McGeorge Bundy, the self-styled doge of America's treasonous and corrupted Eastern Establishment, launched a frontal assault against U.S. efforts to develop a defense against nuclear attack in a May 28 speech to America's chief scientific umbrella organization, the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

In a tirade that only the Kremlin could rival for demagogy and hypocrisy, Bundy blasted the Reagan administration's Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI), the formal name given to the U.S. beam-weapon defense program, and demanded that it be stopped in its tracks.

He told his audience, drawn mostly from the 4,000 attendees at the AAAS's annual convention, which met in New York at the end of May, that President Reagan's March 23, 1983 speech announcing the SDI was "one of the most irresponsible and destructive utterances that a President has made in a nuclear age." The "Star Wars," speech, he ranted, "with its false promise of unattainable safety, was a major contribution to international danger."

Brazenly lying to his audience that none of Reagan's advisers have supported the beam-defense proposal in public, Bundy accused the administration of pursuing a nuclear policy "full of half-truths." He called on Americans to make Reagan "realize enough is enough" and to outgrow the notion that anyone can be first in nuclear arms strength. If Reagan can't be persuaded of the error of his ways, said Bundy, then "we can call upon our next President to come out from behind the half truths that are lies, and the secrets that are only self-serving, and the easy appeals to what we would like to think—that it is all Moscow's fault, or that we can have progress in arms control if we do not respect the simple but inescapable need for Soviet agreement." The "next President" Bundy has in mind is Walter Mondale, whom Bundy advises on various policy-making decisions behind the scenes.

Others have leveled the same charges against the U.S. strategic defense project—the Kremlin, for one, and such pseudoscientists as IBM's Richard Garwin, a product of the Pugwash networks which have long functioned as a back channel between the United States and the Soviet Union. But the fact that someone of Bundy's stature within the Establishment should choose to make such a public attack at this time represents a significant escalation in the anti-beam crusade.

Bundy has all the credentials to assume leadership of the "America Last" movement. A blueblood whose family has intermarried with the Tory Boston Brahminate for generations, Bundy has played a central role in some of the worst perversions perpetrated upon the United States in the postwar era.

After putting in a stint at Harvard as professor and dean, Bundy was dispatched by the Establishment elite into the Kennedy administration, where he became special adviser to the President on national security. From that crucial post, Bundy helped exploit successive crises—from the Berlin Wall to the Cuban missiles—in such a way as to eventually persuade President Kennedy to send Averell Harriman off to Moscow to negotiate the 1963 Test Ban Treaty. That treaty was a most important first step in undercutting U.S. defenses—including the fledgling antiballistic-missile (ABM) program then under development—and giving Moscow the opportunity to achieve its current strategic superiority over the United States. The supposedly "pro-peace" Bundy also helped engineer the Kennedy administration's decision to escalate American involvement in the disastrous Vietnam War.

When JFK was assassinated—and Bundy, as national security adviser, moved with suspicious speed to impose the coverup that there was "no conspiracy"—Bundy moved on.
The end of arms control

Although Bundy in his AAAS address brought up some of the usual bogus objections that are raised against the beam program—it won’t work, costs too much, etc.—he made no bones about the real reason why he and his cronies have made its destruction their number-one priority.

“Star Wars,” said Bundy, is “a provocation to the Soviets,” and “together with the onset of the cold war, the impasse over international control, with its absence of real negotiations, put an end to serious hope of international agreement” on arms control “for more than a decade.”

To put it more plainly, Bundy correctly believes that the Strategic Defense Initiative has thrown a monkey wrench into the so-called New Yalta deal which he and his colleagues, such as Henry Kissinger and Britain’s Lord Carrington, have deluded themselves into thinking they have struck with the Soviets. Under this secret agreement, which was first worked out by the evil Lord Bertrand Russell through his Pugwash network in the 1950s, the world is to be divided up between an “Eastern empire” ruled by Moscow, and a “Western empire” ruled by the Bundys of this world. Both imperial divisions would be based on oligarchical principles, in which a tiny elite rules over a mass of illiterate, brutish slaves. This is the complete antithesis of the republican principles embodied in the American Constitution—but it is the perfervid desire of Bundy and his fellow “patricians.”

The Kremlin has demanded that the United States abandon its beam-defense program as part of the “New Yalta” scheme. And though there is abundant evidence that the Soviets are throwing everything they can muster into developing a sophisticated directed-energy ABM system of their own, and have every intention of using it to exert their domination worldwide, Bundy & Company are scrambling to obey Moscow’s commands.

Indeed, Bundy’s speech came less than two weeks after Soviet party chieftain Konstantin Chernenko had sent a letter to Richard Garwin and his fellow quack, Carl Sagan of “nuclear winter” fame, in which he blasted the United States’ strategic missile defense program as “menacing” and demanded “urgent steps” to dismantle it.

Bundy’s anti-beam tirade is clearly an attempt to salvage what is left of the “New Yalta” deal. Through a successful campaign to derail the U.S. strategic defense program, the Establishment hopes it can appease Moscow and get the “New Yalta” arrangement back on track.

