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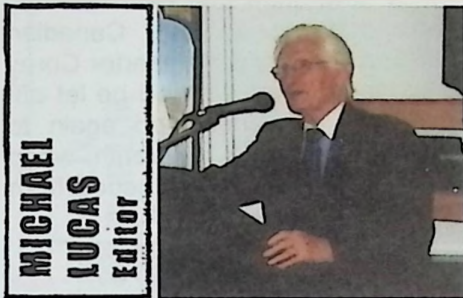
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IN 1918 "HANDS OFF RUSSIA COMMITTEE" WAS STARTED IN CANADA BY DR. H.A. LOWRIE- FIRST CHAIRMAN

EDITORIAL



Just last month U.S. Condoleezza Rice and her counterpart Karel Schwarzenberg of the Czech Republic signed an anti-missile shield agreement in Prague.

This NATO treaty will allow the United States to build a missile tracking radar station at the Brdy military district, southwest of the city of Prague.

NATO will also install interceptor missiles in Poland. Although Russian regime has protested (mildly of course) by Yevgeny Buzhinsky the Foreign Minister, the deal was signed, while Poland is demanding that USA give Poland \$20 Billions in order to upgrade its Army. Every sell out has its price of course!

There is very strong opposition by people in the Czech Republic to this deal, with protests and demonstrations – much more than in Poland itself. The resistance in Poland is COMMERCIAL, because Poland gave immediate consent to NATO to install these missiles. US balked at this \$\$\$ blackmail and said that Lithuania is also willing to get the missiles installed on its territory.

The only way that NATO and US imperialism is going to be stopped is for complete unity of actions by all the progressive forces in Europe. These NATO-USA plans are not only against present day Russia (*who are playing a dangerous game*) but also against all people of Europe and of the world. Of course it is aimed at Russia and other former Soviet Republics – one last push by US and its New World Order to dominate, once for all the rich resources of former Soviet Union and to get cheap labor workforce to slave for Imperialism.

Progressive mankind sees through this dangerous facade of creeping fascism. The bitter truth is that in competition with NATO and

WASHINGTON IS HEADING TOWARDS A NEW ARMS RACE



American imperialism, the ruling class of Russia and China are now reinforcing their nuclear military capabilities. Our world is facing an impending crisis – the threat of a Third World War – not between Socialism and Capitalism – but between capitalist states (*no matter how they hide under the cloak of democracy or socialism*).

This is nothing but an exacerbated and very intensifying scramble for natural resources - gas and oil – food, plus cheap labor force. On top of all this, imperialist US is undergoing a grave economic crisis plus a growing turmoil in its world financial system, and the declining US dollar is slowly putting the US into an economic recession.

Northstar Compass is sometimes criticized for commenting on the world progressive movements, communist parties and for the constructive criticism of not only Imperialism, but also the present dangerous policies of Russia. We feel that as friends of the Soviet people and the defenders of Socialism since 1918, when the organization "Hands Off Russia Committee" was established, we certainly have shown our dedication and have not changed our position since 1918!

The danger of all political struggles lies in disunity of actions. It isn't enough to quote, misquote, rehash, repeat, espouse Marx, Engels, Lenin or Stalin at every world conference, congress, meetings or in thousands of pages of analyses or books – as good and brilliant as they are - the desperate need for **UNITY OF ACTION** must supercede all.

Otherwise Imperialism, so well versed and adept – will utilize the **DIVIDE AND RULE POLICY**, which unfortunately at the moment is working in the world progressive movements!

WHAT U.S. IMPERIALISM HAS ACCOMPLISHED IN IRAQ

The number of Iraqis slaughtered since US invaded Iraq is:

1,222,013

How many US Military personnel have US sacrificed?

4,099

How much the occupation of Iraq costs the US taxpayers?

\$528,288,626,657

According the latest United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the number of Iraqis whose homes were destroyed and that had to flee has now reached –

4.7 MILLION

ERRATUM

In the last issue of NSC (June) on page 23, the caption of the color photo should have read: "Constant funeral processions because of NATO aggression and killings in the Middle East."

As friends of Soviet People give your input to the

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL CONFERENCE

October 10-11-12, 2008
Toronto, Canada



Dear friends and readers of Northstar Compass!

The holding of this International Council Meeting on October 10-11-12th in Toronto, Canada, cannot be underestimated in its importance for the future of our work in order to help our Soviet comrades in their daily struggles for the resurrection of the Soviet Union and of Socialism!

With Executive Committee members coming (*as of this time*) from 11 countries, plus guests, decisions will be made regarding the Third World Congress that will be held in Europe in 2009.

Your suggestions, your ideas, your constructive criticism is welcomed by the Executive Committee and by the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass. Some of the ideas and suggestions are being published in this July-August issue under the section "*Friendship News*".

Please send your opinions early so that they can be included in the Conference materials and give us time to translate them into French, English, Russian and Spanish.

FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION- CANADIAN STYLE!

In a news item that received very scant publicity in the Canadian media, a US Iraq war deserter Corey Glass doesn't know if he'll be let off, thrown in jail, redeployed again to Iraq, or sentenced to death when he's deported back to America from Canada where he took refuge.

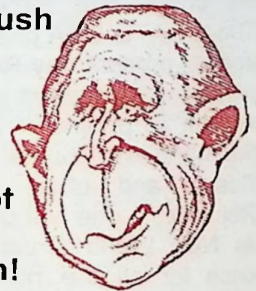


In a statement, Corey, a native of Indiana State in the US said: "*I'd rather die than go back to Iraq! This war is blatantly illegal. I don't care, they can give me a death sentence. I'd rather be put to death than have to go to Iraq again. It's wrong!*"

The Prime Minister of Canada – a buddy of George Bush will in all likely-hood deport this 25-year old Corey Glass to the USA, even though the motion to allow Corey to stay in Canada was passed by a vote of 137-110 by Parliament. But this motion is not binding on the Prime Minister of Canada.

PRESIDENT BUSH / NATO ALLIES ATTACKED IRAQ

because Bush
and the
Pentagon
Said that
Iraq had
Weapons of
Mass
Destruction!



The 1,625 United Nations and U.S. Inspectors spent two years searching 1,700 Iraqi sites at a cost of over \$1,000,000,000 – and of course no Weapons of Mass Destruction were found!

NEWS FROM FORMER USSR

FELIX
GORELIK



IMPORTANT CONGRESS HELD BY THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF UKRAINE

At the end of June of this year there took place a Congress of the CPU in Kiev at the October Convention Center which was filled to capacity with delegates and guests, besides guests from brother communist parties from many countries. This shows that the Communist Party of Ukraine is alive and is fighting the battles.

The main report was given by the First Secretary Simonenko, who told about the troubles, the crisis in Ukraine and how it affects the work of the Communist Party of Ukraine. The dissolution of the USSR, the privatization, the liquidation of the collective and state farms, brought the economy of Ukraine into a terrible state and this has affected the working class immensely. Because of this, the number of votes given to the CPU during elections is getting smaller and smaller. The working class is affected from one side by despair, and on the other side from foreign high-priced goods. Over 98% of needed goods for the people is manufactured outside the country; the Ukraine light industry is now dismantled. The countryside has no more collective farms and privatization has proved to be the death knell of agriculture.

The trade union leadership is subservient to the present government. Agricultural lands are now in the hands of the private latifundists. In the last 15 years over 13,000,000 people died. The new generation coming into life does not even know what the USSR stood for or what it did for the people. The present Ukrainian media

bombardment by the bourgeoisie propaganda machine. But, in spite of all this, the CPU is fighting back now and is on the attack.

Simonenko gave many examples of how the party membership is growing and the success in signing up to the party younger members. The task is to prepare for the coming peoples democratic revolution and, first of all, not allow Ukraine to be a member of NATO.

Peter Simonenko for the first time has called for the birth of the new Communist International as a need of uppermost importance.

Echoing this sentiment of the need of a Communist International was the speech by Gennady Zyuganov of the Communist Party of the Russian Federation when he spoke as guest at the CPU Congress in Kiev.

Zyuganov gave a detailed report on the former Russian elections and ended his speech with: *"There must be a unified entity between Russia, Byelorussia and Ukraine – if this will not happen soon we are headed towards an abyss"*, concluded Zyuganov.

The speech by the leader of the Communists in Crimea, comrade Grach, brought the delegates to their feet in applause. *"We must be a party of revolutionaries and must not support the present oligarchs! Our party must be totally Marxist, and always be revolutionary."* Comrade Grach also demanded that there must be established very soon a Communist International. as a bulwark against NATO.

FORCED RELIGIOUS TEACHING IN SCHOOLS

From newspaper MYSL

The present Putin-Medvedev regime is forcing the teaching of religion in all schools, starting September 1, 2009. The leadership of the Russian Orthodox Church is the instigator and the pusher of this. This was in the plans of the Russian regime for a couple of years, but

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there was opposition and now they managed to pass this into law where each region of Russia decided the policy and thus this became the law of the whole of Russia, even though this is against the present constitution of this capitalist Russia.

This religious teaching law has become a joke amongst the people and here is just one of the jokes the people pass around amongst themselves.

"September 1, 2009. The teacher of physics, looking like an orthodox priest with a long beard and dressed all in a black smock – asks a student:

"Tell me, how does electricity travel through the wires?"

"With the help of God, Father!"

"Great! You'll get an A plus!"

SHAKE-UP IN THE KREMLIN AND SHADY DEALS

Gathered from Russian news service

President Medvedev had dismissed on June 3, 2008 General Yuri Baluyevsky as Chief of the Russian Armed Forces' General Staff and replaced him with Deputy Defense Minister Nikolai Makarov.

The question is why?

General Baluyevsky opposed strongly plans to hire private civilian contractors and personnel to sell off military property among other private dealings arranged by the present Russian government.

The "New York Times" reported that the Russian TV political analyst Mikhail Delyagin of the TV Center Television Network criticized Vladimir Putin on a talk show, and before this episode was aired over Moscow TV, his critical remarks about Putin and Medvedev's policies were ordered to be "digitally erased" from the show before it was aired.

Mikhail Delyagin is on the "Kremlin Black List" and now has been barred from Russian TV news and political discussion program. This "erasing" was admitted by the Kremlin after this news item was published in the "New York Times."

The Russian Ambassador to Thailand has been accused of making "sweetheart deals" with the Thailand Prime Minister through a

private Russian arms dealer Mr. Bout, who was arrested when was negotiating for arms, fighter jets, gas and oil deals – in order for Thailand to release this darling of the Russian mafia, Viktor Bout.

It seems that this Mr. Bout "is very valuable to the Russians" because he is deeply in bed and protected by the Russian privatized military establishment and its intelligence services. This is according to the well-known journalist Douglas Farah who has a Website "Family Security Matters."

MR. MEDVEDEV has finally told the truth when he spoke lately to the German political and civic leaders in Berlin

"Russia now is becoming an integral part of Europe. Since we have cast aside the Soviet System and given up forever any idea of its restoration, Russia has now laid the foundations of a state that is completely compatible with the rest of Europe and the West - or to be more precise - with the best of all that makes up the common heritage of the capitalist European civilization.

Russia has now come in from the cold. We have returned here after almost a century of isolation and self-isolation. Russia is now very actively returning to global politics an global economy and availability of our sources and possibilities."

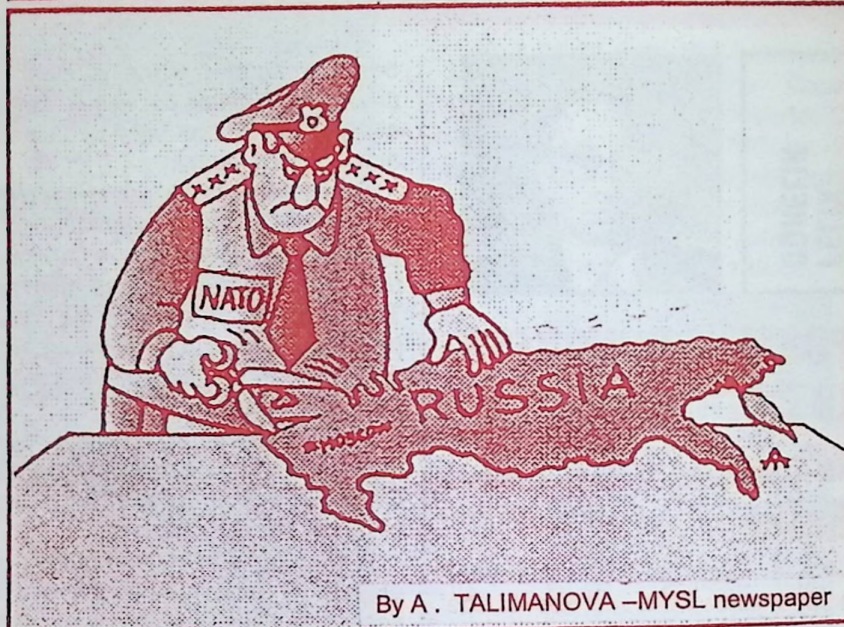
There's absolutely no need for any comment.

PRESENT DANGER IS WORSE THAN IT WAS JUNE 22, 1941

Statement by "For Union and Communist Party of Union" Minsk

The preset situation for all of the Soviet people is more dangerous than it was when Germany attacked the USSR on June 22, 1941. At that time the Red Army was united and stood up to the fascist hordes and behind the Red Army were the united Soviet People. Today, instead of the mighty Red Army, there are many small, ineffective armed forces, and loosely put together, but divided by borders and nationalistic propaganda

NATO PLANS FOR CARVING UP RUSSIA!



By A. TALIMANOVA –MYSL newspaper

that stops all unity.

Before, the leadership of the Soviet Union was dedicated and strong, and, the unifying force was the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Today, with one or two exceptions, the present leadership of these former Soviet Republics is in the hands of opportunists who are willing and are in fact selling out the interests of their own people. All former Soviet republics are under the influence of imported liberalism and influence of foreign powers, renegades and social-democratic influences and their generous financial support.

Today there is rampant capitalism in all of the former republics and they could not mobilize themselves against an enemy. Instead of unity and unified actions as was under the USSR, the present union is divided, dispersed and only two republics that have some kind of loose cooperation. In the meantime the NATO bloc is not only governing and exploiting the natural resources, the economic potential of former USSR and Europe, but on the global scale.

This present situation has actually given Imperialism a victory, both in the psychological and informational sphere, which will lead to the actual occupation.

During 1940's the country was cleansed of its "fifth column" but today, this "fifth column" exists under the name of "democratic opposition."

In 1941 the aggressor stood on

our Western borders, but today Imperialism is already in Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Ukraine and going into Georgia and other former Soviet republics – thus surrounding the former USSR!

That is why our party is calling upon all former republics of the USSR, while the sky is still clear above our heads, to join the initiative as started by President Lukashenko of Byelorussia, to formally join together, as a start - Russia and Byelorussia - and then proceed to unite all of the former Soviet Republics towards a Union and Socialism and, thus guarantee again against any attack by Imperialism!

The Soviet Union defeated German Nazism, the foe of all mankind. We must give rebirth to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; bury the plans of all the neo-fascists who are not only enemies of our people, but enemies of all mankind!

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INSPIRED LABOUR IN THE LAND OF THE SOVIETS



By Vladimir Chechentsev

Review of the book by Predrag Milicevic "From the Wooden Plough to Supersonic and Space Flights. Triumph of the creators. History of the birth, formation and achievements of the Russian aviation enterprise MAKB "Temp" - Research and Production Enterprise "EGA" - M.: Publishing house "Ves mir", 2006. - 336 pages.

"We are born to turn dream into reality"

From an aviation march "Higher and higher"

by Pavel German

Until now we have known Predrag Milicevic as a writer with the incisive gift of unveiling the imperialistic sharks, which prepared the breakdown and change of the social system in his native land - Yugoslavia and revisionism in the Communist movement.

