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EDITORIAL

THE 16TH ANNIVERSARY OF NORTSTAR COMPASS



By DR. ADELALARD PAQUIN Editor of French Edition of NSC

Allow me to congratulate members of the Editorial Board of NSC and especially Michael and Helen Lucas, on behalf of all the readers of the French Edition of NSC and on behalf of myself. This 16th Anniversary of our journal has a very great significance and a colossal meaning, now that we have an English. French, Russian and Spanish edition. We must pay tribute to these two for their dedication, perseverance and sacrifices for this noble work. Also, because of them and the help by the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians we would probably not have been able to celebrate this 16th Anniversary of NSC.

NSC has always defended Marxism-Leninism and Stalin, and has helped all of us to identify the real cause of the temporary collapse of the Soviet Union, and at the same time, has shown all of us what the present capitalism has brought to the Soviet people.

Now with the deepening economic crisis in ex-USSR, the class contradictions have sharpened and reached a crucial stage, and with this, the class struggle is emerging and decisive battles are ahead. Today, more than ever before the necessity is for the unity and unification and for a clearer

revolutionary theory. This is the main task.

As we know, the Marxist-Leninist movement there and over the world is divided and disunited, and, for many people, it is hard to understand as to why and who is to blame or who is stirring this disunity pot! Our job is to explain this difficulty so that our readers will understand the problems of disunity in the progressive movements and to point out and criticize those elements whose job is to promote this disunity and also, to whom these elements owe allegiance to, and also who is funding this work in former USSR and over the world!

So it is very necessary that NSC should continue – it is necessary now more than ever before.

The Chairman of the International Council and Editor of NSC, Michael Lucas has asked all of us to be prepared at this 16th Anniversary Meeting to discuss the future of NSC and offer suggestions and constructive criticism.

On my part I am suggesting that we should put more emphasis on the Communist movements in former USSR just before and after the collapse of the Soviet Union, Now that there are so many Communist parties there that this brings nothing but confusion. It seems that the former most furious anti-Stalinists. anti-Bolsheviks are now coming around and praising Stalin?! Are they for real? On this question our Soviet friends did not help us in understanding this - we were expecting more from them on this question.

We must have more criticism and self-criticism and push further our political analyses on what was going on then and what is going on now.

I will point out that in spite of the fact that there are about 27 parties in Russia alone which are calling themselves Marxist, Communist, Marxist-Leninist - but most of them have nothing in common with the All Union Communist Party Bolsheviks. headed Nina by Andreeva. Therefore it is hard to understand as to why our comrade Vladimir Chechentsev, Chairman of the Soviet Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries in his article in the June edition of NSC of this year in an article about "Revisionism", "that in Russia now there is no revolutionary party of the Lenin type!" I feel after studving the program of Andreeva's AUCPB that it seems the only party that is dedicated to resurrection of socialism and the teachings not only of Marx-Engels and Lenin, bur also of Stalin.

Also, at the First World Congress-in Canada in 2001 – how could we have accepted the anti-Stalinism and criticism that "Central Planning of Stalin was detrimental to Socialism" as propagated by Alexei Prigarin, head of the Russian Communist Party-CPSU – which in itself is very anti-Stalin in the name of "Socialism"!

One is entitled to wonder also as to why the French Communist Party in its review "L-Humanit Dimanches" of May 16-23, 2007 felt the need to again attack Stalin, by keeping repeating the same old lies that were for a very long time refuted, which basically is repeating what Trotsky and Kruschev said. Or the lie that was in this newspaper "Kirov's murder was sponsored and arranged by Stalin." Then there is the old chestnut that Stalin tortured the socalled "innocent enemies of USSR" or the question of the "Last Testament of Lenin".

Stalin is always current and also for the French Communist Party – because for Imperialism Stalin is the man that must be brought down, even if he is already dead since 1953! His ideas are a very great danger for Imperialism and for the modern day revisionists.

NSC in all of its editions has answered many of the above questions and the attacks against Stalin. I suggest that we should do even more in explaining these lies, by presenting more researched documentations, and also to publish the unpublished stories that are now surfacing from the archives.

We should feature more of the articles on collectivization, the industrialization and about the Great Patriotic War, led by Marshal Stalin.

It is a fact that unless the ideological confusion that is prevailing in the communist movements is not resolved soon, it will hinder the aims of the International Council for Friendship

and Solidarity with Soviet People and that of Northstar Compass!

Regarding the French Edition of NSC, it is already six years that it is being published regularly. I must say that this would not have been possible without the generous help by the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians. There is now more and more demand for printing a larger quantity of the French Edition of NSC, being sent to organizations, parties and individuals in many countries of the world.

We have to understand how and why the tools of understanding Marxism-Leninism was and is being and deformed tarnished and transformed into rusty tools. incapable in helping us understand the objective reality and to indicate the means of transforming it.

I must indicate that there is some weaknesses in our work - we must push forward more analyses in order to get away from some confusion.

Here is an example -

Although we give appreciation to Cuba and to Castro and, the positive role Cuba plays against US imperialism, it is not necessary to go and state that Socialism is built in Cuba. Cuban Economy was never based as a planned economy and never was socialist.

The same holds true for China which is not a socialist country and this should be stated more in our editions of NSC.

OUR INTERNET WEB PAGE -

I would like to congratulate George Gruenthal in New York for the fantastic work he is doing in producing the Web Page over the Internet for NSC in French and English.

I feel that we should put all the articles on the Web Page, not just some. We must use the Web Page as well as open up a very strong campaign for more NSC subscribers to get the whole NSC journal - not just depend on the Internet NSC!

Regarding the campaign for new members for the Canadian Friends of Soviet People - we welcome all Marxist-Leninists, even though they are still not real Marxists, but are sincere people who are interested to find the truth in this complex world of ours.

The campaign for membership must serve to provide a vehicle for united actions, to learn trust and to iron out any differences that do come up in frank and fraternal discussions.

It is often said that the cause of the divisions among those who regard themselves as Marxist-Leninists is the existence of deepseated ideological differences between them. With this I do not agree. Discussion and goodwill will overcome any differences that do exist.

By joining and promoting the work of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, this is the foundation for building of our organization that is essential for our Canadian Friends of Soviet People to advance and achieve all of our aims!

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RUSSIAN PRESIDENTIAL **ELECTIONS. MARCH 2008**

With President Putin hopping around the world to shore up his prestige and not to be outdone by President Bush in making so many promises, signing deals and trying to bolster up alliances - his statement in Australia, where a meeting of Asia-Pacific leaders took place last month is very revealing: "We have come to the greatest dawn of Russian-Chinese relations." Putin also told Chinese President Hu Jintao that: "Whoever takes the reins of power in Russia at the March presidential elections, this policy of cooperation will not change in the coming years."

That is a very nice public relations statement from one President of Capitalist Russia to another President of Capitalist China - even though the Chinese President still considers himself and China as Communist.

As we mentioned in the previous issue of NSC, there is a movement in Russia now that is of course promoted and well-funded in order to change the laws and give the President a seven-year term. Did this movement spring up "just by chance" or is this a well-planned political move to keep Putin and his policies in power or to be given to his "chosen stooge" after the March 2008 elections?

With the upcoming Russian presidential elections in March of 2008 on the horizon, NSC has received a statement from Gennady Zyuganov of the Communist Party of the Russian Federation - that was an appeal sent to the Russian Communist and Workers Parties. This statement informs everyone that the election of Deputies to the Russian State Duma will take place on December 2, 2007. With the new law en-acted by the present regime, only those parties that will win 7% or more of the votes cast, will be able to be in line for the distribution of seats to the Russian Duma. The Election Blocks are banned now and no "minimum turnout" is set and, the ballots will eliminate the option of voting "against all the candidates"

The statement by the CPRF stated that they are contesting all seats to the Russian Duma in this election. NSC readers know only too well that when Gennady Zyuganov of the CPRF ran for president the first time, he actually won the vote but, as documents now factually show, he abdicated his responsibility, and thus Yeltsin the Butcher came to power. Then as the Russian people soon realized what this drunkard was all about. Yeltsin then in reality put Putin into power.

As NSC readers read in the last issue of NSC, there is another candidate running for President of Russia, Oleg Shenin of the reconstituted Communist Party of the Soviet Union, and he is also appealing for unity.

Any thinking student of politics. government and the class struggle knows, that In Unity There is Strength!

If the thinking of those CPRF and CPSU leaders agree with this

absolute truth – then why on earth do they not unite their forces and efforts for one candidate – if their policy is (wrong as it is) that in the present President Putin's regime, the Communist candidate for President will win power?

Obviously there is opportunism and revisionism that is the cancer eating away at the vital organs of the preset Communist movement, much to the glee and also with much support by the reactionary forces that are headed by imperialism.

U.S. BASE IN AZERBAIJAN -RUSSIA IS NOW ENCIRCLED!

US is aiming and pulling out all the stops to install its Radar Base and missiles base at the Gabala base in Azerbaijan. If this is successful – as all things point out – US will now have encircled Russia completely.

Why is it that the present Russian government is trying to make a deal with the USA that they will "share this Gabala Base" with US imperialism and their plans for world domination? United States intends to OWN, not SHARE this Gabala Base with Russia after the lease expires in 2012!

This really is unbelievable that the present stance of this Russian leadership is so weak-kneed as to allow this to happen.

Let us look at another scenario — would the US allow a Russian radar -missile base to be located right on the border of Texas and Mexico, if the leadership of Mexico acted like the present traitorous leadership of Azerbaijan is now acting? Would Pentagon allow this? Of course not — their troops would be right there inside of an hour!

Mexico was invaded many times and is now being exploited by US imperialism.

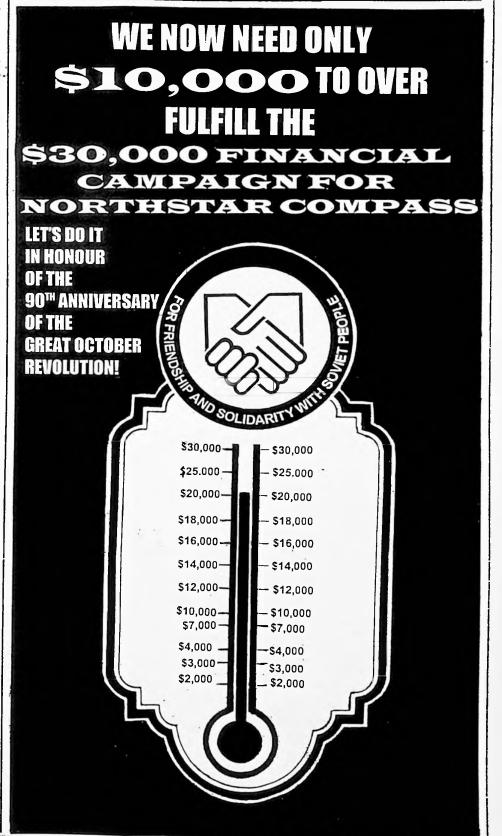
Azerbaijan on the other hand was saved from its backwardness after the October Revolution in 1917 and was allowed to join the USSR. It was industrialized, the infrastructure was built and the people were brought into the present century, with great

material cost, with great efforts and dedication by the whole of the Soviet people.

