

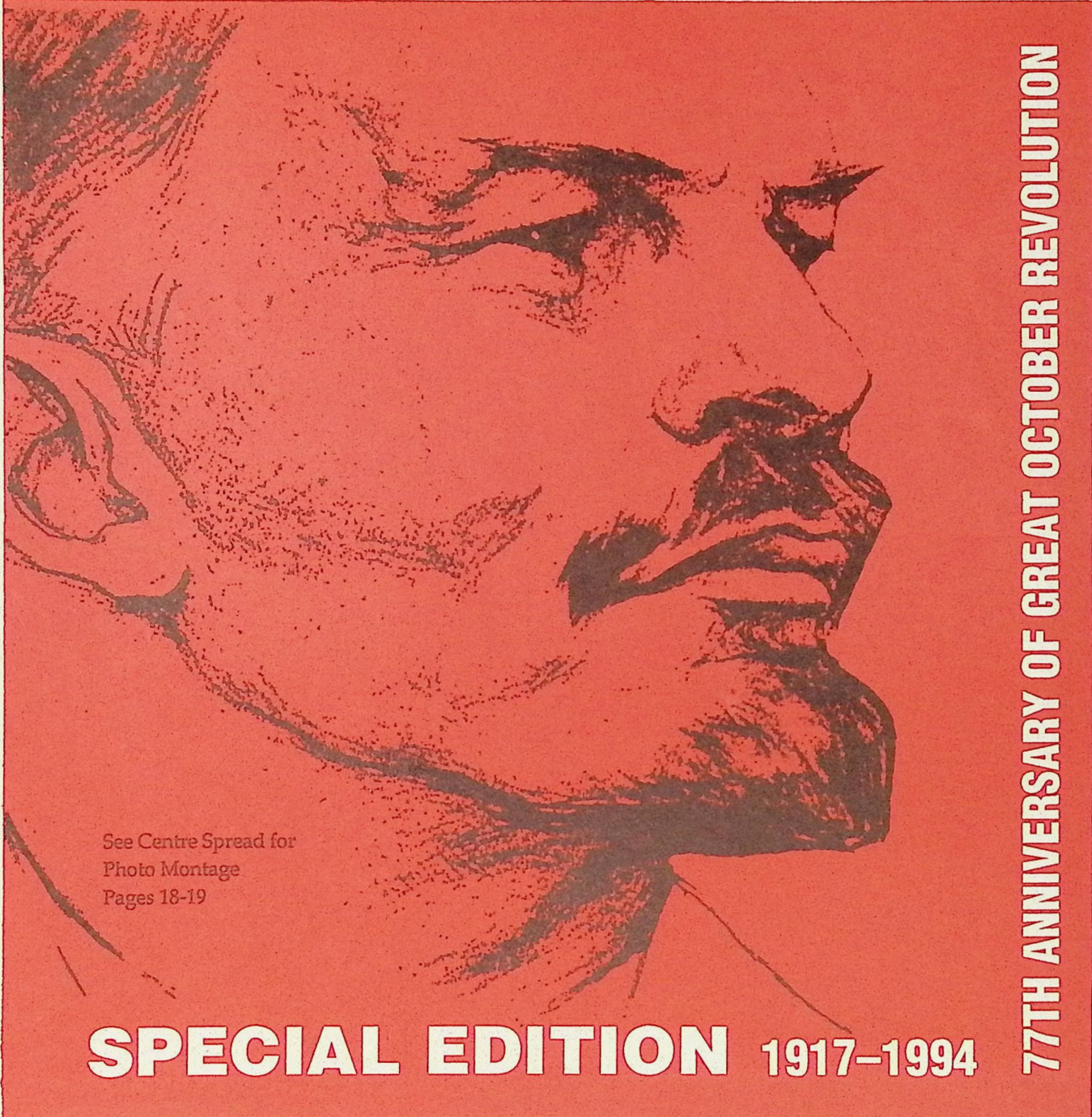
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**77TH ANNIVERSARY OF GREAT OCTOBER REVOLUTION**

# EDITORIAL

## HAIL TO THE WORKING CLASS – BOLSHEVIK REVOLUTION OF 1917 ...

For seven decades of the rapidly closing 20th Century, the proletarian (working class) Marxist-Leninist Revolution of 1917 in Russia, Ukraine, Byelorussia, and the 1922 formation of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics stood at the epi-centre of world events. Why was this so?

That revolution of the workers, peasants and ordinary people groaning under the old Czarist empire that dated back through centuries of feudalism, obscurantism and iron, gun-whip and prison enslavement of all but a chosen few aristocrats and religious myth-peddlers, smashed their way to a new form of society and human relations. Organizing, teaching, leading that heroic feat of the people stood the indomitable Vladimir Ilych Lenin and his Bolshevik (majority) Party. Driven from the temples of greed and power were the Czarist feudalists who acted as the hangmen for British, German, French and U.S. monopoly capitalist powers that were literally bleeding the economic life blood and sinews from the people while filling the dungeons to overflowing with illiteracy, poverty, crime and primitive backwardness.

The aim of their new society was to free hundreds of millions from that intolerable yolk of deprivation and misery, and the erection of a new, unprecedented Socialist society in which the ownership of the means of production and the resources of their land would be used not to enrich absentee and foreign capitalists and "owners", but for the raising of standards of life, literacy and opportunity for all.

Throughout the world, where workers of all countries toiled and groaned under the hard-fisted exploitation of the capitalist class, as well as among the billions who had, for centuries, borne the enslavement and degradation of the Imperialist-colonial system, the revolution was greeted with wonderment and enthusiasm. Excepted were the dispossessed "owners" and "Imperialists" who saw their privileged life of power and "freedom to war and exploit at will" endangered and at risk.

Short months following the successful conquest of power by the new working class state and the Bolsheviks, their revolution faced the assaults of foreign inspired civil war led by the Czarist butchers whose hatred and fear was without bounds. Not content with that, FOURTEEN DIFFERENT

COUNTRIES OF THE WESTERN WORLD, led by the foremost of hatred inspired "Anti-Communists" invaded the new Socialist Republic. Included were forces from Canada, and "Northstar Compass" and the "Concerned Friends of the Soviet People" proclaim our pride in the fact that we trace our roots back to the formation in Canada of the "Hands Off Russia Committees" that stood bravely in the face of the "anti-Communist" barrages and hysteria of those days, to defend the rights of the peoples of this new revolutionary society.

Then, as now, we proclaim their rights to decide their own futures, free from interventionist armies and internal divisions falsely created to prevent the restoration of new Soviet Republics and Union.



The "Soviets" (Councils), as a new form of more direct democratic expression, control and action by the people at every level, up to and including the Supreme Soviets, had been emplaced in power by the workers and people themselves with the abolition of the Duma or Parliamentary system the Czars had been forced to grant, as a new capitalist class developed in Russia.

### **THE COUNTER-REVOLUTION FAILED THEN ... AS IT WILL FAIL NOW**

The unity of the majority of the people behind their new Soviet system and under the guidance and leadership of the Communist Bolshevik Party of Lenin, and later of Stalin, won the day and a new, if somewhat foreboding future, opened before the people as the exploiters and mass murderers of the "Whites" were driven out by the "Reds". Followed a period of diplomatic, economic and political

isolation and military encirclement by the world's powers.

In 1929, by then, head of the Communist Party, Joseph Stalin, warned the Soviet peoples that there were only ten years in which to firmly build their new society, consolidate it and to develop the means of its defence. He pointed to inherited backwardness, illiteracy and social and cultural impoverishment from Czarism and foreign penetration. But there was no doubt, he said, that the "imperialists of the West would once again seek our destruction". During the 1930's, foreign intervention and encirclement, now turned to internal treachery and subversive efforts to undermine the Soviet regime. Former non-Bolshevik leadership elements, including Bukharin and Leon Trotsky, whose professed aim of "world revolution" had been politically defeated in the USSR by Stalin's "build Socialism in one country and lead by example" policy, turned to overt treason. By May of 1937, plans by Trotsky

were complete - to seize power IN CONJUNCTION WITH A GERMAN HIGH COMMAND PLOT TO OVERTHROW THE SOVIET REGIME. Again, these aims were thwarted and defeated, and the plot exposed to the entire world ... in part, through the testimony of Ambassador Davies of the United States who attended the trials. He was acting in conjunction with the administration of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt who had extended "diplomatic recognition" and exchanged ambassadors with Moscow in 1933. All previous U.S. administrations had withheld such recognition in the sea of anti-Soviet hostility that then existed.

Despite all this, in the ten years following Stalin's 1929 warning, the Soviet people had erected their society, abolished illiteracy, set up the world's first universal health care plans, built power dams and electrification necessary to move forward towards their goals of raising human standards of living, and AT THE SAME TIME, DEVELOPED AN UNPRECEDENTEDLY POWERFUL MILITARY MACHINE TO DEFEND THEIR LAND, THEIR LIVES AND THEIR FUTURES. NOTHING LIKE IT HAD EVER HAPPENED BEFORE IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD.

### **IMPERIALISM PERSISTS, AND THE NAZI WAR MACHINE IS TURNED TO THE EAST**

Repeated efforts by the Soviet Government to develop "collective security" against the Nazi-Fascist war machines, and earlier to "Quarantine the aggressors" were spurned by the Western Powers (including Canada) at the League of Nations and in other diplomatic efforts, until Hitler put into force his barbaric war plan, "Barbarossa", on June 21, 1941, aimed at the total



destruction of the Soviets. Only then, at the eleventh hour, did Prime Minister Churchill of Britain (realizing that with defeat of Soviet Russia, Britain and the British Empire would stand naked before the Nazi war machine) proclaimed on June 22, 1941 the alliance that was eventually to stop the Nazi marauders. With the Pearl Harbour debacle and Japanese attack on December 7th that year, Roosevelt finally was able to lead his country into the war.

It should be said that the British suffered heavy casualties and losses in the continuing battles, and that the U.S. lost some 450,000 war casualties, while Canada lost 42,000. But the Soviet people saw some 25,000,000 or more of their fellow citizens die and their country devastated. But it was they who, in fact, almost single-handedly destroyed the Nazi war machine and forced the Allied terms of "unconditional surrender" on Nazi Germany. Again, Imperialist designs to bring down the Soviet Socialist Republics had failed – this time, in the unprecedented violence of World War II, or as the Soviets call it, "the Great Patriotic War".

### **1945 - 1946 IMPERIALISM DECLARES THE COLD WAR ... A CONTINUATION**

Despite the erection of the United Nations; despite a world weary of war to the point of exhaustion; despite the formation of the World Federation of Trade Unions in a new and democratic advance for working people; despite an unparalleled upsurge of international goodwill, neighborliness and solidarity among the peoples of all lands as a result of Allied victory; IN ORDER TO DESTROY THE SOCIALIST SOVIET UNION, and to open its vast wealth and resources to monopoly

capitalist (read "TNC-globalization") exploitation, yet another war was declared. This one, they called the "Cold War" and it was designed to overthrow the Soviet system and state by any and every means available. NSC has dwelt on that history to some extent in our previous 25 issues.

That it succeeded to the extent that former Soviet Army detachments under the command of Yeltsin and Grachev literally blasted and burned out of existence the Supreme Soviet on October 3rd, last year, murdering a reported 2,000 Soviet citizens, we all know. That this was followed by an illegal election to re-establish an illegal constitution and the Duma and a form of Presidential dictatorship, in accordance with old Czarist control mechanisms, we also know. That the country has been dismembered and the USSR and its standards of life in every form destroyed, we know all too well.

The reasons? It remains for the former Soviets to tell us precisely and in detail, but one essential fact emerges: THE BASIC AIMS, PURPOSES AND METHODS OF THE ORIGINAL REVOLUTION WERE PUSHED ON THE SIDE AND BURIED IN INCREASING DEPTH OF BUREAUCRACY AND CORRUPTION BY THOSE WHO WERE UNPREPARED AND REFUSED TO EMPOWER AND ASSIST THE WORKING CLASS, THE AGRARIANS (FORMERLY PEASANT) AND PEOPLE TO TAKE CONTROL OF THEIR OWN COUNTRY AND THEIR OWN FUTURE. From this distance, what were the elements of the corruption, subversion and naked treachery that led to the demise of the Leninist working class – Bolshevik Revolution would seem certainly to lie in the rejection of the science of

the working class – Marxism-Leninism, and the expropriation of the rights of the working class itself.

But, on this the 77th Anniversary of that epochal triumph of human reason, action and will of the working class, Bolshevik Revolution as we witness the rebirth of united struggles against the new oppressors and "Czars" who act as the hangmen for the TNC's and the Western "globalized" powers; as we see hundreds of thousands marching in the streets of Moscow and elsewhere, proclaiming the resurrection of Marxism-Leninism and the Socialist future, we raise our shouts of joy with them. The future does not belong to the crooks, the exploiters, the traitors, the liars, the corrupted and the obscene. That radiant future, albeit slightly dimmed at this point, is now arising in the east, in the land of all humanities' friends ... the Soviet people. Arise, you mighty people and land. For our small part, we will greet your new day with joy and love. You have more than earned our pledges of international friendship, solidarity and peace, as well as from the working people and the democratic forces of the entire world. We salute you on this 77th Anniversary of your world-shaking venture into the new, and still to be won, societies of the future. □

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

#### **OUR CREDO**

NorthStar Compass is independent, non-partisan and open to our readers for their opinions and thoughts. In our tradition, we are dedicated to international cooperation, friendship and solidarity in a world at peace.

## GREETINGS SENT TO INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR, MOSCOW

October 31, 1994

Dear friends and comrades:

We extend our warmest greetings and wishes for a successful Seminar. We express our regret that we have not been able to overcome certain bureaucratic restrictions by denial of entry visa to your country for an official representative of the Concerned Friends of the Soviet People and Northstar Compass to attend. We are however pleased that the bearer of this greeting has been permitted entry; he is a member of the Editorial Staff of Northstar Compass.

Your Seminar takes place during the time of the celebration of the 77th Anniversary of the Great October Revolution of 1917. Despite the escalation of the class war in your country and in the international arena in the form of the hideous Cold War that was rooted in the basic policies and structures of international finance and industrial capital, and that continues even more sharply today, we hail this Anniversary of the triumph of the working class people and peasantry of your country that for more than seventy years held aloft the banners of human progress for a world of friendship, co-operation and peace. It is impossible to imagine what kind of world we would now inhabit had not the sacrifices, foresight and immense, world shaping actions of the working class and people of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics not been present within the historical experience of humanity.

We point to only three of these contributions to all people, everywhere: 1) the Revolution showed the world that the deadly grip of

the Imperialist exploiters and war-makers could be successfully challenged and could be replaced by a new and higher political, economic, social and cultural society; 2) that despite the hostile encirclement of the Soviet Union and open encouragement of Nazi-Imperialist and Fascist forces, by the enemies of Socialism and human progress, to destroy the first land of Socialism, it was the people and their leadership of the USSR that played the greatest and decisive role in the destruction of the Imperialist Nazi enemies of humanity, and; 3) that vast scientific and technological advances of the USSR in a wide field of scientific endeavour has opened new vistas before humanity for the preservation and security of all the world's people, and of our little "spaceship" we call Mother Earth.

