

# Britain's Heseltine warns: Soviets to mobilize 'Green Peace' against the West

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On Nov. 23, former British Defense Secretary Michael Heseltine made a surprising speech in London. Usually regarded as what, in Britain, is called a "wet," or someone with soft-liberal views toward the Soviet Union, and speaking before the arch-liberal Royal Institute of International Affairs, Heseltine delivered a toughly worded speech, warning that the Soviets were trying to undermine the defenses and political structures of the West, by exploiting and manipulating environmentalist and "Green" movements in the West.

Heseltine warned that the Soviets would use the concept of "ecological security," to "hijack the environmental agenda . . . for ulterior purposes." Soviet initiatives on "the environment," he said, would be aimed at energizing "Green Peace" movements, especially in the Federal Republic of Germany, that will demand the *démontage* of Western defenses. Heseltine also warned that the Soviets would use the idea of "international cooperation in the ecological field," as a sly means of procuring from the West, advanced technologies with potential military applications.

The former defense secretary linked this to the new "sophistication" of Soviet policy since Gorbachov came to power, which, rather than furthering the cause of peace and cooperation, might soon create a "more dangerous, less predictable world, in which a new ingredient of instability re-injects something of yesterday's dangers into the continent of Europe. . . . Mr. Gorbachov has a new approach. And as yet little appreciated in the West, Green Peace is to assume a new and potentially dangerous significance. . . . You do not have to be a cold war warrior to recognize that a new arena has been opened in which to fight some of the old battles."

In crucial features, Heseltine's speech echoed *EIR's* published warnings about Soviet-green cooperation. Most recently, and exclusively in the West, this magazine had published excerpts from the July, 1988 speech by Soviet Col.-Gen. Vladimir Kryuchkov, prior to Kryuchkov's Sept. 30-Oct. 1 appointment as head of the KGB. Speaking before an internal Soviet Foreign Ministry conference, Kryuchkov declared that Soviet policy toward the West, especially but not only toward West Germany, would be to "orient to the Greens and the peace movements to put these people in the forefront." (See "The Soviets play their 'green card' to destabilize the West," *EIR*, Vol. 15, No. 45, Nov. 11, 1988.)

Heseltine's warnings coincide with a growing alarm in British military and intelligence circles about intensified Soviet spying operations against the West. On Nov. 27, the mass-circulation *Sunday Express* weekly ran a front-page article, under the banner headline, "Call off your spies, Mikhail," reporting that British Prime Minister Thatcher is under intense pressure from the heads of Britain's MI5 and MI6 intelligence services, to "order Mr. Gorbachov to clear out the red spy network in Britain." The paper reported that the mastermind of this spy offensive was none other than Comrade Kryuchkov, the man "handpicked by Gorbachov to head the KGB."

## A political storm in Italy

Heseltine's RIIA address was not an isolated event in Europe. On Nov. 24 and 25, the Italian Catholic daily *Avvenire* published a two-part, detailed exposé on the international controllers, East and West, of the Greens.

Journalist Maurizio Blondet reported on Comrade Kryuchkov's July speech, and other features of Soviet pro-green propaganda. But whereas Heseltine neglected to mention those Western interests whose patronage of the "green" movements opens the door to Soviet subversion, Blondet mercilessly went after the Western oligarchical control points over the "green movements," ranging from Prince Philip in Britain and Prince Bernhard in the Netherlands, to such multinationals as Shell, and such age-old European noble families as the Caracciolo.

Blondet reported that leading Green spokesman in Italy, especially in and around the Radical Party, had begun to echo the propaganda and ideology of the Nazis. As a prime source for his information, he cited "the dossier of *Executive Intelligence Review*, an American group whose expertise is looking at the occult lobbies."

This has provoked a storm of controversy in Italy. Italian Green city councilman Alexander Langer, from the area around Bolzano, is threatening to sue Blondet because of his exposure of Langer's relationship to Libya's Colonel Qaddafi. The tobacco conglomerate Philip Morris is threatening a suit, over Blondet's claim that the company had helped finance the Italian Radical Party's campaigns in favor of legalization of drugs. Perhaps the fact that, in recent years,

Philip Morris chairman Joseph Cullman III, had been the effective coordinator of the activities of the U.S. branch of the World Wildlife Fund, may have something to do with the company's reaction.