The present traitorous regime in Azerbaijan is of course in the pockets of US imperialism as their runfortunately is Russia and most of there.

the other former Soviet Republics.

The US military mission was in Azerbaijan and they do not hide their assessment that Azerbaijan is of outmost strategic importance to have their radar and missile base located there.



NEWS FROM FORMER USSR

RUSSIA ASKING THE UN TO INVESTIGATE THE LATEST GLORIFICATION OF NAZISM

From INTERFAX

Moscow will ask the UN General Assembly to investigate the present glorification of Nazism-Fascism in some countries, said Russian Foreign Ministry spokesman Alexander Konuzin.

"There are now many instances of glorifying those that fought against the Soviet Army and also there are now more and more instances where the Soviet Army is being portrayed as an occupier."

Konuzin went on to charge that-"Those who fired at Soviet soldiers (and mostly in the back – Editor) they fired at the Anti-Hitler Coalition which became the bases for the setting up of the United Nations." Konuzin ralso regretted that a number of the European Union member states expressed support and solidarity with Estonia when the leadership of that country removed the monument to Soviet Army soldiers from the centre of Tallinn, capital of Estonia.

COMMENT:

It's about time that a statement was made, very diplomatic and lukewarm, but nevertheless, it was an official statement. It is also sad that this Russian spokesman could not bring himself to call these Soviet Heroic Soldiers by their name during the Great Patriotic War – the Soviet Red Army!

QUESTION: Where are now the leaders of former Union of Soviet Friendship Societies that visited Canada? Reader of NSC

MONUMENT TO VICTIMS OF BANDERA OPENED IN CRIMEA

Last month on the "Soviet Square" in Simferopol, there took place a solemn ceremony for the opening of a monument to the victims of Ukrainian nationalist bandits that were allies of Hitler's Nazism and killed their own people and fought against the Soviet Red Army. These bandits were members of the Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists and of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army, during and after the Great Patriotic War.

The monument is named "The Shot in the Back" and was erected from the donations given by the Communist Party of Ukraine and by the people of Crimea.

The large multitude of people that gathered were carrying Soviet flags and banners of the Union of Soviet Officers of Crimea.

IN MANY DEMONSTRATIONS THAT ARE HELD IN RUSSIA MORE AND MORE, THERE ARE ALWAYS TEN OMON SECURITY POLICE FOR EACH DEMONSTRATOR AS THIS PHOTO IN MOSCOW GRAPHICALLY SHOWS. ISN'T THIS DEMOCRACY GREAT?



"THE USSR IS OUR MOTHERLAND!"

"COMMUNISTS AGAINST THE REHABILITATION OF UKRAINIAN NATIONALIST TRAITORS!"

SOUTH OSSETIA SEVERS TIES WITH WESTERN AMBASSADORS IN GEORGIA

From Prime News - Georgia

Eduard Kolkoty the President of South Ossetia Republic cut off all cooperation with Western accredited diplomats in Georgia, except with V. Kovalenko, the Ambassador of Russia to Georgia.

E. Kolkoty, President of South Ossetia said: "The present actions of these Western Ambassadors are inadmissible, since these diplomats hamper the peaceful resolution of this conflict and are responsible for the state terrorism by the present Georgian government."

Photo from newspaper VOICE OF A COMMUNIST

NADEZHDA RAKS IS NOW FREE!

Dear readers:

We have in the last issues of NSC reported on the many Soviet young heroic Komsomol political prisoners that are in jail in Russia, Ukraine and in other former Soviet republics.

We had sent letters of protest to the governments there, as well as letters of encouragement to these young heroes who are in jail, some of them already there for 6-10 years for fighting against the present reactionary regimes. We also sent each one of them copies of Northstar Compass.

Nadezhda Raks pictured here with flowers upon gaining her freedom, was and is a member of the Russian Komsomol Union of Youth (b). She was in prison for 7.5 years. For all those years she never abandoned her Marxist-Communist ideology and dedication.

Welcome Nadezhda to join all of us over the world in the struggle against imperialism and the struggle against the internal enemies who do not want to see the resurrection of



the Soviet Union and the rebirth of Socialism in the USSR!

Our struggles are not finished. We must fight to have your other comrades freed from jail in order to join our struggles!

Unfortunately not enough is being done in the progressive movements outside the borders of former USSR, to bring this to the attention of the people to struggle to free all of the political prisoners from jail, wherever they might be!

YOU ARE A HERO NADEZDA! MOLODETS!

Story from the newspaper MYSL - Moscow



SOVIET POLITICAL PRISONER WRITES TO NSC

Dear comrades:-

I received your kind letter and the journal Northstar Compass. I want to thank you very much. Please excuse my English. I am studying it now.

For five years I have already been in prison for my political activity, in this capitalist Russia and now my temporary home is the concentration camp compound, but without gas ovens or crematorium.

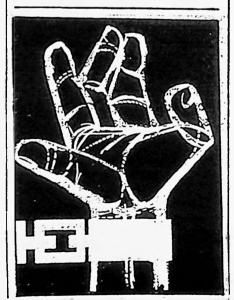


I and my comrades are very glad that you know about us and do support us. Thank you!

The summer here was very hot and I cannot work because of my health. I write political articles and read a lot of books and journals and I do receive a lot of letters.

Here the prison administration do not suppress me and often support my revolutionary ideas.

Our appeal to the European Court is expected to come with a decision soon, but my comrade Sergei Berduyin died from torture that he had undergone while in prison.



Ukraine I feel is on the verge of civil war, but our people are afraid of it. But the civil war will be the sure death of the present capitalist system here — but the people are not ready yet. But I feel that soon the people will be ready.

I am an optimist!
Good bye comrade Lucas!

Andrey Kovalenko Political prisoner

WE DEMAND FREEDOM FOR ALL POLITICALAL PRISONERS THAT ARE INCACERATED IN THE FORMER SOVIET REPUBLICS BY THE PRESENT REACTIONARY REGIMES!

International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People and Northstar Compass journal

SAAKASHVILI OF GEORGIA EXPOSED BY HIS ALLY

From "CIVIL GEORGVIA"

TBILISI – Irakli Okruashvill, ex-Minister of Defence of Georgia and President Saakashvilli's closet ally, accused the president of "anti-state steps" and "ordering many murders". He is now forming his own "Movement for a United Georgia" and said that he will now answer all questions regarding the present president and his anti-state method of governing.

He spoke last month all about the "crimes which were masterminded by the present authorities" in a TV interview last month in Tbilisi.

He said that: "I was ordered as the Minister of Defence to liquidate certain influential and important persons, but I refused to do these crimes."

He charged that the present regime has "fascist trends" and ongoing "anti-state planned steps" and that "the Georgian people are terrorized as a result of all these repressions. The fight against corruption is unreal, since the jails are full with minor petty criminals, while the corruption is thriving and growing amongst the very top level government officials, amongst his

BELARUS IS PRESERVING AND DEVELOPING SMALL TOWNS

In a press release by Deputy Prime Minister for Architecture and Construction, Anatoly Nichkasov who said:" Byelorussia is developing and sustaining small towns in order to preserve and sustain their historical and cultural heritage."

He also stated that present-day life demands new approaches to town development and architectural design in view of the increased necessity in housing construction.

This is now being done all over Byelorussia. Byelorussian traditions are highly appreciated by the CIS alliance as well as by the United Nations Housing and Land Management Commission.

inner circle and also amongst members of his own family.

"Three years ago I arrested Temur Alasania, the president's uncle for extortion of US \$200,000. I had to release him after the President's insistent demand."

He charged also that there was a deliberate attempt to rewrite the Georgian history, as if nothing Georgian ever existed until he, the president came to power!

RUSSIA WARNS WEST AGAINST PRESSURE ON MYANMAR (BURMA)

MOSCOW: The Russian Foreign Ministry in a statement said that it was closely watching the situation in Myanmar with its thousands-strong demonstrations led by the Buddhist Monks and the bloodshed, as the army shot at the demonstrators and clubbed the Monks and Nuns on the streets of Burma.

"We consider any attempts by the West to use the latest developments to exercise outside pressure or interference in the domestic affairs of this sovereign state to be counterproductive", said the official statement by the Russian Foreign Ministry.

The UN Security Council will meet to discuss this situation in Myanmar.

SOVIET YOUTH ARE UNITING THEIR FORCES

By Maria Donchenko, Executive member of Soviet Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries and of the Editorial Board of NSC – Russian Edition

On April 30, 2007 there took place the Fifth Convention of Vanguard of Communist Youth and the Union of Communist Youth, in a joint unified effort. There were many delegates from Russia and from other former Soviet Republics present in Moscow.

This Convention put the final touches to the unity of these two young Communist organizations. There was elected an 11 member Executive Committee, and Maria Donchenko again was elected as the Commander of this joint youth organization.

Last May 1st there took place the traditional May Day Celebrations and Demonstration and AKM marched from the October Square to the centre of Moscow. In the columns of the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks (AUCPB) there were



Vanouard of Communist Youth (AKM) marching in Moscow - May Day

members of the Vanguard of Communist Youth Battalion. There followed a mass meeting where the leader of the Moscow AUCPB, comrade Kuvaev spoke, as well as from Tallinn, the defenders of the Soviet Monument to the Soviet Hero.

On May 9th, during the Victory Day Celebrations. the AKM battalion marched together in the column of

the AUCPB from the Byelorussian Railway Station to the Liubinskaya Square, where there took place the traditional May Day meeting. Heading these columns were the decorated with medals Soviet veterans of the Great Patriotic War, defending their conviction and showing the young generation the history of their heroic battles.

Third Conference of the Communist Parties and AKM Youth in Siberia



Maria
Donchenko
Commander
of the AKM
second
from right
in the
front row



German Fascism and for Socialism.

The activity of young communists is seen all across Russia, as was shown by the very effective and successful Third Conference of Communists in Siberia, held on May 27, 2007.

The Far Eastern March of the Vanguard of Communist Youth was successful in holding meetings and conferences in Khabarovsk, Irkutsk Krasnoyarsk, Omsk and other localities, at which Maria Donchenko as the Commander, participated.

Taken from the newspaper "Sadovoye Kolco Moscow"

Youth of AKM marching in Moscow during the Victory Day celebrations

HERE IS WHAT A RETIRED LT. COLONEL OF INDIAN ARMY PROPOSES FOR RUSSIA!

FROM THE STATESMAN-INDIA

- * Russia needs to establish a naval and air base in the Arctic Circle without any delay.
- * Russia has to establish a full-fledged military base in the Mediterranean Sea for its three military services.
- * Russia should take the initiative to recreate the earlier Warsaw Pact Group, but this time with Euroasia states.
- *Russia must befriend Turkey since there is opposition for it to join the EU and Turkey should join Russia and be looked at as a "friend in need".
- *US has gerrymandered in Afghanistan and Iraq and the Asia Pacific region with impunity and is at present trying to make arrangements to attack Iran.
- *Russia's problems were two presidents –Gorbachev and Yeltsin, which were ineffectual.
- *Putin has firmly set his sights to make Russia great.

