised printing facilities at a location in Moscow. This consists of an offset printing press and complementing equipment.

In 2007 the International Council has coordinated the acquisition of two pieces of equipment using a part of the funds donated towards the publication of Russian-language NSC. The printing facility has since become more productive.

The printing is operated by RCWP-RPC members on voluntary basis in their free time.

### **Problems**

Sadly, several comrades, who were active in our work, passed away since we started the Society and the journal. This includes Boris Gunko (1931-2006, poet, member of Central Coordination Council), Georgii I. Tikhonov (the founder of the Soyuz movement; the first Chairman of the Friendship Society), Vladimir Gurevich (member of the Central Coordination Council; the man who managed the subscribers and the mailing).

Most members of the Central Coordination Council are already involved in political parties and movements and have to combine their work in their organisations with the work in the Friendship Society. This means they can devote only a limited amount of time to the Society work.

We do not have professional printers amongst our comrades,

which makes it harder to keep the top quality.

We have around 100 subscribers. The rest of the circulation is distributed by the members of the society amongst social organisations and at various public events. The sales bring back only about a quarter of the budget needed to print the journal. The publications of Russian NSC would not have been possible without financial support from the International Council and donations from NSC readers and Society members and supporters.

### **The nearest tasks**

The success of the Soviet Friendship Society will very much depend on the development of Russian-language NSC. We have set ourselves the task of increasing the circulation and making Russian NSC a self-sustaining edition.

**It is crucial to overcome problems concerning the printing of Russian NSC. This is the task for all supporters of the International Council.**

### **The future**

We aim to increase the international awareness of the new struggle for socialism where it first materialised as a political power. We see it as an inherent part of the revolutionary, anti-capitalist, anti-imperialist struggle around the world.

We have a long way to go, but we are enthusiastic about accomplishing the tasks we set forth. We believe that we will only attain victory if we apply Marxist-Leninist principles to modern conditions and act as part of communist movement. Our international ties make our struggle stronger and stronger en route to the world-wide triumph of communism.

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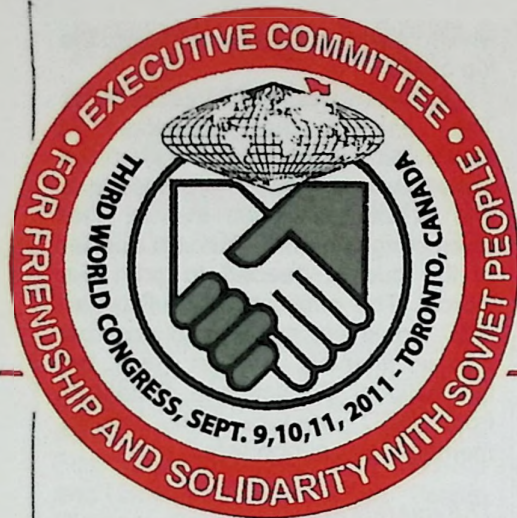
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**THIRD WORLD CONGRESS – SEPT. 9-10-11, 2011**

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### **GREETINGS FROM NEPAL WORKERS AND PEASANTS' PARTY**

Dear Comrade,

I would like to thank you for inviting us as a delegate to the Third World Congress of the International Council that is going to be held on September 9 to 11, 2011, Toronto, Canada. Nepal Workers and Peasants' Party wishes glorious success of the Congress. We highly appreciate the efforts of the executive committee of the international council and team of the Northstar Compass for the unity of the world's progressive forces and struggle for socialism. We hope the internationalist works of the Council be widespread all over the world.

The activities of imperialist and colonialist forces are ever increasing in the political arena of Nepal through the NGO's and INGO's. The so-called communist parties and other ruling parties of the parliament and the Constituent Assembly are under heavy influence of these NGO's and INGO's. Their decisions and actions are against the welfare of the country and the working class people. Within the Constituent Assembly, the assembly members of NWPP are in unceasing struggle against those anti-people actions and so are our sister organizations doing in several parts of the country. There is a bill pending in the assembly which will allow the government to invite multinational companies to lease unlimited landholdings for 50 years. Another bill allows international banks with 100% international capital to operate in the country. NWPP is struggling to stop these and numerous other treacherous bills and busy in critical discussions about crucial national matters. We are working tirelessly for a progressive constitution. You may be aware of the political scenario of Nepal that it is crippling towards a very critical situation.

The meeting of the Central Council of NWPP, held on August 20 and 21 extended cordial thanks to the International Council under the leadership of comrade Michael Lucas for regular publication and circulation of the Northstar Compass and for



restoration of the Soviet Union. The meeting extended greetings for success of the third congress.

It's a pleasure to share with you that our comrades are preparing for regular publication of a Nepali magazine 'Dhrubatara' (Northstar) that will carry news and articles related to the international struggles of workers and communists.

The governments formed under the leadership of CPN (UML) and UCPN (Maoist) turned out as the reactionary governments of Nepali Congress and Panchayat Regime. The government formed on August 28 under the leadership of the deputy chairman of UCPN (Maoist), Babu Ram Bhattarai has been formed as per the design of Indian expansionism and the Indian monopoly capitalism.

We are very sorry to inform you that even though we want to participate in the congress we will not be able to do so owing to the above mentioned reasons.

We are very grateful that Northstar Compass family remembers us very often. We are fellow travelers on the road of struggle for socialism and against imperialism and hegemony. The news and articles published in the Northstar Compass have encouraged our party, its members, supporters and readers to have anti-imperialist spirit in their drive towards socialism. Wherever we may be, our international duty towards socialism will always unite us.

Thanking you, Narayan Man Bijukchhe Chairman

**ENCLOSED PLEASE ACCEPT A \$1,000 DONATION TOWARDS 3<sup>RD</sup> CONGRESS!**

**MANY THANKS TO THESE THIRD WORLD CONGRESS COMRADES FOR THEIR DONATIONS!**

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### THOUSANDS PROTEST 10-YEAR OCCUPATION OF AFGHANISTAN

Itar-Tass

On the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the US-led invasion, thousands of Kabul residents – most of them women – took to the streets in October, demanding that the US-NATO forces withdraw from Afghanistan

This demonstration was led by the National Solidarity Party – and they carried photographs of hundred of dead civilians as they marched down the Kabul Serena Hotel Road.

They all branded the Afghan government as a puppet of US imperialism. One woman that was interviewed told Pajhwok Afghan News: *"The US has occupied Afghanistan for 10 years and has been killing innocent Afghans on different pretexts. We demand that US-NATO pull out their troops immediately!"*

Another speaker told the media that: *"The US had invaded Afghanistan under the garb of war on terror and to bring [peace. But violence, death, murder and instability is at an all time high in our country!"*

The head of the National Solidarity Party of Afghanistan added that: *"Afghanistan is not only in the bloody grip of US and NATO, but so are other countries like Iran and Pakistan – invaded both countries culturally and politically."*

### HOW THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IS MAKING A COMEBACK IN CUBA

By Dr. Angelo D'Angelo

It's been a year of resurrection for Cuba's Roman Catholic Church. In November of 2010 a new Seminary opened – the First since the Cuban Revolution all but shut down the church, close to 50 years go. In May of 2011, Cuba's Bishops finished brokering a release of 115 anti-

Cuban State political prisoners.

A large statue of Cuba's Catholic patroness, La Virgen de la Caridad (Our Lady of Charity) is being hailed by large crowds as it officially tours all across Cuba before her 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the end of this year.

*"It demonstrates a spiritual desire in Cubans,"* Cardinal Jaime Ortega, Cuba's top prelate told the press. *"It is a return to God in Cuba."*

### Declaration of the Occupation of New York City

As we gather together in solidarity to express a feeling of mass injustice, we must not lose sight of what brought us together. We write so that all people who feel wronged by the corporate forces of the world can know that we are your allies.

As one people, united, we acknowledge the reality: that the future of the human race requires the cooperation of its members; that our system must protect our rights, and upon corruption of that system, it is up to the individuals to protect their own rights, and those of their neighbors; that a democratic government derives its just power from the people, but corporations do not seek consent to extract wealth from the people and the Earth; and that no true democracy is attainable when the process is determined by economic power. We come to you at a time when corporations, which place profit over people, self-interest over justice, and oppression over equality, run our governments. We have peaceably assembled here, as is our right, to let these facts be known.

They have taken our houses through an illegal foreclosure process, despite not having

the original mortgage.

They have taken bailouts from taxpayers with impunity, and continue to give Executives exorbitant bonuses.

They have perpetuated inequality and discrimination in the workplace based on age, the color of one's skin, sex, gender identity and sexual orientation.

They have poisoned the food supply through negligence, and undermined the farming system through monopolization.

They have profited off of the torture, confinement, and cruel treatment of countless animals, and actively hide these practices.

