

comes into force.”²

The EU Treaty, which is seen by reputed legal scholars, according to their legal conception, as degrading the domestic parliament to the rank of a mere “regional administrative entity,” amounts in reality to a change of the Constitution, even if the heads of state used the transparent trick to change the name to “Treaty,” rather than “Constitution,” after the people of France and Holland rejected the European Constitution by referenda in 2005.

Apart from a tiny handful of German MPs, most have simply waved the Treaty through this week, without even troubling to read it. The document—which intentionally is completely unreadably save by a legal scholar—was first published in consolidated form on April 15 (“consolidated” refers to the original European Constitution, which is henceforth consolidated in the new Treaty with all subsequent addenda, changes, explanations, and so forth). Consequently, every single one of those MPs, who, from the depth of his ignorance and indifference, has thus baldly disregarded his responsibilities as a representative of the people and approved the Treaty, should only receive one answer: to be voted out of office as quickly as possible.

Media Are Shamelessly Complicit

If another proof were been necessary, here you have it, that the mass media in Europe (and, of course, especially in Germany), are controlled top-down: Between Dec. 13, 2007, when the heads of state signed the Lisbon Treaty, and April 24, when the Parliament ratified it, there has been not one article or report in any major German news outlet, purporting to analyze, report on, or discuss the pros and cons of a piece of law that strikes at the core of our social order.

To add insult to injury, the day *after* Parliament voted, i.e., April 25, *Bild Zeitung* published a page-two article under the headline: “EU Treaty—*Bild* reveals the small print.” The paper points to some of the disastrous and undemocratic changes, as if saying, “Too bad, Europe just turned into a dictatorship now! So folks, you’d better get used to it.”

The shameless and complete complicity of the mass media begs once again the question of who exactly runs them.

Another example of the media’s character: Although via the Internet the entire world can see the images for themselves, where the soldiers who are seen to attack Tibetan demonstrators are actually wearing Indian and Nepalese uniforms, the print and electronic media have nonetheless carried on referring to those soldiers as “Chinese.” Nor has a single newspaper or television program cared to put the matter to rights. The examples of such manipulation by the mass media are too numerous to mention.

2. Duration of validity of the Basic Law (amended by Unification Treaty of Aug. 31, 1990 and Federal statute Sept. 23, 1990).
<http://www.constitution.org/cons/germany.txt>

Sophistical Arguments

As for those who deliberately support the EU Treaty, their arguments boil down to sophistry, and they cautiously skirt round all discussion of the brass-tacks of the changes. One of the sophists’ main arguments is that anyone who dares to criticize the EU Treaty, is actually an enemy of Europe. Or that “peace” in Europe shall now be “secured” through this Treaty, and that the 20th Century’s world wars would never have occurred, had all these nations been thus joined into a centralized Europe.

As it happens, those world wars were not the work of a single nation, but of empire.

It was the British, the Austro-Hungarian, the Tsarist

Europeans Rally Against Lisbon Treaty Fascism

Opposition to the Lisbon Treaty is on the rise, as citizens in 23 European cities—in Italy, France, Germany, and Denmark—came out April 23 to protest against the Treaty and its threat of a new form of fascism. Activists came from different movements and associations with the aim of triggering a mass European-wide movement, similar to the 1989 Monday demonstrations in Leipzig that succeeded in bringing down the Comecon system.

The number of rallies or demonstrations in Germany as well as in France, doubled within a week at the initiative of private citizens responding to the call of Etienne Chouard—the well-known activist in 2005, who was instrumental in the mobilization against the European Union Constitution.

Citizens around Europe realize that this is the endgame: If the Lisbon Treaty is implemented in January 2009, national sovereignty would be a thing of the past. This is why, regardless of political affiliations or differing views on smaller issues, a movement is coalescing with the mission of defeating the Treaty by demanding a popular referendum in each country.

The rally banners sharply reflect the fight: “No to an EU Dictatorship!” In Nantes, France, a banner read: “No to the Lisbon Treaty. Our Countries Are Not Colonies.” But the most important message came from a citizen in Essen, Germany, who grabbed the loudspeaker and addressed the passers-by, telling them: “Fighting against the Lisbon Treaty is the same as what Sophie Scholl and the White Rose [anti-Nazi resistance movement] fought against.”