COMMENT:

We wonder whether this retired Indian Colonel is looking for a wellpaying job as advisor to Mr. Putin – since this Indian Colonel could not solve the problems in India and Pakistan. Of course this "expert advisor" forgot that there was the USSR — a bastion of peace that stood up strong to US imperialism, because it was Socialist and not a stooge or a tool for US and its New World Order.

Dear Colone! – stick and try to fixing up the tragedy that is still India

RUSSIA WILL RETALIATE IF WEST DEPLOYS WEAPONS INTO SPACE

MOSCOW: The Commander of the Russian Space Forces said last month that "Russia will retaliate if any country deploys weapons into space - then the laws of warfare are such that retaliatory weapons are certain to appear. A sizeable world war could break out."

The Co, General Vladimir Popovkin also said: "Russia has an integrated missile attack warning system, covering the country's entire territory!"

NO REHABILITATION FOR RUSSIA'S LAST TSAR'S FAMILY

Last month Russia's Prosecutor General's Office ruled that the remaining members of former Tsar's Nicholas II family are not to be rehabilitated. USSR Government accused the Tsar and proved beyond a shadow of a doubt that it was a bloody tyranny over the nation and they were tried and executed on July 17, 1918 in Yekaterinburg, Siberia.

The so-called "Grand Duchess Maria V. Romanov" who now lives in Spain, has sought to get this changed, but the Russian Court has rejected her claim for all the property that Romanov's had accumulated all over Russia since their dynasty was established.

The very large German law firm that she hired are appealing this decision, that it is illegal and that the Romanov dynasty's property should all be returned to the surviving Tsar's family.

LIES THAT ALL U.S. PRESIDENTS TELL THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD!

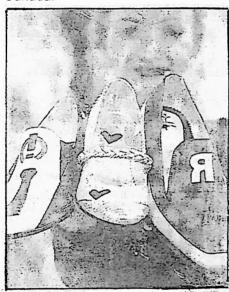
"We are the first global power in history that is not an imperial power."

(Samuel (Sandy) R. Berger, national security advisor under President Clinton)

"The United States is the only great power without a history of imperialistic claims on neighboring countries." (Richard Nixon)

HOW LOW CAN THE PRESENT UKRAINIAN ELECTIONS STOOP ?

The apathy and the boredom for the upcoming Third Ukrainian election in Three years — one per each year is shown by the following. The preset regime is trying to get people to be more interested to vote and in order to drum up more support for all of their reactionary-nationalist parties, are promoting and using the following gimmicks — as reported in The Globe & Mail newspaper, September 28, 2007 in Canada.



- * Employing crystal ball astrologers
- * Beauty salons all over Ukraine are painting toenails with different logos of the two main parties
- *Special shoes are being painted bearing the political slogans-logos of the two main nationalist-capitalist parties.
- *With 20 political parties contesting this election, the craziness is jut like a circus.
- * In the village of Bakaivka, east of Kiev, the village declared its own independence from Ukraine and elected its own President, etc. etc.

Dear reader:

Can I stop now, before I become crazy as some of these present Ukrainian nationalist elements? Editor of NSC

ARISE YOU MIGHTY LAND!

WE SUGGEST THAT FORMER KGB OFFICERS FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE OF THE CIA AND EXPOSE THE PUTIN REGIME!

SEVEN CIA AGENTS HAVE CRITICIZED THE BUSH 9/11 COVER UP

From article by Alan Miller

RAYMOND McGOVERN –27-year veteran of the CIA stated that there are too many questions that are not answered, because the present US Administration will not answer them. Even though he got a commendation from Bush Sr. He returned it back, being disgusted about the present US policy of torture and invasion of Iraq.

McGovern also made this charge: "It has long been clear that the Bush-Cheney administration cynically exploited this planned attack of 9/11 to promote the US imperial designs. 9/11 attacks were themselves orchestrated by this administration precisely so they thus could be exploited. Besides the British 10 Downing Street Memo which was false as was proven already, as well it was false all this "war on terror" which was based on prior deception."

WILLIAM CHRISTISON – a 29-year CIA veteran said:

"There's a very strong body of evidence which shows that the 9/11 Commission Report and reasons given are nothing but a monstrous series of lies. An airline did not hit the Pentagon building either. The Twin Towers certainly did not collapse and fall to earth in a cloud of dust because hijacked airplanes hit them."

MELVIN GOODMAN PhD – a member of CIA and its departments for many years, stated to the press: "The 9/11 Commission was very flawed in all of their research and the final report is an absolute cover up."

ROBERT BAER — a 21-year CIA veteran who received the high Carrier Intelligence Medal on his retirement charged that:

"I repeatedly questioned whether the al-Qaida could ever in a thousand years have accomplished the 9/11 alone. We also see no evidence that a foreign power was involved or supplied any funding. What about the tremendous profits made on the Stock Market in shares? I feel that it was an inside job. There were financial gains made and there were also political gains made by the Bush Administration."

DAVID RAY GRIFFIN — a long time veteran of the CIA stated in his book "Debunking 9/11 Debunking" wrote: "I am forced to conclude that 9/11 was at the minimum allowed to happen as a pretext to start a war."

ROBERT DAVID STEELE – has 25 years of combined service in the CIA and the US Marine Corps. He stated that: "The US government did not investigate 9/11 properly and there has to be more rocks to turn over so that we can get at the truth. The towers were brought down by controlled demolition."

LYNN LARKIN, and DAVID MACMICHAEL -

They have over 30 years in the CIA and foreign intelligence posts, sent a letter to the US Congress, amongst which was this statement: "The Commission Report is incomplete, inconsistent with actual facts and details, is seriously flawed and thus casts serious doubts on many of its recommendations.

We the undersigned, who have worked within the various government agencies, the FBI, CIA, FAA, DIA, Customs and, who were responsible for the national security, demand that the investigation be reopened and we are offering our combined services and expertise."

ATTENTION ALL STAMP COLLECTORS

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BRITISH SECRET FILES ON HESS ARE NOW RELEASED

From a story by Peter Day - England

Great Britain tried in vain to allow Hitler's Deputy to be freed after 30 years in jail for World War II Crimes, according to the newly released Secret Files in London.

However the Soviets never forgave Rudolf Hess for his double treachery for seeking peace with England in order that Hitler would then be given a free hand in attacking the Soviet Union.

These documents were released to the British National Archives in Kew, in south west London. These documents relate to the period between 1973 and 1974, when Rudolf Hess was the sole prisoner in the Allied Military Prison in Berlin — Spandau — for about eight years.

This prison was jointly governed by Britain, France, US and the USSR. By 1974 the Western Allies were not only prepared, but demanding that the Soviet Union agree to allow George Hess to live in limited freedom, but they were powerless, because the Soviet Union would not agree to this travesty of justice.

Correspondence reveals the ongoing pressure by the Western powers to make the Soviet Union agree to let this war criminal walk free and to forget that out of 50,000,000 people killed in WW II by these German Nazis, whose leader was also George Hess as Hitler's Deputy, of which 27,000,000 were Soviet people.

It took 32 military guards, 20 wardens and 4 prison governors — one from each Allied country — to maintain the round the clock surveillance.

In 1974 as Hess approached his 80th Birthday, British appeals (supported by US and France) appealed for clemency. This appeal was backed wholeheartedly by President Nixon of US and the French and the West German Governments.

The British pulled out all the stops and even got a former prisoner of war Airey Neave to plead for Mr. Hess by getting publicity all over the



RUDOLPH HESS

media, when he charged that poor "Hess is confined in very cramped quarters and the Soviets interpret the regulations as adopted by the Nuremburg Tribunal too harshly. I say that this is inhuman treatment and the Soviet attitude is vengeful towards a man of 79 and it should not prevail."

British government charged that the Soviets are humiliating Mr. Hess!

The Soviet newspaper "Pravda" wrote that: "Soviet conscience as well as the conscience of the world dictates that this Hitler's Deputy Hess must drink his retribution to the bottom of the cup."

As history recorded, Gerge Hess, Deputy to Hitler, flew on a mission to England on May 10, 1941, seeking to make an alliance with Britain after the West gave him permission to overrun Europe and get right to the border of the USSR.

The USSR Government and Stalin foresaw this Western attempt for a joint venture against the Soviet Union and this attempt was rejected.

Hess died in prison in August of 1987 at age 83. The Allies recorded that it was a suicide, because an electrical cord was found around his neck. His family claimed that he was murdered and pointed the finger at Moscow.

It is a fact that Gorbachev also leaned towards freeing Hess "In order to demonstrate the humanity of Perestroika." But even then, Gorbachev could not get his way.

COMMENT-

So, Mr. Gorbachev, according to you, it was "humanitarian" to liberate this war criminal?

Do the British people think that this British initiative is also something to be proud of?

What about the 50 million dead that will never-ever reach Hess's 93 years of age?

What about the 27,000,000 Soviets that were killed (somehow no one mentions this figure — this was the ULTIMATE GENOCIDE) because the West, together with Nazism-Fascism tried by all sorts of treaties and skull-doggery to invade the Soviet Union, and as former British Prime Minister Churchill urged: "Drown this Bolshevik Baby in the Cradle!"

ZIONISM'S ROLE TODAY

Excerpt from the article in the AUCPB newspaper "Rabotcha-Krestyanska Pravda"

There are articles ongoing in the capitalist and even in some "progressive" press in the world that try to hide the cardinal fact of the real role that Zionism played and is playing in the world.

These scribblers of lies and halftruths cannot admit the obvious fact that Zionism is the shock detachment of modern-day Imperialism struggling for world domination. The Second World War saw the results of chauvinism and cynicism even by the Zionists, but the loss of close to 27 million Soviet people killed is always overlooked, hidden and hardly ever mentioned by the world Zionist press - concentrating only on the tragedy of the Holocaust, as if besides the murder of Jews there were no other. victims of fascism! There were close to 10 million German deaths who were put on this alter of war!

We the Soviet people know what real Genocide is very well.

Regarding the coming Russian Duma elections in December, here are some points to ponder and realize:

* In order for any party to take part in the election, they have to have 200,000 signatures of supporters, or if not, the party has to give a 60,000,000 Rubles deposit.

- * There will be taking part in this Duma elections in present Russia. 15 political parties.
- The present bourgeoisie has already plans as to who will get into the Duma, having promised posts in different Duma committees.
- * The Communist Party of Russian Federation, already in the Duma for 15 years, has done some work in letting the air of discontent out from the people, thus smoothing the political situation and not letting it boil over into some definite steps to change the present regime. Now the CPRF might not even get the 7% barrier, so, the present regime does not need now this so-called "red opposition" in the Russian Duma.
- * Why are some of these so-called "communists" who are desperately trying top get into the Duma - here are just some reasons as to why:
- -Each Deputy receives over 1 Million rubles per year plus transport, a Moscow apartment, travel expenses, bonuses if they head a parliamentary committee, plus incidentals. The Duma passed a budget that for the year 2008, it will cost to run this Russian Duma, over 4,068 billion rubles!