Today, the struggle for the restoration of the Socialist Soviet mode of life in your former Soviet Republics is crystal clear. This is underlined unmistakably by the destructive and retrogressive standards that the so-called "free market economy" has brought your people. We say without fear of

contradiction that a return to Socialism and the greatness of the USSR is absolutely necessary not only for the people of Russia, Ukraine, Byelorussia and other former Soviet Republics, but for all of humanity. Only thus can a future of progress be secured and the domination, wars, confrontations, illiteracy, poverty, disease and exploitation be overcome. It hardly seems necessary to repeat that a continuation of humanity's course to a new Trans-national Corporate world of depravity and primitiveness is a return to a new "Dark Ages" for all humanity.

That is the course already embarked upon by these powerful, degraded TNC forces. Whether or not peoples of the world will now embark upon Socialist paths of development immediately, no people can fail to see that their future is intertwined and part of the immense struggles of the peoples of the Soviet Union, because all confront the common enemy of TNC control. Workers and the people everywhere must now lend whatever support they can to overcome the effects of the external

### IMPORTANT CHANGE! IMPORTANT CHANGE!

Dear readers/members:

Our notice for the upcoming Conference to be held on January 14-15, 1995, has produced a heavy demand to change the dates in order to get more delegates to come, since the January dates seem to be undesirable.

Therefore, the Canadian Council and the Editorial Board discussed these requests and are announcing new dates for this very important conference to take place. The new dates are:

SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 18, 19, 1995  
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aggressions and assaults on the USSR, as well as to expose the internal treachery in the USSR which brought about the current situation. It was the distortion and opportunistic abandonment of Marxism-Leninism and the alienation of the foremost forces for Socialism, the working class and their allies that also created the tragedy and destruction of human lives, standards and institutions today in your land.

These distortions and abandonments of the science of the working class has come with false, unproven and wholly opportunistic attacks and reviling of the leadership of Lenin, Stalin and the growth of opportunism in the ranks of people calling themselves Communists, who climbed "their ladders of success" on the basis of the

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## WORLDWIDE REBIRTH OF UNITED STRUGGLE

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destruction of the working class science. For us, it seems apparent the exposure of these hideous lies and debased accusations stands as a primary task to effect the unity of the working class, peasantry and their Communist leadership on the road to restoration of Soviet Socialism and reversal of the current retrogression.

May we extend our hands in fullest solidarity and friendship with a pledge that Concerned Friends of Soviet People, and Northstar Compass publication will continue and increase our efforts to maintain and develop solidarity and friendship between our peoples and to continue to inform everyone we can reach, regardless of their location on our globe, of your

struggles and of our mutual search for justice, peace and friendship between all peoples everywhere.

We feel certain your Seminar will give immeasurable impetus to revitalizing Marxism-Leninism, the UNITY of the working class, their allies and to the leading organizational and political unification and role of Communist forces, both in your country and elsewhere.

ON BEHALF OF THE  
CANADIAN COUNCIL AND  
EDITORIAL BOARD,

- Michael Lucas, President  
Concerned Friends of Soviet People  
and Coordinating Editor of  
Northstar Compass

Ray Stevenson, Editor  
Northstar Compass

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### WHY THE CANCELLATION OF CAMPAIGN?

*DEAR READER: We feel that you should be aware of what transpired from November 7th to November 10th in our Editorial Board as to correspondence, telephone conversations between yours truly and the office of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association!*

I received a telephone call from the office of the Civil Liberties Association asking us whether we would like to distribute or give publicity to the campaign waged by this organization against the unconstitutional work of CSIS!

I agreed and a letter was written to us, thanking us for taking part in this important work.

Then I telephoned the next day, asking them to send us a "good copy" of their leaflet on CSIS since their original copy came by fax, but the quality of print was poor for our NSC reproduction.

I received a letter from James Mitchel of C.L.A. dated November 7th, stating that they are glad of our

help to promote this campaign. I asked for close to 700 copies of the leaflet which asked people to protest this undemocratic and underhanded work by CSIS and to help the Civil Liberties Association with finances. We received good copies the same day by Special Delivery.

We agreed to publish the full page leaflet in the November issue of NSC instead of an insert, since they did not have 700 on hand.

On November 10th, I received a call from James Mitchell, representing Civil Liberties Association (remember, this is only 1 day later since we agreed to give them publicity) who told me the following: "Please do not give us publicity in NSC since the campaign now is of no significance and we have other more important things to do!"

I asked him: "It looks as if someone has put pressure on you NOT to give this IMPORTANT ISSUE more publicity and to have our readers/members write letters of protest to the Canadian Government!"

No answer on the other end of the telephone!

CSIS - the Canadian Secret Intelligence Service - which is spying on anyone and everyone, including opposition parties in Parliament!

You will recall that CSIS was responsible for planting a named Bristow-"mole" who helped organize the Heritage Front, a pro-fascist organization that was allowed to exist, promoted and nurtured. This caused a scandal in the newspapers and it was raised in the House of Commons in Ottawa - but now, you can hardly see any news item pertaining to this scandalous situation perpetrated against the Canadian people!

All of a sudden, this is NOT AN IMPORTANT ISSUE for Canadians? Who is controlling the Canadian

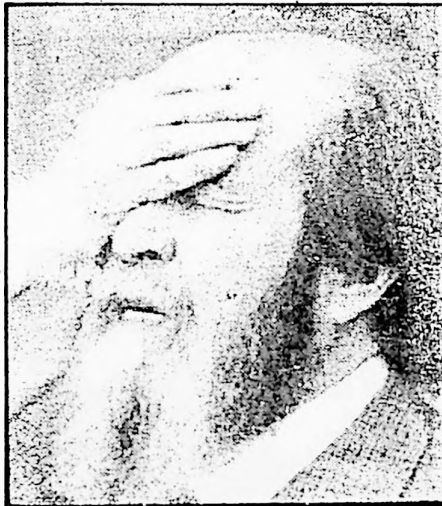
Civil Liberties Association, whose roster includes well known persons as lawyers, writers, trade union leaders, civic leaders, members of parliament, etc., etc.?

Oh, yes ... civil liberties ... but for whom?

– Michael Lucas  
President, Coordinating Editor,  
Northstar Compass □

## IT'S A BIT TOO LATE ALEXANDER TO SEE THE LIGHT!

Appearing in the State Duma in Moscow, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, the most rabid anti-Sovieteer, anti-Communist and an outright reactionary bordering on fascism, decried to the gathered assembly that "Russian reforms are cruel, painful", "The authorities are out of touch with the pain of the country", "I condemn Russia's ruling oligarchy", etc., etc.



*Yes, Alexander – you were also one who helped to undermine Socialism, Soviet Union and your own Soviet people. You sold out your Motherland as Judas did for 30 pieces of silver. At least, Judas had the courage to hang himself after his betrayal of Christ!*

*Yes, yes, 'Sasha', you saw the "light" too late and your name will go down in history as a TRAITOR that will be cursed forever!* □

## CAN CANADA'S SHAME BE CURED?

"Northstar Compass, in the name of national integrity and international good will, particularly as that applies to Africa, demands a full scale public investigation and disclosure of all relevant facts and decisions that led Canada to this international disgrace."

The above is from Vol. 2, #9, April 1994, page 9 of Northstar Compass. We welcome the establishment of a Public Inquiry to cure this fascist illness. WE DEMAND IT! – Editors

*Master Cpl. Clayton Matchee is shown in photo – made public recently – issued in the court-martial of soldiers in the slaying of Somali youth Shidane Arone, 16. Pte. David Brocklebank who took the photos and was present at this torture, was acquitted yesterday!* □



## PICTURES SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS!

Here, you see a photo of President Kuchma of Ukraine in the centre, flanked by Ministers Axworthy and Andre Ouellet at the G-7 talks held recently in Winnipeg. There, President Kuchma, with hat in hand as a beggar (zhobrak) pleading for help, which meant that he offered Ukraine for sale to the highest bidder.

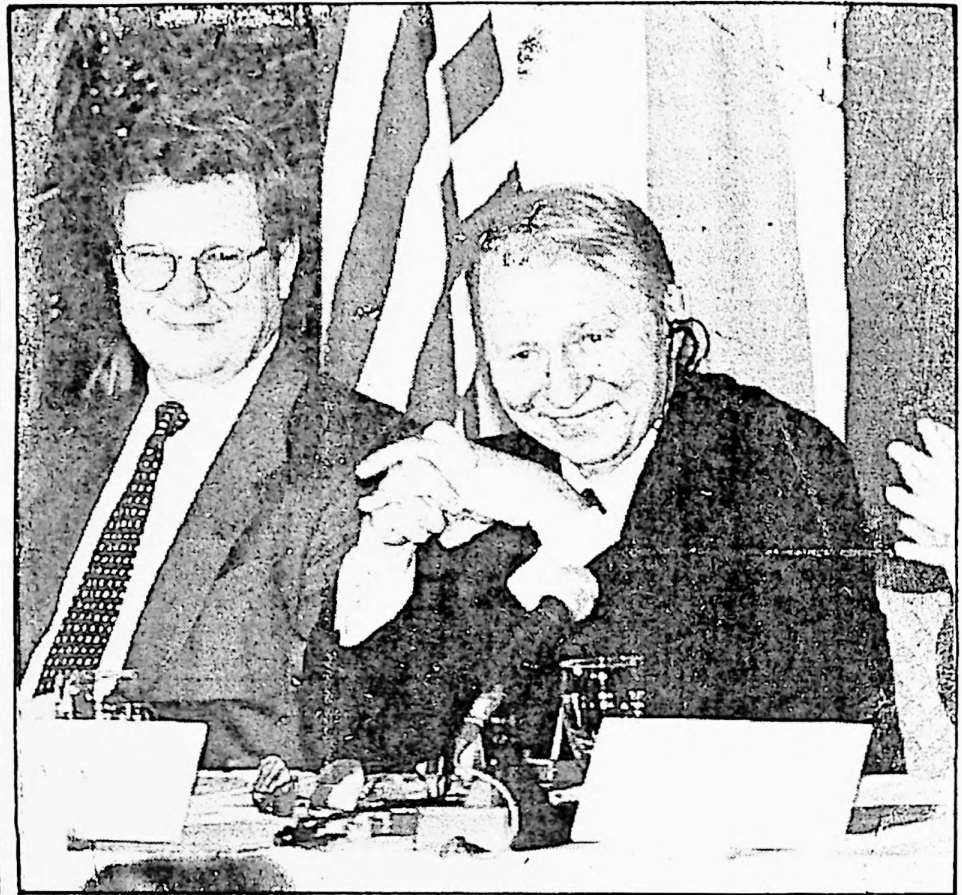
If anyone thinks now that Mr. Kuchma was a REAL "Communist", or that he is now a "Socialist" or a "Democrat", should think twice. He is just a "smarter Krawchuk" with advisors belonging to "Agents of Influence" from the West.

The other photograph shows a scene that probably Kuchma did not see, or pretended that he did not see or remember, as he was hobnobbing with Ukrainian nationalists and former members of UPA-OUN - now his "real Ukrainians".

Canada's Indian Chiefs representing the Indian nation are subject to discrimination, poverty, unemployment. They came to protest this giving away of millions of Canadian dollars to Ukraine while native Canadians have to beg on the streets! The Indian chiefs Bill Traverse and Louis Stevenson knew what the Canadian government was doing very well.

**BUT, DID PRESIDENT KUCHMA REALLY CARE ABOUT CANADIAN INDIANS? DID HE REALLY GIVE A DAMN ABOUT NOT ONLY NATIVE CANADIANS, BUT HIS OWN UKRAINIANS IN THE UKRAINE?**

Or, is President Kuchma placed in his position of power as a TROJAN HORSE? □



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## **WE AIM TO REBUILD AND THE DEMANDS GROW HEAVIER ...**

Dear Friends and Supporters:

With this edition, we are compelled to remind you that while we have successfully published now for two and a half years without missing a beat, the burdens of financing and carrying forward Northstar Compass grow ever heavier. Increased mailing and printing costs remain our central cost items since all editorial, writing and journalistic preparation is on a totally voluntary basis. In fact, for a \$15.00 annual subscription, the reader receives \$33.00 of publication costs.

The "Appeal for \$25,000" carried in the June-July edition has met with generous financial support from you, the readers and we express our deepest appreciation to all of you who have donated generously. In fact, one edition before we reach the halfway mark of the Third year of publication, we are slightly more than one half successful for the full amount we said would be required to meet another successful year of publication. That is good and cheerful news.

However, at this point, as the New Year of 1995 looms just around the corner, we draw to your attention that "halfway home" will not cross the threshold of success. **IN FACT, FAILURE TO REACH THE \$25,000 MARK WILL**

COMPEL YOUR EDITORIAL BOARD TO REVIEW POSSIBLE OPTIONS, INCLUDING CUTTING BACK ON THE MONTHLY PUBLICATION TO SIX EDITIONS PER YEAR. We feel confident you would not wish that to be our alternative, and we fervently hope it will not be so. But it is a possibility, we must confront, if the rest of our annual budgetary aims should fail to be raised.

WE want to thank all of you for your generous support during the unprecedented past success of our "little ray of light in the foreboding darkness of corporate domination ..." as we have said.

We, as well, thank you not only for your financial support, but for what is obviously your deep understanding of the issues we all seek to confront at this stage of our's and the world's history.

Again, thank you from the depths of our being and we extend at this time warmest greetings at the ending of yet another year, and the new beginnings that it will bring.

- Michael Lucas,  
President, and Coordinating Editor  
Ray Stevenson,  
Editor

On behalf of the Editorial Board,  
Northstar Compass

## **FEATURE ANALYSIS**

### **TO OUR SOVIET READERS!**

**By: Michael Lucas**

We have for the last 2 years published articles gathered mostly from anti-Yeltsin press that we receive from former USSR. We have also commented now and then on these stories, plus writing editorials and other articles about the worsening conditions and the complete disintegration of law and order, the Mafia impregnated privatized industries and government apparatus. Sometimes we do not know where the Mafia stops and government begins, or vice versa. In other words, we showed our readers in 24 countries of the world the desperate situation in which the people in the former USSR are finding themselves now.

Here, I would like to quote a CANADIAN source - "Maclean's Magazine" - whose Moscow correspondent, Malcolm Gray, writes regarding the situation. His article is entitled, "MOB RULE - Extortion has become a way of life in the new Russia".

We shall make no comment on this article ... it speaks for itself so well, that any decent person reading this article cannot but be amazed and perturbed that the Western Powers are supporting this situation in the former USSR, while trying to curb the same situation in their own countries!

**THE LESSON IS VERY CLEAR!**

*In 1993, Sergei Skorochkin finally gave in to the mobsters who were demanding*

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a \$22,000 payment. The operator of several food outlets and a distillery in Zaraysk, 160 km southwest of Moscow, Skorochkin knew only too well that refusing to pay the protection money could cost him his life. Said Skorochkin: "Of course, I paid them off."