They have continuously sought to strip employees of the right to negotiate for better pay and safer working conditions.

They have held students hostage with tens of thousands of dollars of debt on education, which is itself a human right.

They have consistently outsourced labor and used that outsourcing as leverage to cut workers' healthcare and pay.

They have influenced the courts to achieve the same rights as people, with none of the culpability or responsibility.

They have spent millions of dollars on legal teams that look for ways to get them out of contracts in regards to health insurance.

They have sold our privacy as a commodity.

They have used the military and police force to prevent freedom of the press. They have deliberately declined to recall faulty products endangering lives in pursuit of profit.

They determine economic policy,



despite the catastrophic failures their policies have produced and continue to produce.

They have donated large sums of money to politicians, who are responsible for regulating them.

They continue to block alternate forms of energy to keep us dependent on oil.

They continue to block generic forms of medicine that could save people's lives or provide relief in order to protect investments that have already turned a substantial profit.

They have purposely covered up oil spills, accidents, faulty bookkeeping, and inactive ingredients in pursuit of profit.

They purposefully keep people misinformed and fearful through their control of the media.

They have accepted private contracts to murder prisoners even when presented with serious doubts about their guilt.

They have perpetuated colonialism at home and abroad. They have participated in the torture and murder of innocent civilians overseas.

They continue to create weapons of mass destruction in order to receive government contracts. \*

### To the people of the world,

We, the New York City General Assembly occupying Wall Street in Liberty Square, urge you to assert your power.

Exercise your right to peaceably assemble; occupy public space; create a process to address the problems we face, and generate solutions accessible to everyone.

To all communities that take

action and form groups in the spirit of direct democracy, we offer support, documentation, and all of the resources at our disposal.

### **Join us and make your voices heard!**

*\*These grievances are not all-inclusive.*

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## **TORTURE IN AFGHANISTAN**

*From New York Times*

"Detainees of the NATO forces are hung by their hands and beaten with cables, and in very many cases, their genitals are twisted so hard until the prisoners lose consciousness at all of the detainee camps – all under the eyes of the US Military."

*This is according to the United Nations Official Report, released in October, 2011.*

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## **SYRIA DECRIES WAR THREAT URGED ON BY THE PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES**

*Prensa Latina*

Syria's Deputy Foreign Minister Faisal Mekdad, charged that this real war threat is being encouraged mainly by the US. He also charged that the opposition groups inside Syria are supported and armed from abroad and are responsible for killing over 1,100 security forces members. These war preparations are supported by Israel.

The Syrian Deputy Minister also condemned NATO-US for killing over 50,000 Libyan civilians and over 1,000,000 Iraqis.

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## **21,000 WORKERS STRIKE KAISER IN CALIFORNIA**

Sparking the biggest strike ever at the California, USA health giant Kaiser Permanente, 4,000 members of the National Union of Healthcare Workers took to the picket lines last

month.

They were joined by another 17,000 nurses from cross all of the State of California.

Despite the enormous profit of \$5.7 Billions, Kaiser management has been pushing cuts to health care and retirements and cutting staff widely. Because of these cuts and attacks on the trade union members, Nurses routinely have to skip lunch and have to work through their breaks in order to cover the needs of the patients. Their present 12-hour shifts are now stretched by the greedy management to 16 or 20 hours!

The Kaiser owners are keeping the facility open with scabs – spending so much that they exceeded contractual staffing. They have enough money that they fly-in strike-breakers, house and feed them. And yet they tell the media that they cannot afford the small demands of the trade union workers!

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## **THOUSANDS PROTEST AGAINST NATO RADAR SYSTEM IN TURKEY**

*From Zaman*

INSTANBUL – Large protests were held last month against a NATO radar system to be deployed in the Malatya's Kurtecik district, with more than 5,000 local people in this three-hour demonstration.

Amongst the protestors were 15 Deputies from the CHP, from the Peace Party as well as from the Labour Party.

The demonstrators charged that Turkey supposedly is in a row with Israel – that is in front of the curtain – but behind the curtain it has turned Turkey into a shield for Israel!

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## **UNESCO VOTED FOR FULL PALESTINE MEMBERSHIP**

*Prensa Latina*

PARIS: The UNESCO Executive Council recommended Palestine's admission as a full-fledged member of this the most important United Nations Agency by a vote of 40 to 5





**ALL INDIA ANTI-IMPERIALIST FORUM (AIAIF)** organized a massive protest demonstration in front of the US Consulate, Kolkata, condemning the heinous and barbaric attack by the US-NATIO forces in Libya. Thousands of anti-war and anti-imperialist activists from all walks of life joined in the rally, demanding – **US IMPERIALISTS – HANDS OFF LIBYA!**



against - US, Israel, Germany, Estonia and Romania – with 14 abstentions (these countries were afraid in voting for Palestine being admitted to UNESCO – Editor).

Cuba and Latin American Group defined this admission as a "historic moment for UNESCO and justice for the suffering people of Palestine."

**START FORMING A FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY WITH SOVIET PEOPLE IN YOUR LOCALITY!**

**WE, THE 99% DEMAND END OF WARS NOW!**

[messenger@truthout.org](mailto:messenger@truthout.org)

After 10 years of war, now is a perfect timer to act, to end the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. A U.S. Congressional Committee is now charged with coming up with \$1.5 trillion in reduced debt over ten years, while the wars and the over-bloated Pentagon budget dangles before this super committee like an overripe fruit.

The key lesson from Iraq and Afghanistan is this: We the people of the USA can force the Pentagon to eat a timetable for all military

withdrawal - and once we've forced them to eat - we have the ability to force them to keep it down!

**AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL ASKED CANADA TO ARREST BUSH**

From Ottawa- AFP- Oct. 13,2011

Amnesty International has called on the Canadian Government to arrest and prosecute George W. Bush, saying that the former US president authorized "torture" as he directed the US-led war on terror.

Mr. Bush is to attend an economic summit in October in



Surrey, British Columbia Province, Canada.

The London-based Amnesty International made the case for Bush's legal responsibility for a series of human rights violations in a Memorandum submitted over a month ago to the Canadian authorities, stating: "**Canada is required by its international obligation to arrest and prosecute the former US president Bush, given his responsibility for many crimes committed under international law, including torture.**"

The Statement also stated the following: "**As the US authorities so far have failed to bring former US president to justice, the International Community must step in!**" The Statement also stated many facts about the torture in Guantanamo Bay, Afghanistan and Iraq.

## **NATO'S DEADLY EXPANSION FACTS**

NATO'S 24,899 sorties and 9,261 Air Strikes on Libya

NATO plans to attack other African-Asian countries as well as Venezuela

Thirty NATO Polish soldiers killed in Afghanistan

Spain is going to join NATO Interceptor Missile System

US-NATO arming all the Gulf States against Iran

US-NATO plans to arm Taiwan against China

Romania is assisting Armenia to join NATO

Canada takes charge of NATO's Military police now

Azerbaijan Defense Chief among partners at NATO's Ministers Conference

India agreed with NATO to train Afghan troops

## **FACTS ABOUT LIBYA THAT IMPERIALISTS HIDE FROM THE MEDIA**

*BY HOSSEIN SALARI*

- Loans to Libyan citizens were given with no interest charges.

- Students got paid the average salary for the profession they were studying for.

- If you were unable to get employment that state would pay the full salary as if you were employed until you found employment.

- When you got married the couple received an apartment or a house for free from Libyan Government.

- You could go to a College anywhere in the worlds. The State paid 2,500 Euros plus accommodation and an allowance.

- All cars in Libya were sold at factory cost.

- Libya did not owe any money to any country or the IMF or WB. There were no creditors

- There was free education and health care for all people.

- 25% of Libyan population had a University Degree.

- There were no beggars on the streets of Libya and nobody was homeless until now.

- Bread cost only \$0.15 per loaf.

- Gas cost only 3¢ per litre.

## **VENEZUELA GOVERNMENT SLAMS NATO-U.N. OVER LIBYA WAR**

The Venezuelan Foreign Minister Moros said that a "peaceful Libya situation was derailed by US-NATO and the UN on the pretext that the Libyan Air Force attacked the Libyan people, but known facts proved that

it was a deliberate lie by the UN-NATO-USA!"

It's worth wondering: what has the "no-fly zone" established for the UN Security Council Resolution? How could NATO have performed over 20,000 missions against the Libyan people if there was supposed to be a **NO-FLY ZONE?**

The Libyan Air Force was completely annihilated by NATO, and, the NATO-UN diktat allowed NATO to carry on over 20,000 bombing missions in this "**NO FLY ZONE**"!

NATO, with the help of the UN, intends to impose their interests on North Africa, thus turning Libya into a colonial protectorate.

