

Revolution, and then to disarm the Arabs of the oil weapon.

We must admit that Kissinger has realized remarkable success in his counterattack.

The American imperialist Zionist conspiracy has not ended. On the contrary, it will become fiercer in the next phase. For imperialist-Zionist forces have concentrated their efforts on liquidating the Palestinian Revolution in its capacity as the factor which complicates their plan for the future of the region. And if they are unable to liquidate the Revolution, they are not adverse to taming it or trimming its wings, thereby turning it into a disarmed helpless force....

*Abu Hassan in an interview with the Algerian daily El Moudjahid:*

People are now acting to force a split inside the PLO...all that is said right now around the Geneva conference is only an attempt to divide the ranks of the Palestinians....We must first be officially invited and study this invitation and can have the opportunity to expose and examine the points of view of the Palestinian people...We will not accept the UN resolution 242 where the Palestinian question is only expressed as a "refugee question."

### Caradon Urges Swift Agreement On Overall Mideast Settlement

*Britain's Lord Caradon delivered a direct message to the Carter Administration in a letter to the London Observer, Jan. 2, on the need for an immediate peace in the Mideast:*

I do not doubt that there are those in Washington who would wish to continue the policy of divide and delay in the Middle East. Kissinger's Sinai agreement had three evils; first, it divided the Arabs, secondly, it alienated the Soviet Union, thirdly, it neglected the main issue of the Middle East — the problem of the future of the Palestinians. The horrors of the Lebanon war were one of the by-products of the policy of delay.

If such a policy is continued by the new American Administration the present favorable opportunity to work for a full and peaceful settlement by early return to the Geneva conference will be lost, maybe forever, and the Middle East may be condemned to a long, bitter, bloody conflict in which all, including Israel most of all;

will dreadfully suffer.

We must hope that President Carter and his new Secretary of State will realize the dangers in time and be eager to participate in an urgent international endeavor — certainly including the Soviet Union — to secure a comprehensive and lasting peace on principles long ago unanimously approved.

### Waskow Links IPS Intervention In Geneva Preparations To Brzezinski Strategy

*The following is an interview with top Institute for Policy Studies coordinator Arthur Waskow. Waskow is IPS' Mideast expert and is the top IPS operative in the Jewish liberal Breira group, which is part of attempts to open a split in the Palestinian movement.*

**Q:** Do you really believe that the Carter administration will be more pro-Palestinian in view of Mr. Carter's extreme pro-Israel statements during the election campaign?

**A:** Sure, Carter said what he said by Brzezinski is part of the Middle East study by Brookings Institute (sic!), and that is the key policy thing right now. Anyway, the Saudis have given out the carrot and the stick, and now the Arabs are united behind a clear policy. The U.S. can't reject it, it's that simple. What will happen now is that the Palestinian National Council will meet in Cairo in February, they will issue a statement in support of two states, Arab Palestinian and Israeli, the U.S. will support Geneva, will push the idea of one Arab delegation going to Geneva including the PLO, the Israelis will scream, then they'll accept a second U.S. offer.

There are lots of churnings around the Labor Party in Israel, even before this meeting in Paris where the PLO not only came out in favor of a state of Israel, but a Zionist state, it's overwhelming! Almost incredible! The changes in Israel won't all come at once. Rabin is not De Gaulle, if he were, everything would be wrapped up in three weeks. And Eban is not in position to pull anything off. But things are moving in the right direction.

As for the PLO — it's gotten the bottom and top line from all the Arab governments and both lines are the same: a West Bank state. The Palestinians have gotten the message from the united Arab governments, that you better buy it, or you're fucked. It's that simple!

## Tensions Rise in Aegean; Vance Implicated

*Exclusive to NSIPS*

A series of "isolated terrorist incidents" perpetrated by extremist EOKA-B hit squads will soon occur in Cyprus, according to a former high-level U.S. State Department official who is now an advisor to Secretary of State-designate Cyrus Vance (see interview below). The incidents will trigger a "brutal response" from Turkey, he predicted, and possibly a Greek-Turkish

confrontation. "There's an awful lot of hot-headed Greeks on the island," the former official commented; "I have a feeling that they're not going to sit tight. They've been too quiet for too long."