Skorochkin is not the only person reluctantly keeping bad company. Extortion has become a way of life in Moscow and other centres. And his problems did not end after he started paying off the thugs. Eventually tiring of the mobsters' constant demands, the 33-year old businessman told his story to the police – only to hear that there was not enough evidence to lay charges against the extortionists. Not long after, events took a violent turn. According to Skorochkin, seven armed men confronted him near his Zaraysk home on May 1. In the ensuing struggle, Skorochkin says, he seized a Kalishnikov rifle from

one of the assailants. When another racketeer fired at him with a pistol, he shot back, killing the man. Now a member of the Russian legislature, Skorochkin insists that he acted in self-defence – and to date, police and his parliamentary colleagues have accepted his account of the confrontation. In the meantime, he stays close to home as he awaits the outcome of the police investigation. Said Skorochkin: "My friends are guarding me against gangsters."

Criminals, seemingly, are everywhere. They have even extended their power and influence from the back streets to government offices, using a combination of threats, violence and payoffs to officials. By some accounts, the ranks of the Russian Mafia now include some 200 highly disciplined crime syndicates and as many as 3,500 less formal groups. And not all of their victims live in Russia: highly paid Russian athletes who work

abroad, including several National Hockey League stars, have also been targeted for extortion. Bankrolled by the ill-gotten riches they have collected at home, Russian mobsters are peddling everything from narcotics to stolen components for nuclear weapons. Concluded a recent report by the Moscow-based Analytic Centre for Socio-economic Policy, a government-funded think-tank: "In Western Europe and the U.S.A., organized crime controls only purely criminal spheres such as prostitution, drugs and gambling. In Russia, organized crime controls everything."

The centre's director, Pyotor Filippov, sketches a bleak picture of Russian crime. He says that 80 percent of stores, restaurants and other companies in Russia's emerging private sector pay protection money to racketeers – in some cases, as much as 20 percent of their revenues. Filippov's anti-crime experts estimate



Police officer  
guarding suspects  
in central Moscow:  
ill-gotten riches

that the 150 most powerful gangs wield effective control over a combined 40,000 private and state-owned companies, including most of the country's 2,000 commercial banks. According to Western intelligence agencies, Russia's gangsters have also helped Colombian drug barons set up cocaine distribution networks linking South America and Eastern Europe. From the other direction, the gangs transport opium and heroin from Afghanistan and Central Asia to the West.

The number of reported murders across Russia jumped from 13,543 in 1989 to 29,213 last year pressure. The head of the Russian Ice Hockey Federation, Vladimir Petrov, acknowledged at the World Hockey Championships in Italy this month that extortion was a problem faced by many of his players. In March, Buffalo Sabres right-winger Alexander Mogilny complained to police that a fellow expatriate, Sergei Fomitchev, who had helped him defect five years earlier, had threatened to shoot or stab him if he did not hand over \$150,000 in protection money. Fomitchev, who insisted that he was only trying to borrow money from the hockey star, pleaded guilty in Buffalo last month to a reduced charge of menacing. He is due to be sentenced this week.

Unlike Mogilny, most NHL players from the former Soviet Republics refuse to talk openly about the problem, although many admit off the record that they have paid protection money to discourage attacks against their relatives back home. For their part, officials of the NHL Players Association say that there is little they can do because, as they see it, there is no credible law enforcement in Russia. "There is no order over there right now," association boss Bob Goodenow told *Maclean's* last week. "And until

there is, there is no way that we can exert any influence to stop the thugs."

One target that offers nightmarish possibilities for criminal power and profits is the former Soviet nuclear arsenal. In 1991, Greenpeace activist William Arkin – a homicide rate of 20 per 100,000 people, one of the world's highest (Canada's murder rate in 1992 was 2.7 per 100,000; New York City's was 27). Mob-linked contract killings have become especially popular – accounting for a reported 250 deaths last year, two-and-a-half times as many as in 1992.

Not surprisingly, opinion polls suggest that crime is second only to economic survival as the chief preoccupation of Russians. Under communism, muggings and other types of crime that afflict major Western cities were relatively rare in Moscow. Now, most of the city's nine million residents are worried about their personal safety, afraid that they will be injured or killed by street gangs or robbers. To some Russian *biznesmenyi*, in fact, using force is simply the most efficient way of solving a problem. Said

interior Minister Viktor Yerin: "Violence is increasingly becoming a method to exert pressure on administrative officials and a means to coerce or remove business rivals."

Adding to the public's frustration is a more traditional Russian problem: official corruption. These days, that can range anywhere from police shakedowns of motorists – typically, an officer might overlook a minor traffic violation in return for a \$3 bribe – to demands for huge bribes by highly placed government officials.

High-income Russian athletes are particularly vulnerable to mob demonstrated the arsenal's shocking vulnerability when he secretly negotiated with Soviet soldiers stationed near Berlin to buy a nuclear warhead for \$330,000. The plan failed – but only because Soviet authorities abruptly withdrew all of their nuclear weapons from Germany when an abortive coup erupted in Moscow in August of that year. In 1993, Western intelligence reports say, Russian security agents seized 60 kg of highly enriched uranium – enough



to build three weapons as powerful as the bomb that devastated Hiroshima – and later arrested several people on smuggling charges. Meanwhile, German police arrested several men from the former Soviet Republic of Kazakhstan who had smuggled nuclear fuel as well as beryllium and zirconium – two rare metals used to build nuclear weapons – from their homeland to the West.

In any event, criminal control of nuclear weapons would surprise few people in a country where the tight controls of a totalitarian system have withered away. In the city of Tver, 170 km northwest of Moscow, informants among the region's highway patrolmen often tip off local criminals whenever trucks loaded with valuable cargo pass through traffic checkpoints. Gangs also control the city's many sidewalk kiosks. Before granting new permits, licensing authorities routinely check to ensure that the applicant has been approved by one of the local godfathers. □

## FROM GLORY TO DESPAIR!

*Take a good look at these two photographs and think of how the internal traitors that are ruling the former Soviet Union accomplished and devastated not only the economic and cultural life of Soviet people, but the once-great Soviet Army which was the guarantor of peace in the world!*

*These soldiers served their country well, but now they are cast aside. Some 400,000 officers having returned home are now facing substandard living conditions, no jobs, while over one-third of flats that were set aside for the returned military are diverted to people with dollars and the new "rich Russians" who buy their way into these apartments!*



*The internal combustion in the armed forces appears ready to blow the lid off. Unity between the people and the Armed Forces is being forged and time is fast*

*approaching when together, they will reckon with the present traitors in power!* □



# NEWS DIGEST COMMENT

From  
**"PEACE COURIER"**  
10-11, 1994

## **ARMS AND DISARMAMENT U.S. MILITARY SPENDING REMAINS AT COLD WAR LEVELS:**

The U.S. military spending appears to decline noticeably ONLY WHEN COMPARED TO PEAK SPENDING OF 1989 UNDER PRESIDENT REAGAN: Change in real military spending from 1989 to 1994 = MINUS 22%. CHANGE IN REAL MILITARY SPENDING FROM 1980 to 1994 = +19%.

The Clinton Administration plans to keep real military spending after 1988 AT THE LEVEL OF 1980 – A TIME OF GREAT COLD WAR TENSIONS:

- Military spending in 1980 = \$235 billion dollars (in constant 1994 dollars);
- Clinton plans for military spending 1999 = \$232 billion dollars (in constant 1994 dollars);
- Cold War average military spending = \$250 billion dollars;
- 1994 U.S. military spending = \$280 billion dollars.

*(From an extensive and thorough article in the World Peace Council Journal: PEACE COURIER – edition 10-11, 1994. So, while everybody else is supposed to disarm, U.S. policy under Clinton is to either enhance or maintain at present levels their military capability. Meantime, President Clinton preaches the "gospel" of "human rights"*

*while carrying the "Big Stick" – all emphasis added, Editors). □*

## **SOME QUOTATIONS ...**

"The old Soviet Russia used to expel dissidents. The new Russia murders them ... how long will it be before the rest of the world loses patience and leaves Russia to sink beneath the weight of its own corruption? – Vadim Poegli, deputy chief editor Moskovski Komsomolets in "THE EUROPEAN", Nov. 4-10, 1994, discussing the murder of Dina Kholodov, investigative reporter, blown up by a briefcase explosion. □

*(From World Champion Chess Grandmaster, Garry Kasparov, also speaking at the funeral of murdered Kholodov, and as quoted in "THE EUROPEAN" Nov. 4-10, 1994. It should be noted that Kasparov was extremely vocal in his anti-Sovietism while playing on the world stage – Editors)*

"I believe we are burying the hopes we pinned on the powers that be (Gorbachev-Yeltsin et al., – Editor). This is the funeral of Gorbachev's authority, the interment of Yeltsin's union with the people. The people understand that the interests of the Government are not the interests of the people ... To my mind, the unity that brought Yeltsin to power has now ceased to exist."

*We might have thought that Kasparov's ability to visualize the results of the next seven or ten moves on the Chess Board might have given him extra-sensory penetration into what he was doing when he sought to bring down the Soviet Union. But as an American wit said, "We are all ignorant, only on different subjects". Kasparov made no such observations when a reported 2,000 Soviets were murdered by Yeltsin-Grachev gunfire, October, 1993. □*

EDITOR'S NOTE: *The old media lie*

*that the problems of the people of the Soviet Union (now the C.I.S. States) was caused by "seventy years of mismanagement, corruption" and the other shortcomings and evils of Reagan's 'Evil-Empire' is dead. Horrors and chaos now rampant in those lands is the direct result of ten years of so-called "restructuring" (perestroika) and the onset of capitalism carried on by the bayonets and 155mm guns of oppression under Yeltsin and his Western friends such as Reagan, Major, Kohl, Bush, Clinton, Mulroney et al. Items below are instructive:*

**From New York Times:  
November 15, 1994  
Headline: "IN RUSSIA,  
CORRUPTION INFLATES THE  
COST OF DYING"**

**Byline: Michael Specter  
Moscow, Nov. 14, 1994**

"... Burials, once one of the many subsidies doled out by the workers' state, have become so costly and so thoroughly dependent on graft bribery and connections, that few people can contemplate finding quiet plots or buying headstones ... "In many ways (this) is a mirror of Russian life today ... Russians profoundly believe overwhelmingly that a proper burial is an essential right', said Leonid A. Sidov, a sociologist. Funerals outside Moscow are even more expensive because 'Ritual', the main privatized funeral company, is subsidized by the Moscow Municipal Government. This burial service offers 'American hearses' and 'European embalming technique' for the wealthy ... P. Runina, whose uncle had just been buried, said: 'You don't think it can be made worse, but it is degrading to think that even in death we are treated without respect ...' ... Funeral Director Vladimir Smirnov acknowledged that a normal funeral service included putting a



rough wooden coffin into the ground, but that does not include covering it with dirt. 'That costs extra' ..."

*OUR COMMENT: Capitalism breeds and develops barbarism. No such thing could be imagined even in the wildest dreams, under Socialism, except possibly during war. □*

**From Toronto Globe & Mail:  
Nov. 15, 1994  
Headline: "RUSSIA'S BLADE  
NEW WORLD"**

**Byline: Geoffery Yorke, Moscow**

"... When Sergei Fedorov made his triumphant return to his former homeland (Moscow), he was overwhelmed how his stern and rather dull homeland had changed ... On his arrival, Fedorov was whisked away ... in a Zil limousine. He said, 'so many nightclubs and casinos, it was almost like an

American city' ... Five years after the defectors and migrants left the Soviet Union ... Moscow has become the 'wild east' - a bizarre mixture of crime, commerce, aggressive marketing and fast money ... hockey has become part of this economic revolution ... 'A rich club can now buy players and create super teams', said Valentin Anshin, manager of 'Soviet Wings', another Moscow club with ties to NHL teams. Some teams have accepted payments from business sponsors ... for example, Dynamo Club payers carry the name of a South Korean electronic company on their shirts ... Much of the organizing at the North American end was led by Vyachislav Fetisov, a former Red Army defenceman who helped sign on a California computer company as a sponsor and saw to it that Red Army defectors such as Fedorov had their past transgressions overlooked ..."

*WE COMMENT: Precisely, as Mr. Fedorov notes, capitalist efforts to transform Moscow into a dirty, crime ridden city of glitz such as are found everywhere in the U.S.A. and the capitalist world, have temporarily prevailed: They have also succeeded in corrupting hockeyists, Mr. Fetisov, Mr. Mogilny, Mr. Bure, et al., to the smell and taste of "filthy lucre" as was the case with the arch anti-Communist gangster, Al Capone. Welcome to your current company of capitalist bosses, "dear" degraded Soviet trained athletes, who "defected". Fetisov, Fedorov, and others were what in Canadian military terms would be "deserters". Wartime regulations called for the death penalty for the crime of "desertion". Instead, Fedorov now wallows in the "filthy lucre" trough (as do the others) to the tune of a four-year \$11.7 million dollar contract, according to the Globe & Mail writer. The irony is that the fathers and forebearers of these people fought to the death to save their country from*

the most hideous anti-Soviet and anti-labour forces of all history, German Nazism. Now, Fedorov is himself on strike against capitalist owners of the National Hockey League, who are stamping with great gusto and with both boots on the "millionaire hockeyists", no matter from where they may have come from. Welcome to the class struggle, "dear" stupids. What is it ... sport ... or gangsterized corruption? You decide! □

**From Toronto Daily Star:  
November 13, 1994**

**Headline: "THE DIRTY NORTH  
OF RUSSIA"**

**Byline: Olivia Ward  
Kolva, Russian Far North:  
Sub-headline:  
"Pollution and Poverty Leaves  
Arctic Inhabitants in Despair"**

"Masha says she is thinking of killing herself (and) looking out at the smudged landscape of this once-pristine Arctic village, its sulphurous sky, run-down wooden huts ... and sickly cows in the nearby shed, you know it is more than a throw-away line. 'What's to live for here?', she demands ... 'if it weren't for my child, I would be ready to go'. The suicide rate in Russia's northern territories is probably the highest in the world ... last year in Kolvo, seven people died and only one was born, reducing the 160-year old village to 406 souls ...

"Kolva was once the place where wages tripled overnight, and a cozy retirement awaited workers. It is now Russia's biggest welfare case ... Only workers for foreign oil companies are paid with certainty. The others - fishermen, dairy farmers, reindeer herders - get welfare vouchers ... Although the Komi Republic, like most of the Siberian Arctic, is rich in oil ... (a picture outline says: 'Polluted wasteland creeks, streams and rivers are contaminated by oil pipeline

leaks. The pollution has poisoned wild berries, the residents' main source of fruit.' - Editor) "From the far east to the Western Arctic, 26 minority communities are battling for survival", writes Ward. "The Hatanzeski's (a family of the Komis, fair-skinned and related to the Finnish people - editor) live on hand-outs from bleak state stores ... When the fish started floating belly up, we knew we were finished", said Vladimir.