How can NATO, Obama and the UN Security Council - with a straight face - state to the world that an "arms embargo" was introduced thousands of heavy weapons and armed personnel in support of a violent upheaval against the Libya's legitimate government?

Then, as on cue from the Pentagon- many other countries immediately recognized this "American Government!"

**Yes, Mrs. Medvedev and Putin - Uncle Sam is very proud of you both! And, when time comes, Uncle Sam will guarantee you political asylum - plus a very safe haven on Wall Street for your stolen riches from the Soviet People!**

**FREEDOM TO ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS**





## FEATURE ANALYSES

### Neo-Marxism, "New Thinking" and Social Democracy Anti-Communist Currents in a Left Disguise

By Dave Silver

*"The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class Struggle"*

Communist manifesto

The specter of Marxism-Leninism haunts segments of the Left. Leftist critiques of Marxism and or existing socialism is at least 60 years old beginning with the Frankfurt School of Sociology in the 1920's and 30's. Theodore Adorno, Max Horkheimer and Erich Fromm attempted to synthesize Marxism and Freudianism. From the very beginning the School was associated with anti-Bolshevism and anti-Sovietism. Herbert Marcuse, the guru of the "new left" as well as other neo-Marxist perspectives, spread the thoughts of the School in the U.S. Bertold Brecht, the great German playwright and communist, described the School's advocates as "intellectual pimps for the bourgeoisie." Since the 30's there have been a variety of other groups within this political genre: The Italian Phenomenological School of Marxism, the Praxis group in Yugoslavia, the Marxists-Humanists of Poland, and euro-communism of Western Europe in the 1970's

So called euro-communism was the most organized expression of this revisionist trend, particularly the Italian, French and Spanish Communist Parties. The Italian Party's "historic compromise" supported givebacks, higher prices and speedups. The Spanish Party under Carillo made the C.P.S.U. the

main target of its criticism while conciliating with U.S. imperialism. The French Party supported the anti-immigrant and racist demands of the working class, calling for the expulsion of Algerian workers. These policies echoed the Browderist theory of special circumstances or "exceptionalism" that called for class collaboration and the liquidation of the CPUSA in 1943.

The anti-war and justice movements of the 1970s were likewise afflicted with the then anti-Soviet virus which has since been replaced by anti-Stalinism. How did this opportunism manifest itself? E.P Thompson the British peace activist, Rudolph Bahro, ex-communist and the "Greens" in the Federal Republic of Germany blamed the cold war equally on East and West. After all there were two superpowers. Leftist academics and peace activists shed crocodile tears for Soviet "dissidents." With the help of Soviet émigrés, a group called "Independent Voices East and West" equally condemned Brezhnev's Afghanistan policy with Reagan's policy of supporting mercenary killers called contras. The Brecht Forum and the scholar Raymond Williams and others repeat the theme of many Marxisms and in his "Toward Many Socialisms" Williams accounted for the cold war because of the "equally expansive imperial systems." Of course neo-Marxists conveniently forget historical context and almost never ask the question who benefits.

All of these movements have at least one fundamental premise in common: a belief that "orthodox" or "traditional" Marxism is outmoded and no longer the best guide for anti-imperialist struggles and the eventual achievement of socialism. In addition since the political cataclysm in the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, what I prefer to call a counterrevolution (containing external and internal factors), various code words are liberally used in the anti-Marxist struggle by "new thinkers." I refer to such formations as the Democratic Socialists of America and the Committees of

Correspondence. Among these code words are pluralism, democratization, centralization and on the cutting edge, Stalinism. This new thinking virus has infected Parties, National Liberation Movements and organizations world wide with catastrophic results.

While a critical discussion of Iosef Vissarionovich Dzhugashvili (aka Stalin) is well beyond the scope of this presentation, I would like to offer a few thoughts that may lead some of you to do a little balancing up or try to make a serious analysis of Stalin, not only as a historical figure but as a Marxist. My late friend and comrade and author of several books on the poet Shelley, Professor Kenneth Neil Cameron, whose seminal work *Stalin, Man of Contradiction* (NC Press Toronto 1987) would urge you to think about this: if Stalin was the monster responsible for the deaths of hundreds of thousands of innocent people, the author contends that there would have been such moral decay and anarchy that it would have been impossible to defeat German



fascism. Ken makes two other assertions about Stalin that deserve serious thought. One is that he "more than any other single individual, built the first socialist society and built it on the wreck left by imperialist intervention and civil war." He also maintains that more than any single individual he "was responsible for ending" Nazi imperialism; in doing so he not only preserved socialism but helped to extend its foundations in Eastern Europe." The book's Appendix contains a portrait of Stalin by the person closest to him in military matters, Marshall Zhukov, who attests in glowing terms to Stalin's leadership in the Great Patriotic War. There are in addition verbatim statements taken from Joseph E. Davies, U.S. Ambassador to the USSR, written to Secretary of State Cordell Hull. Davies attended the 1937-8 trials of the 'Trotskyite

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Center" and the Bukharin, Kamenev and Zinoviev group in 1936. Yes indeed, says Davies, there was a real conspiracy with German and Japanese imperialism in which evidence was presented documenting traitorous negotiations with those governments by the defendants.

On a somewhat personal role. As a veteran of the Battle of the Bulge I am fully aware that I owe my survival in combat against SS troops at least in part to the relentless pressure on and the engagement by the Red Army of over 70% of all German forces on the eastern front. I find it reprehensible in the extreme for people including ex-communists, social democrats and assorted liberals buying into fascist propaganda. I cite the PBS broadcast of June 1990 (after the victorious counterrevolution) titled *Stalin, A Time For Judgment* by Jonathan Lewis and Philip Whitehead (N.Y. Pantheon Books) which opens with Stalin's portrait superimposed on drawings of human skulls and then opens to a mass grave. The hard facts are that in Vinnitsa in 1943 in Nazi occupied Ukraine, the graves were almost entirely Nazi victims. A German soldier in fact wrote to both American and Soviet interrogators in 1945 that these were graves of Nazi victims.

Let's move on to recent past and the present. The Committees of Correspondence (C of C) very name mechanically equates the historical context of the American War for Independence and present day struggles against imperialism, racism, oppression, exploitation and war. The C. of C. represents one of the latest versions of revisionism and opportunism. For years it went along with that "vanguard" Party of left-wing reformers known as the Communist Party U.S.A. whose policies Lenin aptly called kvostism or tailing; in this case the Democratic Party. Many of these ex CPUSA-ers had no problem with remaining in a Party that refused to support the Equal Rights Amendment until some two years after a broad coalition struggle for its passage had begun. The Party also looked through rose colored glasses at the labor movement and chose to ignore the fact that racism was indeed systemic

throughout the working class. The CPUSA shamefully supported the international leaders of the AFL-CIO that undermined the historic P-9 Hormel meatpackers struggle. Their implicit support for the Democratic Party effectively opposed organizing of a national independent, anti-capitalist and anti-racist political movement with significant participation and leadership of people of color. Three years after the counterrevolution triumphed, the CPUSA finally removed its Moscow correspondent for suggesting that Gorbachev was the second coming of Christ.

It was only when the already moribund CPUSA was forced to recognize that what was at stake was the restoration of capitalism did they finally denounce both Yeltsin and Gorbachev. The latter denunciation was too much for many who found a new political home in the C. of C.

This should not surprise anyone that looks carefully at their "Declaration of Principles," which is as revealing for what it omits as well as what it states. For instance it suggests that if we make public and private institutions more democratic and have a "mass popular movement" than the capitalists will put people first and profits second. This is a Marxist understanding? Further they say that under the umbrella of "pluralism" the C of C will embrace a "non-Marxist socialism (sic) in order to cultivate a common ground for struggle." In fact since "orthodox" Marxism no longer applies to complex societies they will have an ongoing discussion "of how to define socialism." We come full circle to reductio ad absurdum for if there are many Marxisms and many socialisms then in reality there are none. It is interesting to note here the depths of the opportunism which easily slides into anti-communism in a left-liberal disguise. With the ideological assistance of the "new thinking" and its replacement of the class struggle with "universal human values," they join those other revisionist currents that never recognized a really existing socialism. Key to this new ideological underpinning is the "convergence theory" first expounded by the renegade and former foreign minister

of the Soviet Union Andrei Kozyrev (1966) in his lead article in the organ of the Soviet Foreign Ministry, *International Affairs*. This theory states that capitalism is becoming more like socialism and vice-versa. These revisionists and opportunists are still searching for some hybrid third way, neither capitalist nor socialist.

Neo-Marxists no longer accept the main global contradiction as that between imperialism and socialism (however decimated) but rather in various national conflicts and therefore not international in scope. While some neo-Marxists admit to the existence of an imperialist camp, few of their spokespersons recognize a world revolutionary process involving the socialist forces including Cuba, North Korea and Vietnam, as well as national liberation and working class movements.