Getting Bundy’s goat

Much to Bundy’s chagrin, that point was raised at an AAAS press conference on May 28. In a brief statement to the press, Bundy had complained that the President’s beam program reflected America’s major “problem”—that it “wants to be number one”—and that “even JFK” suffered from this horrible affliction.

When an EIR reporter asked Bundy whether his opposition to the program was based not on technical grounds, but on the grounds that it would interfere with the “New Yalta” deal, and because Bundy was “pathologically opposed to technological progress,” Bundy went into a rage. Turning livid, wringing a pencil between his hands, and grimacing savagely, Bundy screamed: “LaRoach! LaRoach! I won’t answer a question from a LaRoach person! Go back to LaRoach and tell him you’ve done your duty!” The “LaRoach” to whom Bundy referred is Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., EIR’s
founder and currently a Democratic presidential candidate running on a platform which calls for a crash program for beam-defense development. Bundy and LaRouche have clashed for over a decade, and the former’s mispronunciation of the latter’s name betrays the level of infantile rage Bundy holds for him.

Bundy was not alone in his fervent denunciations of the SDI. Gen. Brent Scowcroft, Henry Kissinger’s business partner and close political collaborator, also issued a denunciation of the program during a panel on technology and arms control. Scowcroft, who chaired the Reagan administration’s Commission on Strategic Forces, which recommended clamping a lid on the beam program, claimed that funds for the program had been diverted from the budget for point-defense systems—an outright lie—and that it would result in the removal of U.S. nuclear weapons from Europe, “consequently making Europe more vulnerable to Soviet conventional attack”—another lie.

When an EIR reporter asked Scowcroft if his hostility to the beam program didn’t stem from his pal Henry’s desire to maintain the “New Yalta” deal, Scowcroft could only protest, “I’m not a Kissinger clone.”

‘Heinous crimes’

Scowcroft and Bundy were just two of the opponents of U.S. defense who spoke at the AAAS convention. Although the meeting had its share of panels on “Calcium and Bone Health” and “Aging of Cholinergic Pathways in the Nervous System,” these merely served as a drawing card to lure honest scientists and others to what in fact was a mass brainwashing session on the “benefits” of unilateral disarmament, as well as euthanasia, infanticide, and other crimes.

A large proportion of conference sessions was devoted to the need for arms control, with a specific emphasis on halting the development of all space defense, including anti-satellite (ASAT) weaponry. The Soviets have operational ASATs already and are developing second generation ASATs. The AAAS leadership made no attempt to give even the appearance of impartiality to these panels, which were dominated by anti-beam spokesmen. One of the most outspoken was Chernenko correspondent Richard Garwin, who helped produce the outrageously incompetent anti-strategic-defense indictment released recently by the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS). Garwin appeared on no less than three panels where he lied like Pinocchio about the beam program. Garwin’s call for a ban on space defense and a moratorium on ASAT testing was echoed by a slew of participants, including Robert W. Buchheim, who headed the American delegation to the ASAT negotiations during the Carter administration. During one session, Buchheim accused the Reagan administration of “squandering time with these damned studies” of ASAT ban verifiability, and said, “We should call the Soviets up on the phone this afternoon and tell them we’re on our way.”

Singing the same old tune was Stephen M. Meyer of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who said that the Soviets have “a sincere interest in negotiating” such a ban, and Dr. Hugh DeWitt of Lawrence Livermore, who urged an immediate ban on further development of ASATs on the grounds that “this very dangerous possible new technology can be stopped now. In a couple of years it will be too late.”

Hobnobbing with these foes of the Reagan administration program was Dr. Richard Beal, assistant for crisis management at the Reagan National Security Council. Beal’s speech reflected the cockiness of the “palace guard” around President Reagan that they have convinced the President that no strategic crisis exists. The Soviets, said Beal, “are doing nothing out of the ordinary that would make us nervous. As the articulator of policy, the President does not want to exacerbate the situation by raising the temperature on the level of deeds. The President has been made well aware of the danger of the rhetoric in many of his statements. This awareness has been heightened by the election campaign. He doesn’t want to exacerbate the situation by giving credence to Soviet attempts to exacerbate the situation, by making Soviet words become deeds through rhetoric [emphasis added].”

One of the only pro-SDI speakers allowed to participate was Dr. Robert Jastrow, the eminent astrophysicist. Aside from his scientific credentials, Jastrow is a witty polemicist who was nearly physically assaulted by Dick Garwin after delivering a shattering refutation of the UCS and OTA reports. Jastrow charged that gross factual errors in the UCS report, in particular, were “heinous crimes” and accused UCS adviser Garwin of “shoddy work.” The vast majority of the American population supports beam defense, said Jastrow, but “the brains of my physicist friends turn to scrambled eggs” whenever the subject comes up.