*WE COMMENT: Much has been made in the Western media of the "oil spills worse than the Exxon Valdez tanker spill", but above comes from oil pipelines spread throughout the Northern Siberian area. These were built by Soviet initiative and the oil wealth was then in the process of being used. During that period, nobody, not even the most virulent anti-Sovietees among the Western media, have accused that system of "leaking oil pipelines that polluted the areas". Why now? We can only conclude that under the rapacious capitalist "rush to get the oil out" at bargain basement prices, lack of maintenance of the lines, and probable overloading of them has created this new crisis. So, what else is new under capitalist management? How many disasters, including the use of immensely dangerous oil tankers with single hulls (contrary to all safety requirements) have occurred. Not only have the oil kings dirtied and polluted the land, the seas and the air ... they are in the process of reducing us all to a state similar to that reported above. Capitalism works well ... for the capitalists but very dangerously for the rest of us. The oil kings have no mandate to smother human and other life under their oil spills - in Kova or elsewhere!* □

**From International Herald  
Tribune, November 15, 1994,  
and The New York Times of the  
same date**

**Headline: "YELTSIN TELLS  
HIS GENERALS - 'SHAPE UP  
ARMY'", and "YELTSIN  
DRESSES DOWN HIS MILI-  
TARY  
COMMANDERS"**

**Byline - Steven Erlanger**

"Speaking on Monday to top military commanders, President Yeltsin expressed unhappiness with their work, urged greater military readiness, and said he expected new frictions with the U.S.A. under a Congress controlled by the Republican Party ... 'We can expect a certain toughening of the U.S. stand on foreign policy and military issues', he said. His Government should seek closer ties with the Republicans, 'to balance our relations' but he concentrated on military matters at a delicate time for the armed forces which have been shaken by scandals and persistent allegations of corruption ... The job of Defence Minister Grachev is thought to be on the line ... Yeltsin hinted that more personnel changes were to come (and) said that commanders were not taking full responsibility for their soldiers' combat readiness; reform of central command was going too slowly; units were undermanned; resources and weapons were being wasted and officers were not fulfilling their obligations. The Russian Government complained officially on Saturday (Nov. 12th) that '... the United States appears increasingly persistent in pushing through unilateral decisions not within the framework of agreed collective action' ... Mr. Yeltsin's address was the only part of the conference, scheduled to last two days, that was open to the press", the story concludes.

*WE COMMENT: What happened in the "conference" outside of the reported Yeltsin speech, is open to question and*

speculation. We would guess that while there is some growing tensions with the U.S., we suspect Yeltsin was much more concerned with his domestic situation than with the international scene and allegations of tension with the U.S. are simply windowdressing. In the previous edition of NSC, we reported on actions being taken by the President as early as two months ago, to prepare for a "winter of unrest" by surrounding the seat of Government in Moscow with more than 50,000 specialized troops, in addition to those already present and on the alert. These were reported as preparations to put down what Prime Minister Trudeau of Canada in 1970 falsely dubbed, "apprehended insurrection" in Quebec. However, it might be remembered that Trudeau never shot up the Parliament Buildings in Ottawa, as Yeltsin did in Moscow just a year ago. Stay tuned, there is more to come, we believe, and particularly since it has been reported to NSC that something like 750,000 marchers turned out in Moscow to celebrate the 77th Anniversary of their working class - Leninist Revolution. Verified, that alone is enough to make Yeltsin scream at his Generals to be ready to carry out civil war against their own people ... as they have done before ... □

## OPEN FORUM

### WHAT WE SHOULD KNOW ABOUT OUR CANADIAN LEADERS!

By: Dan Ross

#### JEAN CHRÉTIEN

Is this the same Jean Chrétien, who stood before the "mike", shouting "Jobs, jobs, jobs"? Is it the same Chrétien who now advocates

**MOVING TOWARD UNITY!**  
**IT HAS BEEN REPORTED TO NORTHSTAR COMPASS THAT -**  
**750,000 MUSCOVITES**  
**MARCHED ON**  
**NOVEMBER 7TH**

SEE CENTRE  
 SPREAD FOR  
 PHOTO MONTAGE

a program, that Michael McCracken, Chief Economist of Ottawa-based Informatics Ltd., calculates that with every billion dollars worth of federal spending cuts will add another thirty thousand Canadians to the jobless ranks?

Is this the same Chrétien who condemned Brian Mulroney for his right-wing program, then proceeded to appoint Paul Martin, a right-wing conservative thinker, as his Minister of Finance?

Is this the same Chrétien who waved his little red book and intoned that the social network was a solemn obligation, that would not be tampered with?

Have any of his promises been kept? The answer is - NO! Not jobs, where there is no significant rise in employment.

Not an enlightened program of economic advance, but one that peddles the old chestnuts of recovery.

Not one that honours his solemn assurance that health-care would not be affected.

The little red book is a hoax, perpetrated on the Canadian people - full of sound and fury but signifying nothing.

Our health system, once recognized as one of the best in the world, is now being dismantled before our very eyes. Private hospitals that only the rich can afford, originate in the United States. Note to Jean Chrétien - if this vital program is interfered with in

any way, your activities will come to an early end.

#### FORMER CABINET MINISTERS

##### Brian Mulroney

Last Cabinet job: Prime Minister.  
 Annual Government Pension: \$29,817.

It is difficult to estimate the total income of the former Prime Minister. His activities are too numerous to calculate. Businessmen assembled to raise a \$4 million fund to ease Mulroney back into private life.

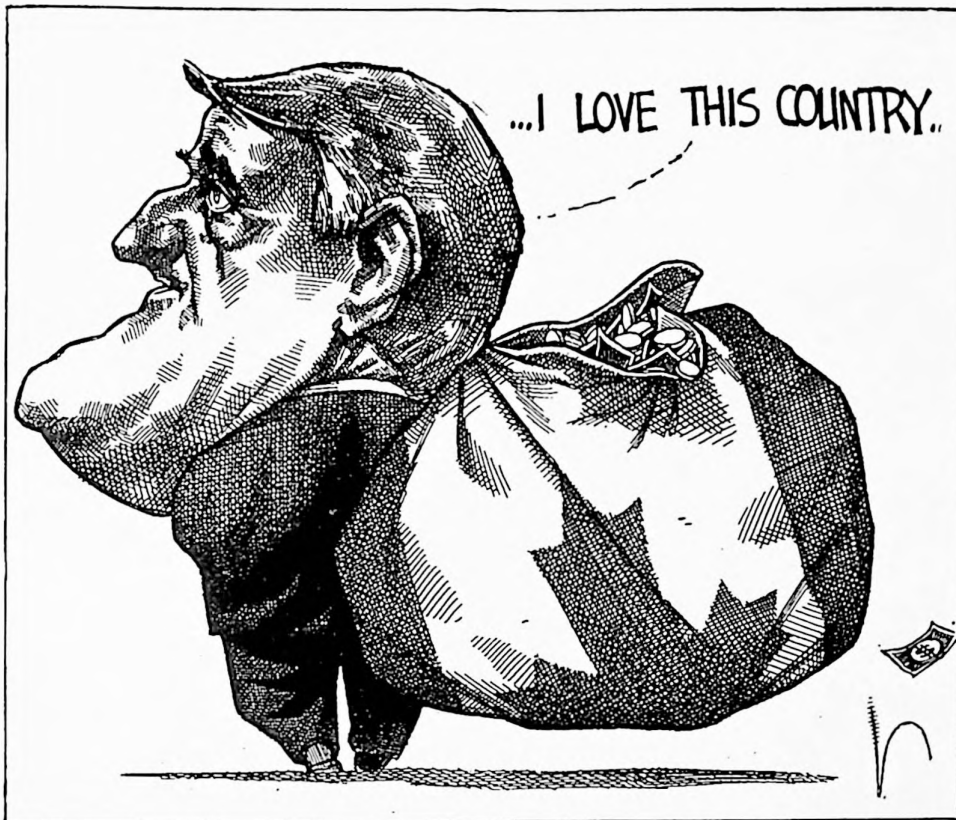
He is now a partner in a Montreal law firm and a consultant to a number of large multi-national companies.

He is a senior partner at Ogilvy-Renault, a high powered Montreal law firm. He is on the board of nine major companies. Among them are Peter Monk, the Horsham Corporation, the American Barrick Resources Corporation, as well as the Archer-Daniels Midland Co., Avis Food Processing plant. Recently, he became one of the company's international advisory board. New roles in the company doubles his options on stock and has given him 500,000 shares in the company.

Recently, his wife became a director of Astral Communications Inc.

The Mulroneys live a lavish lifestyle. Their Montreal home is estimated at a value of \$2.2 million. When Mulroney left office, his family received lavish gifts which





took 14 pages to list, in addition to many other forms of gifts too numerous to mention.

**John Crosby**

Last Cabinet job: Minister of Fisheries. Annual Government Pension: \$66,721. Present Employment: Senior Council with St. Johns corporate law firm of Haley Hunt. He has recently taken out a business license for a consulting firm, JC Consulting Ltd.

He also got a directorship on the board of CHC Helicopter Corp. Consulting fee – \$5,000.

**Perrin Beatty**

Last Cabinet job: Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Annual Government Pension: \$66,721.

Writes a column for the Toronto Sun, lectures on political science at the University of Western Ontario and sits on the board of directors of Tec-Comm Electronics Incorporated. Expects to sit on two more directorships soon.

**How to Balance the Budget**

(A note to Jean Chrétien)

- (1) Collect billions owed in back-taxes by large companies and individuals.
- (2) Review the incomes of Brian Mulroney and other Cabinet ministers.
- (3) Withdraw the "Peace-Keepers" and armed forces around the world.
- (4) Send arbitrators from among trade unionists and scholars to replace political appointees and army officers.
- (5) Make a serious effort to provide jobs-jobs-jobs.
- (6) Stop providing positions to political appointees rather than for a basis of merits.

**FORMER CABINET MINISTERS – WHERE ARE THEY NOW?**

**Barbara McDougall**

Present Pension: \$40,000 – sits on 10 corporate boards. Income approximately \$50,000 a year.

Also receives an income as the Public Governor of the Toronto Stock Exchange.

**Donald Mazankowski**

Last Cabinet Job: Deputy Prime Minister.

Present Pension: \$66,721.

Employment: Sits on 9 corporate boards, which pretty much guarantees him a six figure annual salary.

**Michael Wilson**

Last Cabinet Jobs: Minister of Industry, Science and Technology, and Minister for International Trade. Annual Government Pension: \$60,611. Employment: Consultant on Bay St.

It is said that Michael Wilson International will bill you upwards of \$300 an hour for his services.

Director of Investment for giant Amoco Corp. of Chicago. Watch for two more directorships to follow.

**C.S.I.S.**

Once more, Doug Lewis the Former Overseer of C.S.I.S., has refused to release any information pertaining to agents of the Neo-Fascists Heritage Front. People have come forward, willing to testify against those who have beaten individuals, ransacked legitimate organizations, desecrated cemeteries and damaged synagogues.

Yet, the word passed around is, "sh-sh". Orders have been given by elements in high authority to clean up the elements creating the problems that sponsor a Neo-Fascist organization.

Now that C.S.I.S. has involved itself in this type of activity, elements in their ranks must be rooted out, and the Canadian government held responsible. If no action is taken, it only means that the Canadian government and the Canadian people have been implicated in this nefarious activity. Are we waiting for the remnants of Nazi Storm Troopers to parade down our streets shouting "Heil Hitler"? □

# RED BANNERS FLY AGAIN AS 750,000 MUSCOVITES MARCH





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

Photo 3 - A joyous young comrade waved her beloved flag of Soviet Russia.

Photo 4 - To be seen also were (more than since 1956) the pictures of Stalin.

Photo 5 - Haresh Kirpalani (r) poses with an American demonstrator before Lenin's tomb. Yeltsin has disbanded the Honour Guard that stood in front of Lenin Mausoleum for the last 70 years. (All photos on this page were taken by Haresh Kirpalani and we thank him sincerely.)

Photo 1 - Their flags and marching feet filled Moscow streets.

Photo 2 - Their numbers stretched beyond the limits of the camera's eye.

Photo 6 - A child proudly carrying her grandfather's Marine Flag marched with him, a veteran of the Anti-Nazi campaigns and for their Soviet future.

Photo 7 - And again, in a sea of Red flags, more crowds came.

Photo 8 - The banner of the Soviet Women's Movement under the waving sea of red flags and pictures of Lenin and Stalin formed a large contingent for the defence of their rights and their homes. Demands for the return of the Soviet Union were everywhere.

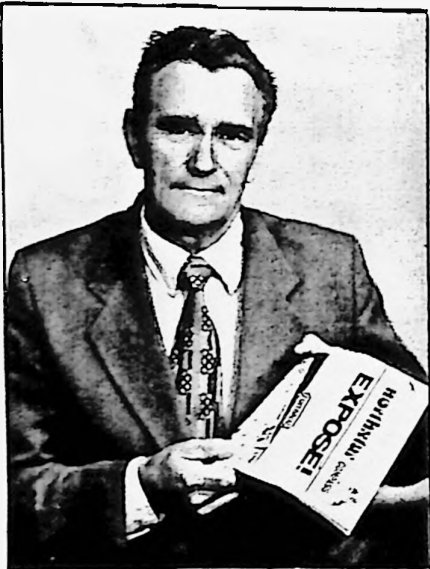
Photo 9 - And they sang - oh how they sang - together in remembered harmony and for their future.

# ITEMS from ABROAD

## ABOUT WHAT WAS KUCHMA SILENT?

By: Professor Vladimir Herasymchuk

Working class of Ukraine celebrated the 50th Anniversary of its liberation from fascist hordes. The full liberation of all Ukrainian territories took place on October 8, 1944. Fifty years have passed and in spite of the massive propaganda by "national-Democrats", this anniversary took place. Of course, the "three-zub" banderites tried everything possible to disrupt this mass anniversary celebration and hide it under a solemn ceremony,



giving credit to nationalists. This was seen and felt in particular in Western Ukraine. As an example in Lutsk, these nationalists tried to pass a law to bar red flags and Soviet flags being carried by the demonstrators. In this, they were not successful. Seeing that they

could not accomplish their aim, then scores of these Ukrainian nationalists raised their signs with slogans of "communofascists". These signs were after a while not to be seen. The 50th Anniversary took place in spite of the bandit provocations of the national extremists.

In Kiev, there took place a parade of soldiers. Under flags and marching bands, playing Soviet songs and marches, for veterans of the Great Patriotic War who broke the back of Hitler's fascism. A day earlier in the House of Culture, there took place a meeting dedicated to this great holiday. The House of Culture was fill to capacity and people encircled the House of Culture with flags and slogans dedicated to this great victory. The red flags and banners were waving high over the heads of the demonstrators. Many slogans such as "Return Our USSR To Us!" were seen. Of course, the government newspaper "Voice of Ukraine" tried to belittle this manifestation. What other explanation could there be then, being scared of their own people, they cannot allow themselves to recognize the real sons and daughters of their Motherland. The Mafia psychosis has these leaders in its grip.

The main speech at this Anniversary was given by President Kuchma. He told about the tremendous losses during the liberation, gave credit to this mighty victory. But let us look not only at the things Kuchma said, but at the events and things that he kept quiet about. In order to present this thought, I will do it in a manner of a dialogue, based on the facts of his speech.