The impending revival of terrorism on Cyprus comes amid rising tensions on the island which threaten to spread throughout the Aegean.

Turkish occupation forces in Cyprus are continuing

their daily expulsions of Greek Cypriots from the occupied territories, in what the French daily *Le Figaro* describes as a possible prelude to the proclamation of an independent Turkish Cypriot state. The Greek Cypriot government has warned the Turks that it would react "firmly and in numerous ways" if a separate state is declared.

Such a renewed Cyprus crisis could be just what the Carter forces need to revive flagging Wall Street policy in the region. A Cyprus crisis now would badly destabilize both the Greek and Turkish governments when each has been making significant moves over the past several weeks to distance themselves from NATO and develop increased cooperation with the socialist nations, Italy, and the Arabs. A Cyprus crisis would also undermine peace and trade initiatives by neighboring Italy, as well as sabotage the reconvening of the Balkan Cooperation Conference. Most importantly, it would provide Carter the pretext for intervening directly into the affairs of the region.

Carter's Secretary of State-designate, Cyrus Vance, who personally engineered "Operation Prometheus," the April 1967 coup in Greece, and mediated the December 1967 Cyprus crisis, is already in the process of forming a "study group of Mediterranean specialists" to plot U.S. intervention into the Cyprus situation, the former State Dept. official indicated.

#### *IPS Plans Coup for Greece*

The moves to revive EOKA-B terrorist operations in Cyprus are linked directly to IPS-backed efforts to pull off a coup d'etat in Greece. Key in this operation is the intricate web of Greek fascists, including royalists, junta elements, and pseudo-leftists, who are currently being mobilized to spread chaos throughout the country. On Dec. 14, Eugene Mallios, former Athens Security Police Chief during the 1967-74 junta period, was shot dead by an Institute for Policy Studies agent attached to the U.S. Embassy in Athens, Phil Scott. The phantom "Revolutionary Organization of 17 November," an IPS creation, took responsibility for the assassination, which sparked off mass riots.

Pro-junta forces surfaced blaming the Greek left for the murder and circulating anti-communist propaganda. The Greek paper *Estia*, a junta mouthpiece, charged that Mallios was "assassinated by communist rebels who support the communists' plans for chaos," while the right-wing *Akropolis* newspaper called for measures against "the reds who have infiltrated the universities and organize openly." At the same time, IPS-controlled "socialist" grouplets attacked Prime Minister Constantine Karamanlis for not clamping down on the right-wing.

Both the Greek Communist Party (KKE) and the Panhellenic Socialist Party of Andreas Papandreu have exposed the affair as an attempt to destabilize and bring down the Greek government, with the KKE calling for an urgent investigation into "the secret mechanisms that were put into effect with premeditation toward pushing political life into disorder."

This week, *Pravda* issued a warning that the U.S. Sixth Fleet is carrying out "alarming activities" in Greek

ports which are similar to those carried out during the junta days. The Jan. 4 issue of *L'Humanite*, the newspaper of the French Communist Party, warns of the possibility of another Greek coup in an article entitled, "Will Prometheus Again Be Chained?" And the *Baghdad Observer* has revealed that the Greek rightists are being assisted by Israeli intelligence.

#### *Turks Look for Alternatives to NATO*

Spurring Carter on in his search for a combination of events that will lead to a reassertion of U.S. dominance over the eastern Mediterranean is Turkey's growing cooperation with the Soviet Union, Iraq, and Italy. Following meetings in Washington last week with the Carter team, the former State Dept. staffer asserted, in reference to Turkey's shifting international orientation, "We are not about to let Turkey fall into the arms of the Soviets. We are watching the situation closely."

Next month Turkey will sign a "Friendship and Cooperation Pact" with the Soviet Union. The pact amounts to a virtual nonaggression treaty with the Soviets, according to several Turkish sources. Turkish Prime Minister Demirel has praised the document as "strengthening the relations between Turkey and the Soviet Union."

The pact, which will be ratified on Feb. 7 when Foreign Minister I.S. Caglayangil visits Moscow, follows the signing of a huge, \$1.2 billion, 10-year economic and cooperation accord between the Turks and the Soviets, which includes the development of Turkey's iron and steel industry, energy production, and 20 other projects. Ankara has recently signed parallel trade agreements with Bulgaria, Rumania, and Czechoslovakia.