Infanticide and euthanasia

Given the fanatical devotion of Bundy et al. to the cause of sabotaging the beam-weapon defense effort, it comes as no surprise that the second dominant theme of the conference was how to decimate the world’s population. That was made clear when conventioneers arrived to register and received copies of the May issue of Science magazine, the AAAS official publication. The cover story, “Infanticide: Why?” justified that hideous crime as a population-control policy, based on the “fact” that the killing of children in human society is an unavoidable holdover of our animal antecedents! That was only for starters. One special address on “The Population Factor in Africa’s Development Dilemma” called for “massive action” to control population growth in the developing sector. A conference panel on “Decision Making for Catastrophically Ill Newborns” featured Alexander Morgan Capron as a speaker. Capron recently served as executive director of the President’s Commission for the Study of Ethical Problems in Medicine, whose final report endorsed withholding food and water from terminally ill patients. The Commission also provided a sympathetic forum to people like Derek Humphrey, founder of the pro-suicide Hemlock
Society, and Mary Ann Warren, a professor at San Francisco State University who has called for using "lethal injections" on handicapped newborns.

Yet another panel avidly discussed the need to hold down medical costs by fostering the growth of such substandard substitutes for hospital care as hospices and Health Maintenance Organizations.

Not only is the U.S. scientific community helping to disarm America, but it is now helping to kill off its next generation. What more could the Kremlin ask?

AAAS pushes disarmament and infanticide

Among the many presentations attacking the Reagan administration's so-called "Star Wars" policy, and advocating a wide range of disarmament measures was a paper delivered by Hugh E. DeWitt titled "A View of Nuclear Policy from Inside a Weapons Laboratory." Because DeWitt has spent the last 27 years as a physicist on the staff of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, one of the two nuclear weapons design laboratories of the United States, his remarks drew significant favorable media attention, including from the rabidly anti-beam defense New York Times. Excerpts from Dr. DeWitt's paper, which reveal how deeply the Pugwash orientation extends into the U.S. scientific and defense community, follow:

"...I have reached the conclusion that the scientists in the weapons laboratories play a major role in driving and perpetuating the nuclear arms race between the United States and the Soviet Union. A basic reason behind this driving force and its great influence on national policy decisions is a strong belief...that high technology can provide for safety and national security in a dangerous world. Coupled with this belief in the efficacy of technological solutions as being paramount over political solutions there is also a high degree of enthusiasm for possible new technologies that will supposedly keep the U.S. militarily ahead of the U.S.S.R...."

"...I feel that if the danger of nuclear war is to be reduced and if national security is to be improved, then political agreements between the nuclear powers are more conducive to safety than the current uninhibited technological race. Specifically, I believe a number of constructive steps can be taken, namely:

"1) Ratification at last of a number of useful arms control treaties of recent years such as SALT II and the Threshold Test Ban Treaty of 1974.
"2) Resumption of negotiations toward an end to nuclear weapons testing resulting in either a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty. . . .
"3) Serious negotiations as soon as possible to ban further development of anti-satellite weapons. This very dangerous possible new technology can be stopped now; in a couple of years it will be too late.

"4) The proposed massive new Strategic Defense Initiative—the Star Wars program described by President Reagan in his March 23, 1983 speech—should be stopped now so as to prevent a major new round of the arms race in space.

"5) Existing arms control treaties, such as the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty, should be reaffirmed and strengthened.

"An end to nuclear weapons testing is in my mind the central point in the above list...[it] would prevent the development of exotic new devices such as the nuclear pumped x-ray laser and other directed energy weapons concepts intended as part of Reagan's Star War proposals..."

"There is serious debate now in the American scientific community as to whether these new ideas for 'defensive nuclear weapons' can ever lead to any weapon system worth deploying. I share the skepticism of the Union of Concerned Scientists myself.... The momentum behind developing even 'defensive' nuclear weapons for use in space will almost certainly lead to the abrogation of the ABM Treaty. At that point the present fragile structure of arms control treaties is likely to become completely unravelled. The Soviets will certainly not stand still.... I find this prospect of an arms race in space to be very frightening...."

"For these and various reasons I feel that the exuberance and enthusiasm of the weapons labs for both old and new nuclear weapons technology should be curbed by the political leaders of this country...."

The cover story of the May issue of Science 84, the official magazine of the AAAS, was entitled, "Infanticide: Why?"

Written by Barbara Burke, the article drew upon evidence of infanticide among monkeys and other animals to justify the practice among the human "animal," particularly under population pressures. Excerpts follow:

"Among some animal species, then, infant killing appears to be a natural practice. Could it be natural for humans, too—a trait inherited from our primate ancestors? When we hear that some mother has killed her own baby, we are horrified and assume she must be deranged. Some killers, of course, are sick. A recent study of Canadian homicide figures, showed, for example, that nearly half the parents convicted of killing their own children were mentally ill—though it is not clear whether this was the cause or effect of the killing.

"But human infanticide is too widespread historically and geographically to be explained away just as a pathology or the peculiarity of some aberrant culture. Charles Darwin noted in The Descent of Man that infanticide has been 'probably the most important of all' checks on population growth throughout most of human history. In fact, there is good evidence for infanticide in 100 hunter-gatherer and agricultural societies."