Lazard Terror Operation Dangerously Weakens Schmidt, Andreotti Gov'ts

Two major public addresses by West German Chancellor Schmidt last week demonstrate that the present wave of terrorist attacks in Western Europe, including the recent kidnapping of leading West German industrialist Hanns-Martin Schleyer, have paralyzed government functioning in West Germany. In Italy, the government of Premier Giulio Andreotti is likewise being forced to its knees under the pretext of manipulated terrorist incidents.

Speaking before parliament on Sept. 15 and again before a Social Democratic conference in Hamburg on Sept. 16, Chancellor Schmidt refused to announce a concerted program for defeating terrorism, or to give any indication of the knowledge he has as to who is behind the terrorist wave. Moreover, even though his parliamentary address was originally scheduled to be a major government statement on economic policy, Schmidt did not utter a single word on this determining issue.

The plain fact is that the Baader-Meinhof terrorist gang, the Red Brigades in Italy, and the interconnected "secessionist" movements in Spain, Ireland and southern France, are all tendrils of a British financier-controlled intelligence apparatus coordinated by Britain's MI-6. It is not just a vicious joke that West Germany's Baader-Meinhof dubs itself the R.A.F. (Roter Armee Fraktion), the old name for Britain's Royal Air Force.

The British financial interests responsible for Schleyer's kidnapping and for the July 29 assassination of West German banker Jürgen Ponto are the Lazard Freres investment house, their friends in Lower Manhattan, and allied Rockefeller family networks. Second International bigwigs Willy Brandt, Francois Mitterrand, Roy Jenkins, and Denis Healey are central operatives of this financier clique, who directly engineer the political climate and intelligence misinformation maneuvers which facilitate terrorist attacks.

This publication, and a number of leading European journals have published more than sufficient evidence to indict the above-named individuals, and a large number of their co-workers for their murderous conspiracy. In addition, since the Schleyer kidnapping, conservative newspapers in West Germany have issued a series of unprecedented attacks against Willy Brandt, dating the emergence of terrorist organizations by name to Brandt's rise to the Chancellory in 1969. Last week, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung and the Münchener Merkur began an all-out press campaign against François Mitterrand and his connections to "environmentalist" organizations in France.

Nevertheless, Schmidt has openly refused to throw his weight behind these exposés. Just as important, Schmidt has failed to take advantage of an important and burgeoning alliance between his government and France's Gaullist-influenced government to announce the export-oriented economic policy that could pull the rug out from under the Lazard-Rockefeller clique.

"Holding Firm"

On Sept. 15, during his cited parliamentary address, Schmidt presented the stately image of a leader determined to "stand firm" in the face of a threat to his nation. Reporting that he would be willing to "go to the very limits of the democratic state" to capture Schleyer's abductors and bring the terrorists before the law, he also urged the parliament to demonstrate unity among all political parties during this emergency.

Schmidt was echoed a few days later by West Germany's Federal President, Walter Scheel. In a speech specifically addressed to the international community, Scheel firmly protested imputations on the part of the international press that West Germany's reaction to the terrorists' acts had been to encourage "fascist" tendencies. The President also emphasized that "terrorism is an international phenomenon, and must be fought through international cooperation." But, in parallel with Schmidt's "careful" attitude toward identifying his country's enemies by name, Scheel did not elaborate on this statement.

Lazard Freres' "Washington Post" derided Schmidt's appeal on Sept. 16, snidely asserting that the kidnapping has paralyzed the government and its ability to deal with the economic crisis. The conservative Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, however, angrily derided such a cynical view of Bonn, asserting that the parliamentary debate proved that the terrorists had not succeeded in achieving their major aim: to fuel destructive partisan in-fighting. The Münchener Merkur also declared that the parliament "showed strength," and collaboration among all political factions.

The inaccurate optimistic appraisal of the political situation in West Germany's press is largely based on the government's success in pulling the opposition Christian Democracy — closely tied to industry — into a series of all-party "crisis staff" meetings on the terrorism problem. Influential industrial leaders are now enthusiastically pushing for such informal all-party deliberations to strengthen the government's ability to implement an economic program of domestic nuclear energy development, high-technology exports to the Third World.
and increased East-West trade. The chief opponents of this program are the so-called “left” or zero-growth wings of the governing Social Democracy and Free Democratic Party, both under the immediate guidance of SPD chairman Willy Brandt.