However, with great temperment and craftsmanship Milicevic was able to tell us about the formation of the heroic epoch of the building of the new socialist life in the USSR. Milicevic wrote about life filled with creative labour and the lives of happy people, selflessly devoted to their socialist native land. By its form Milicevic's book is not any

different from the memoir style of literature. It has the preface, remarks from the author, and records the enterprise's history in chronological order, where the author had worked for decades.

In the annotation to the book it says: "The book contains rich material from the history of foundation, formation and the greatest achievements by Research and Production Enterprise "EGA", one of the leading Soviet and Russian enterprises producing systems of automatic control and fuel feed of gas-turbine and rocket engines. These systems were intended for the engine control of military and commercial airplanes, helicopters, and rocket and space industry".

However, the content uncommon today is incorporated into this usual form. Historically, the vanguard working class of the USSR was concentrated, first of all, in this defence industry. Access to the defence enterprises was extremely limited, the achievements of these enterprises could be judged only by ultimate results. It was not common to talk about the people behind the most advanced technologies.

And the merit of the author is the fact that he, after having done enormous, tedious research, presented to the reader numerous living people, creators of new technologies, Soviet working class, Soviet engineers and other specialists.

In today's Russia, it is customary to consider as the outstanding people, as the elite, businessmen who know how to make money.

This book challenges this insolent claim to consider as elite a pack of swindlers who pretend to revive the greatness of Russia.

"In the last two decades the Russian way of mass brain-washing, rarely speaking about the greatness of Russia, as a rule, mean its vast landscapes, forests, the innumerable riches of the Far East, Kolyma,

Chukotka, Norilsk, Kolski Peninsula, Far North, the Urals, Siberia, which with their "black" and "blue" gold ensure high standard of living of EU countries, the flow of petrodollars, and modern standard of living of Russia, not to mention the standard of living of the well known oligarchs. The same oligarchs, successful financial managers and merchants, criminals, officials and actors of all sorts flicker on the pages of all possible publications and on the television channels. All these natural resources and the mentioned above "heroes" of printed publications and telecasts are considered to be the inseparable part of Russia and, from the "commercial-bank" point of view, are the decisive characteristics of its greatness. However, there is in the people of Russia another definition of its greatness, which frequently can be heard among workers. It is the belief that Russia is great, first of all, by its working people, by talented, gifted with nature with keenness and kindness, who gravitate towards collective work, which does not diminish but, on the contrary, increases wealth and beauty of the Russian land". (c. 9).

The author loves his heroes, the enterprise collective, together with whom he worked for more than 50 years. And this allowed Milicevic to describe very different people - from the metal craftsman, the recipient of two Orders of the Glory of Labour Petr Danilovich Lysikov to chief designer Fedor Amosovich Korotkov. When the monumental history of building socialism in our country will be written, in it will be also be a place for these people.

This book is first of all, about the Soviet people who were born "to turn a dream into reality".

Here, on the photograph on page 24 we see the first workers of the aviation repair shop №1. They look like five ordinary men. However, they have accomplished a heroic act, driven mostly by their enthusiasm, under severe conditions of the winter

of 1922 they were able to equip the workshops and start working on the assignments of the Military Air Force. Is it not the model of the highest consciousness when the workers of the PVM preserved the enterprise under the conditions of the NEP in the absence of any orders along its profile?

"The workers understood that the retention of workshops under the conditions of general unemployment was vitally important to all of them, and they did everything possible to increase productivity, to reduce the cost of production, otherwise workshops would not survive and would not win the competition with the private capitalist enterprises... A decision to reduce prices and to decrease the wage of each worker was made, in order not to lay anyone off. Nevertheless, the number of workers eventually was reduced. Of 223 workers who worked in 1923 at the end of 1924 only 96 were retained..." (p. 26).

And here such people of "korchagin" type withstood and conquered. "The workshops became profitable, wages increased and new equipment was acquired". The enterprise veteran A. Barkovski recalles: "We ceased to fear competition, we felt we were victorious in this economic struggle with the petty private traders, we worked confidently, without supervision" (p. 26).

They try to convince us that only "masters" - capitalists are capable of organizing highly productive work! There is no need to follow all steps of the development of enterprise. But one must note that in its life there were more critical moments. There were production difficulties and research failures; however, the power and solidarity of people had won. The people were united under one goal: to lead Soviet aviation to the world's forefront positions.

An example of this is the story about the adoption by the management of the aircraft industry

of the decision about re-profiling the enterprise's production.

At the open party meeting, to which almost the entire association arrived, all speakers subjected to criticism the already adopted decision. The question about the specialization of enterprise was reviewed three months after the petition of the management of enterprise together with the association. The enterprise was ordered to produce fuel equipment for aircraft engines. Life showed that the association of enterprise critically approached its words. The task of the mastery of the production of carburetors for the aircraft engines, which were being imported earlier, was then solved.

Especially I want to note how the working class of the land of the Soviets dealt with rewards for the results of work. In connection with the 15th anniversary of the October Revolution by the order of the People's Commissar of Heavy Industry T.K. Ordzhonikidze the enterprise was rewarded with 50 thousand rubles. The enterprise decided to spend this money on building a cultural club for the workers, on improvements in the workers' cafeteria, on building of a kindergarten and first aid station, on the completion of the living quarters for the workers.

In a short time, after having started from the mastery of aggregates according to foreign licenses, the association of enterprise reached the level, which allowed it to develop and to manufacture reliable carburetors for the engines of aircraft, which were being created at that time under the motto: "Further, Higher, Faster!"

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This enterprise has it is contribution to the fact that the crews of V. P.Chkalov and M. M. Gromov, after completing on-stop flights over the North Pole into North America, proved to the entire world the high level of Soviet aircraft construction. World War II occupies a special page in the history of the enterprise.

Under the harshest conditions, when one part of the enterprise was evacuated, and another remained in Moscow, working along with the other tasks for the front, people of the enterprise provided Soviet aviation with the reliable elements of fuel.

"Surprising historic evidence: entire park of the Air Force of the country - bombers of A. N. Tupolev, the attack aircraft of A. A. Ilpenin, the dive-bombers of V. M. Petlyakova, the fighters of S. A. Lavochkin, A. S.Yakovlev, A. I. Mikoyan, O. P. Sukhoi on the motors A.D. Of Shvetsov, A. A. Mikulin, V. Y. Klimov, A. D. Charomski, participating in the bloody struggles and numerous military operations against fascist Germany, were equipped with the carburetors, developed by our workers under the management of F. A. Korotkov", reports the author (p. 49).

It is hard to overestimate the salient contribution of the collective of the enterprise to the postwar years. Fundamentally new tasks before the developers of the systems of engine control arose with the production of aircraft with jet engines and the creation of a rocket section. The workers of the enterprise, true to the traditions of their glorious predecessors, with honour held the banner of domestic aircraft construction and space technology. More than a hundred world and domestic records, established by our test pilots, their unique appearances at the international air shows would be unthinkable without the creative truly avant-garde labour of the workers of the Research and Production Enterprise "EGA".

"People reluctantly believe in bookish communism. One may write in a book whatever he wishes. But this will liven up fantasies at once and will show the true essence and real flesh of communism."

These lines of outstanding Soviet poet Vladimir Mayakovski involuntarily come to mind when reading the new book by Predrag Milicevic.

And even though as a result of changed social system in the country, the collective of the enterprise underwent a smashing blow, I believe that its conscious part will be able to withstand and will arise into the advance guard of fight for the bright future -- socialism.

The book does not provide a straight answer to the question: How could it happen that advance detachment of working class - the workers of the defence industry - remain apathetic to the fate of socialism in the USSR? And we are not inclined to see this lack of an answer as a deficiency in the book, which has a completely different purpose. Let us only note that the inquisitive reader will find in the book some features which will help him draw a correct conclusion independently.

To confirm, I will lead extensive endurance from the recollections of the general foreman of №103 of enterprise, veteran of Research and Production Enterprise "EGA" Yuri Anatolevich Ilyushkin: "In 1972, I became a member of the CPSU, and in 1978 I was elected the secretary of the party committee of the enterprise. Probably, 80% of the workers of the enterprise called me respectfully by my first name and patronymic name, all treated me benevolently, they knew me through work and through collective leisure in our recreation center "Birch". Therefore, I was not afraid of the work as the secretary of the enterprise party committee. And I dove into a new activity with love and desire to work as well as possible. However, an insignificant event

occurred. After half a year of work in the party committee, I visited the district committee's cafeteria to have a bite, especially since there, in the cafeteria, there was not a soul, with the exception of one table, at which the secretaries of the party district committee sat. The waitress whispered to me: "When the secretaries of the party district committee have dinner we do not serve anyone else." This strongly struck me and left its imprint on my further work in this post. Years later, when the catastrophic for country and people perestroika took off, I understood: this is where the destruction of party and state discipline began; this is where the elevation of the "lords" started, the separation of the high and the low, the very rich and the very poor developed, and all together led to the catastrophe of there no longer being the most powerful super-state"

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AUCPB VERY ACTIVE IN BYELORUSSIA

May 9, 2008 in Minsk, Byelorussia during the Victory Day celebrations, the leaflets distributed by the AUCPB were very popular amongst the Chinese students studying in Minsk.

May 9, Day of Victory demonstrations in Minsk, organized by the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks, laid flowers and wreaths to the fallen Soviet Red Army soldiers at the Eternal Flame situated on the Victory Square. Photos from newspaper "VPERED-FORWARD"



THE BOURGEOISIE OF RUSSIA IS SCARED OF STALIN THOUGH HE DIED IN 1953!

By V.TARASOV-EDMURTIA-ABKHAZIA
Newspaper VPERED

Because these present capitalist leaders of Russia are so scared of Stalin's name, they don't even want to visit the summer cottage of the CC CPSU where Stalin spent little time, with some other Soviet leaders.

In Abkhazia there are daily tourist excursions to visit the very humble cottage of Joseph V. Stalin. Though the visitors pay minimum admission, they were very happy and honored even now to see where Stalin spent some time, one of the greatest man of the last century.



The cottage was furnished sparsely, no fancy lamps, furniture or other comforts. Stalin lived a humble life here and the meeting room that was used for meetings of the CC Politburo had a long table with wooden chairs around – nothing fancy or expensive. Stalin had no chair reserved for him as the General Secretary of the CPSU; he sat wherever there was an empty chair available.

There were no drinking parties, no liquor cabinets and Stalin spent his free time sitting on the hill overlooking the sea and working all the time. From time to time he would walk in the woods – with no security at all. Here after 1945 he met with Mao Tsetung.

After Stalin died (*poisoned- Editor*) Krushchev when he came here refused to visit the cottage of Stalin as well as Brezhnev after him, were living in an expensive Hotel Suites nearby. Both Krushchev and Brezhnev refused to even go near the cottage of Stalin – according to the people working nearby.

Tourists who travel here and on boats now can see on the cliff overlooking the sea near Abkhazia and Pitsunda a 9 storied castle built by Gorbachev for himself and his entourage. This castle-like building looks like a Bank on Wall Street.

This castle by Gorbachev is built from the money of the Soviet people. This castle-summer home is used by the present bourgeois leadership of Russia.

Of course, as opposed to the cottage of Stalin, this 8-storey Castle is closed to the people, with 24-hour guards all around.

MEDVDEV PRAISES G AZPROM - A PRIVATE CORPORATION

According to Thomson Financial News, President Medvedev had only kind words for this now multinational corporation, GAZPROM, *“that it is now the vanguard of Russian economy and people have to reckon with it.”*

But this is only natural, since Mr. Medvedev was Gazprom Chairman for seven years before he was put in by Mr. Putin.

THOUSANDS OF RUSSIAN CITIZENS CHARGED ILLEGALLY

Prosecutor-General of Russia, Yuri Chaika charged that thousands of Russians are illegally charged with crimes each year that they did not commit. He told the meeting of Prosecutor General's Office Collegiums' (*according to Polit-ru reports*). A very large share of responsibility lies with the Prosecutors, who should prevent the violations of the rights of Russian citizens.

RUSSIANS STILL THINK THAT PUTIN IS PRESIDENT

An opinion poll by the Russian state owned VtsIOM polling agency, here's what they found out:

* Majority of the Russians polled

thought that Vladimir Putin is still President.

* Over 4% polled didn't even know the name of Russia's current President Medvedev.

* Over 14% were not sure as to who is the current Prime Minister. (*Mr. Putin of course*).

REBUFF TO PUTIN BY RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

The Russian Academy has voted to reject Mikhail Kovalchuk as a full member of the Russian Academy of Sciences because Kovalchuk, a member of a family that had been nicknamed *“Putin's Purse”* was appointed to head Rosnanotech, a sate corporation that receives billions of dollars worth of state funding. But, without a full Academy membership, Kovalchuk cannot be confirmed as Rosnanotech's official head. This refusal makes Kovalchuk more vulnerable to be dismissal for his money laundering - in case Putin's grip on power is weakened.

This news item was reported by The Daily Telegraph newspaper, by its resident correspondent.

TRADE RELATIONS BETWEEN RUSSIA AND CHINA ARE IN TROUBLE

According to the Moscow-based RIA (*Russian Information Agency*) Novosti had published an editorial expressing great concern about the very rapid decline in Sino-Russian military ties. The Agency reported that not one Russian enterprise is working on single major contract that was concluded with China.

The Russian-Chinese Bilateral Commission has not met for over two years. China is importing weapons, planes and technology from other countries (*USA, Britain, Israel, France etc.*) After receiving for many years the technology and expertise from Russia, China does not want any Russian assistance now.

Novosti's Editorial posed this question: *“Is Russia supplying weapons to an army that may turn against it tomorrow?”*

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LATEST FROM RUSSIA OF MEDVEDEV & PUTIN

Russia has now closed down the final reactor of a Siberian plutonium production plan as part of an agreement signed by Putin with Bush. The reactor is situated in the city of Severk, formerly known as Tomsk.

NSC wonders why US and Israel did not also close down their plutonium reactors?

Corruption in capitalist Russia is not diminishing but growing. The latest is the trial of a joint British-Russian oil corporation called -TNK-BP (*British Petroleum*). Vasily Piskaryov as the senior official of the Investigation Committee of the Russian Prosecutor General's Office said that the illegal earnings of the corrupt officials equals about **one third of Russia's Federal Budget**.

According to Prosecutor Piskarev, these crooked businessmen have spent \$\$\$ bribing the high Russian government officials by astronomical **\$33,000,000,000 per year**, plus other bribes which added another **\$3,000,000,000** to lower placed government officials.

According to the Daily Telegraph newspaper



Last June 7th in his first major speech as President of Russia, Mr. Medvedev spoke on economics. After saying that America is to blame for the economic downturn in the

world, he offered Russia's help to these American multinational corporations in order to gain their former control.

We wonder whether the outgoing President Bush will award Mr. Medvedev the highest US Medal for his services to the US multinational corporations?

WE PROTEST THE ATTACK BY AZERBAIJAN POLICE AGAINST THE COMMUNIST YOUTH LEAGUE

From info@moll.info (MLKP)

At the commemoration of the 80th Anniversary of the birth of Ernesto Che Guevara on June 14 in Azerbaijan, the state police forces attacked the young people from the New Generation Communist Youth League and arrested 26 of them.

The police confiscated all the documents of the organization, video and music, CDs, petitions for solidarity with Cuban Five, signed petitions against the illegalization of the Czech Communist Youth Organization and other documents, plus the film about the life of Che.

This shows the reactionary nature of the present Azerbaijan regime and the great fear it has of the revolutionary and communist ideas. It will not be possible to hinder or stop the rise of socialism again since Azerbaijan has already experienced Socialism as part of the USSR!

Our party protests this attack by the Azerbaijan state against the New Generation Communist Youth and states that the Azerbaijan friends are not alone. We call upon all communist and revolutionary forces to protest this attack.

MLCP -Turkey/Northern Kurdistan

COMMENT:

A strong protest was sent to the Azerbaijan regime against this attack and a letter of support was also sent to the New Generation of Communist Youth on behalf of the International Council and Northstar Compass.

YOU HAVE AN OPINION ABOUT NSC? WRITE!