Arthur Hirsh's *The French New Left - From Sartre to Gorz* (South End Press 1981) vividly illustrates historical, economic and political distortions that lead to anti-communism in a Left disguise. For instance Hirsh accuses the Italian C.P. leader Togliatti of saying Marxism views the USSR as THE MODEL to be followed, thus totally distorting the concept of polycentrism. On the contrary Togliatti and the World Marxist Review of the late 1970s and early 1980s, which represented most of the Communist and Workers Parties, have always maintained that the socialist path in each country will differ according to such factors as its level of development, culture and the relationship of class forces at any given time. In the book's introduction we find this statement: "Within the communist movement itself a crisis in Marxist theory emerged after the 1956 events, Khrushchev's revelation of Stalin's crimes, the Soviet Invasion of Hungary and the obvious lack of de-Stalinization were too much for French intellectuals to accept." This kind of statement is a total distortion of the truth since it leaves out the historical context, is mechanical and lacks a class analysis. First there was no mention of the more than peripheral effect that McCarthyism produced in Europe and the deep alienation



many in the French "New Left" were already experiencing. Many of these intellectuals were seeking a rationale for abandoning any form of struggle. They apparently found the right moment since for them Khrushchev not only detailed the gross violations of socialist norms, but declared the failure of Soviet society and socialism itself.

Did the "invasion" of Hungary really represent a "crisis in Marxist theory" or was it a rejection of a class analysis and the adoption of a mechanical rather than an historical materialist view of history that was responsible for a "crisis" and contradictions in Hirsh's own ideology. Central here was his unwillingness to accept that the central global contradiction is between imperialism and socialism. What happened in Hungary? A counterrevolution was disguised as a "rebellion" and led by clerical-fascist Cardinal Mindszenty. Thus the Cardinal became a "freedom fighter" like Reagan's mercenary killers, the Contras. Solidarity including material support and the use of force is not prohibited by Marxist principles. On the contrary it represents a high degree of internationalist solidarity. Another fact conveniently omitted was the request by Budapest for help



including the Red Army.

Hirsh exhibits a more subtle form of revisionism when he attempts to create two different Marxes. He and the new Marxists identify with the young Marx of the 1844 *Economic Manuscripts* where Marx discusses amongst other things the process of alienation and the recognition of the subjective side of life. Adam Schaff, the brilliant Polish Marxist comments on this in his *Marxism and The Individual* (McGraw Hill 1970): "The claim for two Marxes – the humanist and the dogmatic materialist – has been argued over the years in various forums and with various motives... there was doubtless, at least in some cases, a deliberate desire to replace the scientific motivation of Marxism with an ethical, humanist one – shifting the emphasis of description and laws into that of values and commands. This fitted in much better with the background of idealist philosophy." Since Left anti-communism seeks to refute Marxism-Leninism in whole or in part the corollary to that position must include the discrediting of those seeking to strengthen and build existing socialism. While there are no ready made formulas for determining where fraternal criticism ends and anti-communist theories and practices begin, the crucial questions must always point to answers which benefit the overwhelming masses of people as well as promote anti-imperialism and in so doing strengthen the forces for socialism. Within such a framework fraternal and even sharp criticism is not only legitimate but necessary in order to resolve contradictions and move forward toward more effective practice. When the Polish United Workers Party, for instance, decided the country needed a quick fix with an infusion of money from the International Monetary Fund under conditions that could only threaten its socialist structure, they did just the opposite

As Schaff's eloquent closing paragraph states: "As a psychological reaction to narrow dogmatic Marxism of the pre-World War 2 era, a belief has developed in some intellectual circles – it is an international phenomenon – that progress in the socialist movement can only be achieved by denying its

basic principles, by rejecting it. But the truth is that genuine progress, true innovation in the socialist movement can only be achieved within the framework of Marxist thought. Anyone who fails to grasp this truth is heading for intellectual disaster of his own; he is also harming a cause to which he is subjectively committed."

If Schaff's analysis is correct, and I think it is, then neo-Marxism becomes a force that divides and weakens the anti-imperialist struggle even if the intent is to strengthen it. The neo-Marxist perspective is no small matter for forces of liberation and justice, for their thinking represents not friendly but rather antagonistic contradictions, for one cannot be anti-imperialist or anti-racist and be essentially anti-communist. We can see where this new thinking leads to in practice. Two examples: many of the revisionists consider themselves friends of the Cuban Revolution or at least in past years when it conformed to radical chic. Today we find some members of the Center for Cuban Studies wanting to end the blockade not because it is morally correct to do so and Cuba has a right to self determination including the building and strengthening of socialism. NO. They have an ulterior motive of bringing a little perestroika and glasnost to the island for a "smooth post Castro transition," really meaning a post-Socialist Cuba. I venture a guess that 90% of those participating in the Socialist Scholars Conference in 1997 have called for the support of the "pro-democracy" demonstrations in Belgrade. The hard questions to provide a class analysis and context is never posed. Why are workers largely absent from these demos? Why has the CIA-run Radio Free Europe and Voice of America offered the "independent" radio station their frequencies? Why has Washington openly offered financial and I daresay logistic and COINTELPRO type of assistance to any of the Media and trade unions that are opposed to the Milosevic regime? The opportunist new thinkers could not or would not confront the historical fact that it was inter-imperialist rivalry and the need for a client state in the Balkans that was responsible for the fratricide in



Bosnia after what was left of socialist Yugoslavia. Any rationalist politician like Milosevic who wanted to keep some remnant of the socialist infrastructure had to be destroyed.

The revisionists and opportunists of today have lost confidence in the ability of the working class, although the composition of the class has changed somewhat since the time of Marx. For it is still this exploited and oppressed class, and particularly people of color and the very poor, which is the only class that can create and build a viable socialist system. As Ken Cameron notes in his *Marxism – A Living Science* (International Pub. 1993) along with the working classes in developed countries "...the ever explosive third world, burdened by interlocking imperialist and internal capitalist-feudal exploitation, can rapidly develop a revolutionary 'critical mass.'" Finally he concludes that "it is time to set our sights on the future, to perceive through the mist of capitalist obfuscation that the world revolutionary thrust that Marx and Engels projected and Lenin witnessed is still operating, inexorably, like the giant forces of nature – with which it is increasingly blended." Indeed it is.

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## Occupy Wall Street- The Popular Revolt in North America

### *View from Canada*

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On October 15<sup>th</sup> 2011 tens of thousands of Canadian and US citizens joined in solidarity with hundreds of thousands around the world to denounce finance capitalist impoverishment of the people. The street demonstrations in North America were inspired by the Occupy Wall Street (OWS) movement in the USA. The OWS movement is another manifestation of the break with imperialist propaganda and ideology by growing numbers of youth, workers, the unemployed, union militants and those forced to live in poverty in Canada and the USA. The popular movement in the heartland of imperialism is an important advance in the political process that leads the laboring masses from denunciation of capitalism to awareness of the need to overthrow it.

The challenge presented to communists of Canada and the USA by this popular revolt is neither to trivialize nor to exaggerate it, but to strive to arm it with the class struggle program, strategy and tactics that can lead it towards working class power and socialism.

### The Conservative Fiction and Canadian Reality

An internationalist duty has fallen with particular urgency to Canadian communists. The right-wing Conservative Government of Prime Minister Steven Harper and Finance Minister Jim Flaherty present Canada to the world as an example of the success of state monopoly capitalism (imperialism) to manage the consequences of the 2008 global

capitalist depression. In particular Finance Minister Flaherty and Canadian Bank of Canada Governor Mark Carney boast at the IMF and the G20 that the Canadian banking system, due to Canadian regulatory banking laws, saved Canadians from the kind of financial ruin inflicted on the people of the USA and Europe by the subprime induced financial collapse of the US banking system. CPS exposed that charade at the outset of the current global crisis.

The majority of Canadians know that such corporate boasts are untrue. The 2008 global capitalist depression fell just as heavily on Canadian workers, the poor and urban and rural middle classes as elsewhere in the capitalist world. The 1.7 million Canadians out of work, millions more that lost savings and private retirement pension funds, and the majority of wage and salary earners having less purchasing power and lower living standards today than prior to 2008 reject the government line.

A bank recovery for big investors and preferred shareholders is a job and income disaster for the working class. The impact of the recession continues to fall most heavily on young families.