Today's Russia is heaven for the oligarchs. In the last 15 years of the dismemberment of the USSR, there became 44 multi-billionaires - more than in all of Europe Combined!

Our people must start to wake up, realize as to what is happening. To reach the truth, they must think and rethink again. This truth will be arrived at by the people themselves as Maxim Gorky wrote.

RUSSIA WANTS COLLECTIVE **SECURITY, BASED** ON THE UN CHARTER

From VOICE OF RUSSIA. September 29,2007

Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Layrov has voiced his certainty that it is possible to advance towards the creation of an effective global system of collective security only through the adherence to the UN Charter principles. This statement was made during the 62nd Session of the UN General Assembly.

Russia is growing concerned about the US unilateral moves in the field of antiballistic missile defences - he also emphasized.

The Russian Foreign Minister pointed out that today no one can manage global problems themselves and this calls for joint leadership, and the United Nations is the only foundation that can help.

Regarding the Middle East, he was certain that calling the different representatives to a conference will help to reach an agreement there.

Voice of Russia stated that this proves that Russia is playing a stabilizing role in today's world.

COMMENT:

Humanity hopes so, but all of these well-meaning statements must be backed up by actions and deeds. But, it seems to most people that Russia is playing only second fiddle in the world situation. We hope that we are wrong and unrealistic. Future will tell.

OPEN LETTER TO PRESIDENT PUTIN

From a US reader of Northstar Compass living in New York.

Dear Mr. President:

I do not sign my name because I am afraid that this will serve to bring harm not only to me individually in this "free country of Bush", but it will harm NSC. I do hope that NSC will publish some of my remarks directed to Mr. Putin.



Bush's administration's position regarding the world, regarding the former USSR is legally untenable and is just an excuse to start conflicts and wars wherever he feels is needed in order to help the multinational corporate power here in the US and even to help your multimillionaire robbers in Russia - whom you and others serve.

I feel that Russia could take a much needed stand on the terrible dangerous road that US Imperialism is rushing towards and dragging you and former USSR to an abyss - all for the benefit of\ US multinational corporations whom your capitalist buddies and their robbery-gained billions from the hard work of Soviet people.

I am very ashamed that you and your entourage do not seem to realize, or if you do realize, you will not do anything about it. More and more US people and intellectuals know and agree with the following statement that I suggest you should read to your Executive inner circle of all of your anti-Sovieteers and anti-Communists:

"President Bush has declared himself as the "Dictator" and he "Decides" whether the Americans have any rights under the US Constitution, and whether Iran has any rights under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and he decides whether to attack Iran. No one else has any say about this at all. The people's representatives are just the chaff in the wind.

Does this sound familiar to you Mr. Putin and to the members of the Russian Duma?

Bush's government and his cronies are not accountable to the American people. Bush has made himself a Caesar. Even if Bush leaves the White House in January of 2009, the power that he has grabbed for himself and his cronies will remain for who ever takes his place. This will happen unless Bush and his cronies are impeached and convicted. If this isn't done, I feel USA will go ahead into a Nazi run regime.

One thing Mr. Putin - Bush and his family were always capitalist exploiters, they never changed their political stripes.

But you Mr. Putin did change your stripes! Why? Because you never believed in what you swore to defend with your life!"

Yours

American Citizen who now is afraid!

SPECIAL

WHY ENGLAND IS ROTTING

MACLEANS

VOLUME 120 NUMBER 22, JUNE 11, 2007 . SINCE 1905

MICHAEL LUCAS - Editor of NSC

This was the heading (actual size) in the popular and influential Canadian magazine "MACLEANS" of





June 11, 2007 as it vividly describes on 6 pagers the actual situation in preset day England, bemoaning the fact - as the cover of the magazine said, while showing the full colour picture of the Queen: "The Queen's once proud British subjects now lead Europe in illiteracy, unemployment, teen pregnancy, divorce, drug use, obesity, alcoholism and crime."

The British newspaper Spectator" commented in this way on this situation in its Editorial: " The British Society is corrupted in their thinking regarding our involvement in Iraq by the twin cults of celebrity and victim-hood". Another comment published in this magazine was written by Theodore Dalrymple: "The population increasingly is unable to distinguish the trivial from the important and the virtual from the real, and led by a man of the most frivolous earnestness who for many years has been given to gushes of cheap moral enthusiasm."

The article goes into analyses and facts of certain aspects of the society.



and the so-called "attempt" by the present leadership to deal with these pressing problems.

Here I just quote some snippets of statements, since we have no space to quote fully these very interesting and also very damning statements.

*Because of the economic conditions, in 1971 only 8% the working population was on benefits,



Today the figure is 18% and growing, since the one third of British households rely on these benefits for at least half of their income.

The photographs shown depict the following statements as made by the Maclean Magazine:

- *Britain has the highest Cocaine use in all of Europe, and one of the highest rates of alcohol abuse.
- * Britain is a nation of YOBS, slobs and struggling single mothers: antisocial behaviour is on the rise everywhere. The English stiff upper lips and good table manners no longer exists.
- *One child aged five or under is expelled from school every week,. Older kids deal drugs and street fight.
- *Britain leads all of Europe in illiteracy, obesity, divorce, drug use, crime and STDs. It's as bloody hell.
- *London has the highest violent crime rate, higher than any other city in the European Union, higher than in Istanbul and New York.
- * Britain has the highest rate of teen pregnancy in Europe, and one of the highest divorce rates.
- *UNICEF ranked Britain bottom in the industrialized countries in terns of 'wellness of its children

So, this is Great Britain that is trying to bring "democracy" to Iraq and Afghanistan and to show them how "real democracy" is working in this Kingdom of Great Britain!











FRIENDSHIP NEWS

Dear readers:

As you will read on page 5 that our \$30,000 NSC Financial Campaign is being nearly fulfilled, here are the names of the donors since the last list of donors was published, that have sent in their donations to help the Northstar Compass Sustaining Fund.

I hope that those that have not yet donated to NSC, will now make certain that by the end of October we shall fulfill our \$30,000 Campaign.

I would like to thank all of you dear friends for your generous help, so that we can keep on publishing the English, French, Russian and Spanish editions of NSC.

Helen Lucas Financial Secretary

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

OVER 200 PROTESTORS ARE ARRESTED AND DOUSED WITH CHEMICALS

There were many thousands of protestors on the Capital Hill in Washington, DC last September 16th against the US prolonged and increasingly unpopular war in Iraq.

The Capital Hill Security Guards quickly doused the demonstrators with chemicals, after scores of protestors laid down on the street to symbolically represent the thousands of US soldiers killed in the Iraq war – as reported by Prensa Latina.

Police arrested over 200 antiwar protestors and roughed them up physically, including most of the US War Veterans and others who belonged to the Stop War and Racism.

Well known Cindy Sheehan, Ralph Nader and ex-US General Ramsay Clarke were some of the main speakers at this rally against the war in Iraq.

There were close to 100,000 protestors from all walks of life and political and religious persuasions that turned out.

These anti-war protests are going to be organized and held all across the United States.

TIME IS NOW TO IMPEACH BUSH AS A WAR CRIMINAL!



WAKE UP CANADIANS!

As of September 25th there were 76 Canadians Soldiers killed fighting in Afghanistan and over 100 injured or maimed. Does it ever enter their minds as to why ARE WE THERE, killing the innocent Afghan people who are defending their country against the invading armies of NATO?

Canadian World War II Veteran

THE HEROIC PROTESTS OF SENIOR CITIZENS OF BULGARIA

By DR. IVAN ANGELOV

This protest is already going on for nine months. Each Thursday since late November of 2006, they gather on the square between the Main Cathedral and the Parliament Building. On Fridays and on weekends these protests are held in other cities of Bulgaria.

The protests are to show that they have hardly any means for survival.

At the start of the "democratic" changes in Bulgaria, a newly-hatched Bulgarian statement was frank enough when he said: "Following the example of ancient Moses, the people of Bulgaria obviously have to be subjected to (at least) 40 years of hardships and hunger in the desert until No One is left to remember the days."

Well, after 17 years of this very special "development backwards", our once upon a time flourishing and developing country already looks much like the Negev Desert.

In the late 1990's the pensions of the retired people had been cut by 50%, so that now most of them are living way under the poverty line. Then after the reforms in year 2000, heath care is not accessible to most of the retied people. Prices of all foods are galloping upwards. The present Bulgarian state is not paying any attention to these constant protests at all — it is only their police who are "paying attention".

There are constant protests by miners, teachers, railway workers, ecologists etc. So more and more Bulgarian people seem to remember the verses of Nicola Vapizarov, a talented poet that was executed in 1942 by the pro-Nazi Bulgarian regime on July 23, 1942. He wrote the following on the eve of WW II:

" So, as I see that we are short of butter

And bread is getting darker than life itself

One is the slogan: "Down with fascist terror!" and

"Join the USSR!"

As the saying goes — Ultimate Truths look always Simple. One of the mysteries of human history and development however, is that it usually takes an enormously long time (and suffering as well!) for people to realize it.

These days, this truth is really pressing hard.

NO TO BUSH POLICIES AND FOREIGN BASES IN BULGARIA

This was the main slogan of the public rallies in Sofia last June 9th that was the day of the official visit of President Bush to this country. Given the total media blackout of this event and the extreme security measures by our so-called "democratic police" — the rally could not have been large as we wanted.

What was interesting was the fact that at this Rally the composition of the demonstrators was split - 50% older and 50% young people who understood the importance of this demonstration and the danger that NATO presents to the Bulgarian people and to the whole world.

It is a fact that the greater majority of the Bulgarian people, both older and younger, believe in the importance of these anti-NATO demonstrations, but still somehow

ANXAN BOEHHN PPULABCKY LEGAL

Bulgarian territory. The spark is ignited and is spreading amongst the Bulgarian people to protest (which was in brilliant colour) that was given out at this huge out by the thousands against any NATOI War bases on fou can see the postcard-leaflet demonstration in Sofia and sent

are afraid to openly participate in these demonstrations. The present oppression, the terror, both inside Bulgaria and in the world by US imperialism and their lackeys are making the population scared for the moment!

But the progressive winds of change are blowing!

According to the recently important published "Human Resources Report" by the World Bank (or is this a Directive?) the population of Ukraine will diminish by over 1/4 till 2025.

Bulgaria comes second with 18% decrease in population and Russian population will decrease by 12%. This does not take into account the millions of people that have died because of the economic hardships or immigrated from these "democracies".

So it is very likely that the world is going to witness another "Red Indians" depopulation as it did about 100 years ago in the Americas.

AUSTRALIA AND FREE SPEECH

The issue of free speech has reached such alarming levels that it prompted the country's biggest media organization to speak up against it. They have condemned "the tangle of clumsy laws that impinge on the publics right to know" and have set up a commission to track examples of attacks on free speech in Australia.

