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'Is Kissinger seeking a depopulated world?'

The daily La Republica in Lima, Peru, published on Aug. 1 a column that reflects much of the continent's attitude toward Henry A. Kissinger. The column was written by Alfredo Ruiz Eldredge, former president of the Lima Bar Association and respected ambassador for the reformist nationalist government of Gen. Juan Velasco (1968-75). Below are excerpts from the article, which appeared under the headline "Kissinger Against Latin America."

Mr. Kissinger is the most perfect expression of the imperial policy of his country. . . . Kissinger attacked and destroyed the governments of Peru, Bolivia, and Chile. He and his people continue to intervene in Argentina, Uruguay, and Paraguay, and, of course, to protect the cruel terrorist dictatorships of Central America and the Caribbean. Remember what the other U.S. President [Franklin Roosevelt] said of Somoza: "He's an SOB, but he's ours!"

'A dagger into Antarctica'

Kissinger always brings with him the most impudent aggression; he tries—though he spits into the wind—to deprecate brown America. It is subconscious vengeance . . . against the historical creators of cultures which are beyond the reach of Kissinger's crimes: Incas, Aztecs and Mayas. The former secretary of state one day asked his advisors, "What would happen if Latin America sunk under the sea tomorrow?" To his people's dismay, he clucked, sarcastically, "Nothing would happen. Latin America is just a dagger stuck into the Antarctic."

The 1968-75 Peruvian government of [Gen. Juan] Velasco stood up to the subversive policies of Kissinger & Co., who went so far as to encourage the [1973 Chilean] coup against Allende by offering Pinochet (whom they armed) a preventive war against Peru; they tried to start this war in July and August 1975, but their plans aborted. Watch out now! Then they did what they could to overthrow General Velasco.

There is something even worse: Kissinger has been accused by the Lyndon LaRouche group of the U.S. Democratic Party of organizing a genocidal "Project 1980s," which seeks "the controlled disintegration of the international economy and of the nation-state," replacing it with "a depopulated



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world without technology and controlled by international organizations like the International Monetary Fund, the World Bank, and others that Kissinger works for."

The U.S. expert [Jeffrey] Steinberg of the LaRouche group also accuses Kissinger of forming the Montecarlo Lodge, which he calls "the most genocidal organization in today's world," because it wants to "cut in half the world's population before the end of the century by creating famines, generating war, etc." This accusation was transmitted by the TELAM press agency Aug. 14, 1982. Few newspapers could get it (due to imperial control over information and communication); but, perhaps through a slip-up, the daily *Expreso*, intimately tied to the present Peruvian government, published it on the first page the next day.

Kissinger's genocidal policy has also been denounced by *El Comercio* of Lima, a paper edited by the philosopher Francisco Miro Quesada; by Colombian university president José Consuegra; by the Mexican expert Javier Campos; by the Brazilian geopolitician Victor Manuel Pacheco; and by me.

The dangerous thing is that the leaders of Latin America—be they right, left, or center—and the parties and institutions have not yet come to grips with the criminal policy of genocide now afflicting our brown America.

The need to act

Today, when Kissinger, one of those most responsible for this . . . seizes power, the need for the governments of Latin America to act increases. They can count on the unquestionable support of not only their people, in this matter of defending their very lives, but also on the democratic and progressive centers of the United States. . . .

In *El Comercio* (March 15, 1981), Francisco Miro Quesada urged all the leaders of the Third World to fight the genocide of types like the Paddocks ("create hunger"), the Ehrlichs ("have to wipe Latin America, Asia and Africa off the map") and others through what they called "triage," which means: choosing who should die. This is a terrible policy, from people who make Attila the Hun and Hitler look like beginners.