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WWW.NORTHSTARCOMPASS.ORG
Thousands of viewers do!

ALL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL AND NORTHSTAR COMPASS WILL MEET ON OCTOBER 10-11-12, 2008 AT THE FRIENDSHIP HOUSE IN TORONTO, CANADA!

YOUR REGISTRATION MUST BE IN BY AUGUST 31, 2008



SOVIET PEOPLE ARE ACTIVE FOR CUBAN FIVE!

FROM STALINO-DONETSK
UKRAINE

Dear comrades:

Received the latest issue of NSC for which I thank you very much. I have received an appeal from the International Council where you ask to reply to the questions asked so that the upcoming Council Conference will have an opportunity to look at the many suggestions for NSC and for the work of the International Council. I do read English NSC, but here we have 20 subscribers to the Russian Edition of NSC.

I called a meeting of our readers and friends to discuss the International Council Appeal and I am sending you our thoughts. (The suggestions are published in this issue of NSC.

I am sending you 2 letters of reply from two of the Cuban 5 political prisoners in the US, which I hope you will find the space to publish their letters.

I am also sending you three drawings by a young artist Vladimir Kolesnikov. He is a doctor by profession and a member of the Communist Party of Ukraine, plus a Vice Chairman of the Committee in defense of all political prisoners and a subscriber of the Russian edition of NSC.

I am also sending you a copy of our leaflet "Motherland in Danger" which was issued by our meeting. *For a very successful International Council Conference!*

With sincere greetings –
Tamara Yakubovskaya

LETTERS FROM 2 MEMBERS OF THE CUBAN-5 TO TAMARA:

Dear Tamara:

Thank you very much for your letter from Ukraine with the enclosed article and for the beautiful poem. Manuel Lopez is a good friend, and he is working very hard to let more and more people know about the Cuban 5. On behalf of the Cuban Five. I would like to express our appreciation to you, to all members - your Prometheus Association and to all of our friends in Ukraine. Your

solidarity is very important to our struggle for justice.

Regards and very best wishes.

Gerrardo Hernandez Nordelo

Both of these Cuban Five political prisoners receive NSC each month.

Dear Tamara Yakubovskaya:

I received your letter. It gives me great encouragement to stay strong and optimistic in our struggle for justice.

June 14th was the 80th Anniversary of Che Guevara's birthday. Here I am enclosing a poem and a painting that I did and that is dedicated to him.

Today, Che's example is more important and necessary than ever, because we live in a world that every day demands us to stand up and fight against much poverty, exploitation and inequality, so much arrogance from the rich and so much aggression and threats from the Empire. Today, Che's example is indispensable in building a new world that we all know is possible.

Today, some voices from the North are loudly shouting to Cuba...Change! With the idea to return to the life of its people to the past capitalist regime...but the heroic Cuban people have this response: Revolution forever! With Fidel, with Raul and with the example of Che.

Thank you once again for your support for Cuba and its Socialist course!

Antonio Guerrero

CHE'S EXAMPLE

Guerrilla fighter of the cause
I champion, let me tell you:

all you taught
later served me well
impenetrable candor,
a star well chosen,
the value of trustworthiness,
a look of the greatest assurance,
hope, valour love and joy.
Guerrilla fighter of my dreams
Cherished until fulfilled.
We continue along the path
of irreversible victory.

**HASTA LA VICTORIA
SIEMPRE!
VENCEREMOS!**



RUSSIAN MAFIA ARRESTED IN SPAIN

According to *Agence France-Presse Reports* on June 14, 2008, the Spanish police have dismantled a Russian Mafia Group in Spain, making 20 arrests and recovering also a painting by the Spanish artist Salvador Dali. Police also seized over \$307,000 in cash and many luxury cars in an anti-mafia sweep that took place simultaneously in several locations, from the island of Majorca to Malaga in south of Spain and Valencia in the East.

Twenty mafia figures, including the Russian Mafia boss Gennadios Petrov were arrested in this operation that involved over 400 police officers. In addition to the above, the Russian Mafia accounts in Spain, which are over 12,000,000 Euros were frozen.

Spanish police stated to the media that the Russian mafia Group was "one of the four biggest in the whole world and used Spain as a home base for its top leaders and for money laundering it gains from illegal activities in Russia and other former Soviet republics."

STATISTICAL FACTS ABOUT WHERE RUSSIA STANDS NOW

By NIKOLAI SERGEEV
Newspaper Molodogvardeec
Byelorussia

In the present capitalist regime of Russia, according to data gathered from the Russian press and information available from the United Nations Statistical Reports – here is what place Russia stands in the economic, social, criminal and health services.

1ST PLACE in murders. In 2005 alone there were officially registered 30,800 killings while 20,000 people disappear each year without a trace.

2ND PLACE for suicides – there are

over 50,000 suicides each year in Russia, Lithuania is in first place.

2ND PLACE after the USA for people that are languishing in jails.

2ND PLACE after Iraq for journalists being killed – 147 killed since 2005.

1ST PLACE for the consumption of alcohol.

134TH PLACE in longevity of Russian people. Men live to 58 years on an average while women live to 72 years.

1ST PLACE in the world in the spread of AIDS.



3RD PLACE in the spread of religious, occult and other sects. In Russia there are close to 500 different sects existing – foreign and local.

1ST PLACE in the world for smoking by children – with foreign cigarettes topping the list.

3RD PLACE in the world for the spread of child pornography. There are close to 12,000 cases of children being sold, due to the hard economic conditions.

2ND PLACE for the Russian children being sexually molested and assaulted by foreigners.

3RD PLACE in the world in the growth of millionaires, surpassed only by USA and Germany. There are now 53 billionaires in Russia. The richest one is Roman Abramovich.

The minimum official wage of a Russian Minister is over 100 times that of a worker. This is the biggest chasm in the world. Besides these wages of the government minister, they constantly steal money from the state and this is normal practice.

Only constant struggle against capitalism will produce results and its overthrow!

TO OUR SOVIET FRIENDS
**ARISE YOU
MIGHTY LAND!**

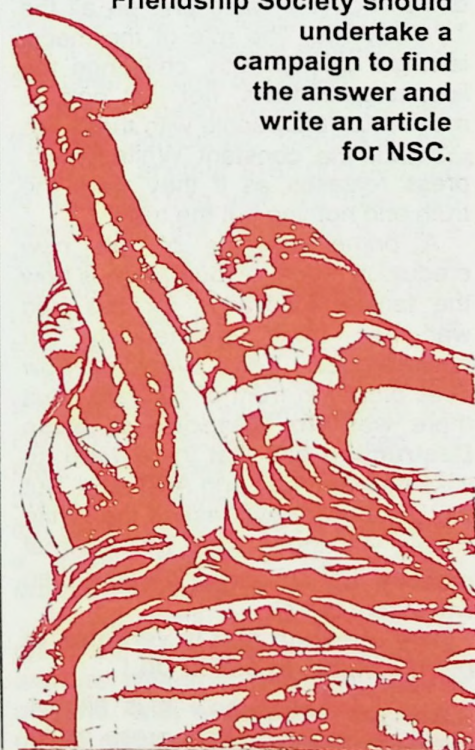
WHERE IS THIS WORLD -
RENOWNED MONUMENT TO
THE WORKER AND PEASANT?

We had many requests from NSC readers who saw this Monument for themselves in Moscow and also saw it in the Soviet films and photographs that were seen all over the world - dedicated to the working and peasant class that was erected by the Soviet Union when it was the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. These requests came from readers in many countries of the world.

What NSC heard was that the present bourgeois regime told the people that this monument needed "repairs" and then that it needed "cleaning", and then that it had to be "taken off its place in order to save it", etc. etc.

This was last year! Then it just disappeared from its place of honor and was never seen again.

We feel that the Soviet
Friendship Society should
undertake a
campaign to find
the answer and
write an article
for NSC.



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

WHY DOESN'T WESTERN PRESS EVER TALK ABOUT THE OIL ?

By Cenk Uygur, Huffington Post

Today all major American oil companies came back into Iraq by getting...you already guessed it?...**No-Bid Contracts!** In fact the four major oil companies that were thrown out by former President Saddam Hussein 36 years ago, they made their triumphant return back to US occupied Iraq.

The former Chief Executive of EXXON, Lee Raymond, explained the history behind it. **"There is an enormous amount of oil in Iraq. We were part of the oil consortium, the four companies that were there before when Saddam Hussein threw us out, and at that time we basically had the run of the whole country."**

Well congratulations, you now have it back! Mission accomplished!

One of the principal problems with most of the top American media now is that they have become too credulous. They take US government slogans, lies, and its propaganda and promote it in the newspapers, quote it on the radio and on all the TV networks. The role of the media is to get at the truth, challenge the lies, unearth facts, not just help to mesmerize the people with these lies and print the constant White House press releases, as if they were the truth and nothing but the truth!

A prime example of this new credulous model of journalism is how the fanatic motivation for this Iraq war has been shamelessly left unchallenged. Yes, everyone now sees plainly in front of our face that there was **No Weapons of Mass Destruction** and that there were no links between Iraq and Al Qaeda. But the US media never asked the White House – if those were not the real reasons that US invaded Iraq – then what were they?

The question that is verboten to the US media to ask is OIL!

Do you notice how it is almost never mentioned in the press as to

the real reason we went into Iraq. When is the last time that you heard any major newspaper, radio or TV talking about it? Was there ever a US magazine cover that asked: **"Was it about oil?"**

Do the Americans realize that the whole rest of the world, including Iraq, are absolutely convinced that the US invaded Iraq for its oil?

And now that EXXON-MOBIL Oil Cartel are sitting on top of its perch, and Saddam is gone, (*killed because he nationalized the oil fields- Editor*) these US corporations again control the oil in Iraq. And they got there (*thanks to Mr. Bush –Editor*) **through no-bid contracts.** In case you're wondering if there was a shortage of US companies who wanted to bid and were not allowed. Gee, I wonder if we should consider whether this war was all about Iraq Oil. But the Exxon-Mobil have a direct line to the White House and the top members of its Board of Directors are glove-in-glove with the top US government leaders.

This is how the American people have become some of the most naïve and gullible folks in the world. This is because the US press encourages it and enables it, with its undue and sycophantic deference to the White House.

Iraq had nothing do with 9/11! As is known, these oil conglomerates give huge election campaign funding to the ruling class now in power.

Why doesn't the US media ask some of these questions? Have they no courage to stand up for the truth? Or should we be really wondering as to whether they are seeking the truth or obeying their master?

US MEDIA NEWS NETWORKS BLOCK WAR COVERAGE

From TRUTHOUT

Brian Stelter of the newspaper New York Times reported: "Getting a story on the evening news or in the newspapers isn't easy at all for all correspondents. But for reports on the spot in Iraq and Afghanistan, it is especially very hard, according to correspondent Lara Logan, the Chief

Foreign Correspondent for the CBS News.

So she had to devise a solution when she is filing in her report to the newspaper or to the networks. **"Generally what I say is this – 'I'm holding an armor-piercing R.P.G. (the rocket-propelled grenade) and it is aimed at the CBS Bureau Chief here, and if you don't put the story on the air, I'm going to pull the trigger!'"**

Ms. Logan let out a sly smile and kidding, but her point was very serious. Five years into the war in Iraq and close to seven years into the war in Afghanistan, getting the true news into the US media or on television is harder than ever.

What the author does not mention is the fact that the Pentagon Censorship is working overtime to beguile the American people and the world media.

ANTI-IMMIGRANT POGROMS IN ITALY ECHO NAZI- FASCIST MUSSOLINI ERA

BY JON CORLETT

ROME – JUNE 11, 2008

Fascist aggression against immigrant and young leftists is taking place with increasing frequency – wrote a leaflet issued by the PLO friends in Italy. "This racist system (*whether the government is center-left or center-right*) will produce more and more racist aggressions. This new reactionary Berlusconi Italian government has enacted two laws, "one shifting the status of "illegal" to the "criminal code", and another transforming the CPT (Temporary Detention Centers or Camps into centers in order to identify and expel undocumented immigrants."

Here is one example: "Last June 8 in Rome, thousands of Roma people (Gypsies) marched in the heart of Rome protesting the racist violence instigated by this Berlusconi government. This march was due to the fake rumor spread in Naples that a Gypsy (Roma) woman has stolen a local Baby.

Last May 10, 2008, a mob surrounded the Roma people's camp

and burnt everything to the ground. Those Gypsies that were found in the camp were savagely beaten up.

Carlo Moscas, Rome's police chief came right to the point: *We need a hard line against these Roma people because that is the only way to treat these beasts.*" Rome's mayor Alemanno, who was a fascist, showed that he still follows Il Duce Mussolini's racism, He ordered police raids on all Roma people's camps, arresting hundreds.

Humberto Bossi, member of Berlusconi coalition government went even further with this statement to the press: *"We are not afraid to take to the streets against any leftists. We are ready. If they want a fight, I have 300,000 men ready...our guns are always hot!"*

But how come that this Berlusconi government came again to power after the majority of people of Italy hated his government so much that he was defeated? The fault lies with no unity of action in the progressive and the divided communist movements – this gave the opportunity for these quasi-sounding-left parties and leaders to gain the upper hand and thus put Berlusconi back in power.

Berlusconi already made this statement to the people of Italy: *"This is only the beginning of our new Conservative Revolution!"*

With fascism on the horizon, the economic situation get worse – why cannot the progressive movement, the strong trade unions and the many Communist parties form a unified movement and state to the people –

FASCISM SHALL NOT PASS!

ISRAEL SETTLEMENTS WILL END THE PEACE PROCESS

PRESS RELEASE by the
Arab & International Relations / PLO
Ramallah – Palestine

The announcement by Israeli government of its intent to construct another 1,3000 settlement units in the occupied Jerusalem, is nothing but a bullet into the heart of the peace process; the peace process has been dying because of the Israeli brutal actions and the

occupation on the ground.

The Palestinian leadership headed by Mahmoud Abbass made it clear the endurance of further Israeli settlement building of these 1,300 units is a major obstacle that faces the negotiations with Israel. This also hinders the possibility of achieving peace and in establishing a Palestinian State in 2008 as was stated by President Bush. The US government adopted a weak stance and is not putting pressure on Israel to halt its rapid settlement expansion in the occupied Jerusalem and the Jordan Valley.

The PLO appeals to the entire world and especially to the United States to use its influence in the UN Security Council and adopt a resolution to compel Israel in building these new settlements immediately and to demolish the Segregation Wall; to have Israel return back the 1967 lands it occupied according to the UN adopted Resolution.

The continuation of the Israeli occupation will keep the whole region in cycle of violence that will affect the stability in the whole world.

NEPAL – WORLD'S NEWEST REPUBLIC

This year the world saw the birth of the newest Republic of Nepal after 240 years of absolute monarchy and exploitation of the masses that was very feudal, despotic and barbaric.



The first session of the Parliament after the monarchy was abolished met last May 26 and, at this historic first session Nepal was established as an *"independent, indivisible, sovereign, secular and inclusive democratic republic nation."*

During this historic birth of the nation in the 601-seat Assembly only 4 members opposed the change. The deposed Monarch was given two weeks to vacate his throne and palace.

This Monarch was so hated and so brutal, that after the Communist Party of Nepal(M) won, this prompted wild celebrations all across the country.

**Long live the Nepal Peoples
Revolution!**

A HOLLOW VICTORY

BY MUMIA ABU-JAMAL

Published by the Anti-Racist
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As millions of US people ready themselves for the US presidential elections in November of this year, it takes some effort to summon up the elections of two years ago. In 2006 – brought dramatic changes to the composition the mid-term elections of the US Congress, and it seemed to presage a change in the nation's direction as well. Those midterms centered around the US public demand and hunger for an end to the Iraq war and the illegal occupation, and it was an electoral expression of that deep national discontent.

Well, it's been two years now, and the US Democratic Congress has just voted another \$165,000,000,000 to fund the Iraq war. It's been two years – and the Iraq mess is still, a scar on the US national psyche. This has now become the property of both major political parties – the Republicans and the Democrats.

