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NON-PRIORITY ITEMS

I. INTERNATIONAL NEWS

PSI LEADER HITS "CONVERGENCE" TENDENCIES

OCT. 19 (IPS) — SPEAKING BEFORE THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE ITALIAN SOCIALIST PARTY (PSI) TWO DAYS AGO FORMER PARTY SECRETARY GIACOMO MANCINI ATTACKED THE "CONVERGENCE" TENDENCIES IN THE WORKING CLASS MOVEMENT THAT ARE LEADING TOWARDS DANGEROUS COLLABORATION WITH CAPITALISTS.

MANCINI DEVELOPED THE IDEA THAT SUCH TACTICS MAY SEEM TO BUY TIME, BUT IN THE END ONLY MAKE BLOODY CONFRONTATIONS WITH WORKERS AND CAPITALISTS MORE CERTAIN. WHAT IS NEEDED, THE RESPECTED PARTY LEADER STATED ACCORDING TO THE PSI NEWSPAPER AVANTI, IS PARTY UNITY BASED ON A PROGRAM TO FIGHT THE CRISIS. "THE REAL QUESTION," MANCINI TOLD THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE, "IS THE MEZZOGIORNO (ITALY'S IMPOVERISHED SOUTH), THE THEME OF POLITICAL ECONOMY AND OUR PROPOSAL FOR CONFRONTING THE CRISIS."

IN AN INTERVIEW WITH IPS, MANCINI STRESSED THAT SUCH A PROGRAM COULD ONLY BE REALIZED THROUGH CLOSER RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

INFORMED POLITICAL OBSERVERS INDICATED THAT MANCINI'S STAND REPRESENTS A DIRECT POLITICAL ATTACK ON THE POLICIES OF THE ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY (PCI) WHICH HAS BEEN OPENLY COLLABORATING WITH ROCKEFELLER ALLIED INDUSTRIALIST GIANNI AGNELLI TO GAIN WORKING CLASS ACCEPTANCE FOR FASCIST AUSTERITY PROPOSALS.

RIGHTWING PORTUGUESE PAPER WARNS OF COMMUNIST TAKEOVER IN PORTUGAL AND ANGOLA

OCT. 19 (IPS) — THE LATEST ISSUE OF O JORNAL, A RIGHTWING PORTUGUESE WEEKLY LINKED TO THE POPULAR DEMOCRATIC PARTY (PPD), REPORTS THAT SENIOR MILITARY AUTHORITIES ARE FEARFUL OF "A COUP BY RADICAL LEFTISTS WITHIN THE NEXT THREE WEEKS TO BRING THE PRO-COMMUNIST GEN. GONCALVES BACK TO POWER."

THE NEWSPAPER ADDS THAT THIS ALLEGED COMMUNIST-LED OPERATION WOULD BE AIMED AT INSTALLING A LEFTWING REGIME IN LISBON SO THAT POWER COULD BE HANDED OVER TO THE PRO-SOVIET MPLA LIBERATION MOVEMENT IN ANGOLA, WHICH IS SLATED FOR INDEPENDENCE ON NOV. 11.

OCT. 19 (IPS) — PORTUGUESE ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF GEN. CARLOS FABIAO IS SET TO VISIT WEST GERMANY TO MEET WITH NATO AGENT AND WEST GERMAN DEFENSE MINISTER GEORG LEBER AND OTHER UNNAMED OFFICIALS, TODAY'S EAST GERMAN RADIO REPORTS.

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LEBER RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A SUDDEN VISIT TO PORTUGAL WHICH SEVERAL OBSERVERS DESCRIBED AS A FACT-FINDING TOUR TO ASSESS THE STRENGTH OF NATO OPERATIVES AND ALLIES WITHIN THAT COUNTRY. GEN. FABIAO, ONE OF THE FIGURES INSTRUMENTAL IN BRINGING DOWN THE PRO-COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT OF GEN. VASCO GONCALVES, WAS AMONG THE RIGHT-WING OFFICIALS WHO HAD MEETINGS WITH THE WEST GERMAN DEFENSE MINISTER.