### The Form of Bank Bailout in Canada

In a carefully researched article in October 2009 Professor Emeritus Michel Chossudovsky of Global Research exposed the Harper government's \$74 billion purchase of government insured bank mortgages taken off bank ledgers and



transferred to a government corporation, the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC). CMHC was once used to assist Canadians to purchase homes. Now CMHC is burdened with bank debt. With such generous government backing of course the Governor of the Bank of Canada can boast at the G20 that Canada's banks are stable, on the backs of the Canadian taxpayers. At the same time urgently needed low cost housing for wage earners is unavailable and real estate prices remain high.

Canadian bank profits resulting from government largesse are not shared with the people. Quite the contrary! Prime Minister Harper after providing the banks with a \$74 billion slush fund further lowered taxes on banks and corporations to among the lowest in the capitalist world. Coddling the banks is accompanied with imposing economic austerity on the people via public sector layoffs and wage freeze.<sup>5</sup> As the Canadian banks and corporations rack up record profits<sup>6</sup> during a depression, the Conservative government promotes privatization and underfunds state funded public health care and imposes fees for a wide variety of social programs.

The combination of placing \$74 billion at the disposal of the banks, lowering corporate taxes and increasing arms spending to an all time historical high, the Conservative government incurred a \$40 billion budget deficit. To reduce the budget deficit the Conservative Government plans large scale public sector worker layoffs, wage freeze and reduced pension benefits. At the same time the conservative government asserts the strikes it provokes harm economic recovery and is moving to enact legislation to alter the Labour Code to by-pass Parliament and place the power to ban strikes in the executive branch of government.

#### Farmers Incomes Also Under Attack

The attack on organized labour has been extended to farmers, as the Conservative government enacts legislation to privatize the Canadian Wheat Board and other single desk marketing agencies which have provided Canadian farmers with a level of price stability for their products. The demise of the Canadian Wheat Board will benefit corporate farming at the expense of small and medium farmers now forced to market products through private corporate grain marketers. Competition among farmers to access private marketers will lower prices to farmers and increase profit margins for agricultural commodity market speculators. A reduction in the share of small and medium grain producers in the international grain market will now occur.

#### **State Monopoly Capitalism (Imperialism) – the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Reality For Canada.**

What has been said thus far is but a small indication of a trend to a more open dictatorial rule by finance capital over the economy and the political life of Canada. That is not surprising. The evolution of Canada from a so-called liberal democracy to a right wing aggressive G7 NATO imperialist state is not well understood outside of the country. The myth of Canada as some sort of enlightened democracy with an above class "civil society" is far removed from the truth.

Canada is a G7 NATO state integrated into the global system of state monopoly capitalism, imperialism. All G7 NATO states are governed by the most deceitfully reactionary militaristic anti-working class regimes on the planet. The G7 NATO states, led by the USA, account for 50.42% of global GDP about \$31.688 trillion and spend more on militarism than all of the remaining countries of the world

combined. The G7 NATO states are the main source of global economic instability and imperialist war. Without exception the imperial governments of all G7 NATO states act in behalf of the profit interests of finance capitalist oligarchies that control the economies of these countries and most of the global economy.

#### Imperial Entitlement and the Struggle for Peace and Socialism

The ruling elites of the G7 NATO states have spared no effort to attempt to convince the approximately 500 million Europeans of the EU, 34 million Canadians and 312 million US citizens constituting slightly less than 10% of the 7 billion global populations that EU-North American prosperity is an imperial entitlement to use all of the labour and resources of the world. The USA is the largest per capita consumer of energy<sup>15</sup> in the world.

This imperial entitlement asserted by G7 NATO propagandists, is dependent on continued majority support for NATO wars of regime change, conquest, and wealth appropriation of other peoples labour and other people's resources such as is underway in Libya. The capitalist press is full of speculation about investment opportunities for foreign investors waiting to plunder Libya's oil resources on the ruins of NATO aggression.<sup>16</sup> Canadian finance capital is poised to participate in the plunder.

The ruling elites of the G7 NATO states assert they are entitled to the entire wealth of the planet and justified to use all means including if necessary, destroying whole civilizations that impede their global destiny. The only sovereignty these ruling elites recognize is the sovereignty of private finance capital.

The ruling elites of the G7 NATO states assert that assigning the bulk



of state wealth to military budgets is justified to defend the preferred status of western societies. The aim of the highly centralized, privately owned and controlled club of financial oligarchies is to convince the laboring masses that global western supremacy is the only international order that can be conceived of and worthy of perpetuation.

#### Canadian Finance Capital Seeks Bigger Presence at NATO and Imperialist Round Tables

Within this imperialist predatory system, Canadian finance capital is aggressively reaching for a more preferred status. Imperial status requires a buildup and modernization the military to ensure its interoperability with NATO, EU and US forces. Such a build up includes decisions to build Canadian foreign military bases on several continents.

<sup>19</sup> All of this aggressive military expansion is in behalf of a small circle of banks, big private investors and a militaryelite seeking a greater share of the plunder of NATO wars, IMF, World Bank and the European Central Bank predation.

#### Oppressed People's Everywhere Reject G7 NATO Global Vision

The global vision of the financial oligarchies of the NATO states has been rejected by the majority of the oppressed peoples of the world. The billions of impoverished people of Asia, Africa, South and Central America and the Caribbean, still suffering from the terrible legacy of four centuries of colonial domination, now confront 21<sup>st</sup> century imperialist oppression. As in the past the new generations in these countries have taken up organized struggles against imperialism with the conviction that no power knows better than they do the kind of social system that is required to re-fashion their economies, governments and resources to meet their own

economic and social needs. Many have taken non-capitalist paths and some have opted for socialism.

The significance of the OWS movement is that the imperial vision of global dominance so familiar to the oppressed masses of the developing world is now being actively rejected by significant numbers of people inside the G7 NATO states itself, in particular the USA. This awakening, still in early days, and already the target of imperialist subversion, is nonetheless a new front of resistance to finance capital. The emergence of the OWS movement is significant also for the potential for merging the anti-imperialist struggles of the oppressed people's of the developing and developed states.

#### The Divide Between Rich and Poor

The gap between the wealth appropriation by the G7 NATO financial oligarchies and the real living conditions of the laboring masses of the world is so obvious to intelligent people, that a turning point has been reached in mass public awareness as to who and what constitutes the real enemies of global peace and human progress. OWS has helped to clarify the class struggle lines in North America.

A movement is arising, having one of its motivating factors, a search for a new type of political economic system to replace predatory capitalism. This awakening has been simmering in the working class movements of the people since the advent two decades ago of neo-liberalism and the Washington Consensus. Following the counter-revolutionary overthrow of Soviet Socialism that rolled back decades of social gains in both the former socialist states and the advanced capitalist states, international finance capital was emboldened to re-capitalize the former socialist states, seize the labour and resources of its

peoples and imposed neo-liberalism everywhere. It hasn't turned out that way.

#### Communists and the Occupy Wall Street Movement.

The Occupy Wall Street Movement is not surprising to genuine Marxists and Communists and dedicated revolutionaries. Marxism has studied and drawn conclusions from the fact that abrupt changes in the global capitalist economy has the effect of causing all classes to move into motion and compel them to reassess their world view. Such a situation can include the creation of pre-revolutionary conditions. The rejection of neo-liberalism, confined in the beginning to left progressives, has now broken into mainstream public discussion, affecting all forms of class politics, theory, ideology, political action, labour, peace and electoral struggles on all continents.

That is why the Occupy Wall Street (OWS) movement erupting in a mass way inside the USA today and spilling over into Canada is of such importance for ending NATO wars and weakening imperialism. The OWS movement is the continuation in North America of similar struggles, albeit in different forms, that have been underway in the EU since the economic depression of 2008.

The OWS movement has its own features and that is not surprising. However what OWS has in common with similar movements in Europe and South America and Asia is what is significant. Because state monopoly capitalism (imperialism) is a global system, all of the struggles of the laboring masses of all of the G7 EU NATO states without exception have a common anti-monopoly character and increasingly anti-capitalist character.

#### Social Democracy and OWS

Even with the class collaborationist role of social democratic leadership



of organized labour in Canada and the USA it has not prevented the rise of militant and independent mass actions of the working people. In fact it is not an exaggeration to say that social democracy has been compelled by the rapid rise of OWS to mask its role as class conciliator and give verbal support to the movement.

The OWS movement is only partly a spontaneous movement. The role that organized labour has played in the Wisconsin events in the USA is a significant factor in motivating OWS world accounts for its distinct anti-corporate pro-labour content.<sup>20</sup> Similarly in Canada, strikes by steelworkers, nickel miners, health and educational sector workers, airlines workers have given the OWS Right Wing Social Democracy Exposed

The forms of mass popular resistance to imperialist war and capitalist depression in G7 EU NATO states are as varied as the countries within which they develop. The fight back is at many levels, reflecting differing levels of capitalist economic development and balance of class forces. What slogans arise from these movements reflect the political experience and strength of organizations of the working class and its allies, in particular the strength and influence of participating communist parties.