KUCHMA: "More than 3 years, the struggle took place for the liberation of the Ukraine. Ukraine became a war camp. Front and rear

came together."

• Why only "3 years", it was more than 4! Did not the Stalingrad struggle, Kursk Bulge, liberation of the Baltics, the storming of the Reichstag in Berlin – was that not a fight for Ukraine? Was not the bloody battles on the hills of the Volga and on the steps the Reichstag littered by bodies of SOVIET soldiers – was that not a fight for the Soviet Union which included the Ukraine? It seems that the president looks at the overall struggle and victory as only the liberation of Ukraine? Is this just an oversight or is it done for political reason?

KUCHMA: "Time and history produces its own results. Soviet Union is gone, but in its place, we have sovereign states."

• Is this good or is it bad? Why does the president step away from the political analysis and meaning of this great victory? On the destruction of USSR, Hitler pinned his hopes also! After that, Dulles had the same plan. What were the reason for the demise temporarily of the Soviet Union and that includes Ukraine also. The forces that President Kuchma represents are obviously not interested in bringing these reasons to the fore, or if they are, they want to bury them so deep that no one will unearth them.

Everyone knows, including our enemies, that the Soviet Union was transformed after the Great Patriotic War into a mighty state that the world reckoned with.

Ukraine, under the Socialism, had reached world heights in production for the needs of her population. At the end of 1980's, the needs of the population was ensured to the tune of \$230-\$240 per month per each person – which reached the high standards of the leading countries of Europe. Where is all this today, Mr. Kuchma?

Where are the gains of the present policies? Of course, you did not touch on these matters, did you, Pan Kuchma. It is self evident that the interests that Kuchma represents do not want these facts aired!

KUCHMA: "It is a shame that at this time, we cannot give the necessities of life to those that fought for our freedom."

• To admit your errors is good. But where is the road ahead? Where did all of our riches go to? Why is it that the robbery of the people grows as mushrooms after rain, while the rich grow richer and the poor grow poorer – yes, the new Ukrainian bourgeoisie. Kuchma did not speak about this at all.

KUCHMA: "Without the liberation of Ukraine in 1944, without Victory in 1945, there would not have been the rebirth of Ukraine."

• Of what country and government are we talking about? Are we talking about the Socialist Soviet Ukraine? Or are we talking about the present "sovereign" robbed, poor Ukraine? If we are talking about the present day Ukraine, then the Day of Victory has nothing to do with it. This was accomplished by the renegade-bourgeois of the upper echelons of traitors who were masquerading themselves as members of the CPSU. These are the renegades of the type of Krawchuk and company who have brought my country to a brink of catastrophe.

KUCHMA: "No matter how we look at and feel about the Central Planning economy of the former Soviet Union, it showed its successes during the war years."

• Why only during the times of war? Did not this central planning system rebuild the ruined economy and built up the mighty USSR equal to the leading industrial countries of the world? Did any other country

in the world know such tremendous growth in industry and economy as was had the USSR? What proposals has Pan Kuchma for the present ills? The answer is simple – he defends the interests of private enterprise and the system of capitalism. Then why this demagogic lies about the interests of the working class? How was it possible that inside 3-4 years, Ukraine became one of the poorest countries, maybe compared to the Third World backward economies now.

KUCHMA: "Germany had established more than 230 'factories of death', concentration camps where millions died."

• Why is it that Pan Kuchma did not mention the Ukrainian bourgeoisie nationalists who also took part in burning and murdering Soviet people?

For example, a member of the Ukrainian Republican Party, Shkuriatiuk at the session of Rovno City Council, was welcomed by applause when he said; "I am proud of the fact that out of 1,500 police-gendarmes in Kiev Babij Yar, we had 1,200 Ukrainian nationalists from OUN and only 300 Germans!" All the 250 villages and towns that Pan Kuchma talked about cannot be put only on the German shoulders. They had tremendous help from the banderites' bands. But the President kept quiet on this score. He does not look at the facts that in the city of Rovno, one of the streets there is named Stepan Bandera! Why did not Kuchma speak of this? Besides all this, these bands did not stop their attacks against their own people after the war ceased. "We are driven to our nationalist road by our nationalism above all" is proclaimed by one nationalist newspaper, 'Unconquered Nation'. "Our word is followed by gun shots. The last word will be said by our Mausers". In the "Nationalist Hymn", there are

words that are published which state: "For our country, for honour and glory, we are going to liquidate bloody Moscow and Warsaw". Can anyone, including Pan Kuchma, keep quiet about this?

In Rovno, where the nationalists took over the local government, they dismantled a monument to Nikolai Kuznetsov, the legendary Secret Service man, known worldwide as a hero behind enemy lines, who was murdered in cold blood by the Banderites. When the Ministry in Kiev protested this act of vandalism, the local government shrugged it off! You can see there is no Soviet of Ministers or a central body to which anyone listens to. How does Pan Kuchma look upon this? Does he not see what is happening? You cannot but see the political reasons for his being mum, as an accommodation with the banderites and all sorts of

From Newspaper  
"TOVARISH", Kiev, Ukraine

## HOW MUCH DO THE DEPUTIES TO UKRAINE PARLIAMENT GET?

Monthly pay with all of its quirks and extras (in rubles-karbovants) is as follows:

Chairman of Supreme Soviet  
– 5 Million, 87 Thousand  
First Deputy Chairman  
– 4 Million, 912 Thousand  
Chairman of Commissions  
– 4 Million, 380 Thousand  
Deputy Chairman of Commission  
– 4 Million, 262 Thousand  
Peoples Deputy of Ukraine  
– 4 Million, 144 Thousand

Worker in industry?

– Don't Ask. No Comment! □

nationalistic scum. What is the difference between these attacks and attacks by Hitler's goons when he was fighting against Ukraine and the Soviet Union?

KUCHMA: "Soviet people were victorious. They won because it was a people's war. They defended their Motherland, right for their future."

- All this is correct. Let us be truthful here, people defended their Motherland because it was a Socialist Motherland. Did Pan Kuchma forget all of this? Our Motherland is existing now, although you will not find too many young people ready to go for its defence as it is NOW! There is a tremendous growth of deserters from the Army, that we never have seen before. Nobody now wants to defend privateers, Mafia controlled industries who are at the head of our country.

And the appeal by Pan Kuchma to listen to the heads of OUN-UPA to turn the present Victory Day into a Solemn Mass for those "who died needlessly". This is meant to hide the facts of the tragedy mankind suffered during the Second World War. This is blasphemy! The sacrifices to Hitler's hordes are so great that you cannot hide the figures. We bow in front of those who died for the liberation of our Socialist Motherland. They will forever be in our hearts. Together with them, we celebrate the Day of Victory, one of the most important and the most significant of holidays. You cannot change this feeling. This is a sin and a crime for the living and for the dead.

And one more question. Who was it that commanded the front? Who organized the Great Victory? Pan Kuchma did not touch on this important question, he hid the fact that it was the Soviet soldier who hoisted the Red Banner of the

Berlin Reichstag. Pan Kuchma, on this Day of Victory, did not mention the names of even one Soviet Commander. He did not see fit to mention that the Red Army liquidated the biggest mass army the world has ever seen, or that the Soviet war strategists had shown themselves far superior than Germany and their allies could hope to master. We won this victory! The masterful generals, marshals such as Zhukov, Vasilevskij, Rokossovskij, Konev, Stalin as Commander-in-Chief and others were hailed by the world and even enemies as the geniuses of warfare and thanks to them, the world was saved from fascism. They deserved at least to be mentioned on this their Great Victory. Why did Pan Kuchma overlook this important fact during his speech?

Soviet people also know that to organize and to lead the Soviet people was the Communist Party. Does not Mr. Kuchma know this

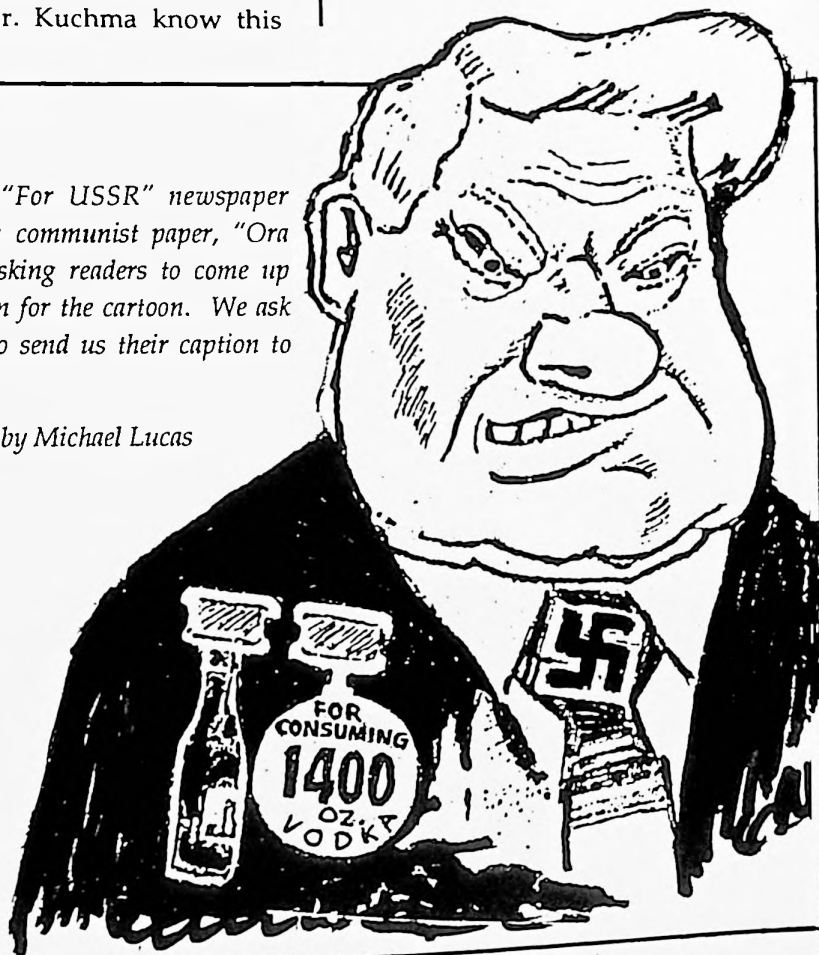
world-wide known fact, that the most dangerous attacks by the Red Army during the Great Patriotic War was the cry, before each battle – "Communists, In Front!?" Does not Pan Kuchma know (or does he want to forget) that people defending the USSR, throwing themselves under German tanks with the words, "For Motherland! For Stalin!?" To talk about this now is not very popular or in vogue? There are forces who want to make sure that these historical facts are not spoken, not learned in school or not repeated in the mass media!

KUCHMA: "The president now is dedicated to save peace and order in the Ukraine."

- This is like saying, "I like my Mother"! Who doesn't? Even the Russian Bolsheviks in 1917 started their government with a 'Decree on Peace' – that was the needed situation to build a new society.

*Courtesy of "For USSR" newspaper and Brazilian communist paper, "Ora Du Povo", asking readers to come up with a caption for the cartoon. We ask our readers to send us their caption to this cartoon!*

*– Redesigned by Michael Lucas*



But the world bourgeoisie was always starting conflicts and disturbing peace, while the Soviet Union needed peace. Now, these same elements have come into government and proceeding to rob the workers and farmers even though the president speaks of peace and harmony. This reminds one of the situation when a robber comes upon a worker and takes from him his shirt, then puts a knife to his throat and says, "Be quiet! You will leave for home naked and unharmed!"

We do not want such peace. Rather, return back my Motherland which was sold by renegades of the type of Gorbachev, Yeltsin, Shushkewich, Krawchuk and his today's followers. But no – I would suggest that you visit a tavern to which you Pan Kuchma referred during your speech. You will be recognized by your friends who think like you do, masters of political intrigues. The people will go their own way. Or you might see the error of your ways and might come with us? In the end result, Soviet people will not be turned off the correct road, on which they marched 77 years – because the ideas of socialism and communism never dies. No Krawchuks and their followers (including Pan Kuchma) will be able to return our people back to capitalist exploitation. The present rulers will be smashed into smithereens by the wheel of history. We are going to rebuild the tracks that were demolished by the Judases. □

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IF I WILL NOT SHINE,  
IF YOU WILL NOT SHINE,  
IF WE WILL NOT SHINE BRIGHTLY  
– THEN WHO WILL DISSOLVE  
THE DARKNESS? ...

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## HUMAN RIGHTS IN RUSSIA NOW!

By: E. Khlebnikov

*In a very detailed analyses of this important question, we present a condensed version of this article which shows readers the terrible impact on the future of former Soviet society by the present course of the "new capitalist class" under leadership of Yeltsin and company.*

The publication of the "Rights of Man" for the Russian Federation, as published by "Russian Newspaper", August 25, 1994, unfortunately did not engender the deserved attention of the other newspapers or from the general public. Even though the article stated, "that in our country there are extremely serious economic problems, dangerous curtailment of the rights of people in political and social spheres", hardly any detailed accounts in the mass media and the lack of factual information.

The authors of this Commission reported that in 1993, there were over 600,000 refugees from other parts of former USSR into Russia, even though all of us know that this figure is way too low, given for political reasons, not to agitate the people. There are millions of "legal" and "illegal" immigrants flooding Russia due to persecution and untenable situation in former Soviet Republics. These unfortunate millions have absolutely no rights, no agency to help them relocate or to smooth the terrible plight. According to international law adopted by all countries in 1991, Russians have absolutely no guarantee or even a chance of their legal rights to be guaranteed now.

This Commission reported that there were over 876,000 persons in jail as of January 1, 1994, which is 0.6% of the total population. This

figure, it is predicted, will grow substantially as the situation deteriorates.

In the Armed Services of Russia, there were over 32,000 persons jailed when they demanded and sought legal rights as they were under the Soviet Union. In 1993, over 2,572 soldiers died in jail, protesting their human rights (of those, 462 committed suicide).

Workers' rights are under tremendous attacks by privatized foreign and local firms, industries, with hardly any trade unions to fight for the rights of workers. There were over 100,000 workers jailed when they demanded their rights, their social guarantees. These are only reported cases ... what about those unreported or buried from the media!

Most of the jailed workers are those that demanded that they get paid for work done, instead of waiting sometimes 3-5 months to get paid.

Things are so bad, that at the beginning of 1994, there was owing workers for back pay over 800 billions rubles, but according to some trade unions that are organizing, the sum is more than 3.8 trillion of rubles!

During 1993, there were reported over 1,113 strikes, conflicts,

### NOTE

Because we have devoted this special 77th Anniversary Edition to bringing a part of what we have learned and can show in pictures, of that event in Moscow, we have been compelled to put aside excellent and important materials now in our hands. These will be published in December and coming editions. – Editors. □

Leningrad" is the organ of the "Russian Party of Communists".

We publish here just one of the letters received by the RPK from political prisoners that are languishing in Lithuanian jails since Lithuania became independent.