CHICAGO BANKER CALLS FOR MIDEAST DEVELOPMENT

OCT. 18 (IPS) -- SPEAKING AT THE TRADE POLICY CENTRE IN LONDON, CHAUNCEY SCHMIDT, PRESIDENT OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO, CALLED FOR A "RICH NATION'S CLUB" TO PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST. TODAY'S LONDON DAILY TELEGRAPH REPORTS THAT SCHMIDT SPECIFIED HIS PROPOSAL BY CALLING FOR "THE CREATION OF A MIDDLE EASTERN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO PROMOTE WESTERN AND JAPANESE PARTICIPATION IN LONG-RANGE INDUSTRIAL AND SOCIAL PROJECTS IN THE OIL STATES . . . "

SOVIETS CITE CHICAGO BANKER ON E-W TRADE

OCT. 17 (IPS) -- THE CURRENT ISSUE OF THE SOVIET WEEKLY LITERARY GAZETTE QUOTES FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO HEAD CHAUNCEY SCHMIDT, SAYING THAT EXPANDED EAST-WEST TRADE IS THE CORE OF DETENTE.

"SINCE THE IDEOLOGICAL POSITIONS OF BOTH SIDES REMAIN UNCHANGED, THE SUCCESS OR FAILURE OF DETENTE IS DETERMINED ABOVE ALL BY THE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CATEGORIES," SAID SCHMIDT, " . . . WE MUST NOT MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY."

LEBANESE SOCIALIST CALLS FOR SYRIA-IRAQ RECONCILIATION

OCT. 19 (IPS) -- LEBANESE SOCIALIST LEADER KEMAL JUMBLATT HAS LAUNCHED EFFORTS TO RECONCILE THE PRO-SOVIET ARAB BAAATH SOCIALIST PARTY (ABSP) OF IRAQ AND THE AGENT-RIDDLED SYRIAN BRANCH OF THE ORGANIZATION, ACCORDING TO THE OCT. 17 FINANCIAL TIMES.

JUMBLATT BROUGHT TOGETHER REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO PARTY FACTIONS ON WEDNESDAY IN BEIRUT, WHO ARE EXPECTED TO HOLD TWO MORE MEETINGS IN DAMASCUS AND BAGHDAD.

MICHEL AFLAQ, FOUNDER OF THE ABSP AND SECRETARY-GENERAL OF ITS BAGHDAD-BASED PAN-ARAB COMMAND, WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN THE TALKS. THE IMPENDING RAPPROACHMENT IS CLEARLY AIMED AT UNDERCUTTING ONE OF THE AREA'S KEY, ROCKEFELLER AGENTS, SYRIAN PRESIDENT HAFEZ ASSAD, WHO, THE FINANCIAL TIMES WRITES, "MAY NOW BECOME MORE INCLINED FOR COOPERATION WITH IRAQ."

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SWEDISH PRESS LAUGHS AT PALME BREAKOUT

MALMO, SWEDEN OCT. 19 (IPS) -- THE OCT. 17 SYDSVENSKA DAGBLADET, A PROMINENT CONSERVATIVE-LIBERAL DAILY, LAMPOONED THE HYSTERICAL SLANDER OF THE EUROPEAN LABOR COMMITTEES (ELC) ORDERED BY SWEDISH PRIME MINISTER OLOF PALME AND CONDUCTED LAST WEEK BY THE AFTONBLADET.

RIDICULING THE AFTONBLADET'S CHARGE THAT THE ELC IS CIA-FUNDED, THE SYDSVENSKA DAGBLADET REPORTER COMMENTS, "I DO NOT EXCLUDE THAT THE KGB, WHICH PRESENTLY IS SAID TO HAVE BAD FINANCES ACCORDING TO AFTONBLADET, HAS BORROWED SOME FROM THE CIA, WHICH IN TURN IS SUCH A BAD CREDIT RISK BECAUSE ALL THE CRITICISM IN THE USA THAT IN FACT IT IS THE VICE PRESIDENT, NELSON ROCKEFELLER, WHO COUGHED THE MONEY UP. . . .

"I THINK AFTONBLADET STARTED A JOURNALISTICALLY INNOVATIVE PRACTICE BY STARTING A COUNTER-FIRE AGAINST SUSPICIONS ABOUT SOCIAL DEMOCRAT-CIA COOPERATION BY ACCUSING AN ODD ORGANIZATION NAMED ELC FOR RUNNING ESPIONAGE AGAINST THE SD. THAT'S REALLY PROPAGANDA, AND NOT JOURNALISM," THE REPORTER CONCLUDES.