Two different independent studies have placed Australia's freedom as numbers 35 and 39 respectively on the world scale. The situation is deteriorating even further with journalists facing imprisonment for failing to disclose their sources of information.

By all of the international press standards, Australia is considered a lightweight democracy, whose people not being are given information needed to make informed **Print** decisions and

electronic media is controlled by the very rich, who use it to feed the people a steady diet of mindless and cheap information. On the nightly TV news bulletin items of lost cats and dogs feature very prominently as newsworthy articles.

Other favourite topics are sportsmen's injuries, trade union bashing and, of course, all sort of jingoistic claptrap. Actors and singers lives and their indiscretions have provided material with which to draw peoples' attention away from reality.

Recently, however actors and singers are being downgraded and replaced by royals and the excesses of the super rich. The English Queen and her royal family, for instance, are portrayed as the caring monarchs or like the family next door. Such well-planed re-marketing campaign serves to lull the people into a false sense of existence and to cleverly hide the existence of the exploiting class.

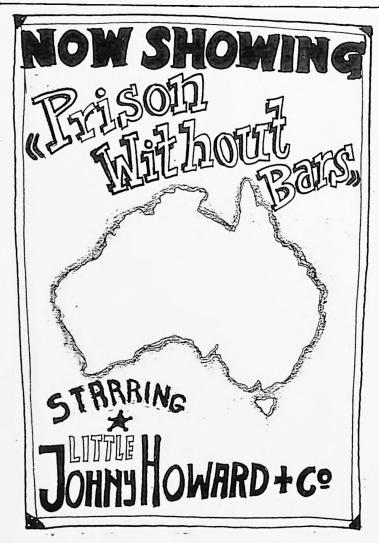
This present situation did not develop overnight. The very same media barons are today crying foul because they have seen their super profits drop, but they must also share the blame for the loss of free speech. They had the means to inform the people of what was happening and a stop might have been put on it, but they chose not to do so. Not only they didn't try to stop it, but, they actually condoned it and supported it. To pretend now that they care for free speech is a complete lie.

Regardless of their "crocodile tears" or how they dress "news", people will distinguish fact from fiction.



The monopoly capitalist rulers of Canada are pushing for greater access to the heredity lands of the traditional owners of Canada, in much the same way and for exactly the same reasons that the mining companies are trying to expedite their aboriginal lands here.

In Australia, the latest offensive against the indigenous population comes in a form of a Trojan Horse that is the Prime Minister Howards professional concern for victims of



child sexual abuse in remote aboriginal communities in Australia.

Howard's aim is to use the degraded circumstances of most indigenous Australians — poverty, lack of housing, unemployment, drug and alcohol abuse — and child molestation — against the traditional land owners whose rights are currently enshrined in various State and Territory Land Rights Acts, by using Federal Law to resume control over the lands and abolish the permit system that grants traditional owners some control over who enters their lands.

Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper is leading the offensive against the Six Nations of Turtle Island (North America). He has openly declared that Australian Prime Minister Howard is an inspiration! Harper is proposing a "new land claims process" and a "new form of identification for Natives living in Canada."

No doubt this scenario will be picked up by Howard to stop the people here self-identifying as Aboriginal people. The ruling class around the world constantly share experience in how to suppress the people.

The Communist Party of Canada (M-L) released a statement on the eve of this year's Aboriginal Day of Action in Canada.

IRAQ: THE PEOPLE'S REPORT

By MICHAEL OPPERSKALSKI

"United For Peace and Justice", the US largest anti-war coalition, has produced an assessment of the situation on the ground in Iraq that contrasts very sharply with the conclusions of the so-called "Petraeus Report" – which actually was written within the White House.

Leslie Cagan, the National Coordinator of the group stated that: "We feel it is essential to provide a true picture of what the shattered lives of the 25,000,000 Iraqis look like today".

This Report notes that:

* 2,000,000 Iraqis have fled the war to seek any hard-to-find-refuge in

neighbouring countries, while an additional 2,000,000 have been forced by war-fuelled violence to leave their homes and remain displaced and homeless inside lraq itself.

- * Many Iraqis have electricity for only five hours per day, clean war is very scarce for many and unobtainable for most, Iraq's oil production remains only a fraction of what it was before the war.
- * Iraq's war and violence have so decimated the Iraqi economy that unemployment has reached over 50%.

*This war has cost the US people over \$480 Billions, not counting the deaths of the soldiers and horrific in juries to others. This money could have been used to help the needy in the US and for re-building the of the infrastructure of the Gulf Coast.

The failure of the Iraq War also means a huge cost to the democracy in the US. We have paid an enormous price: in the deaths and shattered minds and bodies of our young soldiers; in the threats to our economy that is ravaged by billiondollar bills to pay for this illegal war; in the destruction of so much of our infrastructure, security and social fabric, because of the human and financial resources that are diverted, to Irag; and in the shredding of our Constitution and civil rights, and fear becomes a weapon in the hands of the Bush Administration aimed at the US Congress, the US courts and the people of this country.

THOUSANDS DEMONSTRATED IN BERLIN, GERMANY

From ISLAMIC REPUBLIC NEWS

On September 15,2007 thousands of Germans demonstrated against the German Military Mission in Afghanistan. Some 170 political groups, radical left and antiglobalization movements have demanded: "German army out of Afghanistan!"

Some 3,000 German soldiers are now based in northern Afghanistan as part of NATO forces. Now Germany is under great pressure from its allies like the US, Britain and

Canada, to extend its military presence into Southern Afghanistan where other NATO troops are under siege.

Recent kidnappings of German nationals in Afghanistan has now influenced the German public opinion about this absolutely futile and unlawful Western military campaign in that war-ravaged country

KARL ROVE-BUSH'S WAR ARCHITECT RESIGNS

Karl Rove, the Chief Architect of Bush's presidency, the top Republican Party strategist and in realty the war-hawk of US imperialism, had resigned last month amongst scandal after scandal in Washington.

With Bush's interference, Rove had survived many years of pointed investigations into his conduct, his policies, his firing of many US Attorneys and other shady dealings, while as the trusted right-hand man of President Bush.

Critics in the White House, both Republican and Democrat have demanded his resignation for many years.

He leaves the White House because of the growing unpopularity of the Iraq War and also by the lowest US presidential ratings of any president in the whole history of the United States. Rove was subpoenaed by the US Congress many times, but refused to appear and President Bush used his executive privilege power to save Rove.

Well – One down and one to go! But, the Multinational Corporate Power in the USA will not allow Bush to resign at all – he is their front man!

CANADIAN PROTEST THE NATO MEETING OF GENERALS IN VICTORIA, BC

From CANADIAN PRESS-SEP,9.07

Protestors vowed to maintain a resistance vigil outside a fenced-off downtown hotel where 26 Generals from NATO military alliance were meeting.

Despite the heavy police presence, the mood remained

peaceful. Protestors demanded that the Generals come outside and speak to them and answer their questions. The protestors also called upon the Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper to pull Canada's troops out of Afghanistan. The protestors also chanted that US President Bush and Prime Minister of Canada are killers.

These NATO Generals are believed to be mapping strategy to ease the strain in the NATO alliance over the increasingly bloody war in Afghanistan and Iraq.

SERBIAN TRANSITION ACCOMPLISHED — POVERTY FOR ALL, WELLBEING FOR FEW

Union of Communist Youth of Yugoslavia- Marijan Kubik

The most poverty-stricken are children from Southeast and West of our country. This data is taken from the UNICEF study — "The State of Children in Serbia 2006 — Poverty and Social Exclusion" — published in February of 2007. Of course UNICEF is elaborating them in order to help the present administration of Serbia abide to the EU documents signed in the aftermath of those "democratic changes in 2000."

It is notorious that in October of 2000, Serbia was deprived of its sovereignty and its independence as a result of the counter-revolution, carried out by the Imperialists. Nevertheless, UNICEF researchers consider poverty in Serbia in a quite metaphysical way. For this reason only the data given in this study can be of any interest, if any.

- * In Serbia more than 155,000 children are very poor. An additional 155,000 are at high risk of falling below the poverty line.
- * Malnutrition and stunting growth is more present in the 20% of the population than in the general population; only 9% of the children attend pre-school institutions; 6% of children living under the poverty line do not even go to primary school, and more often drop out of primary school altogether; less than two-thirds of poor girls marry before they are 18 years of age.

- * Data shows that even by UNICEF standards, almost 50% of the poor children do not receive the child allowance and 19% of the richest families (sic) always do receive this entitlement. It is self-evident that this system needs to be improved in to order to include the poor and to discontinue to transfer the funds to children of the better-off families.
- * The infant mortality rate of children in Serbia is 9.1% and 10,4% for children under 5 years of age. The reasons are obvious malnutrition and the absence of free and adequate medical care, but UNICEF won't tell you this. It seems from this UNICEF report that the children in Serbia are poor when their parents pretend to earn their living working for a salary!
- * The significance of employment for the poorest is confirmed by the fact that getting or losing a job was the crucial factor for the changed status of certain households in 2003 – for pushing their consumption below or above the poverty line.
- * Over half of all the households (56.2%) say that they are poor and assessing their financial situation as bad and very bad.
- * Majority of the households with children thought that the "democratic changes in 2000" would be good, but their expectations were unrealistic, the living standards did not rise, and they still are not able to cover all of their needs that were covered during the 1970's and 1980's. Insecurity is a fact of life.

We say that:

INSECURITY IS AN ACT OF IMPERIALISM!

THOUSANDS OF US GI'S COPE WITH BRAIN DAMAGE

By MARILYNNB MARCHIONNE AP MEDICAL DOCTOR

NASHVILLE, TENN. - The war in Iraq is not over, but one legacy of this war is already here in this city and all across America: an epidemic of US brain-damaged soldiers.

Thousands of US troops have been medically diagnosed with traumatic brain injury, or TBI. These

blast-caused injuries are so different that the US doctors have never seen anything of this kind. As more troops return back from Iraq Afghanistan, brain injuries are a growing problem and for the taxpavers also, since the funding for treatment does not meet the demand. These symptoms will be continuing need life-long and specialized care, since they cannot work and the US taxpayers must support their families.

But because the growing shortage of new army recruits in the US these days, these veterans with the TBI illness are sent back into the battle which compounds the situation. This is now known and called the "invisible injury". This injury does not show itself on a CAT scar or other tests.

US Officers are told by Pentagon that they must send these injured US, soldiers back on duty, because US cannot replace then fast enough!

COMMENT:

Do these US troops or their families, upon being diagnosed with TBI syndrome, ever ask themselves as to what the hell they're doing in Afghanistan and Iraq, since they certainly are not liberators or peace-keepers! They are occupiers and yes, they are "Soldiers of Fortune" (as was the French Foreign Legion) paid to go and kill and destroy!