It's the very nature of US politics that politicians regularly betray the interests of those who voted for them. They'll take the votes, yes; but they don't answer to the people. As the saying goes – *"They answer to a higher power – the military industrial complex."*

If we think back to the US primaries candidates who ran on an anti-war platforms and they had to contend with waves of corporate media ridicule. Think about how the

corporate media treated Dennis Kucinich (D-OH) or Ron Paul (R-TX) or Mike Gravel. All were depicted by the US corporate media as either boobs, objects on an occasional sidebar, but they were never seriously presented as candidates of "presidential timber." And as famous <Marshal McLuhan said: **"The medium is the message."** The US media, hired guns for their corporate bosses, served their interests very well by media coverage which slanted the perceptions of millions of Americans, that only those that they thought electable were "serious candidates" or "Only so-and-so can raise enough money to be elected". These corporate media reporters were selling candidates as they would be selling soap!

This corporate process has produced the very hour we now live in – a time of great peril and disaster! What kind of democracy can such a process engender?

And now another 6 months from another election, we will again hear a plethora of promises, spun by the best commercials that money can buy. We will march into the election booths, or eyes shining with anticipation. In a matter of months, or years, we will look back at the ashes of promises that were aborted, and wonder how we keep on doing it again, and again!

Here are some of the most critical demands that should be raised before the elections and followed up after the election – according to this newspaper **"TURNING THE TIDE"**. (These demands should also be brought up by Barack Obama – Editor)

- (1) Full and immediate ending of the occupation of Iraq and Afghanistan.
- (2) Full and qualified support for the Palestinian self-determination and the right to return.
- (3) Full and immediate rights to return for the more than 250,000 American Blacks displaced from their homeland in New Orleans and Mississippi Gulf Coast.
- (4) Take steps to repeal the mandatory jail sentences that has imprisoned more than 2.5 Million people, vast majority of them Black Americas. (The article uses "New Afrikans").

(5) Full and immediate repeal of various Patriot Acts and other undemocratic anti-terror laws and Executive

(6) Reparations for the US indigenous, New Afrikan, Xicano, Puerto Rican, Hawaiian and other peoples and nations that were colonized by the US (including Guam, Alaskan natives etc.)

CRISIS IN JUNIOR COLLEGES IN THE U.S.

It's a fact that some of the biggest banks in the country are now stopping to give students loans in community colleges, junior colleges and technical schools.

There was a report released last month by the College Board Council for 2007-2008 which showed that the tuition costs in the United States jumped over 6.6 percent – this jump is twice times the rate of the overall US inflation. The average cost of a four-year university education is \$13,589 per each year!

The problem of this is much deeper than the denial suggest. The real problem in USA is the overall credit crisis, especially considering that most student loans in the US are federally guaranteed. If the students, because of economic hazards are slow in paying off the loans or defaulting on them, they are constantly harassed, their other wages are garnished, federal lawsuits, tax refund seizures and family harassment.

It is the poor parents and students that are now under the gun, workers and people of color are feeling the brunt and the pain of one crisis after another.

The loss of jobs in the US is getting larger each month. Wages are being cut in half. The price of gas is now at \$4 per gallon, while the price of food is climbing each month.

Hundreds of thousands of people around the country are faced with being kicked out of their homes, both those who own the home or those who rent, because of the economic crunch. The United States, has, according to the United Nations, one of the highest illiteracy amongst the industrialized countries.

This entire crisis is occurring when the option of higher education for the youth is being denied and getting

further and further out of reach, except for the rich ruling class.

IMMINENT WAR THREAT BY US IMPERIALISM

By the Anti-Imperialist Camp

We are writing on the new and immediate danger of the U.S. attack on Iran, either directly by the Pentagon or through Israel. In the next few weeks we need your help to organize and mobilize a grassroots movement in opposition to another illegal US war predicated on lies about the "weapons of mass destruction."

The real threat of such an attack was made clear last month, when Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert, addressing the convention of the Israeli Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) in Washington, DC, stated that Iran's nuclear program must be stopped by "all possible means". The US Republicans and Democrats are united on this so-called "threat to world peace" by Iran's legal development of nuclear energy.

This well-coordinated and orchestrated threat escalated after Olmert returned to Israel from Washington. Within hours of his return, Israel's Deputy Prime Minister Shaul Mofaz called war against Iran "unavoidable". The Prime Minister than fanned the war flames, saying what President Bush had said: "All options, including the military option, must remain on the table."

This planned attack on Iran had even the former German Foreign Minister Joshka Fischer warning in the Israeli daily newspaper "Haaretz"



The results of NATO policies in the world are the same that Hitler tried to achieve. The end will be the same!

on June 1 that Bush and Olmert want to end Iran's nuclear peaceful program "by military, rather than by diplomatic means"

The only real opposition to the growing danger of a new war will come from the grassroots opposition, not from the politicians. It is imperative that we take this threat seriously and begin to mobilize now! camp@antiimperialista.org

BRITISH ARMY'S FUTURE IS ABROAD

The future role of the British Army will increasingly be to provide long-term support (*meaning occupation-Editor*) for unstable countries around the world and prepare for large-scale war, according to the country's top soldier.

General Sir Richard Dannat said that UK's "liberal interventionism" is widely backed by the army and therefore the British Army has to adapt to the wishes of the government of the day. He said that the British army will provide military assistance, security development.

Gordon Brown the Prime Minister of Britain (Labor-socialist of course-Editor) will send to Afghanistan 1,000 civilians, plus police and emergency services personnel and judges(?) ready to be deployed to any conflict zone across the world. He called for "permanent stationed personnel."

British and US commanders said that Afghanistan has demonstrated that they cannot operate or govern themselves and the task of governing Afghanistan has to be in the hands of NATO?

General Sir Richard bemoaned the fact that because of mounting British casualties and growing protests at home, appealed for more soldiers and better equipment. He stated that Britain has only about 100,000 trained officers and soldiers in the army.

He stressed that the British forces should "stabilize the situation" in Iraq and Afghanistan and be able to stay put as an occupying power for democracy.

COMMENT:

Sorry General and Mr. Brown, the the era of the British Empire is gone-you will also be put on a scrap heap of history! Editor

KURDISH CHILD SINGERS FACE PRISON IN TURKEY

By SARAH RAINSFORD, BBC News

Members of a Kurdish Children's Choir face up to five years in prison as they go on trial in South-Eastern Turkey. The choir, whose members' range from 12-17 years old is accused of spreading propaganda for the outlawed Kurdish separatist rebel group, the PKK.



The chargers were brought after the choir took part in a world music festival in San Francisco, USA, and sang a marching melody in Kurdish. The Prosecutor's indictment claimed that the song is the Anthem of the PKK.

Turkey has fought the PKK since 1980's in a conflict that cost almost 40,000 lives. Even Amnesty International (*not known for its socialist-communist leanings - Editor*) argues that singing an historic anthem cannot be judged as a threat to public order.

This Children's Choir performed in America in several languages, but this marching song was sung in Kurdish and this caused this controversy.

These teenagers will be tried in an adult court, serious crimes court in Diyarbakir, in the mainly Kurdish region of Turkey. They face up to five years in prison if they are convicted.

The Kurdish human rights group said that many children that took part in protests two years ago are still in jail and waiting to be tried.

COMMENT-

Where is the condemnation from United Nations or from the members of the Security Council, like Russia and China?

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Much has been written about the effects of constant brainwashing of the people by capitalist media that serve the masters that pay and do call the shots! We publish just one paragraph of a long article published in the **Beacon** from Australia, which in simple terms says it as it is!

"A thriving industry exists in capitalist countries which pounds away relentlessly at messages and communications. The average person's understanding is limited to what is the barrage of daily-disseminated messages in the daily media. The majority of people do not have the time or the dedication to pursue more fully the more complex facts of the messages or news items, and thus these highly-paid capitalist "spin doctors" on behalf of their masters win easily by presenting lies as truth.

Apathy is created amongst the masses by this daily barrage and - what is today's story is bypassed by tomorrow. And, any idea of public education or enlightenment by any long-term follow-through of the **FULL STORY** is nothing more than a myth"

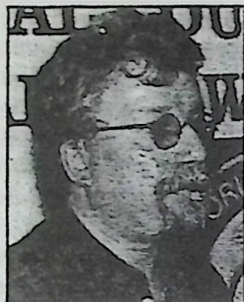
WOMEN AND HUNGER IN CAPITALIST AFRICA

According to correspondent Kevin Sullivan working in Africa there was an item that was published in The Washington Post: "Rubbing her red-rimmed eyes, chewing only on a light twig she picked off the ground, Lingani gave the last of her food to her children. In the African poor nations, such as on Burkina Faso in the heart of West Africa, mealtime conspires against women. They grow the food, fetch the water, try to shop if they have any money and cook the meals. But when it comes time to eat, men and children eat first, and women eat last and least."

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A Press Conference held by General Secretary of Hezbollah Sayyid Hassan Nassrallah

announcing the success of the 3-sided negotiations between Hezbollah and Israel mediated by UN concerning the release of all the Lebanese and some Palestinian war prisoners.

Wednesday July 2, 2008

First, I will deal the latest decision in which UK considers the military wing of Hezbollah as a "Terrorist" organization. It's unsurprising at all; moreover, I myself consider it as so normal for it's issued by the establisher of the Israeli entity; the fundamental Israeli partner that has worked on removing Palestinians from their own lands and had them replaced by the Israelis; "Belford Promise" maker in the past, and the adopter of Salman Roushdi's "Satan Verses" at present. Few days ago and without having the Queen's or the government's eyebrow raised, UK honored the writer whose worst insults in the modern age offended Islam's Prophet Mohammad (Peace be upon Him), and thus hurt one-million and four-hundred-million Muslims.

To us, labeling the resistant youths as "terrorists" is nothing compared to the way it's being dealt with Prophet Mohammad (PbuH). Moreover the one who allows himself to fabricate false accusations against Prophet Mohammad can normally do the same against his followers in this resistance.

Perhaps it has been late this time, but every time the colonizers, invaders and occupiers of our lands and wealth issue a decision against resistant movements in Lebanon, Palestine, Iraq, Afghanistan or elsewhere, it will be a sort of honor as being a certification that we are in the right position, i.e. with our populations along with their choices and interests, in another word, we are not in the invaders' front.

For sure, the timing is suspicious for it coincides with the surrender that has gained a great attention in both the Arab and international worlds.

Lebanese resistance refusal to keep any of its population captured in the enemy's prisons; its insistence to get back even the remains of the martyrs; and today's exchange are just a proof of its civilization, humanity and respect to human being's value and dignity. All of this is also an indication of its high class humanity and civilized value. Amid this particular scene the English man appears to draw a different portrait classifying the military wing of Hezbollah as a "terrorist" organization.

Actually we've turned our back for such classification since several years, and the coming days, months, years and even centuries will justify their false accusation campaigns against the resistance as useless.

UN's 1701 decision recommends more effort to have the war prisoners released. Media wrongly mention that the mediator is German; he's international but German assigned by UN's Secretary General Ban Ki Moon; thus whose reference is Moon. Germany has just interfered in hard times.

For the safety of the negotiations and because we were not seeking media lights, we've set a condition of keeping it under top secret from the beginning. We could have invest this process in media appearance (interviews, news leakages, bold headlines etc.), but we preferred to keep our attention drawn toward its final achievement; we were not the source of the leaked news, but it's the other side who admitted having a flaw on his information level.

A primary agreement was reached several weeks ago but stayed waiting the Israeli cabinet approval; since then the Israeli communication has been mentioning deep details with no response performed by Hezbollah for we've come to a certain belief based on our previous experience that media intervention, setting more conditions or upraising demands though media would complicate the process.

I declared in the press conference held two hours after the two Israeli capture that the theme of this operation is Samir AL Qinar; I talked about the other war prisoners in general. In that conference I showed flexibility, but if I had upraised demands from the beginning, we had had face more complication from our enemy who considers itself as combating not just a capturing issue but credibility too.

Therefore, leaking a word or abusing a position would certainly break this credibility; this is the utmost aim of the Israeli who has been active everywhere in the world to accomplish it. So there's no need to upraise the demands in media, but in the negotiation process where seriousness is the mastering atmosphere. As a result, we preferred to run it away from media and avoidable complexity.

Today is the first time an official member of Hezbollah addresses the world concerning this topic which was seized only by the position of the General Secretary in order to keep it as secret as possible until reaching its final stage.

It took this complicated negotiation long time for sometimes it was run so slowly, other times stopped without having any news in months from either side. But we had never said negotiations were over and let's search for alternative options. Doors were left open even during freezing stage. Our negotiating team is serious, sincere, highly qualified with a valuable experience gained form the previous negotiations specially with Germans.

Great effort and long hours were spent by our team and the mediator lasted till two months ago just discussing the basics upon which we are going to build the negotiation. Implementation steps and other details were left for the following period.

Our basics placed great emphasis that the deal has to include all Lebanese prisoners preceded by brother Samir Al Qintar; all the bodies of the martyrs of the "Truthful Promise" (The promise of the victory uttered by Sayyid Hassan Nassrallah during July war) and all of those Arab or non-Arab martyrs who had passed through Lebanon and whose bodies still seized in Israeli grouping graves which are known by numbers; but we've faced a complicated basic which is the lost people especially those lost in 1982 or before, since their issue was not finalized by the previous negotiations. This was concerning Lebanese file.

Other basics included freeing of the Arabian and Palestinian internees as well as the four Iranian diplomats whom according to us were captured by Lebanese Troops which in turn handed them to Israeli enemy. The detailed-discussion level focused on the names, numbers, addresses, etc. while the Israeli focused on Oron Arad and the two Israeli soldiers captured by the resistance; meanwhile without our tackling of the remains of the Israeli corps, the Israeli negotiator seemed to be having forgotten them. These remains belong to more than ten Israeli soldiers participated in July war.

The Israeli negotiator agreed on releasing all Lebanese except Samir AL Qontal. But we believe that these war prisoners along with their families have been fighting in July war in order to release their brothers in the enemy's prisons; they have also suffered two more painful years as being captured and waiting to reach an agreement that include Samir AL Qintar.

The Israeli considered that he gave us all old martyrs and now still those captured in July war, and they are between 8 and 9 corpses. This time, the Israeli delivered additional information about the Iranian internees, but refused the idea of releasing all Arabs including the Palestinians.

Now Israel will give the mediator a final written report about the four Iranian diplomatists and their destiny. In two day, Hezbollah will hand a report about Oron Arad's destiny. Before the war, the Israeli connected the topic of Oron Arad with Samir Al-Qintar's; Hezbollah was working on

two parallel trends:

1) Disclosing Arad's destiny gradually providing as much information as available

2) Thinking about a new capture in case Arad's element would not be satisfactory.

Since he was caught, Hezbollah went on documenting from A-to-Z field investigation which led to a certain final conclusion.

Today, I am not going to address media with any statement or report for Hezbollah is going to hand in the mediator a written report explaining the conclusion.

Afterward, it will be his job whether to distribute it or not.

But what Hezbollah has done consumed a great effort stretching over more than four years.

Samir Al Qintar's issue was getting less complicated as negotiation develops approaching the final stage. But Hezbollah still had what seemed to be the most difficult issue of the Arab and Palestinian internees.

Today, I will declare something and leave the other for the day of their arrival (by God's Will). I am going to list the Israeli's replies concerning the Arab internees in a hope that other directions may help settling it. The utmost Israeli concern is not to credit Hezbollah with another victory on the Palestinian stage for this may create great consequences afterward and because the Israeli is also indirectly negotiating of exchange with Hamas about "Shalit", and he also has another kind of negotiation with "Abou Mazin"; thus he wondered that he had problems with the Palestinian, then how could he give Hezbollah the Palestinian internees?!!