II. CONTINENTAL NEWS

FORD "PRESSURED" INTO SUPPORT FOR OIL PRICE HIKES

OCT. 19 (IPS) -- A DECEMBER 1974 MEMO PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET WHICH ADVISED PRESIDENT FORD OF DISASTROUS ECONOMIC EFFECTS WHICH WOULD RESULT FROM THE ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSALS FOR OIL PRICE INCREASES, WAS SUPPRESSED BY ENERGY CZAR FRANK ZARB, ACCORDING TO SYNDICATED COLUMNISTS EVANS AND NOVAK. THE SUPPRESSED MEMO WARNED THE PRESIDENT TO IGNORE DEMANDS FOR A \$2-A-BARREL OIL TARIFF FROM "INSTANT EXPERTS AND PRESS PUNDITS" SINCE "THERE IS STRONG REASON TO BELIEVE THEY WOULD SUBJECT OUR ALREADY WEAK ECONOMY TO FURTHER INFLATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT NEXT YEAR." IN THEIR OCT. 17 COLUMN EVANS AND NOVAK ALSO CHARGE THAT SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER'S PUSH FOR "AN UNATTAINABLE REDUCED OIL CONSUMPTION OF ONE MILLION BARRELS A DAY BY THE END OF 1976" ALSO CONTRADICTED ADVICE OF GOVERNMENT OIL EXPERTS, AND "HEIGHTENED PRESSURE FOR INSTANT PRESIDENTIAL ACTION" ON ENERGY.

THE OIL PRICE HIKE PROGRAM WAS SOUGHT BY ROCKEFELLER-LINKED INTERESTS WHICH ARE FACING HEAVY LOSSES ON ENERGY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

III. ORGANIZING AND INTELLIGENCE REPORT

CLEVELAND MAYORAL CANDIDATE
OPPOSES METHADONE, SUPPORTS DETOXIFICATION

CLEVELAND OCT. 18 (IPS) -- CLEVELAND MAYORAL CANDIDATE ARNOLD PINCKNEY SAID YESTERDAY THAT HE IS "TOTALLY OPPOSED" TO METHA-

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DONE, THAT HE FAVORS DETOXIFICATION OF DRUG ADDICTS, AND THAT HE IS WILLING TO SIT DOWN WITH A "PANEL OF EXPERTS" BEFORE FULLY ENDORSING THE U.S. LABOR PARTY 10-DAY DETOXIFICATION PROGRAM.

PINCKNEY, WHO SIGNIFICANTLY OUT-POLLED INCUMBENT PRO-DRUG MAYOR PERK IN THE CLEVELAND PRIMARY, MADE HIS REMARKS AT A MODEL CITIES CANDIDATES NIGHT IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION BY U.S. LABOR PARTY CANDIDATE TONY CURRY.

LEADING SCIENTIST SUPPORTS FUSION CAMPAIGN

OCT. 18 (IPS) -- LLOYD MOTZ, PROFESSOR OF ASTRONOMY AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY AND ONE OF THE UNITED STATES' FOREMOST SCIENTISTS, TODAY ISSUED A STATEMENT ASKING POLITICIANS AND TRADE UNIONISTS TO SIGN A PETITION DRAFTED BY THE U.S. LABOR PARTY WHICH CALLS FOR A CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION OF FUSION RESEARCH SABOTAGE. MOTZ'S STATEMENT READS:

"ANY POLICY THAT COULD STYMIE THE DEVELOPMENT OF FUSION BY CUTTING BACK ON RESEARCH GOES AGAINST THE REAL INTERESTS OF THE COUNTRY AND IS DELETERIOUS TO THE WELL-BEING OF WORKERS. I INTEND TO LOOK INTO THIS SITUATION, AND URGE ELECTED POLITICAL AND UNION OFFICIALS TO INFORM THEMSELVES ON THE REQUIRED UPGRADING OF FUSION RESEARCH AS PROPOSED BY THE U.S. LABOR PARTY, AND TO ENDORSE THE CALL FOR A CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION."

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