

International Intelligence

British destabilizers upset over Amazon project

Survival International and Oxfam, two of the "action anthropology" and Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) fronts of British intelligence's terrorist international exposed in *EIR*'s March 31 issue, are frantic over Brazilian President Fernando Enrique Cardoso's decision to complete the trans-Amazonian highway that will link Brazil to the Pacific via Peru. Oxfam spokesperson Patricia Feeney complained that more than 160,000 people moved into the Amazon after one stretch of the road was opened, according to *Jornal do Comercio* April 4.

Fiona Watson of Survival International added that colonization of these areas and subsequent development will be a "disaster" for everyone. Survival's major issue of concern is the demarcation of zones for Indian populations.

As part of his Amazon program, Cardoso did announce that the Brazilian government will set up 58 Indian reservations over the next five years, in an area that will cover 32 million hectares.

Mass desertions reported from EZLN in Mexico

According to several sources monitored by *EIR*'s Mexico City bureau, the "Zapatista National Liberation Army" (EZLN) forces ensconced in the Chiapan jungle are suffering mass desertions and could easily be defeated by the surrounding Army troops, should Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo give the word.

The assessment was corroborated by the influx of international and domestic human rights groups into Chiapas bearing tons of food and, more importantly, attempting to shine a media spotlight on the rapidly waning insurgency. The Mexican Army stopped them.

A Mexico City columnist reported that a short-wave radio operator in Chiapas had intercepted a message from EZLN leaders to their dispersed cadre asking them to be

ready to attend a major rally in support of Bishop Samuel Ruiz, a key figure in fomenting the violent movement (see *Special Report* in *EIR*, March 24, 1995). The message also spoke of "the great number of comrades who have deserted," and short supplies. Finally, it said, "It is necessary to ask more support from the International Red Cross and the human rights groups so that the movement doesn't disappear."

Meanwhile, reflecting a fissure in the pro-terrorist PRD party of Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas, PRD Sen. Guillermo del Río Ortigón issued a statement warning that if the Zapatistas don't respond satisfactorily to the government's mediation proposal by April 10, this would "demonstrate that the armed movement and the attitude of 'Marcos' respond to foreign interests, and not to the just national demand for a democratic change and more justice."

British intelligence scribbler: Partition U.S.

Ambrose Evans-Pritchard, the British intelligence mouthpiece best known for his efforts to destroy the institution of the U.S. presidency through scandals, is now promoting the "Lebanonization" of the United States.

In his April 1 column for the London *Sunday Telegraph*, Evans-Pritchard inflates the importance of the ideas of British expatriate author Peter Brimelow, in a book called *Alien Nation*, which foresees a "dis-united United States." Brimelow, formerly a backer of racist demagogue Enoch Powell in the United Kingdom, is now a financial journalist for *Forbes* magazine.

Brimelow believes that America is being "deconstructed" by the wave of immigration into the country of past decades, and is now "rather like Lebanon before its ethnic divisions erupted." Evans-Pritchard's account omits to mention that Lebanon, a model for peaceful coexistence of various ethnic groups and faiths, exploded due to the meddling of Henry Kissinger on behalf of his British Foreign office masters in the early 1970s.

In Brimelow's view, America, 80% British and 96% Protestant at the time of the Revolution, was "still British by race, culture, and disposition." But then, the idea of "Americanization" through large-scale immigration came into fashion, and "Catholics from southern Europe" poured into the United States, forever changing its complexion.

Pope's allies attacked in Austrian Church

The Austrian Catholic Church's hierarchy came under unprecedented attack in March, and the fallout could well affect the government in this European nation where 80% of the population is nominally Catholic.

Early in the month, all members of the council of priests of the Salzburg archdiocese resigned in protest over "not being consulted" when it was announced that Archbishop Georg Eder had appointed the Salesian priest Andreas Laun as auxiliary bishop for the diocese (all such nominations are confirmed by the Vatican). Laun had been one of the staunchest supporters of Pope John Paul II's battle to block the worst features of the genocidal agenda of the 1994 U.N. population conference in Cairo.

In mid-March, Bishop Kurt Krenn of St. Poelten faced a clergy revolt when he withdrew permission to teach theology from Franz Schmatz, who publicly opposes the church's teaching that divorced persons who remarry without a religious annulment may not take the sacraments. Four hundred priests threatened disobedience if Bishop Krenn were not to renounce this decision.

Finally, at the end of the month, a 37-year-old man alleged in a news magazine profile that he was sexually harassed 23 years ago by Cardinal Hans Hermann Groer, the archbishop of Vienna.

Groer, Eder, and Krenn represent the wing of the Austrian church which is faithful to the church's moral teachings and to the pope, as opposed to the Liberation Theology clique tied to Groer's predecessor, Cardinal Koenig.