The popular revolt underway in Europe against IMF, EU austerity, reaching its highest form of militant resistance in Greece where the Communist Party of Greece (KKE) plays a leading role within the Greek working class, has now reached the USA and is unfolding in Canada, albeit at a much lower level.

The resistance of the working people of Canada and the USA to the 2008 depression was always present but muted and constrained by the role of right wing social democracy that

successfully channeled potential mass protest to parliamentary electoral politics.

Unlike Greece where the communist-led PAME unions have adopted class struggle strategies of the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU)<sup>21</sup> in North America organized labour, the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC) and in the USA the AFL-CIO is led by social reformists that adhere to the International Federation of Trade Unions (IFTU) doctrines of class collaboration.

In Canada the Canadian Labour Congress provides support to the New Democratic Party, a social democratic party that since the last federal election now holds the position of official opposition in the Canadian Parliament. In the USA the AFL-CIO provides support to the Democratic Party and was an important factor in the election of President Barak Obama.

The OWS movement because of its relative political independence and rapid spontaneous spread to many major cities of the USA has caused alarm in the ruling class of the USA and calls for its control range from the extreme right wing demands to suppress it by force to social reformist schemes to deflect it into a reserve of support for the re-election of Obama in 2014.

The external and internal reactionary forces attempting to destroy the movement either by state intervention or spreading mass confusion by petty bourgeois radicals, confront an overwhelming reality; the worsening state of the US economy which shows no signs of abating.

Compounding the debt crisis for capitalist governments in both the USA and Canada is military spending that has reached astronomical proportions. The US government squanders 40% of the

entire federal budget on military spending. NATO demands that its member states contribute 2% of GDP to fund future predatory wars on poor countries.

The system of state monopoly capitalism in all G7-EU-NATO states is in the grips a general crisis of its system and an acute cyclical crisis, the latter not yet having bottomed out nor with any signs of a global recovery. The general consensus among Marxist economists is that the global system is slipping into a second phase of the 2008 collapse. Such a two stage depression happened once before during the 1930's Great Depression when in 1938 after almost ten years of painfully slow capitalist recovery and massive working class resistance, the economy took another dive that was only halted by the advent of WW2.

The experience of hundreds of millions victimized by capitalist depression and confronted with state violence is causing an intense ideological reappraisal of the capitalist system and its future and the need for a new type of governance to replace it. Socialism, contrary to revisionist theorists, is back on the historical agenda of class struggle politics.

What is new in today's struggles is that they arise when the example of real socialism as it was constructed in the Soviet Union and the socialist system of states is still very much alive in the collective memory of the masses. Unlike 1917 and the ascendancy to power of the working class in Russia, when there was no historical precedent for socialism, today the achievements of real socialism becomes an important political factor in current struggles.

The Youth Are Creating a New Mass Media

The privately owned and controlled mass media, with the advent of



social media in the hands of savvy young people, is failing to completely control the message that capitalism is a system for all demanding support of all. The slogan of the working class that "we didn't create the crisis and we refuse to be its victims" is an expression of the determination of millions to engage in independent mass political action that rejects the tutelage of capitalist parties.

The experience of hundreds of millions now able to by-pass imperialist propagandists has created conditions for rapidly closing the gap between the rising spontaneous struggles of the working class and its allies, and the need for a comprehensive revolutionary theory and program of mass struggle.

That is the challenge confronting all of the Communist Parties of the world at the International Meeting of Communist and Worker's Parties at their upcoming meeting in Athens Greece December 9-11, 2011.

Communists take responsibility for the whole revolutionary process underway in our own countries and internationally. We seek what is new in rising struggles with only one purpose in mind, to make socialism the cause of all workers and all of the anti-imperialist forces.

In re-reading Lenin I came across this advice fully applicable to our time. It is from Volume 22 page 356 of his collected works in the essay, "The Discussion On Self Determination Summed Up"

**Lenin writes:**

"The socialist Revolution in Europe cannot be anything other than an outburst of mass struggle on the part of all and sundry oppressed and discontented elements. Inevitably, sections of the petty bourgeoisie and of the backward workers will participate in it – without such

participation, mass struggle is impossible, without it no revolution is possible – and just as inevitably will they bring into the movement their prejudices, their reactionary fantasies, their weaknesses and errors. But *objectively* they will attack *capital*, and the class-conscious vanguard of the revolution, the advanced proletariat, expressing this objective truth of variegated and discordant, motley and outwardly fragmented, mass struggle, will be able to unite and direct it, capture power, seize the banks, expropriate the trusts which all hate (though for different reasons), and introduce other dictatorial measures which in their totality will amount to the overthrow of the bourgeoisie and the victory of socialism, which, however, will by no means immediately "purge" itself of petty-bourgeois slag."

How well Lenin summed up mass struggles in his time, and how applicable are his observations for today's struggles.

### **NOW ITS OCCUPY OLD TOWN SQUARE IN PRAGUE**

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Last month over 600 protestors gathered in Prague, Czech Republic, near the Old Town Square, with banners "No Corruption" and "We Are One – Game Over". "We were surrounded by police, who often stopped us marching peacefully, for no apparent reason, taking many photographs of us in order while plain clothes cops kept taking photographs in order to intimidate us.

We wanted to show the Czech people that there should be an end to global capitalism, to inequality and the tyranny.

**NEXT ISSUE OF NSC WILL EXPOSE THE BRUTAL SLAYING OF GADAFI AND HIS SON – A WAR CRIME COMMITTED BY US IMPERIALISM!**

## **OBITUARY**

### **STEVEN SAJBAN**



Comrade Steve Sajban passed away peacefully at the St. Joseph's Health Centre in Toronto, Canada at the age of 91 years, leaving his children and grandchildren and members of the progressive movements in Canada in sorrow and remembering his many years of devotion to the struggle for a better world for all of humanity.

Steve was active in the Slovak Benefit Cultural Society; Communist Party of Canada; Canadian Slav Committee; Canadian Council of National Groups; in the Canada-USSR Association, Canadian Friends of Soviet People; Editorial Board of Northstar Compass journal and in the Canadian Peace Congress.

He was born in Czechoslovakia and came to Canada in 1938 and was always active in the progressive movements and was a member of the Editorial Board of the progressive Slovak newspaper Ludove Zvesti.

He was always against any nationalist tendencies and supported Czechoslovakia.

*Steve (bottom right) at the Northstar Compass Conference in Toronto.*





**SPECIAL**

## **LYNCHING IN LIBYA – MADE IN THE USA**

*Murder of Gadhafi is another step to a wider U.S. wars in Africa!*

The brutal lynching of Moammar Gadhafi, the leader of Libya, is the latest criminal act in NATO's seven-month war of regime change and conquest.

Gadhafi died resisting to the very end U.S.-NATO war, as he said he would. He refused to negotiate with NATO an ignominious departure for himself or to surrender. He chose a martyr's death for Libya's independence and sovereignty. Despite ridicule in the West, in Africa Gadhafi will be remembered as an anti-imperialist fighter.

The gross and disrespectful behavior of the National Transitional Council (TNC) in the display of Moammar Gadhafi's body confirms to the world in the most graphic way that these elements, who the imperialist powers have given official recognition, are in fact crude, low-life gangsters.

Instead of burying Gadhafi within a day as required under Islamic law, they chose to display Gadhafi's battered, half naked body -- bloody, unwashed and uncovered -- on a soiled mattress in a meat locker at a shopping center.

This affront to religious and national custom will further deepen outrage resistance.

TNC militias did no real fighting. These divided, competing military bands operate as scavengers or vultures, calling in air strikes and lying in wait to pick over the death that NATO bombers have blasted in front of them. In seven months of NATO bombing they have shown themselves capable of firing endless weapons in front of cameras and brutalizing Black Libyans, yet incapable of conducting any independent military action.