350 IRAQI CIVILIANS KILLED THIS YEAR BY "FRIENDLY FIRE!

From Reuters

The latest civilians were killed by the Polish troops which are 1,100' strong in Afghanistan. The Polish official statement only said "that several civilians were killed."

But in order to try and save their face from public outcry, they took three people to Warsaw, Poland for treatment. But this "humanitarian act" was broadcast daily all over Poland – but not a word as to how many civilians were killed by the Polish troops and their "friendly fire."

By the way, the Polish people should ask themselves as to what did Afghanistan people ever do to Poland? Why have Polish soldiers get killed in order to save the biggest terrorist in the world? History will give its final judgement, sooner than later!





TWO DEMONSTRATIONS — BUT TWO DIFFERENT AIMS TO ACHIEVE!

The demonstrations staged in Burma last month were started by the Buddhist Monks, but it brought into the streets scores of thousands of people all across the country against the hated Military Junta that was ruling this country for decades. The police and army brutality was shown in the bloodshed that followed.

The demonstration in New York last month against the President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad of Iran was a well-planned and well-staged provocation in front of the United Nations, as well as at the University where he was invited as a speaker. Iran is under attack and a planned invasion by US imperialism and their duped cronies. because its stance is to defend its integrity, policy and security. Take a look at who was demonstrating and what was the ONLY message? Photo speaks louder than words!



TRUTH SOMETIMES HURTS!

President Bush's Administration maybe preparing to lash out at its old ally Pakistan, which Pentagon blames for its humiliating defeat to crush the US organized and supported al-Qaida, or capture its elusive leaders, or defeat the Taliban resistance forces in Afghanistan.

One is immediately reminded of the Vietnam War, when the Pentagon, unable to defeat the North Vietnamese Army and the Viet Cong forces — then urged and attacked Cambodia.

THOUSANDS OF HUNGARIANS PROTEST REFORMS

BUDAPEST- September 8, 2007

Over 10,000 Hungarians marched through Central Budapest, protesting against government-initiated reforms. This protest was organized by the organization "National Association of Families with Several Children." They marched to the Parliament Buildings demanding that the government "withdraw measures that would compromise the future of families and children."

"This present Hungarian government deprives children of their future opportunities, it generates chaos and fear to meet its own selfish goals, therefore it must resign!" charged Ildiko Pelez Gall, deputy chairman of the main Hungarian opposition "Fidesz Party".

Meanwhile the General Secretary of this movement, Adam Torok criticized the government that they talk about equal opportunities while building new offices for themselves, closing down schools and hospitals, dismissing teachers, raising the tuition fees for the students and forcing the Hungarian Doctors to find better paying jobs in other countries.

Over 30 civil groups, including a wide-range of different associations representing the teachers, doctors, social services and local government workers also joined this large demonstration.

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NEWS, DIGEST, COMMENTS

BANANA REPUBLIC

Based on an article by SALLY GALLAGHER

In March of this year, the Chiquita Corporation, of Banana Empire fame, was forced to fork out a \$25,000 fine for making illegal payments to the paramilitaries of Colombia. This US Corporation has such heavy clout in developing countries that it forces them to act as their puppets. Of course this support for the Colombian regime and its mercenaries is well known in the White House, but the US monopoly economic interests come first, peoples deaths and misery do not count!

Chiquita Corporation is in league with the Colombian Cartels who are subsidizing this fascist-reactionary Colombian government and, this US Corporation is heavily funding these notorious Colombian Death Squads. It is confirmed in court cases that millions upon millions went to and is going to fund these Death Squads, with the approval of the Pentagon and the Colombian regime.

United Fruit Company (Chiquita Corporation) has operations in 70 countries of the world and was and is responsible for sponsoring and helping financially corrupt governments in all of Latin America and also, for causing the bloody coup in Guatemala in 1950's to stop the redistribution of the corporation's idle lands amongst the peasants.

COMMENT:

This USA's multi-billions-rich and worldwide corporation is so involved in, and is so interwoven with US imperialism, that those "chickenfeed dollar fines" are nothing more than public a relations gimmick.

ISRAELI NEO-NAZI GANG ATTACKS JEWS IN ISRAEL

From Israel-cp3554510.jpg



Eight Israeli youth have been arrested for being part of a Neo-Nazi gang that attacked Orthodox Jews, and homeless people in Israel.

The suspects were taken into custody over a month ago but officials will not release anymore details, only to say that the suspects are between the ages of 16 ad 21 years of age.

These are young Jews that arrived from Russia over the past few years and are living in the city of Petah Tikva, east of Tel Aviv. As the photo shows, these neo-Nazis covered their heads from the camera while in court. There were 8 arrested, while the ninth one escaped back to Russia.

The police charged that these neo-Nazis made videos of their attacks for agitation purposes for other neo-Nazi gangs existing in Israel. The police seized Nazi uniforms, portraits of Hitler and the video showed the spray-painted swastikas on the exterior of Israeli Synagogues in Petah Tikva.

The present Israeli law allows anyone that shows that he or she has Jewish blood through relatives – at least one grandparent to become automatically a citizen of Israel.

PEACE ACTIVIST ARRESTED BY CANADIAN-US BORDER GUARDS

Alison Bodine was arrested for being an anti-war and social justice activist. She is an international student at the University of British Columbia in Canada and has a Bachelor of Physics. She is very active in these struggles. We are asking you to show support by getting in touch with the Alison Bodine Defence Committee at:

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AMERICAN STRAGEDY IN IRAO

By Michael Celik

No, don't reach for your dictionary, it is not a spelling mistake, it is exactly the right word for the American genocide in Iraq.

Since the United States of America undertook to "tailor democracy" for the whole world, more and more people are more and confused about democracy means. US President Bush and his troops are responsible for the murder of close to 1.000.000 Iraqi civilians and the numbers are growing with each passing day.

President Bush said that he is doing this in order to bring democracy to Iraq, but he is more afraid of democracy than anyone else. Over 80% of Iraqis want the Americans to withdraw their troops from Iraq, while 71% want the American troops to return home from Iraq. While "democracy American style" is being manufactured in Iraq, we know that profits of Mr., Bush and Cheney' friends and cronies are mounting higher than all of the skulls of the dead Iraqi people.

Corporations like Haliburton (http://www.haliburtonwatch.org/) were created to capitalize on the fear and murder spree that American soldiers bring to the "democratic process" of an occupied country. And while US taxpayers spend \$12 billion dollars a month on the Iraq war, Halliburton will no longer have to report their profits to the US Internal Revenue Service because they have moved their head office to the Middle East. No doubt these monies will reach their secret Swiss accounts and the architects of this Iraqi genocide. They keep telling the people that "It is your patriotic duty to support the war", and so, who wants to be labelled a traitor to his country? Even though Washington and the Pentagon lied to the people in order to get this war started, that does not matter now. Investments were made and profits eventually do come in. Democracy is based on certain principles and the main principal is none other than PROFIT. And the people's voting? The voting is for the people just to feel good.

Meanwhile, over 2,200,000 Iragis

have voted with their feet and fled this promoted democratic project by imperialism and fled to countries. Over : neighbouring 700,000 have fled to Syria, which according to the White House, is a "dictatorship."

Another 2,000,000 Iraqis who were too poor to escape abroad are displaced insides Iraq itself. If this is democracy, then Adolf Hitler was a democrat, he was doing the same thing all over Europe as George Bush is doing in Iraq Afghanistan.

The American people are now in fear of their own government. It is spying on them and creating similar laws to deal with the opponents as were done by the Nazis-Fascists.

While. American concentration camps are still located outside the United States, how long will it take for them to be located right on US soil? This is why more and more Americans now state:

I love my country; It is my Government that I am afraid of!

CIA ANALYST STATES THAT WEST IS LOSING IN IRAO – AFGANISTAN

A former analyst of the US Intelligence Agency (CIA) said last month in Ottawa, Canada that: "The West is losing the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq because it does not understand the true motives of the struggle and thus taking wrong strategies against the Freedom Fighters that we call "terrorists". This was stated on Canadian TV, by the 22-year CIA veteran, Michael Scheuer.

"The USA's unqualified support for Israel and its policies, the support for the reactionary regimes in the Middle East, who are also allied with the US, and the dependence on oil in the region, are the real factors behind the "terrorist attacks", he pointed out.

The US and Canada he also said, have too many agendas and ambitions in Iraq and Afghanistan.

His book "Through Our Enemies Eyes" was mentioned by Osama bin Laden in a video released last month when he explained as to why the West was to lose the fight against the people of Afghanistan and Iraq.

STEPS TOWARDS FASCISM IN AMERICA

By DAVE SILVER



In February of 2005 I wrote that while we in the US do not yet have full blown fascism, but we can now denote many characteristics of a fascist state - including greater protection of the corporate power. nationalism extreme and absolute dominant role for the US military.

I prefer what Georgi Dimitrov used in 1936 at the meeting of the Communist International to describe what fascism is:

"The open terrorist dictatorship of the most reactionary, most chauvinistic and most imperialist elements of finance capital." Can we speak of a fascist US today? Not iust vet!

However in the past two years. the US has intensified and added steps, which inch ever closer to a fascist-like police state.

Amongst these steps are:

- * Control of the media
- * Identifying enemies / scapegoats as a unifying cause
- * Obsession with national security
- * Suppression of labour
- * Expansion of the prison-industrial complex
- * Disdain for intellectuals and meaningful arts
- * Fraudulent elections

Increasingly US imperialism has "killed its own". More and more frequently we find "friendly fire" or worse, such as the profit-driven measures by private contractors with no stand-by water pipes resulting in the death of two firemen at the Deutsche Bank building which was slated for demolition shortly after 9-11 and then the transfer of the officers instead of criminal indictments against the private contractor and other companies.

Then there is the "psychiatric fascism" by the Bush appointee of Dr. Sally Satee, who then urged the "Centre for Mental Health Services" to encourage all the US States to use "more coercive, intrusive and involuntary care". This includes the fact that 42 US States have passed outpatient laws to be court ordered to for patients to take psychiatric drugs against their will, while living peacefully at home and cared for by their families.

And do not forget to look at the actions and pathology of FEMA during the Katrina disaster in New Orleans, where they pointed their guns and shot at the Katrina victims who were trying to escape the ravaging floods.

The preparatory stage towards fascism in the US should include the appointment by Bush of Alberto Gonzales to his post.

LABOUR DISPUTES CONTINUE TO GROW IN CHINA

From PORTSIDE ORG

Over 5,000 workers of the mobile phone component factory in Shenzhen, Southern China struck last August 22nd against their private industry bosses who wanted to increase their work hours without any extra pay at all.

Also last month, over 800 miners struck for one week at the unsafe working conditions and scores of deaths each month. These private mines undercut the wages and exploit the workers as slaves. There is growing unrest and discontent against the growing pro-capitalist changes in the Chinese economy.