Simultaneously, Iran has agreed to supply Turkey with the necessary oil supplies to ensure the success of these development projects. On Jan. 3, the Turkish-Iraqi oil pipeline was inaugurated, with Demirel traveling to Iraq for the ceremonies and Iraq's Vice President Maarouf arriving in Turkey on Jan. 4 for parallel ceremonies.

The Iraqi-Turkish rapprochement is directly connected to the Soviet-Turkish rapprochement, according to the *Christian Science Monitor*, and is also to be seen as linked to the three-year trade and industrial cooperation agreement recently concluded between Turkey and Italy. Under the agreement, Italy's investments in Turkey will be specifically geared to Turkey's five-year development plan. According to Turkish Deputy Prime Minister Necmettin Erbakan, who negotiated the accord, it will be vital for "consolidating peace in the Mediterranean."

Substantial layers of the formerly pro-NATO Turkish military support Demirel's moves outside the traditional NATO framework. According to one university-based think-tanker close to the State Dept., not only do the young officers favor bolting from NATO, but also sections of the upper echelons — former strongholds of pro-NATO sentiment — are inclined toward Soviet-Turkish cooperation.

As shareholders in one of Turkey's largest holding companies, the military are highly sensitive to the economic straits Turkey finds itself in, and are growing

increasingly open to the notion of a new world economic order.

In an effort to undermine further Turkish motion away from NATO, Deputy Prime Minister Alpaslan Turkes, a self-avowed Nazi, has turned squads of fascist thugs loose throughout Turkey's university and high school system, terrorizing students and leaving dozens of them dead or wounded. Demirel has so far refrained from moving against his coalition partner Turkes, who commands four seats in the Turkish Parliament, out of fear of losing his parliamentary majority.

As a result, Demirel's options are being seriously restricted by Turkes, who is strongly opposing Demirel's rapprochement with the Soviets. According to the former State Dept. official, Demirel, backed up by layers in the military wants to end the Cyprus crisis and is willing to relinquish territories on the island, but he is being blocked from making concessions by Turkes, a former general who played a key role in the 1960 military takeover of Turkey.

**Former U.S. Official:  
'We Have a Lot of Interests in Turkey'**

*The following is an interview with a former high-level U.S. State Department official now advising Secretary of State-designate Cyrus Vance.*

**Q:** What will Carter's policy be vis-a-vis Turkey given the growing cooperation with the Soviet Union, Iraq, and the move away from NATO?

**A:** We have a lot of interests in Turkey. We are not about to let Turkey fall into the arms of the Soviets. We are watching the situation closely... There will be one hell of a

fight in Washington over this situation. Cy Vance has already met with Greek-lobby senators...

**Q:** What are Carter and Vance doing specifically?

**A:** Vance will soon set up a study group of Mediterranean specialists to deal with the Cyprus issue and related matters. He realizes it is an explosive issue, though it's still on the back burner.

**Q:** Is there any possibility of another Cyprus crisis?

**A:** There's an awful lot of hot-headed Greeks on the island...

**Q:** Who?

**A:** EOKA-B. Specifically EOKA-B terrorists tied to Nicos Sampson, who pulled off the 1974 Cyprus coup, the guy tied to the Greek junta. There are lots of people who still believe in the Phoenix (the symbol of the Greek junta — ed.), who believe in terrorism, who want to burn down everything. You will soon start to see a series of isolated incidents on Cyprus, EOKA-B terrorist acts against the Turks. The Turks will put them down brutally. I don't put it past these EOKA-B people to do something ugly. I have a feeling that they're not going to sit tight. They've been too quiet for too long... Carter may soon be confronted with a crisis.

**Q:** Who will be involved in the mediation of such a crisis?

**A:** Vance. But he may have some problems. He's a little too tainted from the last time around (1967 — ed.).

**Q:** Turkish Prime Minister Demirel wants to make concessions to end the Cyprus crisis. What's holding him back?

**A:** You're right. Demirel wants to end the crisis and give back the territories. But that crazy neo-fascist — Deputy Prime Minister Turkes — is preventing him. He holds four seats in the parliament that give Demirel a majority, so Demirel feels he is stuck. Turkes' line is absolutely no concessions ever.