On the contrary of what media have published, Hezbollah and Hamas agreed to run indirect negotiations separately; Hezbollah didn't connect with his two Israeli soldiers captured by the resistance with the Israeli soldier captured by Hamas for Hamas joined Hezbollah's prisoners and negotiated in his name that would complicate the process and vice versa. And because

negotiating about the issue of the three Israeli captured soldiers on one hand and all the Palestinian internees on the other hand would drive to another total different issue. So Hezbollah and Hamas disconnected this particular issue while negotiating, but the Israeli indirect negotiator with Hezbollah kept in his mind that there's "Shalit" another captured by Hamas over there.

Concerning the Arabian war prisoners, the Israeli refused to hand in Hezbollah the Jordanians with whose country a peace deal is signed, and the Syrians with whose country "Gholan Hights" affair that may go on in its way to the negotiation table later on.

All the Israeli spiritual worrisome was that he didn't want to establish a solid ground where Hezbollah can stand as a negotiator in the name of all Arabs. Says were circulated within Israeli ministerial rooms that if Israel gave Hezbollah all what he demands, Hassan Nasrallah would be seated as a king all over the Arabian world; that's the Israeli belief but it's out of my concern which is merely focused on being a servant those forgotten aggrieved mujahedeens captured in the Israeli prisoners.

Hezbollah insisted on releasing a number of Palestinian internees for the symbolism this embodies on the fighting and conflict levels that united us. After that there was an agreement that I address UN General Secretary with a written letter in which

I state that there are ten or eleven thousand Palestinian and Arabian hostages including children, sick people and others under miserable situations that are being illegally prisoned. Then, both the UN and the International Community would bear their responsibility.

Today I disclosed some details of the agreement which is considered as accepted by Hezbollah, and here I am announcing it as a great achievement i.e. Hezbollah is done with the war prisoners' file. With the help of the mediator, discussion is now orbiting around the implementation steps and the timing schedule that will be determined in two days; we will not determine a certain date for their arrival in order not to give the Israeli an opportunity

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to vex us and keep delaying; to us the sooner the better, but it might be around 15th July.

On the Israeli side, he judicial procedures concerning Samir Al Qintar along with the disinterring the tombs have started; this interval time is normal and no need to worry. It's now the deal's final stage despite the atmosphere the Israeli tries to demonstrate as being aggrieved when releasing internees.

Today, I would like to congratulate all Lebanese for achieving this victory in a hope that each considers it as its own and never think as defeated. All along the Israeli-Arabian conflict, this is the first time a file of war prisoners release is completed i.e. that means no more Lebanese internees left in the Israeli prisons; moreover no piece of Lebanese martyrs' muscle or bones is lying there. And I want to make sure that Hezbollah is not going to invest it in any way or another; this is our ideology, culture and values and that how we behaved in 2000 and July 2006.

Hezbollah's utmost concern is to see the humanitarian result in the eyes of the mothers, fathers and families of the martyrs. Lebanon will be the first Arabian country that has

finished with this file after it has done with the liberation of the whole land except "Sheba Farms" and 'Kafar-Shoubah Hills". These two achievement are recorded for Lebanon: one, liberating the land is a real national achievement, and the Israeli withdrew without negotiation, conditions or restrictions; second, this event is a victory for the resistance movement in Lebanon and elsewhere, every Arabian, Muslim, free and conscious person in the world, as well as every one has humanitarian touch and is sympathy for aggrieved people.

Now, the number of the released Lebanese martyrs corps exceeds two-hundred including those of the "Truthful Promise". There are also corps belong to Palestinians from the camps and members of different Lebanese parties, groups, sects, and areas as well as to Arabian nationalities. I wish that in the day of their arrival as the last honor will be paid in their areas that there's an ethical and a national responsibility to remember the reasons and aims of their martyrdom and sacrifice over decades. It must be a national occasion that gatherers and unites all Lebanese. It has also to be another chance to meeting again,

amid the wholly and greatness of the occasion and achieved done by martyrs' blood.

Despite my security restrictions, brothers Hezbollah and I personally announce our complete openness to any political meeting under any title and within any frame if this would help to get all Lebanese gathered again and would empower the national unity word and civil peace. I wish that it would help to over jump the previous events along with their sensitivity and ill-will. That's why I am calling now all Lebanese to celebrate this occasion in a real national wedding.

I want to direct the attention of all the public powers that would like to participate to consider this event as a national occasion and be far away from raising any evocative banners; let's benefit from the pains of the released captured and the martyrs pure blood to get our hearts and spirits closer again; celebrating must be as civilized and decent as the occasion. Still to strongly emphasise on the habit of shooting fire on air, previously I used to beg people not to shoot, but it doesn't work with ill-willed people. It's painful and dangerous; I address all participants in this event and the following



events- for there will be many following good occasions just as promised that the age of victories has started since 2000 and that of defeat has gone- I address all youths listening to me now that today, tomorrow, or on the day of the released convoy that any firing shoot on air is actually against my blossom, head, and turbans. Well, some people will do it just because they want to shoot against me. This shoot will be against the resistant men, the martyrs, the achievement, the image, and civilization.

Lovely and civilized people are supposed to understand the issue as significant as that. We are going to do some arrangements that needs public cooperation; from now I call every building habitats to form a committee that controls shooting. It's a big test. No shooting fire is allowed as it serves the Israeli enemy. Let's our celebration be civilized and proper, the occasion that we together have paid for it a great effort.

DID YOU KNOW?

US A-BOMBED JAPAN AS A POLITICAL ACT OF MASS MURDER

BY J. CORLETT

When the US pilot of the plane that dropped an Atomic Bomb on Hiroshima at the end of WW II died in 2007, a spate of letters and articles appeared that he felt no remorse or any guilt in killing over 140,000 innocent Japanese people, because: *"It was necessary to end the war without a land invasion of Japan and therefore actually it saved the lives of far more Japanese and Americans."*

This was of course a monstrous lie that outdid even the whopper lies told by Hitler himself. That actual fact is that US President Harry Truman at that time ordered the dropping of the

Atom Bomb on August 5, 1945 – and a second one three days later on Nagasaki, killing another 110,000 innocent civilians. This was not *"the last act of World War II"* but rather a well-planned opening of the Cold War against the Soviet Union. The Truman's Secretary of State at that time, James Byrnes told the A-bomb scientist Leo Szillard the following- ***"Demonstrating the bomb would make Russia more manageable in post-war Europe"***

(A Personal History of the A-Bomb by Leo Szillard).

This A-bomb not only killed 140,000 residents of Hiroshima instantly, but ***"The number of people killed directly and after exposure to atomic radiation...has now reached 231.930 people,"*** as of August 6, 2003. (*British journalist John Pilger.*)

Actually in August of 1945 Japan was already on its knees, and was already suing for peace, and facing a Million Red Army soldiers that swept and liberated the Chinese mainland from the Japanese Army, and they were already prepared to invade Japan itself (*after having defeated the Nazis in Europe practically themselves*).

President Truman himself wrote in his diary on July 17, 1945 that when the Soviets entered the Far East War, as Stalin promised to do in August – *"Fini Japs when that comes about"*. (Truman "Off The Record") President Truman had already been given decoded Japanese cables, which his diary referred to as *"Jap Emperor asking for peace."*

Dropping the A-bombs was militarily unnecessary. On March 9, 1945- ***"100,000 to 200,000 men, women and children died when the US Air Force doused Tokyo with jellied gasoline: all told, in the month before Hiroshima and Nagasaki (conventional bombs) killed over 500,000 in Japanese cities and left 3,000,000 homeless."*** (*US News & World Report, 7/13/95*). That's why US Air Force General Curtis LeMay complained to Truman that there was nothing left to bomb in Japanese cities except *"garbage can targets"*.

Then General (*later President*) Dwight Eisenhower told the US Secretary of State Stimson that: *"Japan was already defeated and that dropping the A-bombs was*

completely unnecessary – it was no longer mandatory as a measure to save American lives"

(*Eisenhower. "Mandate for Change."*

So, why was the rush to use the A-Bomb? Clearly the Truman administration didn't want the Japanese to surrender before it was used. On June 6, 1945, Stimson told Truman that he was *"fearful"* that before the A-bomb was delivered, the US Air Force would have Japan *"so bombed out"* that the A-bomb ***"would not have a fair background to show its strength"***.

For whom was this strength to be shown? Certainly not to Japan which was frantically trying to surrender, the Emperor of Japan was fearful of facing the Soviet Red Army.

If the US rulers were so intent on demonstrating the A-Bomb's power, why did they not pause long enough for Japanese officials to travel to Hiroshima to assess the extent of the damage before the US dropped their other bomb on Nagasaki just three days later, killing another 110,000 innocent civilians?

This decision to commit such mass murder in the name of anti-communism was clearly very political. As former Prime Minister Churchill of Britain said after: ***"We now have something in our hands that will redress the balance with these Russians!"***

The US ruling class is the only one to have ever used the A-Bomb, killing more than one third of a million innocent people.

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AGENTS OF REGIME CHANGE

Numerous departments, agencies and organizations acting on behalf of Canada's government were deeply involved in planning, conducting and covering up the 2004 regime change that overthrew the elected government of Haitian President Jean Bertrand Aristide.¹

One government entity in particular, the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), played a key role in this illegal, coup d'état process. For instance, CIDA funnelled \$23 million to Haiti's notorious Group of 184 (G184) and 10 of its anti-Aristide member organizations.² The G184 coalition was led by Haiti's corporate elite, including those later identified by Haiti's rebel leaders as having financed and armed their violent attacks in early 2004. (See p.14.)

Prior to the coup, CIDA's "development" strategy in Haiti was to impose an aid embargo on Aristide's government while simultaneously "investing" heavily in the G184 and other organizations engaged in the struggle to depose Aristide. This manipulative plan to destabilize Haiti's legal government, was part of a successful effort to ultimately wrest control of that country's political power structures.

Change Drivers, NGOs and QGOs

A CIDA report on Haiti in 2004, called "Reflecting on a Decade of 'Difficult Partnership,'" described the Agency's approach and explained some of the key "lessons learned from Canada's experience" in that country, including the need to:

"Focus investments on opportunities for change by identifying a *change driver* (issue or sector with broad support), engaging a *coalition of key players* and providing *sufficient resources*."³

CIDA's strategy created a tragedy for Haiti's impoverished masses. The whole raison d'être of CIDA's "coalition of key players"—the G184—was to organize and lead a stridently partisan, political campaign to denounce, undermine, destabilize and ultimately overthrow Aristide's Lavalas party government. Thanks to "*sufficient resources*" from CIDA and its equivalents in the U.S. and French governments—as well as support from Haiti's corporate oligarchy—Haitian "change drivers" successfully helped rid Haiti of President Aristide before the end of his five year term.

Sadly and most ironically, CIDA's strategy was carried out by Québec-based organizations that are widely respected by many progressives as promoters of peace, democracy, human rights and "Third World" development.

Just as CIDA had selected suitable Haitian "change drivers" to conduct the Canadian government's political operations there, it also contracted support from agencies and organizations in Canada. It is only logical that for this

important domestic assistance, CIDA turned to entities that depend upon government funding.

Not only then did CIDA use its Canadian "partners" to channel money to political agents of influence in Haiti, it also used its financial clout to recruit support from Canadian organizations that are perceived to be independent from the government. These so-called "non-governmental organizations" (NGOs) not only facilitated the government's engagement in Haiti, they also did some of the government's public relations (PR) work about Haiti in Canada. As such, these "NGOs" might more accurately be described as quasi-governmental organizations (QGOs).

Once Haiti's brutal regime change was underway, in March 2004, several of these CIDA-funded QGOs began to lend their considerable resources, organizational expertise and public credibility, to the cause of building acceptance and support for the handpicked dictatorship that supplanted Aristide's elected government. This was no small order. It was, in short, a linguistic makeover designed to mask Canadian complicity in a vicious, illegal regime change and to give it the appearance of a beneficial, Third World development program promoting peace and human rights.

The Other Sponsorship Scandal

Oddly enough, the timing of Haiti's coup coincided exactly with the Liberal's "sponsorship scandal" that flared up on February 10, 2004. At that moment, U.S.-backed Haitian rebels were just beginning their onslaught against Haiti's government. Their paramilitary violence ultimately provided the threat used by U.S. marines and diplomats to kidnap and exile President Aristide. This rebel "uprising" also served as the necessary pretext for calling in U.S.-led multinational forces (including Canada's JTF2) to "stabilize" the country, and impose a hand-picked, unelected regime upon the people of Haiti.

Meanwhile, back in Canada, the sponsorship scandal caught fire when the Auditor General's annual report revealed that the Liberal government had funnelled \$100 million in federal PR contracts to its friends in Quebec advertising firms. This closely parallels how the Liberal government poured millions into Quebec development agencies that aided and abetted Haiti's violent coup and then ran PR efforts to cover the debacle as if it were a transition to peace and democracy.

A link between these two PR operations can also be found in the person of Denis Coderre, the Liberal MP (Bourassa, QC) who became Prime Minister Paul Martin's "Special Advisor on Haiti." In this position, Coderre was the government's top apologist for Canada's role in ousting Aristide and for channelling some \$200 million to prop up the coup-installed dictatorship of Haiti's de facto Prime Min-

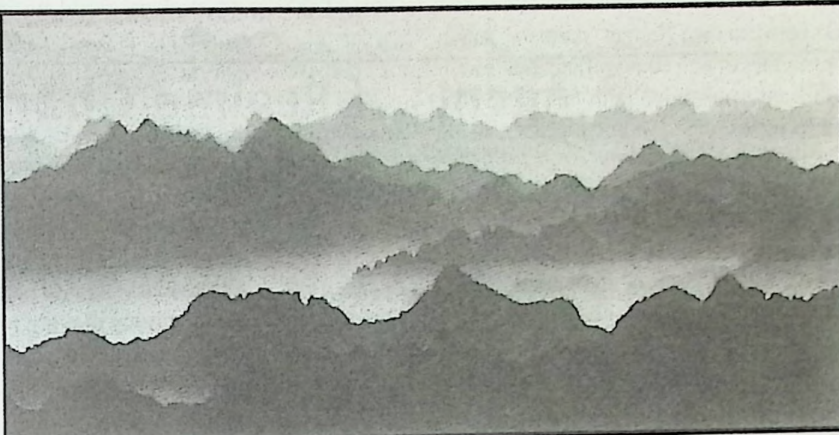


Haitian Proverb:

"Dèyè mòn gen mòn."

"Beyond the mountains
there are more
mountains."

Meaning: As you solve one problem, another appears, so you try to solve that one too, i.e., the struggle continues.



ister, Gerard Latortue. Coderre appears to have already been well practised in the art of political sycophancy. He had previously been the vice president of Public Relations for a Liberal PR firm in Montréal called Le Groupe Polygone Editeurs, Inc., which cashed almost \$40 million in government cheques for PR contracts between 1997 and 2003. This made Polygone "the biggest recipient of federal sponsorship cash."⁴ The utter fabrication of events to promote the Canadian government was not beyond the scope of Polygone's abilities. For instance, in 2000, it received \$330,000 for advertising the federal government at a Quebec hunting and fishing show that never happened.⁵

Similarly, Coderre led the charge in fabricating totally illusory victories for Haitian human rights and democracy. Amazingly, although thousands were killed, Canada's role in aiding, abetting and disguising the coup was done so cleverly that it never became a public scandal.

In the process of cheerleading the Canadian government's complicity in Haiti's regime change, CIDA-funded QGOs in Canada have consistently downplayed, rationalized or completely ignored—and hence covered up—widespread systemic human rights abuses that were committed by the coup-installed dictatorship and its proxies within paramilitary forces, the police, the prison and legal systems. This whitewash was also extended to conceal serious violations by UN-sanctioned troops that have occupied Haiti ever since, waging counter-insurgency operations to quell opposition to the illegal change in government that was forced on Haiti.

This so-called UN "peacekeeping" mission has been fraught with failure and scandals because Aristide was and still remains the most popular, democratically-elected president in Haiti's history. Aristide was still immensely popular among Haiti's desperately poor population in early 2004 when thousands of elected officials—from municipal councillors right up to national cabinet ministers—were forced out of office. Haiti's democracy was replaced by an unelected regime that oversaw the execution, imprisonment and exile of thousands of citizens who dared to support the government they had duly elected. The result was a human rights catastrophe that lasted more than two years.