At an industrialists' meeting in France in early August, Hans-Gunther Sohl proposed that Federal Economics Minister Hans-Friederichs resign from his government post to replace the murdered Jürgen Ponto as chairman of the nation's second largest bank, the Dresdner Bank. After Schleyer's kidnapping, Friederichs announced that he would accept this offer and, in addition, resign from his deputy chairmanship of the FDP. This move has been widely interpreted as an attempt to facilitate collaboration between the government and the Christian Democrats on economic policy directly contrary to the interests of Lazard Freres and company.

Despite these preparatory moves, Schmidt's Sept. 16 address at the Hamburg Party conference demonstrated that the Washington Post's evaluation of government paralysis is closer to the truth. For the first time, Schmidt adopted a "sociological" explanation of terrorism, attributing it to the alienation of middle class youth. The "sociological" explanation of terrorism has been developed by British operatives, such as Italian university professor and creator of the terrorist "Red Brigades", Francesco Alberoni, to cover the obvious conspiracy involved.

Secondly, Schmidt urged a cessation of public attacks on the terrorist "sympathizer" networks (university professors, "prominent intellectuals," leading "left-wing" newspapers, etc.), saying the attacks created unnecessary strife. This appeal was directed specifically at Schmidt's conservative supporters, such as northern CDU leader Stoltenberg and Baden-Württemberg Minister President Filibinger, who have consciously led such campaigns in their efforts to discredit Brandt.

Schmidt's fear-ridden, "into the trenches" appeals to the public have been accompanied by an official an-

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**Franco-German Alliance Can Break Lazard Control**

West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt has at his disposal the means to shatter the Lazard Freres' operation, as a result of an alliance he and leading West German industrialists have been pulling together with the Gaulist-influence government of French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing. Recent reports that Schmidt and Giscard have been in frequent phone communication on the terrorist threat are merely one facet of the bonds that have been developing between the two foremost powers of Western Europe.

Following a June agreement between Giscard and Soviet President Brezhnev for intensified scientific collaboration on fast breeder development, West Germany and France have finalized an official agreement for scientific cooperation on nuclear power development. France has offered Schmidt technical assistance in handling "nuclear waste," the major obstacle holding back West Germany's domestic energy program.

On a semi-official basis, banking and industry layers in both countries have worked out detailed plans to develop capital markets and gold exchanges in Luxembourg, and have openly stated they intend to do this to destroy the financial hegemony of the City of London. Moreover, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung last week denounced the "Croissant affair" as a blatant attempt to destroy relations between the two countries. Croissant, a Baader Meinhof "lawyer" in the Lazard Freres' network, was recently smuggled into France to conduct a high-profile publicity campaign against the "repressive" West German government. Croissant has been directly implicated by European police forces in the terrorist wave.

In outline, the Schmidt-Giscard program for nuclear energy development and financial reform could destroy London's financial networks, rapidly free Andreotti of the Cuccia plague, and soon thereafter undermine Lazard Freres' ability to control even British economic policy. The potential in the Franco-German alliance was demonstrated last week by the visit to France of Polish Communist Party chairman Gierek. In an outstanding interview in Le Monde, Gierek praised Poland's economic ties to West Germany as exemplary of the "spirit of Belgrade," referencing the groundbreaking Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), which is the chief forum for discussion of international detente.

The present, devastating flaw in the thinking of leading French and West German circles is their failure to recognize the urgency of the present situation. Lazard Freres' destabilization networks — intersecting a broad operation prominently involving Second Socialist International head Willy Brandt and extending into the Soviet bloc — could easily provoke global, thermonuclear war. The creation of a new, gold-backed international monetary system, a move which would immediately pull the plug on Lazard Freres' Rockefeller terrorist deployments, is long overdue, and will not wait for some time later this year, or 1978. Similarly, every hesitation on Schmidt's part to implement a hard-commodities, high-technology export policy in favor of fiscal and tax concessions to various party cliques, threatens to turn West Germany into a decrepit economic power with no political muscle to defend Europe's interests.

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The weekend of Sept. 24 promises to mark a new stage in the intimidation of both Andreotti and Schmidt. In the north Italian city of Bologna, herds of drug-infested, illiterate, and unwashed youth calling themselves “autonomists” will gather with their lawyer and “environmentalist” supporters from all over Europe to protest against “repression.” Simultaneously, at least 20,000 Maoist-led demonstrators are expected to arrive in the West German town of Kalkar to demonstrate against the construction of a nuclear fast-breeder reactor in the vicinity. At both events, the demonstrators have promised that violence will occur.

