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## The PSI: Italy's party of terrorism

Earlier this year, the European Labor Party published part two of its dossier on the Italian terrorist network titled *Socialist Area: Party of Terrorism*. The accompanying flow chart, highlighting the Italian Socialist Party's connection to terrorism, is taken from that document. But perhaps the best explanation of that chart is given by the following excerpt from part one, *Who Killed Aldo Moro*, issued in October 1978: "The sociologist S.S. Acquaviva wrote that what has happened in recent years in Italy is the repetition of the scenario of the French Revolution. First there are the 'philosophers' who propagandize the new ideas, like Marcuse; then the Jacobin Clubs are formed, which would be the various Maoist groups such as Potere Operaio, Lotta Continua, the autonomists, who have sensitized the masses. Presently, writes Acquaviva, we can expect the birth of regional independence movements: Sardinians, Piedmontese, Sicilian, etc. Then, as the final phase—always in perfect parallel with France before 1789—there will be the unification of 'all the clubs' which also control the movement in the countryside. At that point, as history shows, nothing can stop the revolutionary movement."

The "philosophical" phase of Italian terrorism was born at the London Tavistock Institute in the "sociological" section, which produced the "belief structures" necessary to the brainwashing process through which confused, unemployed and frustrated youth are turned into terrorists. This belief structure and its method of application were reproduced in Italy initially by PSI member Francesco Alberoni at the Sociology Department of Trento University—which ultimately gave birth to the Red Brigades.

Renato Curcio, the now-jailed "historic leader" of the Red Brigades was one of Alberoni's students. Another Tavistockian interface in Italy is through the Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation, whose Italian collaborators include Giangiacomo Feltrinelli, Lelio Basso (PSI) and Riccardo Lombardi (PSI). Feltrinelli, who went on to create the terrorist organization GAP, was killed in the process of carrying out GAP terrorist activities.

The "New Left" in the U.S. was created through the use of the same methods. An important link between the U.S. and Italian operations is Eugene Genovese, one of the founding members of SDS. Genovese runs terrorist-sympathizer networks inside the Italian Communist Party through his activities with the Gramsci Institute.

The "New Left" parallel in Italy was run in part through the PSI's project at the University of Padua, Tony Negri. Negri worked on the "theoretical" journal *Quaderni Rossi* under the tutelage of its founder Raniero Panzieri, then number two man in the PSI. QR was printed at daily *Avanti*.

In the transition to phase 2, an important grouping is found around another "theoretical journal," *Telos*, the official philosophical review of the University of Buffalo Graduate School, which was founded with the support of then rector Warren Bennis. Bennis was a veteran in the use of Tavistockian methods on Vietnam war veterans at his University of Buffalo psychological project.

*Telos*, founded by Paul Piccone, became the mouthpiece for every species of proterrorist theorizing, including works by leading PSI member Norberto Bobbio, and the "socialist philosopher"

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Lucio Colletti. When confronted recently on this connection, Bobbio stated, "Yes, I am friends with Paul Piccone."

Piccone's credentials include the founding of the Pisa branch of the major "Jacobin club" of phase 2, Potere Operaio (Workers' Power). The Padua branch was founded by Toni Negri.

The Telos-Potere Operaio connection was perfectly obvious to any observer of the 1971 conference organized by Telos at the University of Buffalo. This conference was attended by members of Potere Operaio, and had an important impact on the formation of other extreme left grouplets in Italy. Potere Operaio went through its famous "split" in 1973, over the "organizational" question. One group, led by Toni Negri, Oreste Scalzone (both now jailed in connection with the Moro murder) and Franco Piperno (a fugitive in the Moro case), wanted to prepare for spontaneous violence with broad participation of the "masses." This group became the "above-ground, legal" autonomist movement. The other group favored more "elitist" violence, i.e., terrorist hits carried out by trained commando units—this group became the Red Brigades.

The basic theory underlying the current cleanout of the Padua Autonomi is that this split was fictitious and that, in fact, the Autonomi and the Red Brigades are one and the same thing.

This transition to phase three was paralleled at the University of Cosenza, a fiefdom of PSI mafioso and faction leader Giacomo Mancini. Piperno was one of a nest of "autonomists" at Cosenza, who are to this day being protected and publicly defended by Mancini. "Refusal to work" is a basic tenet of the "autonomist" belief structure. It is a logical outcome of the oligarchist, zero-growth, antitechnology, and basically feudal outlook of the Tavistock creators of the belief structure in general. It leads directly to

industrial sabotage activities and threats to the nuclear industry. As Acquiva explains it:

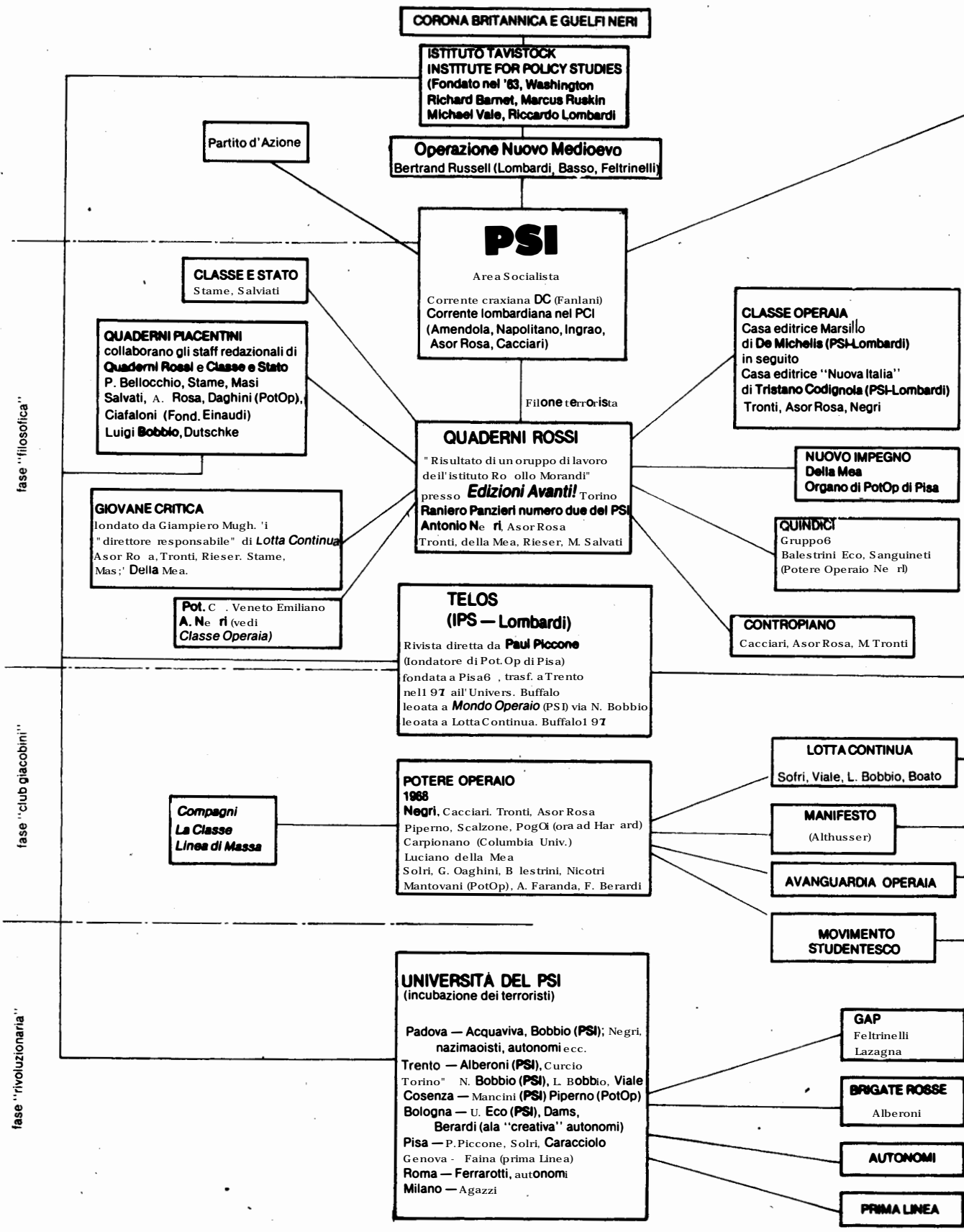
"The refusal to work is a well-known experience in the movement, and at the same time is historical necessity. For Toni Negri, but in fact also for the others, 'the centrality of the refusal to work in a communist program' is reconfirmed. A refusal which opens in two directions, from one side toward sabotage and then armed revolution, from the other side toward self-evaluation, the discovery of the personal as political, the subjectivity of the revolutionary attitude."

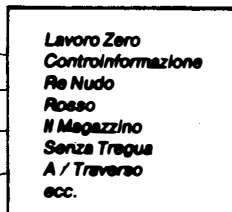
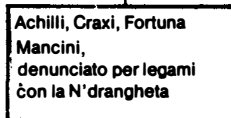
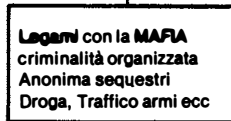
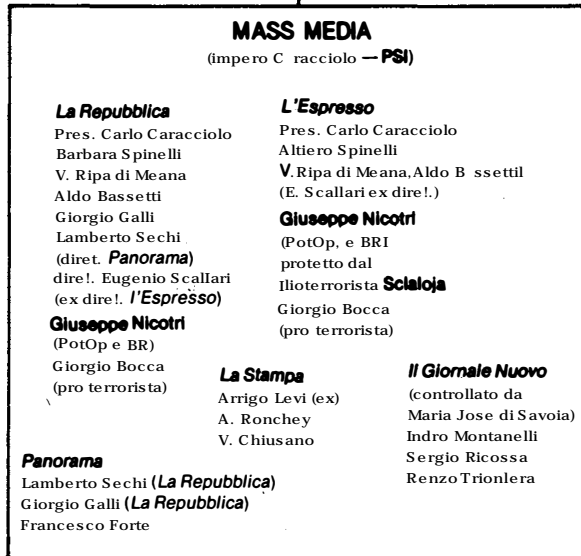
Another quote from Sabino Acquaviva, specifically from his book *Guerrilla and Revolutionary War in Italy*, should clarify the process by which belief structures are imposed on youth to turn them into hardened "urban guerrillas." Speaking of the "arguments in favor of guerrilla warfare,"

Acquaviva says, "First: the ocean exists in which the little fish of guerrilla warfare can grow and become the big fish capable of throttling the State. The ocean is theoretically represented for now above all by millions of students ... The fact that up to now the phenomenon has grown practically by the book, without any really serious political or military errors, leads one to believe that behind it there are persons capable of constructing and reconstructing strategies ... Many (terrorist leaders) are now 30 or 35 years old, capable of managing also the political branch of the armed struggle ...."

Elsewhere, Acquaviva writes, "Groups of youth have cultivated in the area of the autonomy, of the Red Brigades, of the revolt in general, the space to give sense to their existence ... logically, many say 'no work,' behind, close to, within the guerrilla warfare, there is always a terrorism, a strategy similar to that of the Red Brigades."

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The above flow chart of the central role of the Italian Socialist Party in the network of terrorists, their supporters and controllers, in Italy is taken from "Socialist Area: The Party of Terrorism," part two of the European Labor Party's explosive dossier titled "Who Killed Aldo Moro."