Even the CC Communist Party newspaper the "People's Daily" acknowledged that the labour disputes have now "continuously increased in recent years." The newspaper revealed that from 1986 to 2004 the nations arbitrary network had to handle over 1,072,000 disputes, which involved over 5.32 million workers. But these figures are not accurate since the privately owned industries and mines just hire and fire workers at will and no reports are given.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

The following is an excerpt frommaproom.com/journals/secret.htm

A year ago my uncle died. His last request was that he not be buried with military honours. Following is the reason why!

"During the summer of 1945 (at the end of World War II-Editor) a handful of US officers were engaged in "Operation Olympic" – a plan to end the war in Japan by using poison gas in an event of an invasion of Japan.

Major General William Porter of the US Army's Chemical Warfare Service, developed a plan, with my uncle's assistance, to kill an estimated 5,000,000 Japanese with poison gas. US bombers would drop 75,000 tons of gas bombs per month in a gas blitz, until the major cities in Japan were eliminated. When the initial landing were to be made by US forces, soldiers equipped with spray tanks would attack Japanese positions with a cocktail of lethal gases - including phosgene, mustards, hydrogen cyanide and cyanogen chloride. There absolutely no doubt that civilians would be targeted, although this plan mentioned only enemy troops.

Japanese buildings were mostly built of wood and would absorb mustard gas and phosgene, making all of them uninhabitable]. Poison would be absorbed through the skin or unprotected areas. Gas bombs were to be 500 pound high-explosive devices, to be dropped by US planes at night.

This plan was in the works already in 1944 and my uncle produced a report stressing that the goal of the forthcoming attack was - "to create the maximum number of civilian casualties...cripple all of the transportation and public services. Another goal was to delay the repair of the infrastructure to make targets more vulnerable to conventional attacks - especially fire bombing. The US had grown to appreciate the

effects of fire-storm attacks. The thinking was literally that if the victors always wrote the history, there was no need to explain why something was done."

In May of 1945 the Chicago Tribune newspaper carried this headline, "You Can Cook Them With Gas!" - declaring that the use of poison gas was neither inhumane worse than napalm/flame throwers. US General George C. Marshall declared that "the character of a weapon is no less humane than phosphorous". In June of 1945 (when the WWII was over - Editor) the Army's Chemical Warfare Service submitted a Secret Report on the poisoning of Japan, listing 25 cities for destruction. Casualties "might easily kill 5,000,000 people and injure many more."

In June of 1945, Admiral Ernest King and General Marshall briefed President Truman about the possibility of using poison gas on Japan during the planned invasion of Japan. But President Truman knew something that Admiral King and General Marshall did not – the Atomic Bombs were being readied to use against Japan!

By April of 1945, over 1,000,000 rounds of poisonous gas shells, bombs and mines were available to be used and in transit for Japan. But Truman's secret Atomic Bombs made all this useless. BUT, as late as 1975, these dangerous bombs, mines, shells filled with poisonous gases still were sitting and rusting on Runway One at the Denver Mile High Airport!

My uncle could never bring himself to admit that what he did during WW II was as bad as anything the German Nazis ever dreamt up.

But he did decide before he died that his US military service was not something that he was proud of. That is why he did not want to be buried with Military Honours!

With many thanks to Jon Corlett

CIA IN AMERICA IS AT THE HEART OF ITS SECRET AND INVISIBLE CORPORATE GOVERNMENT!

FEATURE ANALYSES

9/11 FOR DUMMIES

BY ERIC WALLBERG

Theories about what really happened on September 11, 2001 continue to inspire books and documentaries and convince otherwise sane, respective public figures, not to mention the teeming masses. Journalist Robert Fisk recently joined this fray, intriqued by the scientific improbably of the buildings collapsing in such a seemingly controlled way charges by engineering professors who call the US Final Report "fraudulent and deceptive". As a Middle East expert, he also finds the letter allegedly written by Mohamed Atta, the Egyptian hijacker: "As weird and surely a forgery."

Another recent convert to the truth, University if Massachusetts Geoscience Professor, Lynn Margulis referred to 9/11 as "this unprecedented assaults on research. education and civil liberties", and credited "The New Pearl Harbour" book by David Ray Griffin-"which provides overwhelming evidence that the official story is contradictory. incomplete. unbelievable."

Robert M. Bowman, the former Head of the Star Wars Missile Defence Programme, under former US Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter, figures that the main suspect-culprit is Vice-President Dick Cheney — and that the US military command structure may not have been aware that the air force drills on the morning of 9/11 to simulate planes crashing into buildings on the US East Coast, were actually a cover to dupe the unwitting US Air Defence personnel onto not responding quickly enough to stop the attack.

9/11 has become a thing of legends, because all of the evidence has quickly disappeared from the scenes of the tragedies in New York and Washington: the steel from the Trade World Centre now is recycled

and re-imported by China as Chinese Toaster Ovens, and also, where are the bits of the Boeing 757 that crashed in to the Pentagon? The US official Commission investigation pointedly ignored reams of damning evidence and testimony, and the key witnesses have been silenced by the gag orders of the White House or just ignored, so, it appears more and more likely that we will never ever know what exactly happened, who knew, who planned it all, and who carried it out, and why!

There are more versions of what might have happened than you can shake a stick at, and they are divided into the LHOP (let it happen on purpose) and MHOP (made it happen on purpose). The most far fetched ones, such as the theory that the planes that hit the WTC were actually hologrammes, are used to pooh-pooh any talk of conspiracy at all, ignoring the fact that the biggest conspiracy theory - and the most far fetched - is the official version, which less than one-quarter of respondents agreed with a recent opinion poll in New York.

One of the earliest critiques, L'Effroyable Imposture (The Horrifying Fraud) by Thoeirty Meyssan, became a best-seller in Europe in 2002, with the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq and oil as the main motives.

The farcical 9/11 Commission prompted the formation of a 9/11 Citizens Commission in 2004, where Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney testified. The first demonstrations of "Bush Did It!" started in 2002 acros the United States and over six-million

"Deception Dollars", claiming that 9/11 was an inside job, have been distributed since then at various demonstrations. A "European United for Truth" march took place in Brussels, Belgium last May 9, 2007 is the latest European protest to take have taken place. The most popular organizations include the 9/11 Truth Movement that was formed in 2004, an umbrella organization of dozens of grassroots organizations, with its own Internet portal (9/11 truth.org). There is an array of scholars, architects, engineers, veterans for 9/11 Truth in the United States and abroad, and there is even a journal of 9/11 Studies.

of abundance recent documentaries have added much weight to the many books already published. The video documentary "Loose Change" is one of the true miracles of the Internet. Director Dylan Avery put together this challenge powerful establishment for a few thousand dollars, and it has already been downloaded over four million times. Charlie Sheen recently agreed to provide the voice-over for a future cinema release. It starkly relates the many smoking guns.

Alex Jones's "Martial Law -9/11" argues that from Nero burning of Rome to Hitler burning of the Reichstag, the power-mad leaders through all time have manufactured crises in order to present the public with situations "where their police state solutions "make sense" - Give up your rights - it's for your safety!"

Other exposing of 9/11 include the

His is the most comprehensive and researched book on 9/11 by Barry Zwicken, writer, TV commentator and Butivist, Available in every, library.

TOWERS of DECEPTION

THE MEDIA COVER-UP OF 9/11

dedicated work of Barry Zwicker and his "The Great Deception" plus his couple of books and lectures all over Canada and the US. There is also "The Grand Illusion" by George Humphrey.

As good as these attempts are in the Western world, but they stick to the theory that it was a US plan, with oil and political control by the rightwing forces as the motive. Only the unofficial Muslim world pointed the finger at Israel from the very start. Is it possible that Mossad infiltrated (or itself organized) Muslim terrorist cells and carried out the attacks?

As the World Trade Centre burned and crumpled, five men. movers with "Urban Movina Systems", an Israeli company and very likely was a Mossad front group. celebrated and filmed this tragedy and atrocity. At least two of them were intelligence agents, working for Mossad. They were arrested and eventually deported back to Israel at the end of November 2001 under very circumstances. suspicious There is very little doubt that Mossad was spying on Arab extremists in the US and knew that the attack was in the offing. US detained 140 Israelis prior to September 11, 2001, as part of a widespread investigation by US secret service into the uncovered Israeli Spy Network working inside the US - the so-called infamous

"Israeli Art Students". Interestingly enough, after the 9/11, 60 more Israelis were arrested.

After the attacks of 9/11, former Israeli Prim e Minister Benyamin Netanyahu was asked by news correspondents as to what these terrorist strikes would mean for the US-Israeli relations. He said, "It's very good!" He then immediately corrected himself, adding: "Well, its not good, but it will generate immediate sympathy for Israel from the Americans".

According to the official Israeli 9/11 Memorial site, only three Israeli died in the 9/11 WTC (one was a deaf janitor); one was an elite Israeli commando officer on board Flight 11 and an Israeli woman was aboard United 175, which hit the WTC.

Then there were those Odigo messages that the Israelis got two hours before the attacks, warning them not to go to the WTC. Cui bono anyone? Whatever the real story behind the 9/11, history is littered with real and imagined conspiracies, especially where the Cod Ware was concerned. We can laugh in retrospect at attempts to poison Fidel Castro's cigars, but the great turning points in the last half a century where militarism triumphed, have all contained elements of conspiracy. In each case, the mass peace world movements created pressures on the politicians to resist militarism - yet the right forces were able to triumph. When it was necessary, they used subversion or conspiracy. Sometimes by merely latching unto or creating imagined threats

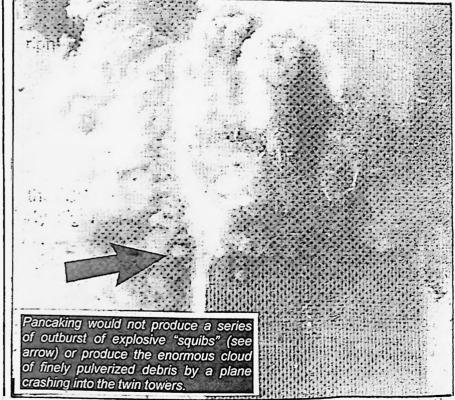
Leaving aside the assassination of US President John F. Kennedy, who was supposedly about to pull US troops out of Vietnam and end the Cold War - consider the fateful year of 1979. The United States was still reeling under the tremendous upsurge of the antiwar movement and also the US public revulsion to all things military, following Vietnam defeat - then US was forced to sign major disarmament treaties and cooperate with the Soviets - this coming very close in ending the Cold War - at least public relations-wise. The Apollo-Soyuz Space programme was the most visible manifestation of this. Then the shock when Soviet troops went into Afghanistan.

As you know, the real story behind this was that the US secretly began a programme of covert aid in arms to their set-up and funded Afghan guerrillas, already over six months before the Soviet Union fulfilled its signed mutual defence treaty with the elected Afghanistan Government and went to their aid.

Former CIA Director and current US Minister of Defence - Robert Gates, in his 1996 Memoirs "From The Shadows", revealed that the "peace-loving" US President Jimmy Carter approved a secret White House \$500 Million aid military aid to counter the Soviet support to the Afghanistan government, that had dictator hated overthrown the Mohmed Khan (who has just overthrown his cousin, King Nadir Shah in Kabul).