The Invisible Coup

Despite all this, the coup process was hailed, by its domestic and foreign backers alike, as a great victory for the democratic process. As explained by Professor Peter Hallward, a Canadian professor in England and author of *Damming the Flood: Haiti, Aristide, and the Politics of Containment*:

"[T]he forced removal of Aristide's government in February 2004 was probably the most spectacular success of a U.S. administration that is not likely to be remembered for the brilliance of its foreign policy. Arguably, the long effort to contain, discredit and then overthrow Lavalas in the first years of the twenty-first century constitutes the most successful exercise of neo-imperial sabotage since the toppling of Nicaragua's Sandinistas in 1990. In many ways it was much more successful, at least in the short-term, than previous imperial triumphs in Iraq (2003), Panama (1989), Grenada (1983), Chile (1973), the Congo (1960), Guatemala (1954) or Iran (1953).... Not only did the coup of 2004 topple one of the most popular governments in Latin America but it managed to topple it in a manner that *wasn't widely criticised or even recognised as a coup at all.*"⁶ (Emphasis added)

The U.S., Canadian and French bureaucrats who first conspired at a government resort on Meech Lake, near Ottawa, to lay the groundwork for Haiti's 2004 coup were only successful because they controlled a legion of agents to carry out the operation. They employed not only those in military uniforms but others clad in the garbs of diplomats, business entrepreneurs, "civil society" leaders and aid workers. People employed in each of these sectors worked hard over several years to ensure the final success of the mission.

Compartmentalized into a various political, diplomatic, economic, security and propaganda duties, these governmental and QGO agents partnered with a similarly diverse range of collaborators in Haiti. However, focused as they all were on their own specific covert and overt tasks, they did not realise how their own specific responsibilities figured into the whole, regime-change operation. This carefully constructed organizational strategy creates a division of labour that separates large operations into isolated working units that are unaware of each others' activities. This means that the overall perspective of the project and its purpose, can remain hidden from all but a few of the key individuals involved. This method has long been used by military and intelligence agencies to serve the interests of corporate elites. It is important because many individuals would not participate if they knew what they were contributing to.

This means that those employed by CIDA-funded QGOs in Canada are probably still not even aware that they were used to facilitate a coup d'état. The directors, staff and volunteers within these organizations are no doubt sincere in their belief that by helping oppose Aristide's government they were working in the best interests of Haiti's population.

These well-meaning Canadians either had no idea of the links between their Haitian "partners" and the rapacious corporate elites of that country (and their own), or they perhaps harboured some naive faith that these elites are a benevolent force striving to promote peace and alleviate poverty.

The QGO-Government Convergence

It may appear that once QGOs accept government funding, their employees then begin to align their views, efforts and reports to match the policies of their financial taskmasters. However, such analysis is too simple to explain the convergence between a government and those it hires to do its work. Governments prefer to award contracts to those whose policies are *already* in tune with its own. Those receiving such contracts are recruited onto the government's team because they share basic underlying values, approaches and beliefs, especially with regards to the task at hand.

Besides the government's briefing and debriefing sessions before and after deployment to the field, CIDA-funded aid workers are embedded within carefully-selected Haitian partner groups. And, it is not by some coincidence that the the Haitians chosen to "partner" with CIDA and its QGOs are so vehemently anti-Aristide. Canada's CIDA-funded QGOs did not team up with any of the hundreds of Haitian groups that actively supported their elected government.

The impact of such close working partnerships on the political attitudes and biases of Canadians thus placed in Haiti should not be underestimated. Upon arrival in Haiti and for the duration of their visits, aid workers easily become dependent upon their in-country partners. As these activists, organizers and supporters of the anti-Aristide movement become the guides and the main interpreters of complex political, social and cultural realities in which these Canadians are suddenly dropped, they inevitably gain tremendous influence over their guests' understandings of the country. This mechanism of influence is essential in explaining why CIDA-funded, Canadian QGOs embraced the campaign to depose Aristide and then promoted the Canadian government's support for the coup-empowered regime that followed.

Peter Hallward cites a women's rights activist in Haiti who noted "a form of class rivalry" between organizations there. He explains that

"Foreign observers underestimate ...the massive gap between elite (wealthy, French-speaking, internationally oriented) NGO professionals and grassroots (poor, Kreyole-speaking, neighborhood-oriented) activists."

Haiti's elite NGOs include, most notably, organizations such as CONAP, CRESFED, ENFOFANM, G184, MPP, NCHR, PAPDA and SOFA. These groups received millions in CIDA funding and are closely tied to Canadian QGOs.*

Canadians partnered and embedded in these anti-Aristide organizations are led to believe that they represent the best interests of Haiti's destitute masses. However, Tom Reeves—a retired U.S. professor of Caribbean studies who has participated in numerous human rights delegations to Haiti since 1991—states that these groups, "based on their record and the evidence of their growing lack of connection to the base," "do not represent the poor people of Haiti."

Another key to understanding how some Canadian

aid workers could be indoctrinated into the Haitian elite's worldview is the anti-Aristide media. Two daily newspapers and many large radio stations belong to the National Association of Haitian Media (ANMH), an important member of the G184. Several ANMH moguls—who were on the G184 executive—are still waging a veritable class war against the poor who had empowered Aristide's democratic rise to power. (See pp.26-37.) ANMH was instrumental in spreading outrageous lies fabricated by the CIDA-funded NCHR, to frame Aristide allies for crimes they did not commit. (See p.37.)

Canadian workers with CIDA-linked QGOs were directly exposed to this propaganda. More importantly though, they were also open to influence from their Haitian partners who were bombarded by ANMH's relentless propaganda campaigns. Also, because Haiti's anti-Aristide media had a tremendous impact upon foreign coverage of Haiti's coup and its aftermath, Canadian aid workers continued to receive the same sort of biased news and disinformation, even after their return home.

Having largely been exposed to only one, extremely biased side of the story in Haiti, many CIDA-funded workers may still be largely unaware of the detailed information contained in this and the two previous Haiti-focused issues of *Press for Conversion!* Anything that we can do to inform them of this research would be useful.

It is of great importance that activists in Canada's peace, development and human rights movements understand how it is that well-meaning, progressive people can be co-opted into implementing such horrific policies as those coordinated by the Canadian government in Haiti. This was not the first time that Canadian organizations were used—in the name of social progress—to conduct regressive government policies against poor populations. The residential school system is but one historic case in point. Let us hope that it will not take 100 years for Canada's government, and its QGOs, to admit recent mistakes in Haiti. The information and analysis in these pages are a resource tool for activists trying to prevent similar disasters from happening again.



THESE TACTICS BY IMPERIALISM ARE USED ALL OVER THE WORLD

FRIENDSHIP NEWS

BULGARIA BEFORE & NOW

By Dr. Ivan Angelov

An historical photo of Soviet Red Army liberating Sofia was printed as a postcard to commemorate this historical event in our history. But this historical victory over fascism in World War II is currently being presented by the reactionary anti-Slav propaganda as nothing else but a "Soviet occupation" and postwar "brutal economic plunder."

But this photo shows how the Bulgarian people were welcoming the Soviet Red Army in September of 1944. Similar events followed later in Belgrade, Bratislava, Prague and in many other smaller and larger cities and towns on the way to the liberation of Berlin.

But just one example of the so-called "Soviet economic exploitation of Bulgaria"- the only bridge over the Danube was built by the Soviets in less than a year and a half - during the hardest postwar ruins. But this present fabulous so-called EU has since 1999 been talking and talking. Huge volumes of data and economic development and industrial help that was given by the Soviet Union can be written about, in those that the reactionary elements call the "dark days of Soviet occupation." These volumes can be written even by non-specialists who saw and see before their eyes what the Soviet Union did to help!

But now, even a single page to describe what is being done today would be too big.

Dear members of Editorial Board of NSC and members of the International Council.

Here are some of my thoughts as how to improve the NSC journal:

* I feel that there should be more interaction with the readers as to the topics to be covered and what they like and dislike.

* More planning of the contents should be undertaken and letters to the Editor should be continued since this will add dynamism to NSC. Also members of the Editorial Board should take a more active part in planning and writing.

* No prominent Anniversary or Date



of the USSR should be left out. You should have covered the 85th Anniversary of the USSR.

* There should be more input by the Soviet comrades who write and publish the Russian Edition of NSC. This should be geared towards the younger generation there and over the world.

* The covers act also as posters but we get those issues a month later in Europe and you should plan it ahead so that we can get NSC in the month that the cover event took place.

Of course I understand that these suggestions will give you more problems, but I cannot see Michael Lucas doing more than he is as Editor of NSC and as Chairman of the International Council. He needs more help.

If I will have anymore ideas before the International Council Conference I will send them to you.

Until then I spiritually join you with my best wishes for good health and to go on still further with our work.

COMMENT:

Thank you very much for your comments and suggestions which shall be referred to at the International Council meeting. NSC is being sent on time, but because of Bulgaria's present delivery as it is in Russia, it takes NSC a month to get to you. We pay \$4.00 in stamps for each NSC to be sent to over 70 countries, but this does not include printing, paper or envelope costs—all work on NSC is by volunteer labor!

PROPOSALS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL CONFERENCE

From the subscribers of the Russian Edition of NSC in Donetsk, Ukraine, July 2008

In the city of Donetsk amongst the activists of Communist parties (AUCPB, CPU, SPU, non-party people, Union of Workers, Union of Soviet Officers and others) there took place a subscription drive for Russian edition of NSC. Twenty subscribers signed up and then a discussion took place in order to give our opinions to the questions that were sent to all from Michael Lucas, Chairman of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People

(1) In what direction must the work of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People be directed at?

(2) How better to promote NSC and how to gain more readers?

(3) What steps should be taken in order to re-establish the Communist International?

**GLORY TO THE CPSU!
GLORY TO SOCIALISM!**

(4) How can we organize a world movement to stop the danger of the US New World Order –fascism?

(5) What's the future of Northstar Compass on the Internet technology?

(6) The question of a new Editor for NSC.

(7) The question of a new Chairman of the International Council which should be situated someplace in Europe.

(8) What kind of help that the International Council should give to the Soviet Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries in further promoting the resurrection of the USSR ad Socialism?

(9) What kind of help can the International Council give to the present anti-regime forces in former Soviet Union?

After a long discussion with the friends and subscribers to Northstar Compass, here are the recommendations that were agreed upon unanimously:

(1) The NSC journal should not only report the struggles inside the former USSR, but also expose and enlighten readers of the growing anti-imperialist struggles all over the world, their successes and the failures of these struggles. To have only 25% of NSC pages covering the international struggles is much too little.

We recommend that articles regarding former USSR to be about 20%; articles from socialist countries (like North Korea, Byelorussia, Cuba China) to be another 20%; articles about countries that are on the road to socialism (Venezuela, Bolivia etc.) another 20%; articles about the capitalist countries another 20% and news about all political prisoners 20% of the NSC pages.

There should be constructive criticism of former Soviet Republics and countries that were socialist and now became capitalist. There should be constructive criticism and exposure of those former Communist leaders who now have sold out their principles and capitulated in front of world capitalism-imperialism.

(2) The work of the International Council should follow the path that it is following from its very beginning. Trying to help and to publicize the truth about the successes of the USSR in the sphere of economy,

culture, laws, education, socialist ethics, the Soviet Army that was ready to defend the interests of the Motherland and its internationalism, plus the successes of all the former Soviet Republics in all spheres of life. International Council must do more to popularize and spread the influence of NSC-Russian Edition to as wide an audience as is possible, including Russian speaking immigrants all over the world – to try and get them to subscribe. More has to be done to garner support for the political prisoners whose numbers are growing each year.

(3) Before taking any promotional steps to try and give rebirth to a Communist International, it is first necessary to really try and cleanse the Communist parties from its opportunistic leadership and sell-out artists.

How can this be done?

There should be put together the Marxist-Lenin principles for the consolidation of communist parties, groups and of the revolutionary movements. Therefore the International Council can become the initiator of this long-overdue process.

(4) In order to try and save mankind from this New World Order of the US fascism, we should help the American people, together with other progressive people – for the possibility of a Socialist revolution in the USA.

(5) We must spread our information more quickly through the use of Internet technology – this is the future of our coming victory. But we should never forget that Internet is in the hands of US reactionary monopoly and its FBI, CIA, Homeland Security and Mossad agencies – all in the service of USA imperialism. Therefore the planning of meetings, congresses should be done by letter form. Internet is fast, yes, but it is wide open to friends and enemies!

(6) The question of a new Editor for Northstar Compass we would not even discuss this! We all agreed that Michael Lucas is doing an exceptionally excellent job as Editor.

(6) The question of a new Chairman of the International Council and the location of the International Council Center in Europe, closer to our Motherland, to be able to visit it often and to organize meetings and conferences in one of the European

countries is a question that has merit, but the candidate for the Chairman of the International Council must be decided by the Executive Committee of the International Council and reaffirmed by the next Third World Congress in 2009. But the candidate must have qualities that is needed to carry on this important work – and he or she must be a dedicated revolutionary and have the courage as is shown by the present Chairman of the International Council.

(8) The International Council and NSC should give encouragement both moral, economic, judicial and political help to the Soviet comrade, to have courage to stand up and struggle against the present bourgeois regime. Also we must help much more in support to the political prisoners that are languishing in jails.

In Moscow there exists a Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners, headed by comrade Natalia Glagoleva, Editor of newspaper Mysl.

(9) The International Council should spearhead cooperation with all. Anti-Imperialist forces in the world and organize international meetings to exchange opinions and plan future struggles.

Although there now are held many conferences of such type, but they are not unifying the majority of anti-imperialist forces up to now, in spite of the excellent progress that they have made.

On the 90th Anniversary of the October Revolution held in Moscow in 2007, there were representatives from 83 Communist and Workers Parties present at this historical event! This proves beyond a shadow of doubt that there are enough of these progressive movements that can make a difference in the world, not only in former USSR – but what is need now is a Coordinating Council to move forward and onwards! Here is where the International Council can play a leading role!

(10) We all agree that NSC Russian Edition has become much stronger and more popular since it started to give readers more translated articles that are always published in the English Edition of Northstar Compass that is published in Canada. We also are very pleased and proud of the fact that there are

now an English, French, Russian and Spanish editions of NSC.

Comradely yours
Tamara Yakubovskaya

Below are the signatures of 20 subscribers to the Russian Edition of Northstar Compass.

FROM WROCLAW
POLAND

Dear friends:

I am sending you best wishes from far away but yet close Poland. My sincere best wishes to all the comrades working on Northstar Compass, but especially Michael and Helen Lucas. I wish all of you many successes in our noble work for friendship and understanding – and especially for friendship and solidarity with Soviet People.



NSC is very valuable to us here in Poland and we utilize the information obtained in it for our work.

Am sending you our newspaper "Brzask" organ of Communist Party of Poland and the theses of my forthcoming book "Development and future of China".

I wish success to the forthcoming International Council Conference.

Comradely yours,

Professor Zbigniew Wiktor

There are many requests for you comrade Wiktor to come to this Conference as our guest – your input would be invaluable, since you were part of the International Council elected at the First World Congress.
Editor

FROM PRESOV
SLOVAKIA

Dear Editor:

Reading Northstar Compass all

these years since the First World Congress was held and the Soviet Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries was established, as per the decision of all the delegates from 14 countries that attended – we have accomplished much to be proud of.

But there is one thing that bothers me and many other readers of NSC – why was there never published a list of the Communist and Workers Parties in former USSR that are signatories to the noble aims of the **ONLY** Society for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People?

Can the Soviet Society reply to the readers as to why this is so?

An answer would go far to dispel any doubts that we are not alone!

Resurrection of the USSR is the only salvation for humanity!

Yours truly
Ivan Krajnak

FROM STATEN ISLAND, NY
USA

Dear comrades!

