

# International Intelligence

## **Weinberger, DIA expose Soviet military increases**

The Soviet Union's spending on military hardware jumped "between 5% and 10% . . . primarily the result of the introduction of many new and more costly weapons systems," officials of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) announced at a press conference June 13, according to United Press International. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger directed the officials to present the estimates at the news conference.

This estimate directly contradicts those on Soviet military expenditures made by the Central Intelligence Agency last fall. At that time, a CIA report asserted that the rate of increase of Soviet military spending had declined to 2% per year in 1983. Following its release, high-ranking CIA officials held a press conference in which they warned that Soviet spending on military hardware would jump in 1984 and 1985.

The DIA officials reported that the increase in Soviet procurement covered two new attack submarines for anti-submarine warfare forces, improved versions of the SS-18 and SS-19 missiles, and many other weapons.

## **Denounce Papandreou as head of 'fascist left'**

Former Greek Defense Minister Evangelos Averof, a conservative nationalist, has called for a break with "the wretched government" of Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou, "which has never known Greece." Averof, a leader of the opposition New Democracy Party, was speaking to Greek voters on the eve of the European elections. "Papandreou should not forget that he is the prime minister and not the head of the fascist Left," Averof declared.

This attack follows wide circulation of *EIR*'s "Attic Chronicle" column in Greece. On May 7 and May 18, Greece's largest-circulation evening newspaper *Vradini* ran, with front-page promotions, extensive excerpts from the writings of columnist Phocion (with the full English text alongside in

one instance), documenting the Kissinger-KGB plot which put socialist Papandreou in power, and explaining how Papandreou is implementing the "Lebanonization of Greece."

## **Spanish labor federation calls for 'no' to NATO**

Nicholas Redondo, chairman of Spain's largest labor union federation, the Union General de los Trabajadores, on June 9 urged the Socialist government of Felipe González to stop stalling on the referendum on whether Spain will withdraw from NATO, originally set for spring 1984. Spain joined NATO a year ago, but its role has been primarily political, rather than military.

Redondo, speaking at a labor rally in Madrid, stated that he expects "all members of the unions and of the Socialist Party to say a clear *no* to NATO."

Premier González first promised the referendum in 1983, but has tried to gain time to stabilize his government in a precarious economic and political situation. Separatist/terrorist threats are growing, especially in the Basque and Catalonian regions. Pressure has been increased on González from the Socialist International faction to which his Socialist Party of Spain belongs, and on Spanish King Juan Carlos, who was recently in Moscow.

## **Map Soviet spetsnaz activity in Scandinavia**

Trucks from the Soviet bloc are being used for espionage and sabotage operations throughout Scandinavia, according to a new book published in Sweden June 6, titled *The Soviet Threat to the North*. The book provides additional documentation of *EIR*'s charge that Soviet spetsnaz undercover commando forces have stepped up their operations in Western Europe dramatically over recent months.

According to a June 7 article in *Svenska Dagbladet* newspaper, author Dragan Jovius (a Yugoslav emigré) states that increasing numbers of Soviet trucks are passing

through Swedish territory, with the following assignments:

- industrial espionage;
- illegal sales of alcohol, tobacco and drugs;
- charting militarily vital facilities such as bridges, tunnels, and canals;
- picking up radio signals, radar waves, and other telecommunications which are processed by Soviet intelligence centers.

Jovius's book provides the names of 98 Soviet citizens who he claims are intelligence agents working in Scandinavia, 51 in Sweden.

A Swedish military intelligence source, asked by *Svenska Dagbladet* to comment on the charges, said that the Swedish secret service has "suspected" such activity but has been unable to confirm it, and has been "wondering" for a long time about unusual overflights of Swedish territory by the Soviet planes.

## **Czechoslovakia charges Nazi revival in Germany**

The Czechoslovak government recalled its ambassador from Bonn for a week in mid-June, in protest over a meeting in Munich of 150,000 members of the refugee Sudeten German organization. The Czechs summoned the German ambassador in Prague to the foreign ministry to receive a harsh note denouncing "the revival of revanchism and Nazism in West Germany."

The KGB propaganda line that fascism is being revived in Germany is intended to provide the pretext for an eventual military intervention by Warsaw Pact forces into Western Europe.

The official Czech news media emphasized that "former Nazi" German President Karl Carstens attended the Munich conference. *Prace*, the trade union daily, declared that Carstens, "who voluntarily joined Hitler's fascist NSDAP in 1937 . . . has always supported the reestablishment of Greater Germany within the 1937 boundaries—as the demands of the revanchists are officially termed in Bonn now—in other words, the reestablishment of the Hitler Reich." The Czech press agency CTK said that Carstens's presence proved that "there has been

a shift in Bonn ever since the conservative government came in," and that the activities of the Sudeten Germans "prove the close links of revanchists and the traditions of fascism and Nazism."