Dear comrades:

I sincerely thank you for sending me May Day greetings and greeting me on the Day of Victory! I thank you also for your help. Fate has decreed that among the 8 political prisoners held here, I was picked to get the brunt of brutal treatment at the hands of these Lithuanian nationalists.

The nationalists tried to have us tried as traitors, but it was thrown out of court. I received 8 years, while I have served already 2 1/2 in the Lukishkoj jail under the most horrible conditions. My health is failing, but I did not break down. I'm a communist, was and will always be. I feel that you comrades will also see victory in your struggles.

– Alexander Smotkin

P.S. I and Ivanov and Bobbylev were not taken away yet, but we demand to be sent to Russia to serve our term until the truth comes out.

Here, the Lithuanian nationalist will surely kill us off. This letter was written by my mother as I dictated it to her. This was our last meeting. □

From Newspaper  
**"BOLSHEVIK"**  
Murmansk

## UNDER WHICH FLAGS RUSSIA, YOUR ARMY AND NAVY IS BEING LED?

It's very clear to everyone, that the "Duma" Monarchy is being created in the form of "President's Terror". (Duma is the name given by Yeltsin to the Supreme Soviet Government and Duma was the name given by the last Tsar to his lackeys in parliament.)

Two-headed Tsarist eagle appears on all government buildings thus promoting the autocracy of Tsarist times and meant to bring back the days of terror and persecution for the people of Russia.

*A little girl begs  
with a sign reading "Help me.  
I want to eat" and instead of money,  
she receives cookies in downtown Moscow.*



### 5 MORE ANTI-YELTSIN NEWS- PAPERS REACHED OUR OFFICE!

- Lenin's Road
- Bolshevik
- Bolshevik of Ossetia
- Bolshevik Stavropolia
- Bumbarash



All translations from Russian, Byelo-russian, Ukrainian, Czech and Slovak by Michael Lucas.

We Do Produce Totally By  
Volunteer Labour.



lock-outs in industry. The State calls these strikes – demands “against the law” so that more than 95.1% of these strikes were considered by the Yeltsin’s government as “unlawful”!

The most terrible conditions prevail in the privatized sectors of industry, which employ 14 million workers out of a work force of 70 million.

There are terrible accidents, since there is no safety guarantee in these privatized foreign owned industries. According to the admitted figures of Ministry of Labour itself (and these figures are played down) everyday there are over 1,600 serious accidents, over 27 workers get killed each day while 55 workers become invalids for life. During 1993, there were over 400,000 workers maimed forever, while over 8,000 were killed outright!

This is due to the disintegration and ineffectiveness of the once powerful trade union movement. In 1994, only 835,000 workers of the millions received some sort of social help. According to the August-September figures of this year, there were over 9 million workers unemployed ... but the more correct figure is close to 15,000,000 workers!

It is hard to understand that these authors of the Commission would overlook this cardinal fact that over 60,000,000 workers in Russia are receiving less than the required minimum wage according even to the law that is supposed to be in force today!

Below is information which will show graphically how things stand:

Workers living under minimum wage (in millions)	1991	1992	1993	1994
	17	42	54	59
Workers living in absolute poverty (in millions)	1991	1992	1993	1994
	1.4	7	4	5

Instead of this Commission demanding from the Government steps to rectify this deplorable, savage conditions under which the workers live now in Russia, it only slaps the government on the wrist!

What are some of the losses of rights of the population, that this Commission was forced to admit?

\* Workers are held, beaten up, arrested, including Peoples Deputies who sometimes come to the defense of the workers. More than 100,000 documented cases are before the courts, which might, or in most cases, will not act.

Even if these arrested had the opportunity or the money to get a lawyer for their defence, in most cases, the lawyers or defenders are barred from visiting the arrested worker.

Workers all report the fascist-like beatings by the personal goons of Yeltsin, the OMON police-militia from districts 18, 48, 77, 100 and 119 in Moscow. These arrested workers are beaten up while being arrested, while interrogated, kicked, fists in the faces, boots to the stomach, small of the back, pistol whipped and threatened to be shot. All these methods are against the Convention which was signed by all countries, including Russia.

Even journalists cannot escape the beatings – 65 in total in Moscow, while 6 journalists were killed by OMON during the White House tragedy in Moscow, last October.

Under direct orders of Minister of Information (V.F. Shumejko) 13 newspapers were closed, even “Pravda” at that time, even though “Pravda” now is not what “Pravda” was during the USSR times.

The Commission report, even though it was watered down, somehow did not get any attention from the Ministry of Justice or the Courts.

The Supreme Court or the Moscow court did not bother to take any steps to look into these human rights violations or even to take an overview of the terrible conditions which are becoming the norm.

It is this “we shall not mix into the affairs” by the Supreme Court or the Ministry of Justice that led to the massacre that happened in October of 1993.

It is interesting to point out that the authors of this Commission saw fit to concentrate only on 1993, taking the decision to “overlook” the anti-constitutional seizure of power by Yeltsin and the unconstitutional banning of the CPSU and seizing all the assets.

Even giving the information that this Commission gave, it is beneficial that least this information was made available to the press, although it is unfortunate that these facts were not published extensively by the anti-Yeltsin press.

Nevertheless, on December 10, 1993, these facts were made available to the General Secretary of the United Nations Organization.

As a result of this, in February of 1994, the UN elected a top representative of the UN to look into these charges and this terrible situation that has befallen the Soviet people. The representative is Khosse-Aila-Lasso. □

### From Newspaper “KOMMUNIST LENINGRADA”

## STOP THE TERROR, SAVE THE COMRADES!

*Under such a heading, the Editors printed letters from two Russian patriots who are in jail in Lithuania, put there by Lithuanian nationalists and who might be killed or murdered unless an avalanche of protests is mounted to save their lives.*

*The newspaper “Communist of*

The present leaders of Russia are trying to forget and obliterate the past 70 years of Soviet power.

This present generation received their free education from the Soviet Government to become professors, scientists, doctors, engineers and other highly educated professions. These same "intelligentsia" are spitting on Soviet history and besmirch the working class which visit the Piskorovskye Cemetery in Leningrad where the Soviet heroes sleep their eternal sleep. These heroes sleep with a clear conscience because they gave their lives for the victory over fascism.

– V. Zvierev

Leningrad

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From Newspaper  
"SOVIET RUSSIA"

## WHAT COMES AFTER US IF WE FAIL TO REBUILD?

By: Victor Alksnis

The situation in the last few months points to a definite trend of all people towards the re-establishment of one Motherland. With great speed, this movement is taking root and boiling over into a realization that things cannot go as they are now. Many politicians who just a few years ago made their careers take off by doing everything to dismantle the former USSR, are now beginning to back-track to the idea of one country, one government. Time is coming when it will be in vogue to struggle for one country as it was in vogue to dismantle the USSR starting with 1989!

There were people who were not Marxists but who spoke at that time that we should not allow the split-up of the Soviet Union, because physically, this will be

impossible. The events showed this to be correct, because reality is reality and not some wishful thinking and ambition of leaders which were responsible for the disintegration of the USSR.

My outlook is that there are three groups of facts which are forcing people to realize that they cannot break away and declare their own sovereignty. The three facts are: 1) Economics; 2) Geopolitical; 3) National question.

In fact, the declaration of the 15 former Republics as Independent State is just a formality, not in actual practice.

**FIRST:** For years on our territory, there was a unified, integrated economic complex, integration such as is being tried now by the European countries, European Union. After the break-up of the USSR, these former Republics found out the bitter truth: Russia is only able to guarantee 65% of needed products. Azerbaijan – 37%, Kazakhstan – 27%, Ukraine – 15%. The other former Republics can only produce for their own needs about 5-10% of needed goods!

No matter how these former Republics tried to manouver, experiment and make deals, NONE of them were capable to satisfy the needs of their people themselves ... as a sovereign, gigantic country, capable to exist by themselves. There is absolutely no perspective that these former Republics will be able to resolve this problem!

**SECOND:** In the aftermath of the break-up of the Soviet Union, the geopolitical vacuum was created and we see it being filled by others. Other foreign countries have stepped in with great speed in order to fill this vacuum.

Turkey is promoting a very forceful campaign in the Caucasus and Central Asia. President S. Demirel of Turkey openly

proclaimed: "Turkey is establishing around its perimeter a circle stretching through the Balkans, Black Sea, Caucuses and Near East". If we are to look closely at this "peaceful circle", we see similarity with the 300-year old Ottoman Empire. Everything becomes very clear as to the intentions of Turkey and the internal traitors.

Germany already today is very active, after the "reunification of GDR with West Germany", Germany has pretensions to Soviet Kaliningrad Territory, Baltic Republics and Ukraine.

China itself, having serious internal problems with raw resources and over-population, is now actively and illegally settling in more fertile lands and territories of Siberia. It is sending illegal migrants by thousands across the USSR border with China and settling their people on our lands, the Far East and Siberia which is forcing Chermomydryn to voice great concern about this problem, even though Yeltsin is trying to hide this fact from the people. If nothing is done immediately by the present regime, it is evident in that in 10-20 years, the Chinese will overwhelm the sparsely populated territory. Our people will be forced to leave this territory and thus, it could turn out that East of the Ural Mountains we shall lose our territory and our people will be forced to emigrate or be assimilated. That could mean that Russia will forever be forced to get out of these territories or start an unequal war.

It is also an open secret that China has territorial claims against not only Russia, but Kazakhstan. In the last two years, China is actively promoting economic assimilation and other methods of integration between China and Kazakhstan!

From the south, across

Tadjikistan and Central Asia and unto the territory of Russia, there is an aggressive movement of Islamic fundamentalists.

Far sighted politicians and economists already are showing that if nothing concrete is done soon, multinational Russia is in danger of having the minority people living in Russia to be grabbed and assimilated by these foreign forces.

All of the above mentioned problems are forcing small nationalities to gravitate with speed towards Russia and eventually, to a resurrected USSR.

**THIRD:** Russia, from time immemorial, was always a multinational state, which allowed to certain degree the existence and flowering of the language and culture of these minorities.

No one says that even in Tsarist Russia, all processes were done peacefully. Every country has its moments when the governing elite forced certain measures on its people.

Today's leadership is trying to blame all of these ethnic problems on Socialism and Communism. If you look through the present crisis, these traitors are lying through their teeth. I, for one, see no wrong when the so-called "totalitarian state" did NOT allow brother killing brother as is being done now.

None of the present ethnic conflicts can be solved by the present "independent states" by themselves. Only a new USSR will be able to solve these "agitated problems".

There are more than 80,000,000 Russians that are considered foreigners in their own former USSR.

There are forces inside our country that are doing everything possible so that the unity will not be achieved. There are forces beyond our borders, who in league

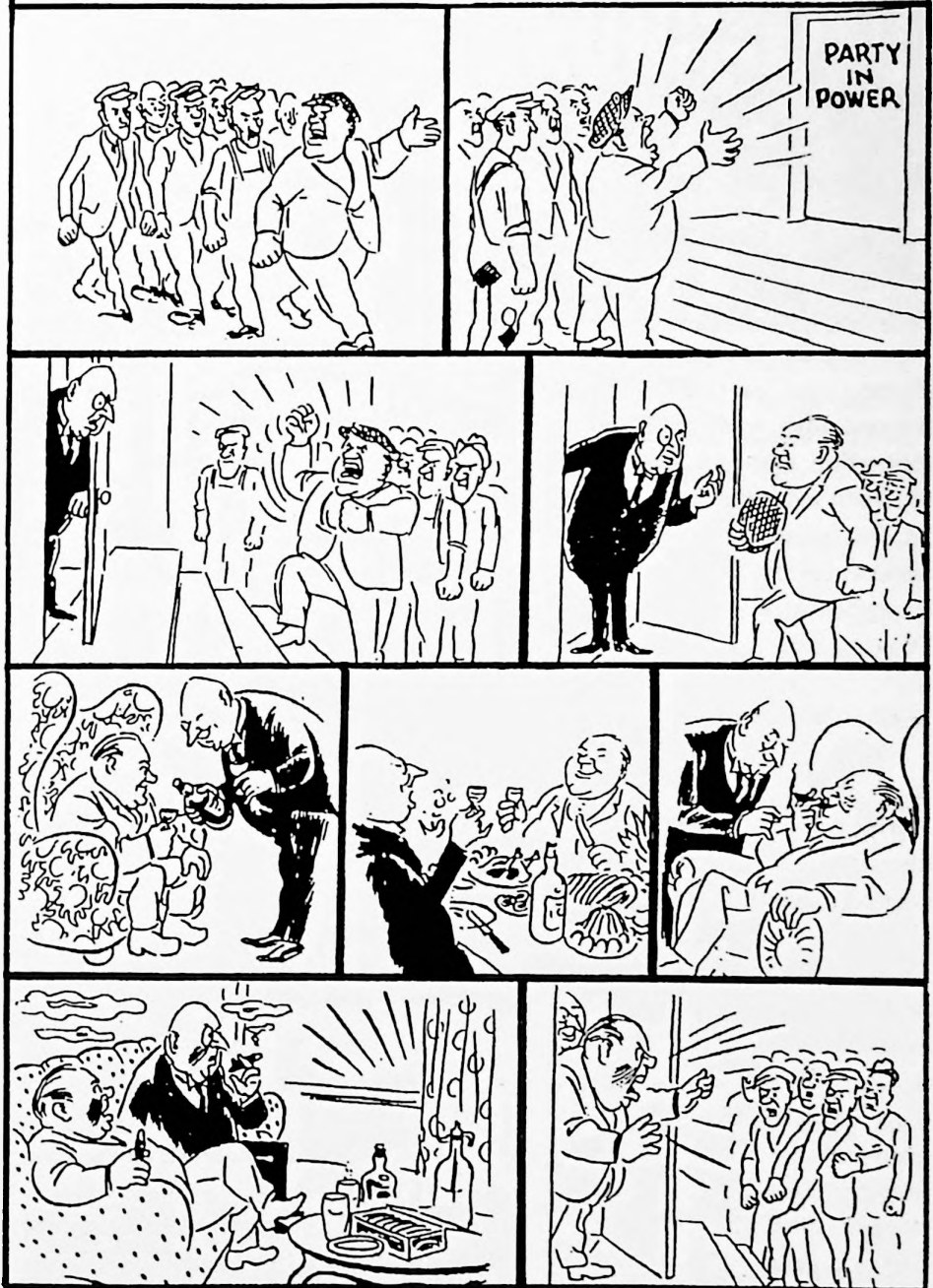
with these internal forces, are hell-bent not to allow this unity to take place.

The process towards unity is rolling on; not only in Russia, but it's gathering speed in Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Georgia, Armenia and all over the former Soviet Union. I am positive that the time will

come soon when we all are going to listen to our Great Hymn and be proud of its meaning and its call for unity. Even looking at all of our mistakes, we still will be able to fulfill our historical future before our children and grandchildren. We shall leave them a Mighty Land, a Mighty Motherland! □

## PEOPLE'S DEFENDER!? OR ...

How some present leaders of communist parties in former USSR are winding up defending the present Government(s) that is in power! *Courtesy "WE AND TIME", Minsk*



# 77TH ANNIVERSARY OF GREAT OCTOBER REVOLUTION

By: Galina Sawchenko  
Chairperson of Committee  
"FOR USSR", Kiev



When Hitler in 30 days was able, without actual opposition, to overrun all of Europe and in 1941, was near the borders of the Soviet Union, our own Soviet soldier stopped him with his bravery, my generation was not born yet. But we, born after the war, were raised on the courage and heroism of General Garbyshev, Zoya and Shura Kosmodelskaya, Young Guards, Intelligence Officer Nikolai Kuznetsov, Marshal Zhukov, and Generalismus Stalin.