**Cossiga: Either Coexist With Terror Or Go To War**

*An interview with Italian Interior Minister Francesco Cossiga (excerpted below) was published in the daily *Il Giorno* on Sept. 18, following Cossiga’s meeting with British Home Secretary Merlyn Rees.*

The talks with Secretary Rees had different levels of discussion. First, the generic level, the level of general cooperation (Interpol, etc. —ed.) and specific bilateral cooperation among the Common Market countries and the EEC-linked countries... The philosophy I expressed to Rees is based on the assumption that we must take into account the eco-social-political changes in Europe. The interdependence of the European countries occurred at both the technical and the financial level... as well as an ideological-political level.

For example, while the ecologist movement is pacifist in ideological outlook, they sometimes organize demonstrations which provoke violence particularly in Italy, France, (West) Germany...

With the terrorists so well integrated... we must have a modus operandi for fighting terrorism which is more inter-linked than presently. We must prevent the contagious spread of terrorists... Now, merely the analysis of the origins and the cause of terrorism is not sufficient...

There are links and sympathies between the groups with different origins, for example the Catholic Irish Republican Army (IRA) and the Marxist-Leninist Red Brigades... In a certain sense, we must realize that the terrorists are accommodated in this world by the psycho-economic cultural structures provided by a democratically developed industrial society. Thus it is necessary that the society make a choice: either to co-exist with the terrorists or to accept the idea that terror is waged not at a normal level but at the level of war... The road to terrorism was opened by a certain evolution of the Euro-communist parties and by detente... With detente, the terrorists saw the possibility for waging a final assault disappear — the Communist parties are not for armed struggle and the extremists cannot be considered a channel for protest any longer...”

**NATO Dictatorships for Europe**

British intelligence networks have not lost an instant in taking advantage of West Germany’s developing foxhole mentality, and have moved against another crucial weak point in Europe — Italy. Following meetings Sept. 17-18 with British Home Secretary Merlyn Rees, the man previously in charge of “pacifying” Northern Ireland, Italian Interior Minister Francesco Cossiga made a proposal that would go considerably beyond mere destabilization of Italian Premier Giulio Andreotti and West German Chancellor Schmidt, but would impose direct NATO military control of European governments.

Cossiga had the gall to announce such a plan under the guise of fighting terrorism, even though his personal involvement with Manhattan-directed Italian terrorists is well known to readers of the Italian press and of this journal. Cossiga ascribed the Europeanwide coordination of terror to such “social changes” as progress towards European unification, détente, and the trend of the West European Communist Parties toward a bourgeois political structure. In an interview in Il *Giorno*, he claimed he had proposed to Rees closer European (read: British) coordination of antiterror operations than the current Interpol framework allows. Because democratic industrial society gives rise to terrorism, Cossiga lied, then “either we must learn to live with terrorism, or accept the idea that terror is not working at the level of normal life but at the level of war.”

Enrico Cuccia, chairman of Mediobanca and an agent of the Lazard Freres banking network, has already demonstrated the nature of such warfare. Chaos descended over the Italian parliament when Cuccia operatives in every party except the governing Christian Democracy and the fascist MSI launched a campaign for the resignation of Italian Defense Minister Vito Lattanzio. Lattanzio, accused of having facilitated the extremely suspicious escape earlier this month of a Nazi war prisoner from a Rome hospital, was shunted into the minor Ministry of Merchant Marine over the weekend, and the former Merchant Marine Minister handed the Defense portfolio.

The Lattanzio issue is completely phony, and is being used by Cuccia and his ally Gianni Agnelli to cover up a massive operation to force the Andreotti government into suicidal economic policy concessions, which would literally hand them complete control of the economy. The intensity of the pressure on Andreotti became clear Sept. 16, when the Prime Minister delivered weak-kneed testimony before a court in Catanzaro investigating a 1969 terrorist bombing incident. It is well known that Andreotti has iron-clad evidence linking DC leader Moro — an important figure in the Cuccia network — to this terrorist incident, but he refused to release it during his testimony.

The announcement that he has cancelled a late September state visit to Poland, at which time major economic deals were expected to be discussed.

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