### **Philippines deputy foreign minister hits Iran**

In an exclusive interview with *EIR* correspondents Sophie and Pakdee Tanapura in Manila, Philippines Deputy Foreign Minister Pacifico Castro declared that Zbigniew Brzezinski and former U.S. ambassador to the Philippines William Sullivan, had destroyed U.S.-Philippines relations. These are the same people, Castro noted, that had brought down the Shah of Iran. The only beneficiary of the destabilization of the Philippines, he said, will be the Soviet Union.

Castro also indicated that while joining the debtors' cartel in Ibero-America may not be a policy option for the Marcos government at this moment, the Philippines is in a good position to do so. Its diplomatic and cultural ties with Ibero-America are very close, and it is placed with Ibero-America on the commissions of the IMF and World Bank.

He also indicated his willingness to help build for regional development along the lines of the high-technology development program for the Pacific Basin put forward by Lyndon LaRouche.

### **De Benedetti wants emergency austerity government**

Speaking at a Milan meeting on the "Technological revolution and the Italian system," organized by the liberal daily *Il Giornale* on June 15, Carlo De Benedetti called for an emergency government in Italy based on "an agreement by all groups in society to impose an emergency period, in which everybody will have to face heavy sacrifices and austerity." De Benedetti is president of Olivetti and one of Italy's leading oligarchic bankers.

De Benedetti used the debt crisis to jus-

tify his demand for sacrifice, more extensive than any measures demanded by the IMF in Italy so far.

"Italy has 500,000 billion liras (\$300 billion) debt, which is the equivalent of 10 million liras debt per person. It is better that we get the population to pay this debt: in this way they will finally understand that the public deficit is everyone's debt, and they will rebel."

### **Sources say Anderson leak helps Iran**

In his syndicated column of June 11, U.S. columnist Jack Anderson revealed a current Pentagon scenario which describes a frightening possible escalation of events in the Persian Gulf leading to a U.S.-Soviet conflict. The scenario includes the danger of a full-scale confrontation between the United States and the Soviet Union inside Iran, coupled with a retaliatory Soviet military invasion of Western Europe.

Intelligence community sources say the Anderson piece reflects certain excerpted sections of a national security document which considers a number of possible outcomes of the ongoing Persian Gulf crisis.

One of the scenarios omitted by Anderson describes a British manipulation of the Gulf crisis to bring about an increase in world oil prices.

Analysts in Washington, D.C. characterized the Anderson leak as an attempt by State Department centered factions within the Reagan administration to counter consideration of a direct U.S. intervention to defeat Khomeini and check Islamic fundamentalism.

One source, identified as "Ed," indicated that, despite the line leaked to Jack Anderson, options presently exist for active military initiatives inside Iran from anti-Khomeini forces formerly associated with the Shah.

This option is being considered by pro-Western moderate Arab governments, but it would depend on approval from Washington.

## **Briefly**

● **SERGEI ANTONOV**, the "Bulgarian" arrested for involvement in Ali Agca's attempt on the life of Pope John Paul II, is no Bulgarian at all, but a "Russian and an officer in the GRU, Soviet military intelligence," West German television journalist Gerhard Löwenthal reported on June 13.

● **LT. GEN. DANNY GRAHAM** will arrive in London in July "to drum up British and European support" for his High Frontier alternative to President Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative, the *Daily Telegraph* reported June 15. Graham's group is organizing two conferences on "the implications of the new technology"—one for parliamentarians and press, and another for industry. Working with Graham from the British side will be Air Vice-Marshal Stewart Menaul. High Frontier's "new technology" has been around since the 1960s, and it can be easily saturated by the current Soviet strategic arsenal.

● **LIBYA'S COLONEL QADDAFI** on June 11 threatened to "deal with America" by unleashing a terrorist wave there, according to a Libyan state radio report. "We can assassinate and set fires inside the territory of the United States as it did to all of us," he said. Qaddafi was speaking at ceremonies marking the 14th anniversary of the closing of U.S. bases in Libya.

● **McGEORGE BUNDY**, the chairman of the board of the U.S. Eastern Establishment, was praised in *Izvestia* on June 8 for attacking President Reagan's "Star Wars" program: "Bundy called the plan proclaimed by the master of the White House to deploy a powerful anti-missile defense system with space-based components 'one of the most irresponsible and dangerous declarations by a president in the nuclear age.' The discussion about 'star wars,' he stated, 'only favored the substantial growth of danger on an international scale' and was considered by the U.S.S.R. as a 'provocation.'"