This is to inform you that the American-Soviet Friendship Society is working amongst the thousands of former Soviet citizens who left this capitalist Russia because of hardships and great majority of them did not agree with the present policies of the regime.

We are now starting a Russian TV program, spreading NSC, Russian newspapers. Please send Russian NSC, videos, DVD's and CD's to help with our growing ranks.

Dr. Angelo D' Angelo - Chairman

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

WELL NOW – the secret is out. Two of the top brass of NATO, a General and an Admiral, while on vacation in Belgium, have produced last month the longest piece of Spaghetti ever produced in the world.

This will get them into the Guinness Book of Records, and re-in-force the strength of NATO propaganda department to prove how peaceful NATOI is in this world of ours!?

AS I SEE IT

By JERRY MORSE

400TH ANNIVERSARY OF CANADA

QUEBEC CITY- While celebrating its 400th Anniversary on July 8th we think about its history. Forced upon the aboriginal people of Canada by the French and English colonialists, who believed that planting their flags, teaching the people their language (*including forced church missionary religious schools*), plus acts of horrible genocide against the aboriginal peoples, were all acceptable in the conquest for colonial rights.

Many ceremonies of this Anniversary relate to military parades, showing historical dress, old weaponry and of course delighting the attending present NATO brass, some of who took over the Canadian command in Afghanistan operations.

However, this brings to mind another aspect of the military methods. Let us assume that the NATO "Military" in Afghanistan (*where tribal living has been existing for more than 400 years*) succeed in taking over the whole country, establishing new villages, will the aboriginal rights in Afghanistan be such that no Afghan Tribes will be allowed to reclaim their lands?

Has this tragedy not happened in Canada, where the aboriginal peoples got back only some of their land? Where are the laws that prevent Tribes from reclaiming their lands? Will the Military Industrial Finance Complex (*interested only in oil and gas pipelines across this land, from Turkmenistan to Iran*) rewrite new Codes of Global Laws that will benefit only themselves and the NATO brand of democracy?

People must learn from history and not be fooled by NATO's about 400 different military departments, including their Universal Damage Control section.

Democracy under capitalism is just the continuation of the colonial mentality – the use of any method available to exploit man by man!

WHAT IS NATIONALISTIC PATRIOTISM?

"Patriotism is a religion, the egg from which wars are hatched".

Guy de Maupassant

"Seas of blood have been shed for the sake of patriotism. One would expect the harm and irrationality of patriotism to be self-evident to everyone. But the surprising fact is that cultured and learned (*socially conditioned and indoctrinated*) people not only do not notice the harm and stupidity of patriotism, they resist every unveiling of it with the greatest obstinacy and passion (*with no rational grounds*), and continue to praise it as beneficent and elevating."

Leo Tolstoy

"Blind patriotism has been kept intact by rewriting history to provide the people with moral consolation and psychological basis for denial."

William H. Boyer

"Politically speaking, the tribal nationalism (*patriotism*) always insists that its own people are surrounded by 'a world of enemies' - 'one against all' - and that a great fundamental difference exists between their people and all others. It claims that their people are unique, individual, incompatible with all others, chosen to rule others, and this nationalism denies theoretically the very possibility of a common mankind, long before it is used then to try and destroy the humanity of man."

Hannah Arendt

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IDENTITY FRAUD

Earlier this year in the Romanian capital of Bucharest, Croatia and Albania became members of NATO. By now joining NATO, the puppet governments of these two countries condemned their own people to a life of servitude and misery, to one of world imperialism's most vicious and bloodthirsty organizations - NATO!

Another eager aspirant at this conference, rushing headlong to sell its people to NATO, was the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (*FYROM - this is the temporary name by which it is recognized at the United Nations*). This small and newly created "nation" which goes by its self-proclaimed name of "*Republic of Macedonia*", had its aspirations thwarted by another NATO member, Greece, and the southern neighbor of former Yugoslavia. Greece has a province of its own which is called Macedonia.

Since the violent and illegal US inspired dismemberment of Yugoslavia by NATO and the European Union in early 1990's, there has been an open dispute between Greece and FYROM, as to who owns the name "*Macedonia*" and who are the Macedonians. For this very reason Greece used its veto power within NATO to block FYROM's admission into NATO.

To the Greek Government, Macedonia and Macedonians are and have always been part of the Greek race since antiquity. In history of Greece, Macedonia was one of many city-states along with Athens, Sparta, Thebes etc. that made up ancient HELLAS (*Greece*). The northern part of Greece, which borders on Albania, former Yugoslavia and Bulgaria, has been known as Macedonia for many centuries before Tito baptized southern Serbia as Macedonia in 1946.

In support of their arguments, the Greeks point out to the fact that the people who inhabit the area are Greeks and have been since the

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time of Philip and Alexander the Great. Aristotle, the great Greek philosopher and Alexander the Great teacher was from Macedonia. Mount Olympus, Greece's highest mountain and home of the twelve ancient gods is in Macedonia. Pella and Vergina, the birthplaces and capital cities of Philip and Alexander are located in Greece's Macedonia. The inscriptions in these places are in Greek language, one of the unifying features of the Greeks. Greece's second largest city, Thessaloniki, is in Greek Macedonia. All very convincing arguments.

FYROM (*Republic of Macedonia*) on the other hand has embarked on a massive and dangerous identity fraud, primarily at the expense of Greece. It says that the ancient Greek province of Macedonia is theirs and calls it now Aegean Macedonia. They claim that the Macedonians are a totally separate ethnic group to the rest of the Baltic peoples. They also reject now the historical fact that they are Slavic people who migrated to the Balkans in the 6th Century AD. They also deny that their language is very close to Bulgarian. Within their borders there are no ancient ruins or writings to support their claims that they are not a Slavic race or that they are unique.

The present regime of Republic of Macedonia claim that they are descendents and inheritors of Phillip and Alexander and that "*Macedonia*" land is being occupied by Bulgaria, Greece, Serbia and Albania - and that these lands must be liberated! This is a very dangerous nightmare that can turn this Balkan region into a powder keg once more, to the delight and benefit of Imperialism!

All of this of course is a continuation of the policy of Tito and before him of fascist Bulgarian regime expansionist dreams into the Aegean Sea and the Mediterranean. When Bulgaria and Albania were socialist countries, Tito's ambitions could remain only ambitions. Today the geopolitical situation in the Balkans has changed dramatically and on a dangerous path. FYROM to US Imperialism and to the European Union (*as its partner in crime -Editor*) is a corridor for the supply of oil and gas from the Caspian Sea and Azerbaijan, in order to feed Western Europe's capitalist thirst. Nothing will stand in their way (NATI-EU), not

even the veto power and objection of Greece – a partner also of NATO!

Only the joint efforts and co-operation between all peoples of the Balkans to eject the USA and EU from their lands can solve this thorny issue.

COMMENT:

It would be great if the World Slav Committee in Prague would comment on this volatile problem from their historical Slavic perspective!

THE DEFENCE SPEECH OF THE COMMUNIST PRISONER SEYFI POLAT

The 23 communist prisoners who had been imprisoned after attacks and raids on our party and revolutionary socialist organisations on September, 8-12 2006 were taken to court on 5-6 June 2008 for the third time. At this hearing at the 10th Heavy Penalty Court of Besiktas, Istanbul, the prisoners started to hold their defence speeches. At the end of the hearing 3 prisoners were released. The date for the next hearing has been set for October 24, 2008. The 10 September Prisoners declared in their defence speeches that they will continue to raise their socialist ideas and convicted the Turkish bourgeois state and the constitutional system. In his speech, Seyfi Polat, one of the communist prisoners, defended our party MLCP and all its peaceful and violent actions and activities. Below is the shortened version of Seyfi Polat's defence speech.

The answer to the indictment

Public Prosecutor of the Republic in Istanbul Ali Cengiz Haciosmanoglu's indictment is 292 pages long, and with all its spirit, it resembles the stenographic notes of the political police. There is no doubt that being the stenographer of the political police whose name and history have become identical to damned crimes

such as torture, rape, killing through torture, extra-judicial executions, forced disappearances and all crimes against humanity, does not bring honour to anyone, on the contrary, it leads him to shame. The 292 pages long accusation by the public prosecutor proves his alienation from the country he lives in, from the workers, peasants and labourers who produce everything consumed in this country, as well as from the situation and the pain our people are facing. This alienation makes the public prosecutor who prepared the indictment more royalist than the king in defending the yoke of the imperialists and, first of all, of the US imperialism, the exploitation and plundering of the collaborating capital oligarchy, and the injustices and brutality of the fascist regime, while he is evaluating the activities and actions of our party.

Demagogy of terrorism, violence of the oppressors and the oppressed Whenever it is inevitable to mention the name of the MLCP in the indictment prepared in the name of the ruling forces of the capitalist exploitation and robbery system, of the fascist oppression and tyranny regime and their imperialist masters, the public prosecutor Haciosmanoglu's first sentence is "the armed terror organisation called MLCP"! The ideologists of the imperialist bourgeoisie and leading political spokesmen point out that especially during the period since the 1990ies with the term "terror" they have referred to "violence without any aim" and "violence for the sake of violence". However, it is not a mystery that they have been trying to label as "terrorist organisations" all

APPEAL TO ALL READERS OF NSC

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parties, groups and guerrilla forces who had to make use of the means of violence in the struggle with a political-social program aiming at the liberation of the working class and the oppressed or who fought against the imperialist occupiers with arms in their hands. According to them, even states who do not bow to the US imperialism, such as Cuba, for example, are "terrorists"! If you ask these bourgeois demagogues, they will say that the oppressed and exploited workers, labourers convicted to poverty and misery, the people under imperialist yoke and the nations living under the colonial slavery yoke do not have the right to put an end to this situation. At the most, they can demand partial changes within the system as allowed. However, if they are not content with this permission and join the struggle for political or national freedom or social revolution and have to make use of revolutionary violence in this struggle against imperialist bourgeois violence, they are defined as "terrorists" and their political struggle "terrorism"! There is no doubt that this is an absurd and dirty lie. It is cheap demagogy.

The state in a society with classes means the use of violence organised for the profits of the ruling class. Institutions, such as the army, police organisation, judicial system, the courts, the prisons and bureaucracy are means of the violence organised by the ruling class. The apparatus called the state is not an occurrence of itself but the sum of all of the above. All states of the exploiters consider the monopoly of violence or force as the requirement for the state's existence, of state hegemony and authority, and want to have it in their hands. Through laws, they make it officially legitimate and possessing a legal identity. In this sense, the state has the monopoly on using violence. For this reason, any violence by the oppressed, any attack on the state hegemony, apart from what the ruling classes use by the means of the state, does not harmonise with the existence of the state and is considered as "terror" and "terrorism", which is the most popular expression of today.

The fascist bourgeois convictions of the indictment cannot overshadow the legitimacy of the MLCP. The indictment which does not define the MLCP as a party rejecting the bourgeois system and fascist regime and wanting to overthrow them, but as

an "armed terror organisation", has no validity. Our party gets its legitimacy from the struggle for the liberation of the working class and oppressed from exploitation and political tyranny. Not considering legitimate the longings, profits and demands of the working class, labourers of the cities and labouring peasantry belonging to their class, social, national and gender identity, who are the creators of all wealth produced on this soil and present the great majority of the population, could only be the expression of the political dominance of the exploitation and of a bunch of parasites on our people. But this is exactly what is not legitimate in the eyes of labouring manhood. And can it be said that anything legal is always legitimate? Therefore, anything illegal can't be labelled as "illegitimate".

The MLCP is an illegal, but a thoroughly legitimate revolutionary party. No, it was not founded according to the laws of the system, and it did not make itself fit into the borders and moulds of these reactionary-fascist laws. For this reason, the defenders of the systems of exploitation and oppression can persecute the party in the name of the ruling forces, but leaving aside their ability to put an end to the legitimacy of our party, they will not manage to overshadow it even a little bit. A party can be legal or illegal. The criterion for being a party is not legality, but some objective criteria. Every party has a program, a statute/internal functioning, cadres and organs, members, criteria/rules of membership, strategy, basic tactics and approaches and current tactics. Parties are organisations that have a united will and action. The MLCP has all these characteristics. With its uninterrupted, consistent and active political work, with its organisation that spread in Turkey and up to Northern Kurdistan, its steadily working organisations and organs, its rules, publications, its congresses and conferences, our party is among the respected parties fighting for freedom and socialism.

The illegality of the MLCP and its organisation on a clandestine basis are based not on a fetish, but on the need to ensure the freedom of struggle for the emancipation of the working class from being wage slaves and the oppressed from the political yoke and injustice. If our party were

not illegal and organised on a clandestine basis, capital and fascism would not have any difficulties in making the MLCP inactive - if the party does not deviate from its program, strategy and political line - and annihilate it physically by using violence, provocation and conspiracy, such as it is being done to all active revolutionary parties fighting against the ruling power.

DOGS BARK, BUT THE CARAVAN KEEPS ON GOING

VIOLENCE IN ZIMBABWE, THE MDC AND ITS IMPERIALIST SUPPORTERS

By **STEPHEN GOWANS**

It was the MDC leader Morgan Tsvangirai who said to President of Zimbabwe, Mugabe: *"If you don't want to go peacefully, we will remove you violently."*

It was the MDC faction leader Arthur Mutambara, who said that he was: *"Going to remove Robert Mugabe, I promise you, with every tool at my disposal, and we're not going to rule out anything."*

It was the Archbishop of Bulawayo, who said that he was: *"ready to lead the people, all guns blazing, to oust Mugabe's Government."*

In light of all this, plus the Western imperialist financial backing and organizing of these pro-Western elements, is it any surprise that the Mugabe Government and its ZANU-PG supporters are outraged that the UN Security Council (*including no veto by Russia and China-Editor*) never saw the need to convene or to discuss the tragedy in Kenya where more than 2,000 people were hacked to death over a period of two months- and at times even in front of Western cameras - now saw fit to meet and to discuss Zimbabwe on the back of *"claims by the opposition that it was being repressed by a campaign of violence."*

THE SOCIAL IMPERIALIST PROJECT

With Western Media in full swing of support against Mugabe, the US, British and the so-called *"independent"* election monitors and

human rights groups, all funded by Westminster Foundation for Democracy, George Soros' Open Society Institute, the CIA, the Council on Foreign Relations-linked Freedom House - one might think it would be possible to find a measure of relief from the blanket uniformity of the ruling class dominated opinion on a *"socialist web site."*

Instead, this so-called socialist web site is nothing more than a mouthpiece for Western imperialism. One might think that this so-called Socialist Project would offer a view from the other side, especially given its public professed support for the "national self-determination of the many peoples of the world" and supposedly they are enemies of neo-liberalism.

It is good to remember that during the NATO war on Yugoslavia, groups of people who care to be known as *"cruise missile leftists"* and the *"new leftists humanitarians"* sought to provide a new legal basis for Western Imperialism, by arguing that the idea of state sovereignty are no longer valid in the world, and that the West should be free to intervene in the internal affairs of other countries on humanitarian grounds. The elevation of the Rwanda civil war to the status of a genocide helped, for calls for intervention etc.

So the military pursuit of Imperialist Goals has now become the moral rectitude of West's Military Force.

Mugabe was chosen by the people and is defending Rwanda people against Imperialism and their lackeys!

FACTS CANNOT BE DENIED!

The US-Mexico border is the most militarized border in the world between two countries not at war!

It's a fact that in the US presidential nominations of the Republican and Democratic Party candidates, the following are the irrefutable facts:

***Hillary Clinton's** top advisors included Madeleine Albright, President Clinton's second-term Secretary of State, and Samuel Berger, his National Security Advisors. Albright and Berger were the two centrally involved in maintaining the genocidal sanctions

that killed more than 2,000,000 Iraqis from 1990 to 2003. They also played key roles in the 1999 US-NATO war against Yugoslavia, as did General Wesley Clark, another Hillary Clinton advisor.

STUDENTS IN CHILE SEIZE SCHOOLS

SANTIAGO, CHILE - For the third consecutive week last month, high school and college students have militantly protested a new law that is planned to privatize public education.

