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WORLD WAR III IS UNDERWAY

Dec. 6 (IPS) -- "World War III is already underway and it is a war for Western Europe... The Fourth World War may have to begin soon and that will be a war for the United States itself."

With this assessment, former State Department official, Eugene Rostow, yesterday gave a New York reporter the most sobering and accurate evaluation of the Rockefeller faction's strategic position to date.

In the span of approximately 48 hours, other public spokesmen for the Rockefeller interests made statements converging on Rostow's World War III formulation.

The Rockefeller cabal has thus battened down its hatches and been put on a full-war mobilization; since these spokesmen for World War III had in recent weeks offered views askew from "dead center" Rockefeller policy, their sudden convergence on critical policy matters indicate that all elements of the cabal have received identical marching orders and told to carry them out - or else.

These extraordinary actions are provoked by the Rockefellers' fear of an impending demise of their dollar based empire triggered by developments surrounding the upcoming North-South conference in Paris: If the Third World puts forward proposals for debt moratoria and the creation of a new non-dollar based credit financing arrangement to finance development-oriented triangular trade, the Rockefeller empire will collapse and with it the Rockefeller hegemony over the post-war world.

U.S. Labor Party Presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., warned this week in a Bonn press conference that Rockefeller can perceive no choice short of surrender other than to push for a thermonuclear confrontation with the Soviet Union over the next 90 days. Rockefeller has already initiated a process leading toward a hot World War III, LaRouche said. Unless the Rockefellers and their collaborators are removed from all positions of economic and political power within the next several weeks at the latest, the USLP candidate continued, the world will be engulfed in a thermonuclear holocaust possibly as early as Christmas and certainly no later than the end of February.

THE DECLARATION OF WAR

The sense that war has been declared is unmistakable from the aforementioned series of defacto policy pronouncements being disseminated by Rockefeller spokesmen this week. The virulent anti-Communist tone of their statements is reminiscent of the "coldest" 1947-54 period of the so-called Cold War. More significantly, the aggressive and provocative nature of their proposed remedies to current hotspot foreign policy areas are an indication that the

confrontation-war scenario has in fact been set in motion.

In an interview with a New York-based reporter, Eugene Rostow, aside from his World War III pronouncements, detailed a plan to use black operations and black propaganda to magnify the revolutionary threat in Portugal (i.e., that posed CIA provocateurs on the left and the right). This could then be used both as bludgeon against other Western European communist parties and as a rallying point around which to pull together a unified Europe. Obviously reflecting on the current Rockefeller faction predicament, Rostow also warned, "War comes when people get desperate and they begin losing control."

*Maoist Sen. Scoop Jackson (D-Wash), at a Chicago press conference yesterday, called for an economic boycott of the Soviet Union and declared that the time would soon be ripe in the USSR for "a revolution against the leadership."

*Right-wing Georgetown thinktanker Ray Cline warned of Cuban troops in Portugal and cited the U.S. subversion of European communist parties immediately after World War II as an appropriate model to use in Portugal.

*Long-time Vietnam dove and former Defense Secretary Clark Clifford who called in Congressional testimony yesterday for cover operations modelled on the U.S. intervention into the 1948 Italian elections.

*Dissident former State Department official Morton Halperin, testifying at the same hearings, called for an open economic boycott of Portugal should the Communists gain in influence.

THE INTERNATIONAL DEPLOYMENT

Simultaneous with the meeting of David Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission in Paris on Nov. 29-Dec. 1, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger was convening an operational war cabinet with him in Peking. With Kissinger on the supposedly "unimportant" China visit, were the following: National Security Advisor Gen. Brent Scowcroft, Assistant Secretary for Political Affairs Joseph Sisco, Assistant Secretary for Far Eastern Affairs Phillip Habib, Director of Policy Planning Winston Lord, and senior National Security Council Staff Advisor Richard Soloman.

While President Ford went to badminton games, Kissinger and his war cabinet discussed "issues of mutual concern" with the Chinese -- issues such as Soviet "hegemonism" in Europe, Angola and the Indian subcontinent.

From China, Kissinger and his chief hatchetman Sisco will take a side trip to Japan to try and bludgeon Prime Minister Miki away from the pro-IDB, pro-fusion-power posture that the Japanese took at the Rambouillet summit. After a brief stopover in the U.S., Kissinger will head for meetings of NATO Foreign Ministers and U.S. Ambassadors in Western Europe -- all just prior to the Paris North-South conference.

Coinciding with Kissinger's European trip will be the execution of the HILEX 75 NATO maneuvers. HILEX 75 involves unprecedented wargames including not only military, but civilian personnel from European countries' domestic ministries, in a simulated collapse of the economies of Western Europe coupled with a communist insurrection. (See special report.)