

Pierre Lardinois, headed the study. Lardinois was Andriessen's predecessor until he left Brussels in 1977 to head Europe's large farm lending bank, Rabobank in Utrecht. Andriessen's chief deputy for international agriculture trade, the German Helmut von Verschuer, did take part in the Trilateral strategy. Brussels sources say Andriessen fully backs the report.

This is relevant to the trade-war conflict in the following way. Before coming to Washington to become U.S. trade representative last summer, Clayton Yeutter was in the same Trilateral strategy group with Lardinois and von Verschuer of the Brussels EC. Yeutter, then president of the world's leading food-commodity speculation operation, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, also worked closely in the Trilateral group with Albert Simanov, of the Paris based OECD, an economic policy body being promoted to oversee the regulation of industrial economies by international banking interests, following the May 3-6 Tokyo Economic Summit.

Simanov and his group in Paris were instrumental in inserting a paragraph into the Tokyo declaration calling for more "market oriented" policies for agriculture.

Another figure in the Trilateral strategy was Gilbert Salomon, the controversial French chairman of Socopa, the giant meat processor which was involved in fall 1985 in a corruption scandal involving von Verschuer's Directorate VI, in which huge quantities of EC surplus beef were in effect given free for feeding the Soviet Red Army. Socopa is controlled by 20-year-long Gorbachov intimate, France's "Red Billionaire" Jean Baptiste Doumeng.

The man who engineered the bureaucratic details of the meat scandal, Claude Villain, left Directorate VI, where he had been von Verschuer's boss, to become president of Socopa. Today, Villain is a senior civil servant advising French Finance and Privatization Minister Edouard Balladur on agriculture! Balladur was the man who reportedly forced the new Agriculture Minister Guillaume to back down from earlier insistence on higher farm prices from the EC. That compromise has unleashed chaos in European farming as prices drop below breakeven for tens of thousands of family farmers.

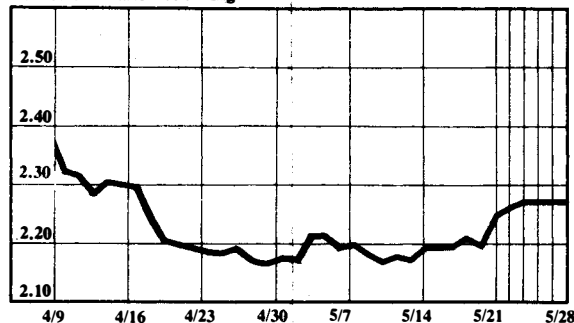
Finally, the presence in the Trilateral agriculture group of Aart de Zeeuw, another Dutchman close to Lardinois and Andriessen, must be noted. He is chairman of the GATT Committee on Trade in Agriculture, where the trade dispute will likely be referred for negotiation.

This "free market" strategy, as one participant admitted in private discussion, will allow the large international agriculture lending banks such as Trilateral founder David Rockefeller's Chase Manhattan (tied to Cargill), and Trilateral strategist Lardinois's Rabobank, or the French Crédit Agricole whose director-general, Jacques Lallement, is a member of the Trilateral Commission, to buy up the most vital farms and farm production assets in the coming depression. Already, Rabobank is targeting the top 30% of U.S. farms which are being sold for pennies in some hard-hit farm states.

Currency Rates

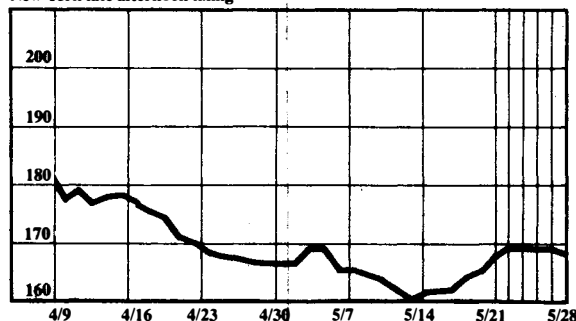
The dollar in deutschemarks

New York late afternoon fixing



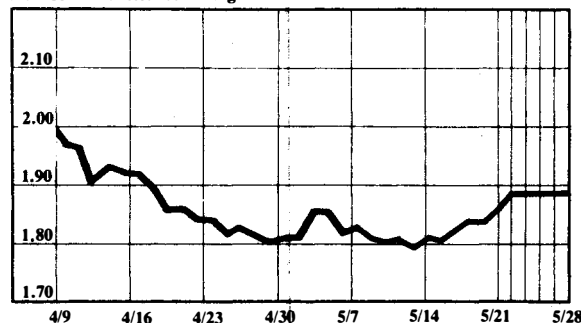
The dollar in yen

New York late afternoon fixing



The dollar in Swiss francs

New York late afternoon fixing



The British pound in dollars

New York late afternoon fixing