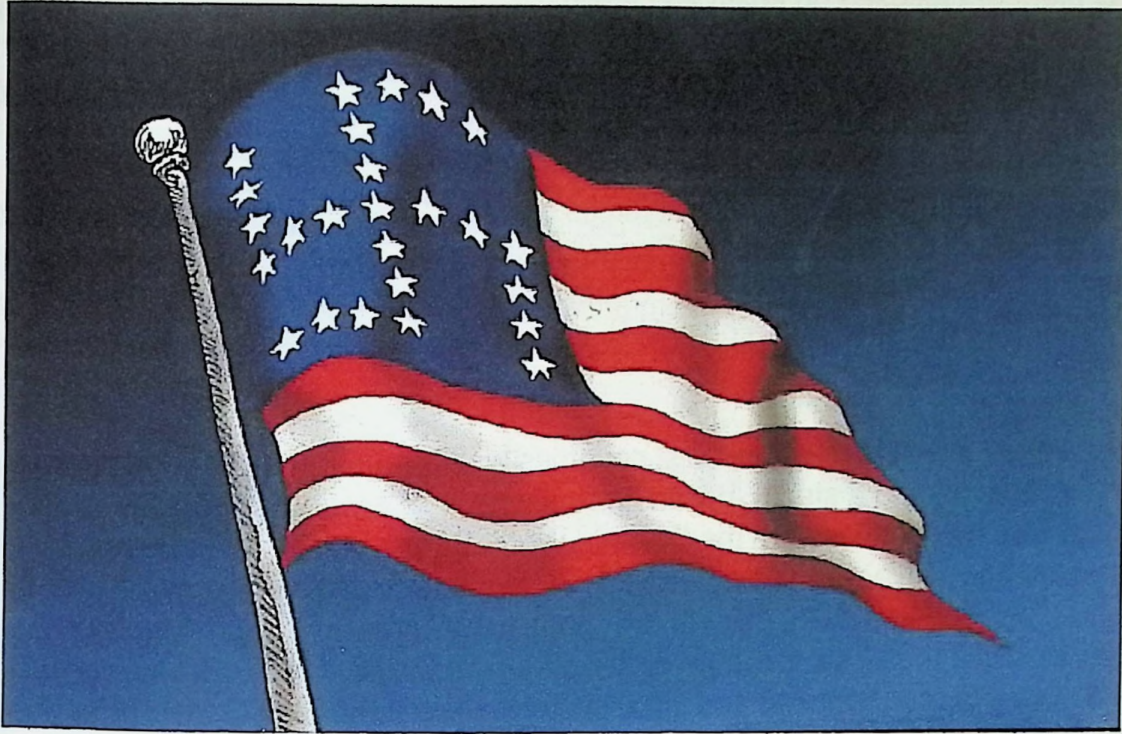
U.S. and NATO forces bear responsibility for this latest crime and the way it was carried out. U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton sounded like a gunslinger in a Hollywood western in Tripoli the day before Gadhafi's murder, demanding his capture – dead or alive.

Loyalist forces in the city of Sirte, Bani Walid and several other cities have held out two months after NATO seizure of Tripoli.

NATO bombers targeted Sirte and Bani Walid's electrical grid, communications, food storage, the city water supply, the water towers on apartment buildings and even the tower on the roof of the hospital. Again and again the TNC has announced that resistance in these small cities have been destroyed, only to be driven out each time.

The imperialist war in Libya is reminiscent of past colonial wars in Africa and Asia. Targeting of any civilian necessities, such as water, food, medicine, and communication is specifically prohibited under international law and considered a war crime under the Nuremburg and





**SINCE THE AMERICAN FLAG HAS CHANGED AND THE U.S. IS BUILDING A NEW WORLD ORDER – INVADING AND OCCUPYING AFGHANISTAN, IRAQ AND LIBYA – ASSASSINATING AND MUTILATING GADAFI – THESE ARE WAR CRIMES FOR WHICH YOU SHOULD BE TRIED MR. OBAMA!**





Geneva Conventions. Yet during seven months of war those are exactly the civilian targets that NATO planners focused on again and again.

The bombing of lines of cars fleeing the NATO besieged city of Sirte that led to Gadhafi's capture is an example of systematic targeting of civilians.

U.S. British, French and Italian imperialist forces claimed to be protecting civilians and implementing a United Nations Security Council No-fly zone. But the Libyan government used no aircraft at all. U.S. and other NATO jets ruled the skies and civilians were their targets. This is an expanding war. Today U.S. drones strike with impunity at defenseless peoples around the world.

Gadhafi's greatest threat to the imperialist countries was promoting a development plan for an African Federation and a stable African currency backed by Libya's \$90 billion reserves to help Africans free themselves from the IMF and World Bank's onerous dictates.

Forty-two years ago Libya was one of the poorest, least developed countries of Africa. Gadhafi and other young military officers overthrew the Western-supported Libyan monarchy of King Idris in 1969, then held the imperialist's off as the Libyans built with nationalized oil revenues a series of modern cities and infrastructure. Before the NATO bombing this year, the Libyan people had achieved the highest educational and health standards in Africa, according to UN development statistics.

In the same week that Secretary of State Clinton traveled to Tripoli and that Gadhafi was murdered, President Barack Obama ordered U.S. Special Forces and military advisors to Uganda, South Sudan, Central Africa Republic and Democratic Republic of Congo. These are countries that hold a vast reservoir of strategic minerals, including cobalt, coltan, industrial diamonds, copper in Congo and newly discovered oil in Uganda and South Sudan.

Anyone who expects that U.S./NATO forces or their corrupt collaborators will rebuild the schools, hospitals, modern housing, sports complexes, vast underground water system, electricity, advanced communications, reorganize free health care or reconstruct essential infrastructure that they have laid waste to in months of bombing need only look at their ignominious record in Iraq after eight years or in Afghanistan after ten years. The promised peace, national reconciliation, democracy and development were empty words.

Today, the vast majority of Iraqi people, even in the capital city of Baghdad, still struggle with a few hours of electricity a day. Potable water is a memory of a past pre-occupation epoch so is free education and health care. NATO is a war machine for corporate profit, not a social service agency. It has shown itself as incapable of reorganizing a decent life.

In Afghanistan after a decade of occupation, the rubble of U.S. bombs and rusting tanks still litter the roads. None of the promised social progress has reached beyond Pentagon press releases and politicians visits.

In Iraq the indignities and humiliations were so numerous and such an affront that even the government of compliant collaborators established by the U.S. has been forced by mass



Sentiment to refuse immunity to U.S. troops scheduled to remain in Iraq as relabeled trainers and advisors.

As in Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Yemen the resistance in Libya to U.S. NATO domination will continue and take on new forms.

The imperialists never expected mass mobilized resistance to their plans. They predicted a war that would be over within a week. Instead a small population of six million, spread across a largely desert country, managed through mass mobilizations of millions of people, military resistance and emergency measures to withstand more than 200 days of non-stop bombardment, more than 9,000 air strikes.

U.S., British and French corporate looters are planning a new assault on Africa, but they are finding that this is not the world of 100 years ago.

The tens of thousands of youth occupying sites in cities across the U.S. and Europe need to stand in solidarity with resistance to corporate domination at home and to imperialist wars abroad.

## **OCCUPY WALL STREET!** **NOT LIBYA, IRAQ OR AFGHANISTAN!**

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Ongoing demonstrations are held all over Greece against the austerity measures imposed by the IMF-WB and of course the present reactionary Greek Government which is in the hands of NATO and Western Imperialism. A new Spartacus has to be born.



# HAITI IS STILL AN OCCUPIED COUNTRY

You can consult any encyclopedia. Ask which was the first free country in America.

You will always receive the same answer: the United States. But the United States declared its independence when they were a nation with six hundred fifty thousand slaves who remained so for another century, and in its first Constitution they established that a black slave was equal to the three fifth parts of a person.

And if you ask any encyclopedia which was the first country to abolish slavery, you will always receive the same answer: England. But the first country that abolished slavery was not England, but Haiti which is still expiating the sin of its dignity.

The black slaves of Haiti had defeated Napoleon Bonaparte's glorious army and Europe never forgave that humiliation. Haiti paid France, for over a century and half, a huge compensation, for being guilty of its freedom, but not even that was enough.

That black insolence still hurts to the world's white masters.

Of all that, we know very little or nothing.

Haiti is an invisible country.

It only attained fame after the earthquake of 2010 which killed more than two hundred thousand Haitians.

The tragedy had the country to reach, fleetingly, the spotlight of the media.

Haiti is not known by the talent of its artists, scrap magicians capable of transforming garbage into beauty, neither for its historical feats in the war against slavery, and colonial oppression.

It's worth to repeat it once again, so that the deaf can listen: Haiti was the founding country of the independence of America and the first one that defeated slavery in the world.

It deserves a lot more than the fame sprung from its misfortunes.

At present, the armies from several countries, including mine, are still occupying Haiti.

How is this military invasion justified? Because alleging that Haiti puts in danger the international security.

Nothing once more.

Throughout the nineteenth century, Haiti's example was a threat to the security of countries that still continued practicing slavery. Thomas Jefferson had already said: from Haiti came the pest of rebellion. In South Carolina, for example, the law allowed to imprison any black sailor, while his ship was at dock, for the risk that he could contaminate the antislavery pest. And in Brazil, that pest was called Haitianism.

In the twentieth century, Haiti was invaded by the marines, for being an insecure country for its foreign creditors. The invaders began to take possession over custom offices and gave the National Bank to the City Bank of New York. Since they were already there, they decided to stay another nineteen years.

