

National News

New Soviet subs in position off U.S. coast

U.S. intelligence sources reported Jan. 27 that a new Soviet ballistic-missile submarine fleet is now bracketing the U.S. continent. This Soviet fleet has put every important target in the United States in a range of 10 minutes for Soviet missiles.

At least seven submarines are in position, with another moving rapidly into place. These include two new types of subs, which have never before been seen in U.S. coastal waters. A new Echo II cruise missile sub has taken position between Bermuda and an area off Norfolk, Virginia, while two advanced Delta II subs, carrying missiles with a 3,000-mile range moved onto a post less than 1,000 miles from the U.S. coast. A third Delta II sub is apparently moving into a similar position, the intelligence sources report.

Pugwashers: gag Teller with 'national security'

Sources in defense intelligence report that there is a concerted effort by the Pugwash networks in and around the administration to prevent scientist Edward Teller from speaking on beam weapons on spurious "national security" grounds. The move to gag Teller is reportedly coming from the circles around Swiss operative Fred Iklé in the Defense Department, the State Department, the National Security Council staff led by Bud McFarlane, and House Speaker Tip O'Neill's office in the Congress.

These circles have apparently panicked about the fact that President Reagan's March 23 proposal that the United States adopt a strategic defense policy based on developing beam weapons has been made "official" policy (see below). Those such as Iklé who are opposed to abandoning Mutually As-

sured Destruction and the appeasement of the Soviets are attempting to keep the beam program a secret, controlled program.

The effort to control Teller was accelerated by the recent publication of an interview with Teller in *Penthouse* magazine, in which he insisted that there is absolutely no benefit gained from keeping basic science and military strategy secret from the Soviet leadership. To the contrary, Teller argued, what is required in this period is to lay out precisely what U.S. intentions are under circumstances of attack. We must not be "incalculable."

In addition, Teller argued that it is foolish to simply limit discussion of strategic ballistic missile defense to the "99.9 percent system." That is a goal, he asserted, but it would be idiotic not to pursue as an interim step a system that could kill 30 to 40 percent of an enemy attack.

The Iklé-State Department circles claim that Teller is jeopardizing national security. U.S. policy, they say, must never make its intentions clear and must keep the Soviets guessing. In addition, they warn that Teller's policy might promote an early Soviet "pre-emptive" strike on the United States. The Soviets make a similar argument.

NBC takes slander operation to Germany

NBC television, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the international dope lobby appear to be cooperating in a slander campaign against Democratic presidential contender Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., who is also the founder of *EIR*. In addition to denying credibility to LaRouche's policies and presidential effort, the operation could well be clearing the way for an assassination attempt against him.

Four members of NBC-TV's "First Camera" television crew, including producer Pat Lynch and reporter Mark Nykannen, who are preparing a special program on LaRouche, showed up outside the offices of

EIR in Wiesbaden, West Germany Jan. 24. This is the first known international trip of the First Camera crew. They were refused entrance.

NBC-TV has refused to allow LaRouche an unedited segment of the show to reply to libelous charges which Lynch admits to be planning to run. Until NBC agrees to this condition, LaRouche has refused to grant interviews.

Editor Nykannen was heard outside the Wiesbaden *EIR* office declaring that the LaRouche organization is "a concern of German authorities."

Reached for comment, LaRouche said of NBC: "Rather than a news organization, it is acting as a political action committee working in conspiracy with known members of the drug lobby, including *High Times* stringer Chip Berlet. If NBC were honest, it would register as a political action committee called DOPE-PAC."

LaRouche pointed to the history of NBC's involvement with the drug lobby conspiracy against him, which began in earnest in 1977.

In spring 1980, LaRouche granted a two-hour interview to Mark Nykannen, who was then preparing a slander which was aired on July 8 and 9, 1982. NBC was working closely with the Playboy Foundation, Chip Berlet, and the drug-pushing counterculture around the Yippies. The same group had tried in 1981-82 to stop the work of the Illinois Anti-Drug Coalition, an organization founded by co-thinkers of LaRouche.

The financial interests behind NBC, as well as the publicists there, have promoted the dope culture in the United States, especially through the Playboy Foundation.

Reagan signs ABM defense directive

President Reagan has signed a National Security Decision Directive that officially launches the U.S. effort to develop a beam weapon anti-ballistic missile defense system.