The media-orchestrated "rebellions"

Briefly

may be an effort to skew the internal fight in Austria's Christian Democratic party, the OeVP, which recently lost about 10% of their traditionally Catholic core vote. At their April 22 national congress, a more explicitly Christian platform will be voted on. A return of the party to traditional Catholic social doctrines could affect the government, of which the OeVP is a member.

Russians draw 'Korea' parallel to Iran deal

Vladimir Lukin, the chairman of the Russian Parliament's foreign affairs committee, was quoted in a French daily on April 4: "The reactors that we intend to deliver to Teheran are of the same type as those that the United States would like to furnish to North Korea. On what grounds can the Americans affirm that a similar technology is 'proliferating,' when we sell, and 'non-proliferating,' when it comes to North Korea. Besides, Iran, signatory of the Non-Proliferation Treaty, is open to inspections by the International Atomic Energy Agency."

The article, commenting on U.S. Defense Secretary William Perry's trip to Moscow, appeared in *Le Figaro*. U.S. newspapers report that Perry was told that the deal was definitely going ahead.

Algerian ambassador seeks U.S. support

In a speech on March 30 to a Washington, D.C. think-tank, the newly named Algerian ambassador to the United States appealed for U.S. support.

"Pressing the Algerian government to talk to the FIS," the Islamic Salvation Front, "would only reinforce the position of the Islamists," Hadj Osmane Bencherif told reporters. "There is absolutely nothing to be gained by appeasing the fundamentalists in Algeria."

He also confirmed that a major government offensive had been launched against the Islamic rebels. Press reports state that the government's security forces had killed

close to 1,300 Islamic rebels in recent days. These figures are dismissed as greatly exaggerated by FIS sources in western Europe.

Meanwhile, in a move that could signal a reopening of negotiations, which are backed by the U.S. Clinton administration, the Algerian government moved the top two leaders of the FIS, Abassi Madani and Ali Belhadj, from jail to house arrest for "secret talks."

A similar move by President Liamine Zeroual failed in fall 1994, but this time there are reportedly eight Algerian generals drawing up a plan for national reconciliation with the FIS.

Former Algerian Prime Minister Abdulhamid Ibrahimi told France's *Le Figaro* newspaper on April 1 that he expects an "awakening" among Algerian Army officers, and hopes that the nationalist faction can defeat the hardline generals, who want to "eradicate" the Islamic movement even at the cost of a bloodbath.

China daily praises euthanasia as 'human'

The March 17 issue of *China Daily* reports that this year, 78 delegates to the National People's Congress called for legalizing euthanasia, up from 32 last year. The article quotes a delegate saying: "Legalization, or mercy killing, is a human, reasonable, scientific attitude toward death." The bill would allow the murder of anyone who requests death if the family and three doctors approve. It references the Oregon referendum legitimizing physician-assisted suicide and the challenge to it in the U.S. courts, and the use of "compassionate killing" in the Netherlands.

The article admits that life is considered a gift from one's parents in the Chinese tradition, and therefore one's own life cannot be taken at will. It also admits that euthanasia is already practiced widely in some parts of China since the 1989 legal decisions acquitting a son who murdered his mother. China's enforcement of population-control policies through forced sterilization, late-term abortion, and infanticide are already notorious.

● **NUMBER TWO** terrorist Margie Clavo Peralta and three other members of the central committee of the rejectionist wing of Shining Path were arrested in Peru in March. They had rejected jailed leader Abimael Guzmán's call to lay down arms, and allegedly planned an armed strike against the April 9 presidential elections.

● **AMNESTY** International, a prominent "human rights" group, is funded by British Intelligence, charged Sudan's leading Islamic authority, Hassan al-Turabi, at an April 2 press conference in Khartoum. He observed that although he spent seven years in prison, he never appeared in an AI report.

● **THE BEIJING** United Nations conference on women slated for September is "in chaos," according to a source close to the preparatory committee in New York. If Deng Xiaoping, the Chinese supremo, were to die before the event, it might be moved, out of fear of turmoil.

● **DOZENS** of Algeria's independence war veterans have been reported killed by suspected Muslim rebels during the civil strife since January 1992. On March 22, Abdelouhab, the son of Algeria's most respected independence fighter, was gunned down.

● **'AZTEC'** actress Ofelia Medina, as she styles herself, is touring Europe to "raise money for the Indians," reports the Mexican press. Her tour apparently stemmed from an invitation by French Communist Party chief Georges Marchais.

● **COLOMBIA'S** National Electoral Council arbitrarily cancelled the registration of the Ibero-American Solidarity Movement as a legal political party. The party had used its access to national TV to present LaRouche's programs to the Colombian public every six weeks.