

The hullabaloo in the CIA press about Greece moving away from NATO is merely psychological warfare against the Soviet Union. The NATO bases and arms on Greece remain intact while the credulous Soviets believe that Europe is being "neutralized."

MORO/LA MALFA FORM TRANSITIONAL FASCIST GOVERNMENT IN ITALY

Nov. 21 (IPS)--Yesterday Italian Prime Minister Aldo Moro ended a six-week cabinet crisis by establishing a four-to-five-month transitional government designed to lead to full Rockefeller-orchestrated military takeover.

The Moro government, a coalition between his own Democrazia Cristiana (DC), Italy's largest bourgeois party, and the tiny CIA-controlled banking clique, the Republican Party (PRI) of Ugo La Malfa, was touted in the weekly L'Espresso as a "titanic" achievement of agreement between the most diverse forces. In fact, Moro achieved the consensus of every leading Rockefeller agent in Italy around a full-fledged fascist economic program dictated by Ugo La Malfa, the dean of Italian CIA operatives.

Like the last regimes of the Weimar Republic which led to Hitler's seizure of power in Germany--a historic precedent now widely cited in Italy's bourgeois press--the Moro/La Malfa government is counting on the capitulation of the Italian Communist Party (PCI) and the trade union movement dominated by it, in order to achieve its program. A "Superministry" is proposed to draw the unions, flattered as the "only viable counterpart" in this period, into co-managing the Italian economic collapse. If workers permit CIA infiltrator Giorgio Amendola and his cowardly accomplices to continue leading the PCI, this scenario is assured.

War Against Trade Unions

By their own admission, the Moro/La Malfa duo has nothing to offer the trade unions. The Italian economy, ripped to shreds by the Rockefeller oil hoax, is now in the final stages of collapse, as Italian steel and machine tool sectors are going the way of the auto, textile, and chemical industries. L'Espresso located the situation in international terms: "The world economy is entering into a tunnel with no way out. Or rather, there is only one way out, and that is war." (emphasis added) "Others are enacting war economies..."

The La Malfa war economy for Italy calls for heavily indexed government bond issues to finance "special projects." All this means is that, exactly on the model of fascist Brazil, workers' incomes will be looted at an accelerating ("indexed") rate to pay for massive slave-labor projects in infrastructural

development and agriculture. These "special projects," already on the drawing boards last spring, will be run by the huge Rockefeller-allied Italian corporations, Fiat, Montedison, Eni (a government-owned conglomerate), and others. Under the La Malfa plan, workers now being laid off collapsing industrial jobs will get one year's guaranteed wages--time for "retraining" into the technologically downgraded jobs.

For the "privilege" of helping to save Italy's capitalist system for Rockefeller, Italian workers will also have to agree to hold wage increases down to three per cent for all of 1975 (at two-digit inflation rates this means further cuts in already rock-bottom living standards) and to accept a 10 per cent overall reduction of energy consumption, dumped almost exclusively on the home user. Meanwhile, since the savage credit squeeze is to continue unabated, small and medium industries will continue to fold, clearing the ground for fascist "restructuring."

The Eni-owned financial daily Il Globo noted with satisfaction today that the unions now seem ready to negotiate a policy of incomes containment with La Malfa. The day the new government was announced, Giorgio Benvenuto, blustering "militant" of the metalworkers federation leadership, suggested in an interview that the unions should reconsider the "special projects" (to which they have always been opposed), provided they have a voice in planning them. Benvenuto further proposed that the problem of democratically elected regional governments could be leaped over by having the "special projects" be administered through local control!

JAPANESE JOIN "INDEPENDENT" FRENCH OIL FARCE

Nov. 21 (IPS)--The Japanese government, replying to Secretary of State Kissinger's proposed international oil fund and structure for the International Energy Agency (IEA), has made a bid to join the farce of an "independent" Europe. This illusory independent Europe, aligned with the Arab oil producers, has been led by the French, who have headed up phony opposition to the Kissinger proposal.

French Foreign Minister Jean Sauvagnargues met with Japanese Foreign Minister Kimura today in Tokyo and announced Japanese support for the intent of the French proposal, which emphasizes joint discussions with the oil producers. Kissinger has proposed that oil consumers develop "solidarity" among themselves first, to pave the way for "constructive dialogue" with oil producers.

While the Journal of Commerce reported that the Japanese would "mediate" between the French and U.S. proposals, Japanese