

# International Intelligence

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## German Social Dems map ties to the East

Leaders of the West German Social Democratic Party (SPD) are currently mobilizing support for a draft party program which calls for "a security partnership between East and West" and "a total withdrawal from nuclear technology." It demands reorienting NATO armed forces for a "non-attack capability," and replacing NATO with a West European defense system if "the United States continues to use the Alliance as an instrument for its military superiority and confrontation-seeking global strategy."

The program, which is scheduled to be adopted at the party's national congress in August, is indistinguishable from Soviet propaganda, and in many respects from the program of the fascist ecologists, the Greens.

Erhard Eppler, an ultra-leftist who heads the party's Commission on Basic Values, announced on July 3 that the new program would mean "a farewell to the notion of technological dependencies." The future, he said, in reference to America's Strategic Defense Initiative, "lies in the solution of problems here on Earth, rather than in outer space."

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## Soviets boost forces in Europe

The Soviet Union is building a capability for conventional attack on Western Europe, warned the inspector-general of the German Armed Forces, Gen. Wolfgang Altenburg, in an interview to Deutsche Welle radio on July 8. Numerous statements by Soviet military leaders lead to the conclusion that they believe in the option of a limited conventional war against Western Europe, he said.

Altenburg, who recently issued a "Situation Report" pointing to massive Soviet superiority over NATO forces in Europe, cited the modernization of equipment in all categories of the Soviet armed forces. New missiles with conventional warheads stationed in East Germany and Czechoslovakia threaten about 300 key NATO bases in West

Germany, he said. The T-80 tank is being introduced in Soviet divisions stationed in Eastern Europe.

Altenburg called for an increase in NATO's own conventional armaments to meet this threat.

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## 'Black Africans will be hurt most by sanctions'

President Quett Masire of Botswana said on July 8 that South Africa's blacks and its black neighbors would suffer the most if Western countries imposed economic sanctions on South Africa. "We are vulnerable in the highest degree," Masire said, in an interview with the German newspaper *Die Welt*.

Almost all of Botswana's imports and exports are channeled through South Africa. "Obviously, we can't prohibit the West from imposing sanctions on South Africa and we welcome every form of pressure on the apartheid regime," Masire said. "But the people who would be hardest hit by a boycott and reprisal measures by the South Africans are simply the blacks, the neighboring states like Botswana."

Even if Western nations gave extra help to his country and other black African states, he said, it would never compensate for the damage done.

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## Soviet role in drug trafficking exposed

A Soviet ship, the *Captain Tomson*, was quietly seized on May 30 in the port of Rotterdam, Holland, with 220 kilos of heroin aboard—the first time that Western authorities are known to have caught Soviet nationals directly involved in drug-trafficking.

Yet, the Rotterdam bust was covered by a conspiracy of silence. Dutch police released no details, and the media at the time only mentioned the arrest of three Dutch nationals.

Soviet involvement was first revealed in the Italian newspaper *Il Giornale* on July 2, which quoted from a report by Italian Anti-

Mafia High Commissioner, Prefect Riccardo Boccia: "From preliminary investigations, it has emerged that this remarkable amount of heroin [the biggest seizure in Europe ever] came from Kabul in Afghanistan, and, by land, through Soviet territory. It was transported to the shores of the Baltic Sea in Latvia, to the port of Riga, and from there it was boarded on the cited ship for the Netherlands."

*Il Giornale* also revealed on July 8 that a top-secret directive of the Soviet KGB, designated "M-120/00-50," was given to Western intelligence services on Feb. 10, 1971 by a Bulgarian defector, Stefan Sverdlev. The directive, dating from 1967, allegedly included plans for using drugs to destabilize the Western countries. The strategy for manipulating corruption in the West was launched in 1967, during a top meeting of the Eastern intelligence services in Moscow. Later, in Sofia, Bulgaria, a more detailed strategy was worked out, and drug traffic was a focus.

*Il Giornale* also reported that drug cultivation is widespread on Soviet territory: "In Uzbekistan the drug seems to be the primary natural resource. In Soviet Asia, there is an infinity of plantations; in Kazakhstan, in Tadzhikistan, in Turkmenistan, and also in Georgia and European Russia," drug plantations are to be found.

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## See sabotage in space launch disasters

French intelligence has concluded that the recent explosion of an Ariane space launch was probably due to sabotage, according to a *Los Angeles Times* article by Tad Szulc. The French have shared this information with the United States, Szulc reports, noting that French Defense Minister Giraud was in Washington for meetings last week.

The disasters which have hit the U.S. space program, beginning with the Space Shuttle Challenger explosion, may also have been caused by Soviet-directed sabotage, Szulc implies.