Students demonstrated last May Day and then again on May 16 (*Day of the Fighting Youth*) when students took over several colleges and high schools. In the schools the students hung a banner that read: "**If education is a merchandize, students must be rebels!**"

Last month the "Carabineros" (Riot Police) brutally repressed a student march, attacking thousands that gathered in Santiago, preparing to march to the Ministry of Education. Over 300 students were arrested battling the vicious police attack. The cops were beating students viciously as they were being loaded into police vans.

The students demanded public education, as their parents had, not a few computers scholarships. Chilean students as students all over the world are now realizing that they must fight for their interests as well as against the economic and political crisis and wars.

The Chilean students realize that education under capitalism, whether public or privatized, is based only on promoting bourgeois ideology and building up a new generation of exploited workers the bosses need.

The best education these youth can acquire is in the class struggle against capitalism and its serving stooges1.

ONGOING DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THE PRESENT REGIME OF THE PHILIPPINES

From Swedish newspaper PROLETAREN



CANADIAN WORKERS CLAIM NEW GROUND IN JUSTICE FOR PALESTINE

BY DAVID RENIE- Trade Unionist

At the recent Canadian Union of Postal Workers National Convention, resolution was adopted with a new official policy in support of the Palestinian rights. This resolution not only calls for the withdrawal from the occupied territories by Israel, but it actively supports the international campaign of boycott, disinvestments and sanctions until the Zionist regime meets its obligations to recognize the Palestinian people right to self determination, the right to the return of all refugees, and against the Apartheid Wall.

This resolution is the furthest of any Canadian national union by far, in recognition and support for justice for Palestine and Palestinian Diaspora. At this Convention there was a long debate, with a vigorous challenge from a small but very vocal pro-Zionist faction, but this Resolution easily passed with a large majority vote. There were accusations of course by these elements of anti-Semitism, but many of the most vigorous defenders of the resolution were Jewish Trade Union Members at this Convention.

A similar earlier resolution from another public sector trade union, the Ontario (*largest province in Canada*) branch of the Canadian Union of Public Employees, drew a ferocious response from the pro-Zionist elements in Canada. There were even death threats to some leading members of this trade union in Ontario.

This policy adoption by the CUPW signals a new breakthrough for the labour movement long afraid to deal with this important human rights and international issue. The Zionist intimidation and control of the establishment politics and the corporate media in North America, has long blunted the labour movement, too afraid to deal with justice for the Palestinian people.

SOLIDARITY MESSAGE FROM HAMILTON AND DISTRICT LABOUR COUNCIL TO THE INTERNATIONAL LONGSHORE AND WAREHOUSE WORKERS UNION

The Hamilton and District Labour Council sends our congratulations to the International Longshore and Warehouse Union in the United States for the courageous act of carrying out a strike on May Day in opposition to the wars of occupation in Iraq and Afghanistan. Your courageous examples are in keeping with the finest traditions of American labour. All peace loving peoples of the world are encouraged by your dedicated principles and internationalism.

We pledge our solidarity with your struggles and recognize the other great initiatives your union has undertaken in the past, not only in opposition to war, but also the corporate agenda in general. The struggle continues!

**Long Live May Day!
Long Live International Working
Class Solidarity!
Long Live the ILWU!**

COMPOSITE RESOLUTION OF RESOLUTIONS NOS. 338 AND 339

CUPW will:

Continue to demand that Israel immediately end all military assaults and abide completely by the most recent and unanimous Security Council resolution calling on them to do so.

- Call for and actively work towards an end to the suicide bombings, military assaults and other acts of violence that take the lives of innocent people and demand that the Israeli-West Bank barrier be immediately torn down.
- Demand that the Israeli Government immediately withdraw from the occupied territories and abide by UN resolution 242.

Call on the Canadian government to increase humanitarian aid to Palestinians that have been affected by the ongoing conflict. Support the international campaign of boycott, divestment and sanctions

until Israel meets its obligation to recognize the Palestinian people's inalienable right to self-determination and fully complies with the precepts of international law including the right of Palestinian refugees to return to their homes and properties as stipulated in UN resolution 194.

- With Palestine solidarity and human rights organizations, develop an education campaign about the apartheid nature of the Israel state and the political and economic support of Canada for these practices.

BECAUSE the Israeli Apartheid Wall has been condemned and determined illegal under international law.

BECAUSE CUPW has a constitutional policy in favour of peace and disarmament and has consistently worked within the Canadian labour movement to pressure the Canadian government to promote peaceful solutions in the face of war.

BECAUSE no lasting peace can be created unless there is implementation of international law, United Nations resolutions and respect for the human rights of both Palestinians and Jewish-Israelis equally.

URGENT APPEAL FOR SOLIDARITY WITH PEOPLE OF COLOMBIA

FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ACTION CENTER

In the last 20 years, more than 4,000 trade unionists have been killed in Colombia, over 4,000,000 people have been displaced from their homes, due to the US-backed war against the civilian movement. Progressive people, including journalists, human rights activists, community leaders and student organizers, have been killed, threatened or attacked for mobilizing against the economic and political repression.

These brutal attacks are carried out by forces that are trained, funded and endorsed by the US Government. It is part of a war that has very dangerous ramifications against other countries in the region.

The Colombian labor unions SINALTRAINAL, which represents the Coca-Cola workers, together with other progressive organizations invites the international community to participate in a Permanent People's Tribunal on Bogota, Colombia July

19-23, and to be part of a labor delegation which will visit hospitals, schools and worker centers and meet with social organizations.

If you can join the delegation, do so and tell your friends about this effort. Send messages of solidarity to the People's Tribunal or donate money. Ask other organizations and community groups to do likewise.

For information and travel arrangements, contact the –
US-CUBA Labor Exchange at
laborexchange@aol.com

A NEW COLD WAR?

By CONN HALLINAN FOREIGN
POLICY IN FOCUS – June 18, 2008

Military Alliances are always sold as things that will produce security. In actual fact they tend to do the opposite.

Thus, Germany formed the Triple Alliance with Italy and the Austro-Hungarian Empire to counter the enmity of France, following the Franco-Prussian War. In response, France, England and Russia formed the Triple Entente. The outcome was World War 1.

In 1949, the United States and Britain led the campaign to form the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) to deter the supposed Soviet threat and attack on Western Europe. What the world got was not security but a Cold War, with dozens of brush-fire conflicts across the globe – and enough nuclear weapons to destroy the earth a dozen times over.

NATO LIVES ON!

The Cold War may be over but you would never know it from NATO'S last meeting in Bucharest, Romania. NATO approved membership of Croatia and Albania, but it was only French and German opposition that prevented the Bush administration to add practically all of the former Soviet Republics and on the top list are Ukraine and Georgia for starters.

Bush told this NATO Conference in Bucharest that: **"NATO is no longer a static alliance focused on defending Europe from Soviet invasion. It is now an expeditionary alliance that must send its forces across the world to**

help secure a future of freedom and peace for millions." (Emphasis added – Editor).

NATO will soon begin deploying anti-ballistic missile systems in Poland and in the Czech Republic, that are supposedly aimed at Iran – but the actual fact is that they are aimed at Russia and former Soviet Republics. NATO has now encircled Russia with NATO allies and military bases. NATO is also sidelining and ignoring the United Nations Organization, and has added troops to Afghanistan, against all of the UN resolutions. It is also preparing to open shop in the Pacific Basin region.

But politics is much like physics: for every reaction there is an equal and opposite reaction.

SHANGHAI STRIKES BACK!

In this case the reaction is the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), an organization that embraces one quarter of the worlds population, from Eastern Europe to North Asia, from the Arctic to the vast steppes and mountain ranges of Central Asia. This SCO was formed in 2001 – its members include China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgystan, Tadjikistan and Uzbekistan. (*Where is Byelorussia in this SCO? – Editor.*)

The SCO is, in the words of Financial Times Editorial *"everything that former President of US Richard Nixon and Henry Kissinger - who sought to keep Russia and China apart – tried to prevent!"*

Russia and China now vowed to *"join forces to tackle major security issues, in a concerted effort to safeguard the strategic interests of both countries"* as was spelled out by Chinese Foreign Minister Yeng Jiecht last year.

But it is useful to remember that it was less than 40 years ago that the Chinese and Soviet troops clashed across the Ussuri River north of Vladivostok.

Is the SACO evolving into a political alliance with a strong military dimension like NATO? SCO is closely tied to the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO), which was established in 2002 and

includes Russia, Armenia, Belarus, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan. This is a military alliance whose members have pledged to come to one another's support in case of an attack. It is currently establishing a rapid-reaction force similar to the one that NATO has built.

Whether SCO-CSTO will turn into an Eastern NATO is by no means clear, but it is now only an economic self-interest alliance.

NATO did back the US plan for ABM deployment in Poland and the Czech Republic, but no one besides Washington is breaking out the champagne. More than 70% of the Czech people oppose it, while Poland is using this issue to blackmail the United States into modernizing the Polish military forces.

A US political analyst Gideon Rachman, writing in the New York Times said: ***"The ABM is a system that won't work, against a threat that doesn't exist, paid for by the money that the US does not have!"***

The US ABM programs has already run-up a bill way over **\$100 BILLION** and, according to a recent US Government Accounting Office Report – *"it hasn't been successfully tested with sufficient realism."*

In actual fact: these tests have been rigged.

If NATO falls apart and the SCO never develops into a viable military alliance, history suggests that the world will be better off. Military alliances have a way of making people miscalculate, and miscalculating in the present world situation filled with nuclear weapons is a very dangerous idea!

COMMENT:

An excellent analysis from our point of view, but – the present political situation is not between Socialism and Capitalism at all – it is between two capitalist blocs trying to corner the world resources and exploitation. Rivalry between empires, between imperialist states was always there – if they are to survive. China is now not a socialist state; former Soviet republics are capitalist states to the core (excluding Belarus). So – it's not a struggle between Socialism and Capitalism at all – it is a struggle between capitalist states!

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FROM SOCHI RUSSIA

Dear Helen and Michael and all the comrades!

We are so happy that you are with us! I thank all of you for everything that you do and for your unswerving dedication over these many years in the struggle for the resurrection of the USSR and for Socialism all over this world of ours. We all thank you that at the Second World Congress adopted a decision to publish the Russian Edition of Northstar Compass.

The Sochi Communists of the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks (AUCPB) and Trudovaya Rossia agreed with this decision and started to sign up subscribers of NSC in Russian. Our sincere thanks to Chechentsev, Gurevich, Kharytonov and many other members of the Editorial Committee Bourenkov, Donchenko and many others who are working hard to publish this NSC journal every two months.

In Sochi during this perestroyka (*destroyka*) nearly all the Soviet monuments were demolished, including those dedicated to the Victory over fascism of the Great Patriotic War, besides monuments to J.V. Stalin. They renamed all Soviet-named Streets and Squares, Sanatoriums – this land is being turned upside down and inside out!

On May 11th at 12 noon of this year, on the territory of a Sanatorium that was named Kirov (but now named Kras Mash) in Sochi, there took place an official opening of a sculpture that is dedicated to the Second World War Allies Stalin, Churchill and Roosevelt. This unveiling and dedication ceremony was attended by about 300 people to mark this occasion.

The ceremony was officiated by many personalities of the present government and toasts were raised to the victory over fascism.

There are only three such bronze sculptures in the world – in Russia,

England and America. Am sending you a photograph of the official opening that was published in one of the newspapers in Sochi.

But the Secretary in Sochi of Zyganovs CPRF did not give the opportunity to the AUCPB to speak to the gathering, he forcibly took the microphone from the hands of the AUCPB member, besides from the representative of Anpilov and of Tiulkin's party. This also happened on May Day celebrations, the CPRF did not allow any other party representative to say a word to the people.

It would be so nice if all of the people were able to interrelate in one language.

Best wishes to all comrades!

Zanaida Umanskaya
Yulia Artamonova
Michael Kuznetsov
Zinaida Umasnskaya



**TO OUR SOVIET FRIENDS
ARISE YOU
MIGHTY LAND!**

FROM COWLEY
CANADA

Dear friends of NSC:

Sending you renewal and a donation. We thank you for all the NSC issues that you have sent and are sending to me, I read them with great interest and look forward to each coming issue.

Sincerely
Michael M. Veregin

FROM BURLINGTON
CANADA

Dear friends:

I am always sorry that I cannot make it to all the many events that are being held at the Friendship House, due to my health. But you comrades are always in my thoughts.

From the time I was a young lad I always wanted to visit the Soviet Union, and it was due to my membership in the Canada-USSR Association that I was included in the very large group of members to visit the Soviet Union in 1973. This was and is the highlight of my 83 years of life.

Enclosed is a \$100 donation towards NSC and our work for friendship and solidarity with Soviet people.

Sincerely
Robert McNicol

FROM LENINGRAD
RUSSIA

Dear friends:

With great feelings of thanks I'm writing to the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People. Great thanks to all of you for the wonderful work that you are doing! For me and for my comrades here in Leningrad, living in the present capitalist Russia, it is heartwarming, that we are not alone in our struggles for the Soviet Union and Socialism, which was sold out

by opportunists, dismembered and trampled by these traitors and parasites!

Again, many thanks my dear comrades for your dedication and solidarity with Soviet people!

Soviet man – Andrei Voronov
Leningrad

FROM MOCOW
RUSSIA

Dear comrade Lucas (Lukach):

I am writing this letter on the eve of the 138th Anniversary of the birth of V.I. Lenin I also am sending greetings on May Day and for the Day of Victory over German fascism We will defeat fascism all over the world!

Yes, there will be celebrations on our street!

Last April 19-20, 2008 at the Museum, of V.I. Lenin there took place a Convention of the RCWP-RPC - this will be written up by our comrades in the Russian Edition of NSC. This Home of Lenin, on Lenin Hills, is functioning as it was during Soviet times with dedicated volunteers.

The present bourgeois regime is trying to liquidate this historical place. Our organized and dedicated collective of this Lenin home is guarding it constantly, since this is the historical monument to V.I. Lenin, not only for the Soviet people, but for all the people of the world.

This historical V.I. Lenin site is visited by many foreign delegations and tourists. Yesterday there were groups from Yugoslavia, Poland, China and Vietnam.

Your sincere friend
Margarita Goroshkova

FROM SANTIAGO
CHILE

Dear comrades and friends:

We are sending you greetings and thanks for your noble work in publishing Northstar Compass.

We thank you on behalf of the CC of Communist Party of Chile for the invitation to participate in the forthcoming International Council meeting on October 10-11-12 of this year and to participate in trying to get

unity amongst all the communist parties in the world.

A comrade of the CC CP Chile agrees with our idea of uniting all of the Communist parties and that a special resolution should be adopted by the forthcoming meeting of the International Council and Northstar Compass, as an Appeal. We shall distribute this appeal over South America.

We are also working on proposals that we shall send to the International Council Conference and we hope that this proposal will be included in the Main Report for its adoption. We need this unity more than ever before and to constantly work amongst the masses all over the world and to follow the teachings of Lenin in our work.

Northstar Compass publication is very important in this unity struggle and should act as the spark to bring about this unity.

For one Red World !

CARLOS OPALCA TAPIA

P.S. We're sending you a copy of our newspaper "El Siglo" the official organ of the Communist Party of Chile. In Chile there are two communist parties – P.C. Chile (1942) and P. C. Chile-AP (1978)

FROM ANN ARBOR
USA

Dear comrades of NSC:

I read many wonderful articles in NSC. I was particularly impressed by the superb coverage of the heroic workers of Turkey/ North Kurdistan and their determination to celebrate May Day, despite the repression by the reactionary Turkish regime. The article - The Power of Dayanisma and the article by Otto Braun were great.

Your NSC is a very valuable source of information.

I also joined the US Council for Friendship; with Soviet People and look forward to taking my place in the great struggle to reclaim Socialism.

In solidarity-
Stiofan O'Buadhaigh

*Welcome to the growing ranks of
Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet
People! Editor.*

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