

es, speeches are delivered by fascists." And a third one, Mirko Kovac: "Today every honest man in Belgrade and in Serbia must feel lonely and miserable." What has been done against Croatia "is a genocide of the culture, this is the desire that one nation be exterminated by destroying that people's sacred things and their culture. This will be recorded in history as an act of dishonor, the final blackout of the mind."

The question now is: How will history remember the international backers of Milosevic? The prosecution could maybe start with the infamous, hypocritical speech of Secretary of State James Baker in Belgrade after the overwhelming vote for independence in Slovenia and Croatia. Baker said he preferred "unity" of Yugoslavia. The Greater Serbians saw this as the alibi they were awaiting: The Federal Army was unchained. The massacre began.

The Yugoslav Army has supplied troops with medical drugs in their first-aid kits along with instructions for use, according to a Nov. 5 news bulletin from the Foreign Press Bureau in Zagreb, Croatia. The drugs in one such kit found in a captured tank near Farkas around Oct. 22 were described by a medic in the National Guard of Sisak (Croatia), a former medical student working on a master's degree. One drug packet contained "Fortal," produced in Slovenia. Its international pharmaceutical name is Pentasocin; a morphine derivative, it can act as a hallucinogen. According to University of Zagreb pharmacology professor Dr. Lackovic, it is known to cause anxiety, nightmares, and loss of control of thought processes, and could be addictive.

A second drug in the packet, "Okamid," has the international name Piracetam. It is normally used to treat illnesses which cause physical damage to the brain, like senile dementia, some cerebrovascular disorders, and alcohol-induced delirium. Dr. Lackovic said that if taken by healthy patients it could cause palpitations, nervousness, and aggressiveness.

The medic stressed that these are perfectly legal pharmaceuticals but should only be administered by trained professionals under a doctor's prescription. The directions in the packet suggest that Fortal be used as a painkiller and Okamid to combat fatigue, without mentioning the side effects. Most incredibly, the instructions recommend they be used by pilots and tank crews. Former medical technicians who have served in the Yugoslav Army report that they were directed to pack other drugs in these kits at times, including Ravibol, an amphetamine derivative psychostimulant which induces euphoria and can cause schizophrenia.

Croatian medical HQ appeals for truth

The following "Appeal for the Truth about the Dirty War Against the Republic of Croatia" was received by fax. EIR made minor corrections to the English, and elided a few passages which were illegible. It is addressed: "To all our colleagues; to all people of good will."

Ladies and Gentlemen,

After a thousand years of living on the tortuous path of European history and after 45 years of existing in one-dimensional communism, the Croatian people finally met the chance to live in democracy and prosperity. The first free and democratic elections in summer 1990 clearly expressed the wish of the Croatian people to live in a non-communist state based on parliamentary democracy. And we were not alone on this path in Yugoslavia; three other republics (Slovenia, Macedonia, and Bosnia Hercegovina) clearly expressed the same attitude.

Unfortunately, the two remaining republics (Serbia and Montenegro) chose to remain the ardent representatives of communism, abundantly supported by the Yugoslav Federal Army which has a predominantly Serbian commanding staff and was tightly connected with U.S.S.R. General Yazov.

As you may easily conclude, it is very hard to imagine a successful way of organizing social, political, and economic life in the federal state in which both parliamentary democracy and hardline communism are competing ideologies. Taking into account that over 1 million Croats live in the other republics of the former Yugoslavia and that the Serbian people are solely responsible for their own destiny, we have chosen to live in a free and independent country and to make reasonable and peaceful arrangements for future life with our immediate neighbors.

But alas, the Serbian communists are not interested in negotiations or even the democratic and economic prosperity of their own people. They only care to preserve communism and to retain domination over the whole territory of the former Yugoslavia. The only thing which they are able to offer to their own people is the dream of Greater Serbia ("All Serbs must live within one single State"); the only arguments they are capable to make are *argumentum ad hominem* (in the form of unprecedented Goebbels-like methods, military repression and destruction). The only way for the regime of

Slobodan Milosevic and General Kadijevic to hide the total failure of their social and economic policy is to perpetuate the war. The single most important "enemy" to be conquered in this war is the Republic of Croatia—this was economically the most powerful Yugoslav Republic and the Croats are the second-most numerous nation in Yugoslavia (after the Serbians).

Accordingly, we have been accused of repression over the Serbian minority in our republic and of the attempt to establish a neofascist regime and revive the "Ustashi" movement (Ustashis were the traitors to the Croatian people and Nazi servants in the so-called "Independent State of Croatia" during the Second World War). Serbian communists claim that in this we (as Catholics—Serbians belong to the Orthodox Church) are abundantly supported by the Pope in the Vatican himself as well as by Germany which attempts to establish the "Fourth Reich"!