The crossing of the border between the Dominican Republic and Haiti is named: The wrong step.

Maybe the name is a call to arms: are you entering the black world, the black magic, the witchcraft... The voodoo, the religion that slaves brought from Africa and was nationalized in Haiti; it has no right to be called religion. From the point of view of proprietors of Civilization, the voodoo is a black thing, ignorance, backwardness, pure superstition. The Catholic Church, with plenty of followers capable of selling the saints' fingernails and the feathers of Archangel Gabriel, made possible that this superstition was officially forbidden in 1845, 1860, 1896, 1915, and 1942, without noticing it. notice it.

But for a few years now, the evangelical sects are in charge of the war against the superstition in Haiti. Those sects come from the United States, a country that doesn't have 13 floors in their buildings, neither line 13 in their airplanes, inhabited by civilized Christians who believe God made the world in one week.

In that country, the evangelical preacher Pat Robertson explained on television the earthquake of year 2010. This shepherd of souls revealed that the Haitian blacks had conquered their independence from France from a voodoo ceremony, invoking the Devil's help from the depth of the Haitian jungle. The Devil that gave them their freedom, had sent the earthquake to collect.

How long will foreign soldiers remain in Haiti? They arrived to stabilize and help, but have been having breakfast, and destabilizing this country that doesn't want them for seven years.

The military occupation of Haiti is costing the UN more than eight hundred million dollars yearly.

If the United Nations dedicated those funds to the technical cooperation, and the social solidarity, Haiti could give a good boost to develop their creative energy. Then they would be saved from their armed saviors who have a certain tendency to violate, kill, and give fatal illnesses.

Haiti doesn't need anyone to come and multiply its misfortunes. Neither needs anyone's charity. Or as an ancient African proverb goes, the hand that gives is always above the hand that receives.

But Haiti does need solidarity, doctors, schools, hospitals, and a true collaboration that makes possible the rebirth of its alimentary sovereignty, killed by the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, and other philanthropic societies.

For us, Latin Americans, that solidarity is a debt of gratitude: it will be the best way to say thanks to this little great nation that in 1804 opened for us, with its contagious example, the doors of freedom.

(This article is dedicated to Guillermo Chifflet who was coerced to give up the Chamber of Deputies of Uruguay when he voted against the send of soldiers to Haiti.)

\* Text read yesterday by the Uruguayan writer at the National Library included in the panel-debate "Haiti and Latin American", where also participated Camille Chalmers, and Jorge Coscia.

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**WHY NOT WRITE AN ARTICLE FOR NSC! WHY WAIT?**

**SOCIALISM AND THE USSR WILL BE RESURRECTED  
WHEN PRESENT REGIMES ARE OVERTHROWN!**



# USSR & SOCIALISM WILL BE RESURRECTED!

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People will there to help!**





## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From [Stalinist@yhoogroups.com](mailto:Stalinist@yhoogroups.com)  
USA

For those who do not know about the Communist Party of the Russian Federation (CPRF- Zyuganov) they're the largest Marxist-Leninist Communist Party in Russia and the second largest party in itself throughout the country – the largest being the Putin's party United Russia.

The CPRF will be facing the State Duma elections in December of this year, which will be the closest election between them since 1991. The CPRF is calling to follow the path of Stalin and to implement a temporary NEP program.

The CPRF has started an anti-corruption campaign against the present policies of the government in this capitalist Russia – and they are using J.V. Stalin as their symbol of the anti-corruption campaign.

### COMMENT:

*Sorry to take the wind out of your sails my friend – CPRF in 20 years since the collapse of the USSR has cooperated with the present Russian government – being a revisionism party as they are.*

FROM STATEN ISLAND, NY  
USA

The Hungarian philosopher Lukach is a subject of a book called "Gelebtes Denker". It contains interviews about his life, in which it becomes clear that he never fully accepted Lenin's concepts of the dictatorship of the proletariat and imperialism – but tried to redefine Marxism and Leninism, talking instead about "socialist democracy." This kind of petit-bourgeois "Marxism" proved to be counter-revolutionary, especially in 1956 in regards to the counter-revolutions that were organized by enemies within Hungary and Poland plus the Imperialist forces from outside the country.

All in all, this Lukach also produced an eulogy to the Russian-Czar-loving Solzhenitzin, called "Solzhenitsin - the New Realism." It

is a shame for this Marxist philosopher and literary critic to misunderstand anti-socialist realism and Socialist realism. Lukach chose to support the eternal struggle within the communist movement between revisionism, right opportunism, and social democracy on the one side and Marxism and Leninism on the other side. He even wrote a eulogy to Krushchev-inspired reforms in Hungary which he called "first real step to social democracy".

Lukach also declared that "the 1917 experiment is doomed to fail, we will need to start from zero again in another country, not in Russia."

I guess all Trotskyies, social democrats, anti-communists, right opportunists, modern day revisionists and petit bourgeois radicals all agree with this!

Dr. Angelo D'Angelo

**YES, SOVIET PEOPLE SAY:  
"BACK TO THE FUTURE –  
BACK TO THE USSR"**

*A reply to ericlee@labourstart.org*

This is also the slogan of our organization, which publishes Northstar Compass in English, French, Russian, Spanish every month. [www.northstarcompass.org](http://www.northstarcompass.org)

*Contrary to what you say, "Back to the USSR" is growing ever wider amongst the Soviet people with the orientation of Lenin and Stalin (1917-1953).*

There were two Soviet Unions:

- \* The Socialist USSR of Lenin and Stalin (1917-1953) – and
- \* The revisionist Soviet Union of

**THIS IS AMERICA TODAY**

*By J. Corlett*

I think U.S. Government is controlling the people while the U.S. Capitalist Military Complex controls the Government.

Krushchev, Brezhnev, until its final collapse perpetrated by Gorbachev and Yeltsin.

In spite of the terrible war and invasion of the young Soviet State by 14 imperialist countries (including Canada) led by Winston Churchill and other imperialist leaders in 1918 – and in spite of WW II by German Imperialists of the Third Reich, plus other fascist countries- such as Italy and Japan – and in spite of the tragic loss of over 27,000,000 people during the war and the horrendous devastation - the USSR constantly grew in economic growth, it became after WW II the second greatest world power – it also became a formidable economic, social, political, technological, scientific, military, cultural power for peace, development and Socialism – **all under the leadership of Stalin.**

Today, these are the 3 characteristics of imperialism: (1) CRISIS; (2) FASCISM; (3) War – all leading to the destruction of world humanity.

The Soviet people are even ever more and more demanding – **"BACK TO THE USSR!"**

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*International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People  
and the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass.*

### FROM LAKELAND, FLORIDA USA

The US Pentagon and the World Bank plan now to auction off six very large major mineral sites in the coming months in Afghanistan. Great Iron deposits west of Kabul are thought to be worth over \$420 billions. All US corporations are involved in this Iron Deposits mining grab.

But what is interesting is that this plan was already in the works even three weeks before the 9/11 attack on the World Trade Center took place. Thus the 2001 invasion of Afghanistan opened the doors to the riches of Afghanistan.

J. Coriatt

### FROM WROCLAW POLAND

Dear comrade Michael Lucas,  
I greet you warmly and all of the comrades of the new International Council and the members of the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass, as always, from nearby Poland.

I congratulate the Third World Congress delegates with the results that were achieved by the them from many countries and especially by the delegation from former Soviet Union. The discussions, the many resolutions, the struggle for peace and against Imperialism were all in the document briefcase that you comrade sent me and to our

comrades here in Poland.

This Third World Congress not only helped the struggles in the former USSR, but it also helped us here in Poland as well as in other countries where NSC is read.

As I wrote to NSC before, it was impossible for me to come to this Third World Congress – not only due to financial problem, but because of the political situation against the Communists and our struggles against the proposed law to “Ban the Communist Party in Poland” - which was defeated by the Polish Court due to our



CPP and the YCL organized trips to places Polish people fought the German Nazis during WW II

ongoing struggles.

The elections that were held had only a 48.8% turn out of Polish voters. The people were fed up with all propaganda and the right-wing parties were highly financed and in this way they monopolized all the Polish media. There were nine parties running and of course the votes were split – thus giving the ruling class their monopoly.

Poland is now in NATO, in EU and being used to send their soldiers to fight and die for NATO-US New World Order. Meanwhile the growing unemployment and the economic hardships are growing worse each day. We fight on through our newspaper “Dawn” and organizing our party and Young Komsomol in these struggles.

I thank you for sending me NSC regularly and other materials – these are necessary information for us as well as for the Soviet people in our struggles.



**V.I. LENIN AND STALIN - AT THE 5<sup>th</sup> COMMUNIST CONGRESS IN LONDON, ENGLAND**



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