### 'Green perestroika' and 'Eco-Nazis'

In mid-November, French Communist Party head Georges Marchais was invited to West Germany by the West German Communist Party, the DKP. According to the French CP daily *L'Humanité*, a central purpose of the Marchais visit was to hold strategy sessions with the German Greens.

Then, on Nov. 26, the liberal London *Guardian* reported one case study of how the Soviets work with the greens. Since *Guardian* correspondent Walter Schwarz is devoutly sympathetic to gnostic "green" ideologies, in their Eastern and Western forms, his account is all the more revealing. Schwarz reported on a recent East-West ecological conference that was held sailing up the Danube River. Calling this event a prime example of "green perestroika, ecological awareness that is breaking out all over Eastern Europe," he reported that "even official Russians can sound like deep greens . . . [and] deep ecologists. . . . In Moscow's cauldron of ideas, deep ecology is being mixed in with refurbished Marxism."

"Deep ecology" is a specific term, used by followers of the Norwegian gnostic philosopher Arne Naess (known among ecologists as "the father of the 'deep ecology movement' ") to connote a radical challenge to the very premises of the Judeo-Christian belief in scientific and technological progress. One of Naess's pet ideas is that global population must be drastically reduced, to a level perhaps as low as 100 million people. In pursuit of such policies of mass murder, certain Naess followers who write for the American magazine *Earth First!* have praised the AIDS virus, as a means of population reduction. It is to Naess and followers that the Italian newspaper *Corriere della Sera* was referring in June of this year, when it coined the term "eco-Nazis."

Naess is linked to those Norwegian circles who hosted a meeting of the Soviet-front "World Peace Council" July 2-4 of this year, on the subject of "ecology." This was one of the signal, if little publicized, events of the year, in bringing the "peace" and "green-ecology" movements together under Soviet patronage.

The group that sponsored the Danube conference was the "Eco-Forum for Peace," founded in the mid-1980s by Eastern and Western gnostics and officially headquartered in the Bulgarian port city of Varna. The "Eco-Forum" has also been known as the "Varna Group," or the "Club of Varna." Its past president, who participated in the Danube meetings, is Ivan Frolov, recently appointed one of the select few in the inner advisory "cabinet" of Soviet leader Gorbachov. Frolov is quoted by Schwarz, declaring, "The problem of peace and the problem of preserving nature are dialectically interrelated."

## Rome meeting proves case for lower tuning

More than 90 people, including famed musicians and government officials, gathered in Rome Nov. 24 to attend a conference on the theme, "Let's Keep Bel Canto Alive in the World." Bel Canto, or beautiful singing, was the method of teaching voice developed during the Italian Renaissance. The conference was sponsored by the Schiller Institute, which, in Milan last April, launched an international campaign to restore the original lower tuning of the great classical composers, pivoted on middle-C at 256 vibrations per second ( $A = 432$ ), as against the current orchestral practice of tuning to  $A = 440$  or higher. The lower tuning is deemed essential not only to preserve the human voice, but to render truly the intended registration of great musical compositions.

Conference spokesmen said they were confident that this and other events on the same theme were helping to forge what Giuseppe Verdi called an *Esercito di Prodi*, an army of fighters for culture, freedom, and justice.

The Italian Ministry of Culture's auditorium in the State Recording Library was filled with people representing important parts of the music world. Two officers were sent by the General Staff of the Italian Army, one the conductor of the Army Military Band, and the other representing the historical office, where the War Ministry Decree of 1884, inspired by Giuseppe Verdi, establishing tuning at  $A = 432$ , is kept. The two reported that they would write a report for the General Staff recommending the acquisition of  $A = 432$  wind instruments.

Among dozens of singers attending, there was a baritone who chairs the Lauri Volpi Singers Competition, and who said that, beginning with his organization's Dec. 6-8 competition, Verdi's scientific tuning would be used. Presidents of cultural associations were also in attendance, including the prestigious *Academia Filarmonica Romana* and the *Perosi Center*.

Two singers from the National Soloists Association announced that they will organize an  $A = 432$  concert inside the Italian Parliament in December. The Parliament is about to consider legislation that would make tuning at the lower pitch the law in Italian concert halls.

An alto *lieder* singer of English origin, now living in Rome, was so enthusiastic about the tuning campaign that she telephoned the editor of an important British music magazine, who not only asked her for an article about the Schiller Institute initiative, but also volunteered to organize a confer-