We, women, with love, sang your liberating songs of the Great Patriotic War ... songs that will be immortal long after these present enemies of ours are gone from this earth.

Today, we look at your present uniform – a soldier with the fascist nationalistic symbol of "threezuby" on your shoulders, and a truncheon club hanging from your belt, a uniform as you are wearing now the police-army were choking people of Cuba, stumped over Grenada, tried to bury Vietnam into

the ground. Because a uniform such as you wear now is worn by elements whose hands are bloodied in Serbia, Cuba, North Korea, Iraq and other unfortunate countries. In uniforms such as you are wearing, the present rulers are dispersing, maiming and killing our own brothers and sisters in Moscow ...

On this upcoming 50th Anniversary of the end of World War Two, there will be salvoes fired in your honour, but in the Ukraine, which this year celebrated its liberation, the traitors here are making fun of this tremendous victory and spitting on the memory of the massive heroism that the world has ever seen during the 1941-1945 years ... these present leaders are making fun out of your heroism, our Soviet soldier. They are waiting, but will never realize their aim of your death, they are bent on eliminating from this earth the DAY OF VICTORY – Day of their own shame.

What tricks are they trying to implement in order to attain their evil aims?:

- They are eliminating and putting away the celebrations of the Day of Victory from the minds of the new generation of children, do not permit the population to march with Red Flags and slogans on the streets of Kiev;

- They decorate all of the city with yellow-blue colours with slogans reeking of nationalism-chauvinism. They describe the Great Patriotic War as Red brownshirts while the Day of Victory they paint with the colours of Banderites – yellow and blue.

- Special issues of envelopes, cards are debasing the Day of Liberation;

- They belittle and distort the role of the Communists in the Great Patriotic War;

- They are rehabilitating veterans of nationalist-fascist OUN-UPA

(the insurgents who were part of Hitler's Army – Editors);

- With all the mass media in their hands, they besmirch the history of the Soviet people who showed their heroism, and show hate towards Russian people;

- Even patriotic war time songs are not to be heard on the radio or TV.

There is a planned barrage to demoralize Soviet people!

Dollars now dictate how we must live, what our children must study in schools, how to celebrate holidays. The whole rational has been turned upside down: instead of love – sex; instead of patriotism – treachery to the Motherland; instead of libraries – casinos; instead of goodness and human feelings – don't give a damn.

## HERE ARE THE RESULTS:

After 50 years of the liberation of Ukraine, we receive a "present" from today's democrats" of: two pieces of butter, kilogram of barley, kilogram of sugar and two kilograms of flour ...

Where did this "gift" for a month come from? ... from the pockets of the people, from these veterans who fought and gave their lives for the liberation! The prices have risen astronomically! It is hard to believe by foreigners that this is the condition at the present time.

Time will pass – our grandchildren and great grand children will be talking and learning about your heroism, our dear Veterans. They will also read and remember, how, after 50 years, you again rose up to defend the gains that were made 50 years ago, when you liberated our Soviet Union and Europe. These veterans will long be remembered, such as General Varennikov, our own Kiev General Poluden, and many many others. Glory to you forever!

November 7th, we communists of Kiev will march shoulder-to-

shoulder with the people during the planned demonstrations to celebrate the 77th Anniversary of the Great October Revolution. We will present to the people that everything that we have today – chaos, disintegration of all aspects of life – this is a counter-revolution against everything that was achieved since the Great October Revolution in 1917. How much had been achieved by our country, USSR, during this short span, and this during the extremely hard and terrible conditions in this unequal struggle with the West! And during the last 4 years, the potential of the people was not used for betterment, but for the liquidation of the gains that people enjoyed.

Another Socialist revolution is forthcoming, even if President Kuchma himself will be against!

The final influence on the upcoming revolution will be the role of communist-Bolsheviks. Today, in the Ukraine, we have many parties and peoples organizations: "Communist Party of Ukraine", "Communist Party of Bolsheviks of Ukraine", "Union of Workers", "Communists of Ukraine", "For USSR", "Peoples Congress", "Committee of All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks", and "All Union Young Guards Bolsheviks".

Unfortunately, there is no solid unity between these parties and movements – there are ideological struggles going on between them, while during these struggles amongst us, the larger mass of the population lives outside these struggles; meaning, our political struggle is torn away from the mass of people and particularly, from the armed forces!

The task of the communists is to promote and explain these problems to the masses of people, to show the people that during these present times, there is only ONE PATH to

solve the pressing problems – the problem must be achieved by revolutionary struggle inside one Soviet Motherland – Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. □

## SPECIAL FOR NORTHSTAR COMPASS

*DEAR READERS: In previous issues, we printed photographs and wrote about the Soviet people who were murdered while defending the Supreme Soviet on October 4, 1993. In the following article we have translated, the Soviet people have instituted a "MEDAL" for those who perished or who had shown exceptional bravery while defending the Supreme Soviet Building during those bloody days of Yeltsin's terror – Editors.*

From Newspaper  
"FOR USSR"  
Kiev

## IN COMMEMORATION OF SOVIET MARTYRS

By: Grigory Rudenko  
Correspondent of Newspaper,  
"FOR USSR"

"October 4, 1994, exactly one year after tanks opened fire and killed over 2,000 people who were defending the Russian Parliament Building – a decision was made to institute a 'Medal of Honour and Heroism' on behalf of the previous Supreme Soviet. The ceremony dedicated to this Special Awards was held at the house of Culture 'Red October'. These Medals of 'Defender of Soviets' was given out to the living and to those who died.

Sazhi Umalatova, Chairman of the Congress of National Deputies of USSR and deputy chairman of

the movement "UNION" Ivan A. Shashvishashvili presented these medals.



The medals were given out to the first 100 who showed courage during those terrible days of bloodshed and who risked and gave their lives to defend the Constitution.

Among those receiving the medals were:

- Officers of a Rocket Brigade of Moscow District, who came to help the embattled deputies and patriots of the Supreme Soviet on October 3, 1993;
- Victor Morozov, defender of Supreme Soviet who was shot 5 times;
- Igor Ostapenko, Senior Lieutenant of the Navy (he was killed) headed a company of sailors who rushed from their barracks to help the defenders, were encircled by gun carriers. These sailors fought their last battle ... they were all liquidated;
- Colonel Leonid A. Kluchnikov, head of his army division, together with his son during the night of

October 4th, were taken prisoners by OMON goons and executed;

- Colonel Vladimir Yermakov, Commander of the Second Battalion, during the defense, was killed outright by tank fire;

- Nurse Ludmila Yermakova, wife of Colonel Yermakov, while she was attending to the wounded, was told that her husband was killed, nevertheless, she kept on treating the wounded and the dying;

- Natasha Petuchova, Secret Service Officer, on October 3rd near Ostantkino Tower, she was seriously wounded. Only a German correspondent Rory Pek saved her and tens of others, but Rory Pek himself was killed by a Yeltsin sniper. The faith of the others that were saved by Rory Pek, and as they were being driven to a hospital, OMON encircled them and all of them were murdered in the holding cells of OMON in the 3rd Division of the militia;

- Colonel Markov, Commander of a brigade, one of the commanders defending the House of Soviets;

- Senior Lieutenant Igor Brumel, showed his courage while on duty in Moldavia, Predneister Republic, an Engineer, headed one of the companies inside the House of Soviets, killed on duty;

- Correspondent of newspaper "For USSR" Grigory Rudenko, the only representative of the Kiev Organizational Bureau of Revolutionary Communist Youth of Ukraine.

During the closing ceremony of this presentation, Sashi Umalotova said that the continuation of the awards will be held on the day of Great October Revolution, November 7th.

After the official presentation, a concert took place by artists-defenders of the House of Soviets. The defender of the Supreme Soviet,

Peoples Artist of Ukraine Natalie Ovdienko told the audience: 'I was, I am and I will always be a Soviet citizen! I serve Soviet culture! I serve only the Soviet Union!'" □

### DID YOU KNOW?

According to the U.S. Justice Department, there are over 1,012,851 persons in jail in the United States!

The actual number is higher, since it does not include people serving one year or less. If these figures are added to the above figure, then the "bastion of democracy" has a jail population over 1,500,000!

YES, AMERICA OF THE FREE! IS THIS THE COUNTRY AND THE SYSTEM THAT EVERYONE SHOULD EMULATE? □

**FEATURING  
POLITICAL VIEWS  
FROM THE FORMER  
USSR ...**

### PYONGYANG DECLARATION

Representatives of political parties of different countries of the world fighting for the victory of Socialism, with unanimity in defending the socialist path for humanity and to promote these ideals, we adopted the following Declaration.

During the last few years, world reactionary forces, utilizing internal enemies who try to paint capitalism through rose coloured glasses, and in this way, they try to prolong the old world order.

The temporary defeat of socialism in some countries is a set

back for the ideals of Socialism. But this does not mean that the science of Socialism is defeated and that the power of reaction and capitalism is victorious.



Nina Andreeva

### Letter from Central Committee All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks

Dear comrade Michael Lucas!

I thank you very much for your materials that I receive from Northstar Compass. In reply to your question, I'm sending you the "Pyongyang Declaration" in reference to Pedro Castilho in Brazil and enclosed also is my speech to the All Union Guard of Bolsheviks, published in our newspaper, "Yedinstvo".

Please accept our most sincere wishes and your leadership and editorial staff of Northstar Compass.

With respect,

– Nina Andreeva

*Here's a synopsis of the Declaration adopted by over 213 parties of the world.*

Socialism – this is the historical aspirations of people.

Only Socialism is capable to liquidate the injustices of capital, if that Socialism is true to the teachings of Marx-Engels and Lenin.

In order to defend socialism and to push it ahead, each party must itself build up its strength, its ideological base and unity.

Each party must base itself on the conditions prevailing in its own country and basing itself on the needs of the people, it must attain these needs basing itself on the support of the masses.

Under no conditions must a given party renounce the revolutionary principles but must carry the banner of socialism high.

International solidarity is absolutely necessary in the struggle and victory of socialism.

Reactionary forces are united in their determination to defeat the ideals of socialism and progress. We therefore must also unite our forces for this struggle.

We are going to go forward under the banner of socialism, against capitalism and its higher stage of imperialism.

Let all parties struggle and fight with determination for the future of mankind.

The final defeat will be given by the people, who fight for socialism in united strength.

Without a doubt, socialism will be victorious!

*Below, we publish a list of the latest parties-movements that signed this Document as of June 3, 1994. Since that time, of course, many others have signed. So far, 213 parties-movements of the world have signed this document. Among them are:*

- Workers Party of Bangladesh
- National Specialist Party of Bangladesh
- Progressive Party of Workers of Cyprus
- Communist Party of India (Marxist)
- Communist Party of India
- Communist Party of Jordan
- Workers Party of Korea
- Syrian Social-National Party in Lebanon
- Mongolian National-Revolutionary Party
- United Party of Nepal

- (Marxist-Leninist)
- Communist Party of Nepal (Coordinating Centre)
- Workers-Christian Party of Nepal
- Communist Party of Nepal
- Communist Party of Sri Lanka
- Party of Arab Socialist Rebirth
- Socialist Party of Turkey
- Communist Party of Albania
- Communist Party of Bulgaria
- Communist Party of Bulgaria (Marxist)
- Workers Party of Belgium
- Communist Party of Great Britain
- New Communist Party of Britain
- Workers Party of Denmark
- Communist Tribune of Belgium
- Communist and Workers Party of Finland for Peace and Socialism
- German Communist Party
- Hungarian Socialist Workers Party
- Communist Party of Ireland
- Italian Movement for Peace and Socialism
- Rumanian Socialist Party for New Society
- Communist Party of Malta
- Communist Party of Norway
- Union of Polish Communists (Proletariat)
- All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks (USSR)
- Russian Communist Workers Party
- Socialist Workers Party of Russia
- Union of Communists of Russia
- Communist Party of Peoples of Spain
- Workers Party – Communists of Switzerland
- Union of Communists-movement of Yugoslavia
- Communist Party of Argentina
- Workers Party of Barbados
- Communist Party of Venezuela
- Party of a "New Path" of Venezuela
- Progressive Labour Party of Bermuda Islands
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- Socialist Party of Chile
- Communist Party of Canada

- Communist Party of Columbia
- Peoples Party of Costa Rica
- Dominican Communist Party
- Dominican Unity of Left Movement
- Dominican Party of Labour
- Communist Party of Ecuador
- Patriotic Movement in Honour of Bishop, Grenada
- Communist Party of Martinique
- Socialist Peoples Party of Mexico
- Communist Party of Paraguay
- Labour Party of St. Kitts and Nais
- National-Democratic Party of Surinam
- Movement of February 18th of Trinidad and Tobago
- Communist Party of United States of America
- Socialist Workers Party of the United States of America □

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# FRIENDSHIP NEWS

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*The following is a copy of a letter that was mailed together with the appeal, "Truth", in answer to a request by one of the Spartacus activists for my renewal of their Trotskyite publications:*

Dear Pan and Scott:

In answer to your letter of 14 September, 1994: While I certainly admire both of you and value your friendship very much, I cannot re-subscribe at present. I am enclosing copies of letters I wrote planning to be present at your previous meeting on Cuba. I hope it is lucid and also conveys my personal friendship to you all (I am not CP.).

I've been reading your papers (Worker's Vanguard, etc.) mainly because your writer goes into details of actual happenings but I can no more take the constant harping on Stalinism. These false anti-

Stalin attacks helped (to bring about) the present counter-revolution. Thus, while you personally express left-wing revolutionary spirit, "your" thinking, demagoguery, results of your attacks is either emotional-political confusion or you (had actually) swallowed the (CIA) line of the temporary successful harassing with (lies) and disinformation and are helping it (CIA) to confuse and hurt World Socialism. This is too much for honest revolutionaries.

- Affectionately, but in sorrow,  
DQH. - (a pseudonym) □

## I SEEK THE TRUTH!

Mr. Chairman (of Trotskyites) -  
Comrades and Friends:

You know that towards your particular group of self-styled Trotskyists I've been pretty tolerant. I've been hoping that most of you have not been hired to slander the Socialist Soviet Union by you-know-who.

But in the World Disorder now, as you say, Socialism has suffered a vicious temporary beating by the putrid, but still powerful, World Fascism. Now, World Socialism is beginning to rise again, bleeding, but indignantly shaking off the confusion poured upon it by its enemies, especially since the death of Joseph Stalin and the unfortunate rise of the neo-fascist traitors Gorbachev, Yarovlev, Yeltsin and the revisionist crook, Khrushchev, et al.