There was a "bizarre pattern" to the French and U.S. accidents which were "sur-

rounded by strange coincidences and unexplained events . . . including the apparent defection to the Soviet Union in 1983 of the U.S. Air Force's leading expert on rocket self-destruct procedures."

William Howard Hughes, Jr., was "worth his weight in gold to the Russians in terms of future 'Star Wars,' if we have them," Szulc.

He also reports that Russian spy "trawlers" havior" 28, steaming at flank speed to the northeast for four hours just before lift-off. The cumulative U.S./French "U.S. no longer has the capability of putting satellites into orbit to monitor Soviet nuclear deployments and serve as early-warning systems against a ballistic-missile attack."

### **Filipino body wants U.S. bases scrapped**

Members of a Philippine Commission have proposed the scrapping of the strategically vital U.S. bases on the islands. The commission, charged with drafting a new constitution, is considering a proposal not to renew the agreement allowing operation of the U.S. bases at Clark Field and Subic Bay.

Of 50 members of the commission, 17 were said to have endorsed the proposal on July 8. The results of public hearings conducted by the commission were said to show popular sentiment for removal of the bases.

The United States and the Philippines have disagreed on the nature of the U.S. basing arrangement. The United States pays \$900 million annually for the operation of the bases. The United States calls this aid, while the Philippines considers it rent.

### **A 'Berlin Wall' on U.S.-Mexico border?**

"Let Us Close Our Back Door" a blueprint for militarizing the U.S.-Mexico border, by either bringing three Army units over from Europe or calling up the National Guard and the Naval Reserve forces. This

scenario for deserting Europe has circulated among U.S. Navy circles. The author is Rear-Admiral William P. Mack (USN-ret.).

He writes: "We Must:

"Prepare to establish on short notice a continuous barrier along the entire 2,000 miles of the U.S.-Mexican border. . . . The border is approximately 2,000 miles long, half of it river, most of which is not readily fordable. Assume that 1,000 watch towers, placed two miles apart, are manned by two persons using binoculars, searchlights, and personnel movement sensors. . . . On a five-to-one manning basis, this will require 10,000 persons. Assume 1,000 intercept units of one truck and two persons placed in the rear between towers. This means another 10,000 persons. Plan for another 20,000 persons for administration, logistics, stockade manning, and other contingencies, and you have used up most of three Army divisions. . . ."

What does the author propose to do to keep drugs from entering the country? "Legalize and control drugs as is now done with alcohol."

lished in April 1985 in the U.S. Naval Academy Alumni Association's magazine, *Shipmate*.

### **Paris daily found guilty of defamation**

The Parti Ouvrier Européen (POE) in France has won a law suit against the Socialist daily, *Le Matin de Paris*, which ran a slanderous piece in March calling the POE a "sect led by mentally-sick people."

campaign in France on behalf of the international programs of Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

The First Civil Court of the Paris Tribunal ruled that such an allegation is more than abuse, that it is defamatory to both Jacques Cheminade, general secretary of the POE, and his party, and damaging to the image of both.

*Le Matin de Paris* was ordered to pay 13,000 francs to Cheminade and the POE, and to pay for the publication of the ruling in two French national newsdailies.

## Briefly

● **'I SEDUCED** a lot of underage boys," representative in the West German parliament, stated in the July 6 edition of *Bild am Sonntag*. It reported that Rusche's office is full of "pin ups" reportedly the only open homosexual in the Parliament. He framed Green policy on "the rights of homosexuals," children. He was once a male nurse, but was fired because "he was a danger to the children. . . ."

● **MIKHAIL GORBACHOV** has proposed that the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council hold a conference on the Middle East, during talks with French President François Mitterrand in Moscow July 9. Unnamed Soviet diplomatic sources cited by UPI note that central to Moscow's Middle East strategy is that of "reunifying the PLO"—i.e. eliminating Yasser Arafat.

● **THE WHITE HOUSE** announced July 9 that President Reagan will meet with Miguel de la Madrid, the Mexican President, on Aug. 13 in Washington. President de la Madrid has accepted the invitation, which comes as Mexico, burdened with a \$97.6 billion foreign debt, has made clear it can no longer honor the debt service demands of principally the U.S. financial community.

● **ABU ABBAS**, the fugitive terrorist leader protected by NBC-TV, was among three Palestinians sentenced by an Italian court to life imprisonment July 10 for their part in the hijacking of the Achille Lauro cruise liner and the murder of American Leon Klinghoffer in waters off Egypt last year. Three others received long jail terms.

● **NIGERIA AND GHANA** will boycott the Commonwealth Games scheduled for later this month in Edinburgh, Scotland, because of Britain's refusal to impose sanctions against South Africa. In Lagos, news spokesman Durq Onabule described the government's move as "a major foreign policy decision."