The directive, NSDD No. 119, was signed Jan. 6 and its contents remain classified. Sources close to the White House report that the directive represents a "irrevocable" decision to proceed with the program, all the way through the development and initial deployment phase. "Official" leaks, cited by the *Washington Post* Jan. 26, talk only of initial R&D programs.

The directive reportedly also reorganizes the apparatus that will carry out the program within both the White House and the Defense Department. Defense intelligence sources say that the White House is fully prepared to spend double the \$27 billion recommended by the presidential Fletcher commission, and is confident that a first-stage beam-defense program could be in place within five years.

Ray Cline: Decoupling is 'Soviet strategic aim'

At a press conference to announce his latest book, Ray Cline of Georgetown's CSIS outlined the systematic anti-terrorist measures necessary to combat terrorism as a global political not sociological, phenomenon. Cline stated that "some [terrorist acts] must be regarded as acts of war; I believe we have the legal framework to do so."

Cline's book, *Terrorism, the Soviet Connection*, which he co-authored with Israeli terrorism specialist Yonah Alexander, analyzes papers seized by the Israelis during a raid on a Palestinian training camp over a year ago. Alexander stated that the Tashkent Institute is a major center for Soviet terrorist deployment, and has been since the 1920s, a fact which Alexander finds "intriguing."

Senator Jeremiah Denton opened the press conference with an impassioned but flawed attack on Soviet attempts to capture raw materials and oil through the deployment of terrorists. Denton pointed out that "the level of awareness in this building—and we have been bombed here recently no less—is zero. We were receiving a briefing on the activities of Carlos in Canada . . .

and a senator . . . involved with this committee and a candidate for President, asked, 'Who is Carlos?'. . . This is a disgrace."

In response to a question from an *EIR* correspondent on the the activities of the Soviet special forces (spetznaz) in Europe, and Soviet and DDR funding of both left- and right-wing anti-American "movements," Cline called these operations "selective terror. These incidents are small but revealing examples of their strategic policy to separate the United States from Europe. It is a war of military intimidation and political destabilization, and it is a strategic war."

Kirkland, Mondale schedule national tour

AFL-CIO head Lane Kirkland has joined with Democratic presidential contender Walter Mondale for a national tour to pull together the labor organization's political machine to support Mondale's election. The AFL's political arm, COPE, is sponsoring a series of campaign workshops from Jan. 27 to April 28, featuring rallies addressed by both Mondale and Kirkland.

The tour is occurring, sources report, at the same time that COPE's director, John Perkins, has been telling union leaders that if Mondale does not get the Democratic nomination and defeat Reagan, the AFL-CIO will be seen as a paper tiger.

Kirkland appeared at a press conference with Irving Shapiro of DuPont and Felix Rohatyn of Lazard Frères, the architect of the Big Mac austerity policy for New York City, to unveil a new study of "industrial policy" in mid-January. Prepared under the auspices of the Center for National Policy, a think tank headed by Cyrus Vance and funded by the Harriman family, the study called for developing a new "social contract" as a model for labor-management-government relations. Rohatyn pointed to the "rollbacks" and "givebacks" made by Chrysler and Eastern Airlines workers as exemplary of the new industrial policy envisioned by the CNP group.

● **HENRY KISSINGER** was responsible for the 11-point drop on the Wall Street stock exchange Jan. 25, according to a report in the *London Daily Express*. "America's stock market went into a spin following rumors in Washington that President Reagan will not run for re-election," the *Express* wrote. The story in the capital is that Nancy Reagan's poor health has persuaded the President to step down. . . . The White House denies the story and says Mrs. Reagan is in perfect health. It is said that Henry Kissinger's advice to industrialists caused the Wall Street panic which saw the index close nearly 11 points down on Wednesday."

● **JOHN GLENN'S** entire campaign has collapsed, according to one political strategist close to the Glenn campaign. His organization is reported rife with dissension and unable to get itself on track. As a result, Glenn has plummeted in recent opinion polls, down nearly 20 per centage points; he is now tied with Jesse Jackson for second position.

● **WILLIAM WEBSTER**, director of the FBI, apparently hanged himself in front of the San Francisco Federal Building Jan. 24. It appears that Webster strolled out of the building, tied his hands behind his back, beat himself in the head, jumped up on the scaffold, and hanged himself until dead. As he was swinging, he hung a sign upon the lapel of his trench-coat that read, "William Webster, FBI Director—Don't Worry, It's only a Suicide." There were rumors that Webster's last act before his suicide was to pepper each of the men's rooms in the office building with stickers warning, "Don't criticize Russia—the FBI may Suicide You."