While you - what in the hell do you think you are doing?!

While the USA is threatening, sticking knives into the Cuban Socialist People, you are getting an orgasm from slandering, lying glibly, hypocritically sloganising: "Defend Cuba", you shout the lie: "Bureaucratic Castro Regime" (as

though this is the main problem there now), thereby confusing and hindering the struggle to defend Cuba and the resurrection of the Soviet Union. And your, ad nauseum gloating about the "Collapse of Stalinism" strengthens the bloody paws of American Imperialism. Such "help", Cuba does not wish to have.

Enough is enough! We've had enough exaggerations and lies about Stalin!

Read what a world famous person said:

"To the everlasting glory for the USSR was the fact that during the Second World War leading the Soviet Union was Stalin. He had a tremendous personality, and was a leader of great stature during those difficult times. His life was dedicated to that cause. He had unbelievable energy, erudition in speaking, uncompromising strength and dedication; sharp, brutal, merciless to his enemies, in deeds as in words. Even I, schooled in British House of Lords Parliamentary debates, could not stand up to him and his forceful, well thought-out rational arguments! This was a man who defeated his enemies with the enemies' own hands, and he made us, whom he openly called Imperialists, fight our own imperialists ... he took Russia (USSR) from a wooden plow, and left her with atomic armaments!" - Winston Churchill.

*Trotskyists, wake up! All with Socialist pounding heart - WAKE UP! Discover and follow the TRUTH! The Socialist USSR will be reborn! United in truth, Socialism will triumph!* □

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**Letter From  
UNION OF COMMUNISTS-WORKERS  
Chernogov, Ukraine**

Dear Comrades, Real Friends:

Every month we receive your

journal "Northstar Compass", we feel the warmth, the fresh air of proletarian solidarity and real friends in Canada. Heart-felt thanks to you, dear friends.

It has already been 4 months since our newspaper "For Social Justice" hasn't come out - we have no finances. Donations from communists and workers is not enough to keep the newspaper being published.

The present Kuchma regime is taking all steps to curtail and stop our activities of publishing the truth; hounds journalists, as is written in the newspaper that is enclosed with this letter. The newspaper "Chernigov News" published an article as to the present terror against progressive journalists and the firing of its editor on trumped-up charges.

If you are able to, please help our newspaper by sending us some finances. We shall repay you in the future.

Success to our common struggles and a happier future.

- Grigory Macenko  
Editor  
"For Social Justice"

*Dear Readers: If you are able to help this newspaper, please send your donations to NSC and we shall forward it to them directly - Editors* □

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### LETTER FROM SLOVAKIA

Our dear friends:

Am writing you on clear paper, since our official letterheads were used up and we haven't the money now to reprint our official stationary.

Enclosed, please find our party newspaper "USVIT" the organ of the Communist Party of Slovakia. The party is taking part in the elections which are from September 9 to October 1st. We are positive that the Communist candidates will



get elected to the parliament. The newspaper gives a list of our candidates in all of the districts, which I hope will be of help to you.

Long have we waited for this newspaper to appear and we helped it as much as we could. After the elections, I will write you the results. I'm sure that that information will be useful to you and our people.

The best of everything to you, Michael, and your friends.

With respect,

- Michael Richalka  
Professor



### Open Letter to: "USVIT" (DAWN) Newspaper of Slovak Communist Party

Na zdar USVITU!

Dear Comrades in Slovakia:

I received in my hands your newspaper USVIT and I'm extremely happy, that finally, I am able to read truthful news from Slovakia.

Your pre-election slogan of "For Socialism, Work, Social Justice and Peace", I read with great respect. In the issue, you give names of the candidates from the Party in the elections. On behalf of all of us, I would like to wish these candidates success, that after the elections, they should work for the return of socialist gains.

Praci cest!

- On behalf of Editorial Committee,  
Northstar Compass,  
S.S.

P.S. I would be glad to contact any comrade that is from the Zvolen-Banska Bystrica district of Slovakia. □

### Letter and Article from "OUR COMPASS" Minsk, Byelorussia

Greetings, Comrade Lucas:

Enclosed, I'm sending you the latest issue of our newspaper "Nash Kompas" in which there is an article "Against this world tragedy there should be a struggle of all progressive forces of the world". On behalf of the Soviet people, a member of the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks, Elena Kitaeva from Novosibirsk city is appealing with concrete thoughts to the workers of the world: to all peoples of the planet; to those who believe in the ideals of communism; to those who with kind words remember what was meant by the words Soviet Union, its people, and those who wish our people success in the struggles against the restorers of capitalism.

I would like to appeal to you and your colleagues, to make your readers aware of this article in your well known journal in our Motherland, of the thoughts, struggles and aspirations who find themselves now in a tragic situation. Let the voices of undefeated communists and non-communists join in a mighty voice with all patriotic forces in the world. Our tragedy is also a tragedy for the whole of humanity.

It is a fact, that in the struggle against this tragedy, unity of all progressive forces is necessary.

With sincere well wishes and communist greetings to you and your co-workers in our common struggles.

- Vasili F. Kaliberov  
Publisher-Editor □



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of "Concerned Friends  
of Soviet People" unless you  
notify us to the contrary!

### TO: "TOVARISH" NEWSPAPER Kiev, Ukraine

For the Editorial Staff of Northstar Compass and for our readers, it is always a pleasure to look through this newspaper and not only see the latest in what is happening in the Ukraine and other parts of former USSR, but to see this newspaper reviewing our NSC in such a favourable light.

Valentin Curkan gave a very concise and objective analyses of our previous issue and we thank him immensely for his translation and objectivity.

We hope that in 1995, we shall have the opportunity to see each other either in Kiev, Moscow, or maybe we might invite some of the journalists to Canada, so that our members/readers would have the opportunity to shake their hands and thank them for being true patriots who are struggling to resurrect the Soviet Union.

Again, many thanks to the Editorial Staff of newspaper, "Tovarish"! (Editors) □



### FROM: VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear friends:

We are certainly living in hard times for socialists! It seems that capitalism has been successful in defeating socialism and weathering

the storm of the general crisis of capitalism. However, in order for the USA to maintain "leadership" of the capitalist world, they resort to the use of force. Military force, the iron fist and shooting from the hip style of foreign policy are no longer compatible with the existence of mankind. The use of force by the right-wing conservative forces who are attacking the working people, harassing trade unions, even breaking and smashing them, who are using ever tougher totalitarian methods to run society, are also features that spell their doom. Already, there are growing signs that people are uniting, are fighting back! It is only a question of time before socialism is once again on the agenda.

Keep up the good work. Our meeting discussed the fact that Concerned Friends of the Soviet People and Northstar Compass are our main source of information about the once Warsaw Pact countries. Enclosed is a small personal donation from Betty and me.

John Beeching  
The Committee of  
Canadian Communists

*We thank you, John Beeching!* □

### **From: Delta, B.C.**

Dear Michael: Sorry I can't come to our Conference in January. You people have the battle against the reactionary forces in the former USSR, I have my own battle with a thing called cancer.

– Best wishes from us both,  
Brian Wilson

*Dear Brian: Knowing you as a fighter and a person that struggled against all odds during your lifetime, we wish you the best in this struggle and we hope that you will overcome this malady and again take your place in a leading position among all of us.*

*Your dedication and your effervescent manner was and will be a joy to behold and to experience again.*

*Speedy recovery, Brian. We're pulling for you here and I'm sure the same goes for all of your thousands of friends across Canada.* □

### **From: Hamilton, Ont.**

Dear Ray: Please excuse the delay in my renewal, I have been away for a period of time.

Enclosed, please find \$50.00 to cover my sub while the rest is a donation to keep on publishing the NSC.

– All the best,  
Tom Davidson

*We certainly value your contribution and your thoughts, since your involvement in the progressive movement is well known, appreciated and valued very much.* □

### **From: London, Ont.**

Dear Michael: Greetings from an elderly supporter, although I'm confined to my home due to illness, am enclosing \$115.00. One Hundred Dollars is a donation in memory of an outstanding Canadian personality in the progressive movement, Mary Kardash, who was a true friend of Soviet people; while \$15.00 is for my renewal.

– Albert E. Bernhardt

*Your donation is for a good cause and a person whom Canadians in future will regard as a true hero in Canada. Your illness does not slow you down, Albert – we hope that people half your age would feel, perform and be as dedicated as you are. Many, many thanks!* □

### **From: Matawan, N.J., USA**

I'm in a hospital since October 14th where I will get operated on for by-pass. Attached is a cheque for \$35.00 as a donation to support the NSC. Please continue sending me

the newspapers from former USSR and Czechoslovakia, I enjoy reading them. Get some information regarding how many of our representatives got elected to the parliament in Slovakia.

Wish you all the best of health and success!

– Michael Logoyda

*On behalf of the Editorial Staff Michael, we want to wish you speedy recovery and to get back on your feet to join millions of people struggling for peace and understanding and to regain the temporary losses that the progressive movement has encountered.*

*We need fighters like you, Michael.* □

### **From: Hull, Quebec**

Best wishes! Here's my renewal and an item in the French version of Russian film, "Soleil Trompeur" by Mikhalkov, Director who made this film in Russia which shows (based on documented evidence) how a German spy was involved in the purges 1936!

– R.N. Piper

*Dear friend: We thank you for this information and we shall try and we would request that you also try to find out where this film can be rented in order for us to show it. This just proves again and again that the "so-called purges" were not only internally provoked, but also by external forces bent on undermining the authority of the Soviet Union and blame all of the "deeds" on Stalin and the governing CPSU!* □

### **From: Vancouver, B.C.**

Hello, friends: Like a Ray of sunshine from the East, it is always welcomed.

Donation of \$50.00 and sub enclosed.

– Thank you, all my friends,  
Peter Dubasov

*We shall make sure that this ray of sunshine will shine brightly all over humanity. It is due also to people like you and your help that will continue to keep it shining ever more brightly.* □

**From: Brazil**

Dear Mr. Lucas, Northstar Compass: The edition of August NSC has comments about the Pyongyang Declaration of 15th of April 1992.

We would like to have the terms of the Declaration, as well as the form to sign this important document.

I intend to show the Declaration that was signed by more than 200 parties, to our comrades of Brazilian Communist Party to deliberate.

– Sincerely,  
Pedro Castilho

*We have informed the friends in Moscow about your request for further contacts. In the meantime, we're sending you the requested materials.* □

**From: Regina, Sask.**

Dear Friends: We do appreciate your fine work and the truth you publish in "Northstar Compass" – even though so much of what is happening in the former Soviet Union gives cause for alarm. But you tell of positive things, as well!

– Best of luck in your good work,  
Edith & Peter Gehl

*Thank you for your donation and we sure feel the same way as you do, that sometimes, news is depressing – but with news of activities for resurrection of the USSR, these depressing moments melt away because the future is with the people when they unite against the powerful TNC and internal enemies. Your optimism is the optimism of all people striving for justice and socialism.* □

**From: Winnipeg, Manitoba**

Dear Michael: I'm writing on behalf

of the former members of the Winnipeg Branch, Canada-USSR Association.

As you know, our branch has not functioned over the past many months, a situation which we have accepted with much regret. We reached a collective agreement (decision) that the enclosed sum of money (\$1,438.00) from the account of our branch be sent to Concerned Friends of Soviet People. We trust it will assist in continuing your good work in maintaining contacts with our friends of the former Soviet Union as well as help in the production of Northstar Compass.

Your Winnipeg friends wish you continued success.

– Kindest personal regards,  
David Mackling

*Dear Dave and friends: Your letter and your extremely timely donation is very much appreciated by the Canadian Council and of course, the Editorial Committee of Northstar Compass.*

*We do not believe that the work for friendship with the Soviet people has ceased in Winnipeg, by any means! We are positive that members and former members of the Canada-USSR Association and that are now members of the Concerned Friends of Soviet People will carry on the work that was started long ago.*

*Winnipeg was one of the "flag ships" of our Association during the most trying years of the Cold War and before that.*

*Our upcoming Conference in January of 1995 will again see representatives from the progressive community in Winnipeg taking a leading part as they always did.*

*This \$1,438.00 was deposited to the Canadian Council of our Association and will be used to prepare for the all-important January Conference.*

*Again, sincere thanks to our friends in Winnipeg.*

*See you in January 1995!* □

**From: Kamsack, Sask.**

Dear Friends: Sorry for the delay in renewal, but here's \$50.00 towards the sub plus a donation. I find the publication extremely interesting and the supplements are indeed informative. I could not be without them.

– Best wishes,  
Walter Rezansoff

*We forgive you for the delay, but let's all have the same spirit and dedication that you have. We cannot but win with that kind of optimism!* □

**From: Winnipeg, Manitoba**

Greetings, Friends: Here's my renewal and I wish you success. I can't promote it enough. As you know, we send you people over \$1,400.00 towards the Concerned Friends of Soviet People. It would be nice if our name was put on the Honorary Roll at the Friendship House.

Keep up the good work. I don't know how you, Helen and Michael, and other members, manage to accomplish so much!

– Ollie Hillman

*Yes, of course, the name of the "trend setting" Branch of Winnipeg is on the Honour Board in the Friendship House and the donation will go a long way towards the Conference that we're planning in early 1995. Again, many sincere thanks.* □

**From: Innisfree, Alberta**

Dear Friends: Find enclosed \$50.00 as a donation and sub for you to keep on publishing this important journal.

– Mike Feschuk

*Your help is always on time when we do need all the help we can get. We wish that all of our readers would be so generous every month.* □

## BOOK REVIEWS

### HOW DID IT HAPPEN?

BY: MICHAEL LUCAS

Our friend, subscriber and correspondent, author, leading fighter for socialism, Ernie Trory has sent us the first copy of his 84-page book, which we are extremely glad to review. Not only are we reviewing the book (which is a must-reading for everyone who believes in Socialism) but we are going to stock the book in quantity and ask our readers/members to order this very valuable informative book from our office.

Our Northstar Compass has since its inception tried to portray events in the former Soviet Union as they really are, utilizing the informational materials that we receive from there, which are leading the struggle against the restoration of capitalism and the fulfilling by Yeltsin the plans of transnational corporations – his masters!

This "How Did It Happen" book, is very easily read and understood. Trory outlines the root causes of the debacle that transpired in former USSR, analyzing from a Marxist point of view all the currents, outward and hidden which went towards this disintegration.

Trory explains the warning by Stalin as to what can transpire if teachings of Marx-Lenin are not heeded; an excellent explanation of the Law of Value; the Inevitability of Imperialist Wars; touches on the political economy in a very forthright manner, besides explaining the hard to understand theory of Dialectics. His dwelling into the program and consequences of the 20th Congress of the CPSU, plus the 21st and 22nd Congresses are very enlightening.

It's a must-reading for anyone seriously interested in deeper study of the tragedy that has transpired in the USSR and the former Socialist countries.

If there is one aspect that I might not fully agree with, it's his treatment of the role of Krushchev – I would have used stronger language to describe this villain whom I feel was the mover of the eventual fall of the Soviet Union. But – you, the reader, must judge this for yourself.

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