But the reality is quite different. A number of esteemed members of our present government were active members of the partisan anti-fascist resistance movement during the Second World War (e.g., President Tudjman himself, the Commander of Medical Corps headquarters Prim. Dr. Ivan Prodan, the parents of the Minister of Health Prof. Dr. A. Hebrang, etc.). If it is permitted to say so, nine siblings and relatives of my father were killed by the Ustashi in the concentration camps during that war. Furthermore, the Serbian minority in Croatia represents only 12% of the total population in Croatia, while 35% of the total population in Serbia are of non-Serbian nationality (among them almost 2 million severely repressed Albanians in Kosovo!). There are 11 municipalities in Croatia in which Serbs represent 50-95% of the local population (the total number of citizens in these 11 municipalities is 194,669 according to the last census of 1991, and Croatia has 4,762,258 inhabitants; two-thirds of Croatian Serbs live dispersed in other parts of Croatia!). We do not have combat aircraft, battleships, nor heavy artillery or tanks, and there are practically no war operations (except for the systematic genocide of small Croatian enclaves) within the territory of these eleven "Serbian" municipalities! Instead, the Yugoslav Army supported by Serbian reservists is performing the mass destruction of civilian targets and genocide in those parts of Croatia in which Serbs represent only 5-25% of total population (e.g., Slavonia with the cities of Vukovar, Vinkovci, Osijek, Beli Manastir, Nova Gradiska, Novska; or Dalmatia with the cities of Zadar, Sibenik or Dubrovnik). Yugoslav Army generals and Milosevic say that they have to protect the unarmed inhabitants of "Serbian" villages in some parts of Croatia; they are doing so by using large-scale war weaponry (combat aircraft, tanks, multiple missile launchers, howitzers, mortars, and armored vehicles) to level to the ground the hundreds of cities and villages in which Croats represent 70-95% of the total population. Up to now, over 200 Catholic churches, five monasteries, and number of cultural monuments, museums, libraries, primary

and secondary schools and kindergartens, public and industrial buildings, as well as thousands of private residences were heavily damaged or completely destroyed by heavy artillery fire and numerous air raids. Tens of small Croatian villages were *ad litteram* wiped out (e.g. the villages of Skela, Staza, Struga, Uncani, Kozibrod, Majur, Hader, Pecki, Hrastovica, Cuntic, Kraljevcani, Dragotinci, Gore, Graberje, Prekopa, Vidusevac, Jukinac, Hrvatsko Selo, [illegible line]), and a number of beautiful and densely populated Croatian cities now have the appearance of Dresden at the end of the Second World War (Vukovar, Vinkovci, Osijek, Petrinja, Pakrac, Gospic, Otocac, Nova Gradiska, Novska, Drnis). The bombs of the Yugoslav Army purposefully destroyed several large hospitals (in Vukovar, Osijek, Pakrac, Gospic) and a number of smaller medical institutions all over Croatia, while numerous attacks on ambulances, medical personnel, and newspaper and TV reporters seem to represent a hobby of Serbian reservists and Chetniks [irregular forces]. It almost seems that the Geneva Conventions and other international conventions were established only to be broken by Serbian communists! Yugoslav Army generals say that they have to save the lives of their soliders in army barracks surrounded by Croatian defense forces—they are doing so, e.g., by attacking from the sea, air and land the pearl of the Adriatic coast, the city of Dubrovnik—the city in which there is no single military objective, in which Serbs represent only a few percent of the population, the city which is as a whole under the protection of Unesco as a cultural and historical monument of the highest rank! As a result of this "protection of Serbian minority and Yugoslav Army soliders," there are presently over 320,000 refugees and displaced persons in Croatia (156,279 of them are situated in other parts of Croatia, 66,000 in Serbia, 15,000 in Bosnia, 22,000 in Slovenia, 35,000 in Hungary, 4,000 in Austria, 1,000 in Czechoslovakia, and about 30,000 are not officially recorded in refugee offices). There are over 50,000 primary and grammar school pupils who are now refugees or displaced persons, as well as more than 20,000 small preschool children in the same position. About 1,200 teachers are now also displaced persons.

This represents only a fraction of the cruel Croatian reality today. We feel that this is the reality which has to enter the consciousness of every decent person in Europe and other parts of the world and that such a disaster represents a burden for the conscience of the whole of civilized mankind and an offense to everybody's sense of justice and humanity. Raise your voice against the destruction and violence and help Croatia to become a free, independent and democratic country within the framework of the European Community, where throughout a long history it has always belonged!

In Zagreb, October 25, 1991

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