According to Robert Gates, at a meeting on March 30,1979, the US Under Secretary of Defence, Walter Slocumbe suggested that: "There was great value in keeping the Afghan insurgency going, thus sucking the Soviets into a Vietnamese quagmire".

Now former president Carter, who authorized this covert program in Afghanistan on July 3, 1979, now he explains that it was definitely "not my intention to inspire a Soviet invasion." Was this also a conspiracy, with naive Carter a dupe? LHOP or MHOP? Either way this created the foundation for the



greatest military build-up that the world has ever seen. This gave President Reagan a landslide election victory on the promise to "deposit the Soviet Union into the history's rubbish bin!"

Of yes, this also created the al-Qaeda. Unfortunately for the US right-wing and its iubilation. Reagan's victory had its downside. With the collapse of the Soviet Union (due to internal traitors-Ed.), the American war machine lost its raison d'etre and the world expected a peace dividend, a dismantling of both the Soviet Union and the USA's arsenals and an end to the unending arms race. So, the "Cold War" was finally over, the "enemy" defeated.

Is it not funny how the 9/11 came along just in time?

SOME SMOKING GUNS:

- * The American CIA's 1962 "Operation Northwoods" to create and utilize bogus terrorist attacks against the US itself, substituting commercial airlines with the pilotless drone aircraft.
- * The 2000 Project for the New American Century report "Rebuilding America's Defences, mentioning "some catastrophic and catalyzing events like a new Pearl Harbour."
- * Also in 2000 the first of the two US air training exercise conducted with simulated Boeing 757 crashing into the WTC. It is interesting to note that the second of this exercise was scheduled for the exact time that the 9/11 events occurred.
- * From September 6-10 there was a very usual amount of stock market "put options" put on the American Airlines, Boeing and United Airlines.
- * Bin Laden's denial of involvement in a Statement made on September 16,2001 which said that: "The United States should try to trace the perpetrators of these attacks within itself, to the people who want to make the present century a century of conflict between Islam and Christianity."

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WHERE IS THE RAGE?

BY CLIBURN –US SOLDIER IN IRAQ

I had my military drill this weekend. Drill has been a forever evolving presence in my life for the past six years as a US soldier - missing it, hating it when in Iraq and then coming back again - finding that I liked being with my army buddies. But over the last few months this has turned into a nightmare and dread. I am questioning now whether or not I can remain an effective member of the US military.

Over the course of our many bullshit sessions at drill, the topic of Iraq always came up. We exchanged stories and drunken all night parties and getting to the point that you ignore gunfire. These same set of my buddies that in 2005 said that they could not wait to kill these "ragheads" (Iraqis) - are now bragging how they scare the Iraqi population, how they bend the rules of engagements, and how they enjoy playing bully against the innocent civilian Iragis. I thought that things in the minds of these US army soldiers would change and open up their eyes as to how their actions were inhumane - but I was very wrong!

Someone, who had not been deployed again before, asked if we would go again. "In a heartbeat", one soldier replied. Others felt likewise. Now then all eyes were on me and on my reaction. "No I am not going back to participate in this illegal war!" I said.

The look of shock and awe on their faces quickly gave way to a flurry of questions about how I planned to get out, what I would do, how can I do this to my friends and my country, why I felt like that, what do I think that I will be proving and why I thought that I could make a difference? These are not the questions that got me started at all.

objector? The soldiers asked with smirks on all of their faces.

."In fact that is what I will do.

since I am essentially that!" I replied. You could have heard a pin drop for about twenty minutes.

It amazed me that the talk about how they had fun bullying the innocent Iraqi civilians and children, but now I was demonized for having any thoughts that this Iraqi war was unjust, we had no right to occupy it and subjugate the people. I had a conscience and that seemed to upset my buddies to no end.

I then spent quite a long time trying to explain why I had a moral right and objection to scaring and killing the Iraqis, occupying a country that did not attack us, risking my life and the lives of other US soldiers for a war that does nothing but make this world much more dangerous and less stable, and giving Washington approval to a policy that has failed on every front.

But their attack against this policy was not the question of risking their lives or killing the Iraqi people, but this showed the thinking of most of the brainwashed US soldiers.

"Why talk about the unstable Middle East. Wars are good for US economy. Why care if wars break out in the Middle East? You have to defend our country, either way! You have to have the balls to go to war and occupy the country even if you do not agree with US White House!"

No, it takes balls not to go when you do not agree. The courage to resist is sometimes more honourable than the courage to go into a foxhole. Even though some of these Gl's did not agree with the war, but they will not abandon their country or the president. Even though most of them would like to get back home – they nevertheless support the war in Iraq.

I thought that oppose the war and be in the military, try to change it from within, but I now am done with the US military. I don't know when I will leave the US service altogether, but I will be taking part in the protests by US War Veterans Against War and other groups — to end this unjust war, take care of our veterans and demand the withdrawal of all troops from Iraq and Afghanistan, and help them build their countries that we destroyed in the first place.

In the meantime, I simply ask...

"WHERE IS THE RAGE?"

SPECIAL FOR NSC

BULGARIAN MEDICS' CASE IN LYBIA

A DIFFERENT VIEWPOINT By BLAGOVESTA DONCHEVA-Bulgaria

This story started in 1999 when it was found out that in a hospital in Benghazi, Libya, 438 children were infected with AIDS, by transfusion of infected blood smuggled into the country. Five Bulgarian Nurses and a Doctor was accused and arrested. For the Bulgarian people the story turned into the top media news in winter of 2000. After that, the Bulgarian media started to mention the "heroic deeds" that were being done by these Bulgarian nurses and doctor and how they were innocent of all charges.

(If they are innocent, then how come that 438 children were infected with AIDS, which they were looking after? Are Muslim children prone to get infected by AIDS just because they are Muslim? The Bulgarian government or the media keeps mum on this question as to where did this infected blood come from and as Nurses and as a Doctor, testing it first – how come this was allowed to be given to 438 children?)

The reader of NSC is to be reminded that 1999 was the year that Yugoslavia was dismembered by US, EU, Canada and NATO. The Bulgarian "democratic" government was actively cooperating with these invaders and killers in this camage. The Bulgarian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Nadegda Mikhailova (a person with dual loyalties as most of the Bulgarian government was after 1989 - they brought in a plan called "Podkova" or operation "HorseShoe" In which they propagated that that "tyrant Milosevic" intended to drive all the Albanians out of Serbian Kosovo and he had to stopped by all means.

This "Made in Bulgaria" was given to the German Secret Service that was told to make this charge public all over the world – which they certainly did with gusto. (The present German government had waited since WWII to revenge themselves on the heroic struggle by the

Yugoslav people for their liberation.

This cooked in Bulgaria "Operation Horseshoe" was successfully used to justify the bloody orgy by the US, European Union and Canada to dismember Yugoslavia, murder of children, men and women – the bulldozing of almost all Medieval Orthodox Kosovo Churches – all of them precious cultural monuments – and after the REAL ethnic cleansing of Serbs, Turks, Gypsies, Jews from this Serbian province of Kosovo – it was at last admitted that this cooked up "Operation Podkova" was false!

Even the Hague Court rejected that plan.

http://www.truthinmedia.org/index.html

Even though the Bulgarian Medics were arrested in Libya in the seconds half of 1999, why did the Bulgarian government keep silent and reacted only late in year 2000? One cannot but help asking the obvious question: Hadn't it collaborated with another well-known foreign agency that was interested in the deliberate murder of Arab children, parallel with its eager collaboration with the destroyers of Yugoslavia? Logic suggest such a possibility.

The Bulgarian medics were condemned to death by the Libyan government. This notwithstanding the hysterical Bulgarian screams that they were innocent and the fierce campaign inside of Bulgaria to convince the people that it was so.

The Bulgarian press made up all sorts of excuses as to why the children died – the hygiene in the Benghazi hospital was horrible, as if to say that these Muslims were stupid and unclean and that the children were victims because of the conditions in this hospital.

But, please, AIDS is not jaundice, tuberculosis, abdominal typhus or plague!

Children can only be infected by infected blood through transfusion!

The Libyan Government then freed the Bulgarian Medics, after 7 years and here in Bulgaria they were treated as heroes and this government gave each one of them a free apartment -\$20,000 each — such a sum in Bulgaria is unbelievable for 90% of Bulgarians -

heath insurance for the rest of their lives - a monthly pension plan that equals 7 Bulgarian peoples pensions and other goodies that are kept secret from the people.

But the Bulgarian pensioners must subsist on onions, bread and water – but onion are high in price and the price of bread is going up now.

Dear Bulgarian Pensioners!

It is useless to get horrified – or to feel indignant or even humiliated. Remember that we should keep alive!

Those struggling for world domination want the Bulgarian elderly down and out of life just as it was done to the Libyan children and as Imperialism is trying to do all over the world.

We have to be alive, we have to slow Imperialism down – if we can – the process of their domination of the world with their New World Order!

Because sooner than later forces will appear that will be able to **stop** these Imperialist monsters!

So, all of you Bulgarian martyrs:

RESISTI STAY ALIVEI

A REPLY TO NOAM CHOMSKY

By LJUBÖDRAG SIMONOVIC

Mr. Chomsky deserves respect for his brave resistance to American imperialist politics. Unfortunately, in the interview with the Belgrade daily paper "Politika" of May 7th and 8th, 2006, Chomsky sees the ultimate solution for the Balkan crisis in the implementation of Washington's policy.

To the question "What do you see as a realistic solution to the final status of Kosovo and how much does it differ from what the USA advocates today?" Chomsky replies: "I have for a long time felt that the only realistic solution to the final status of Kosovo is actually the one offered by the president of Serbia (Dobrica Čosić), I think, sometime in 1993, that is a kind of partitioning of the Serbs. There are few Serbs left now, but what used to be Serbian regions should be a part of Serbia, the rest can be "independent", as they call it, which means integrated with Albania. I simply did not see any other solution ten years ago either."

Chomsky's idea is not new. It is actually a "model" for Kosovo that in the Second World War was realized by fascist Italy and Germany. As for Chomsky's reference to Dobrica the ex-president Yugoslavia, it is, as a matter of fact, a highly problematic alibi in view of Cosić's motives behind advocating the division of Kosovo.

Chomsky's position is identical to that of the American establishment. That is. Chomsky does not speak of a just and principled solution to the problem of Kosovo, but of a "realistic solution". What actually is the basis of Chomsky's "realism"? First of all is the fact that the Albanians are a majority in Kosovo, and that they do not want to live in Serbia. Would "realism" be really Chomsky's "realistic" if America did not stand behind the Albanians? In that case wouldn't another kind of realism apply, namely that the Albanians represent about 15% of the population of Serbia and that the Serbs, as a majority, do not want Kosovo to secede from Serbia? Chomsky's "realistic solution" is actually founded on the results of the ethnic cleansing of the Serbs and other non-Albanians (about 300,000), carried out by Albanian terrorist groups which, even according to Chomsky, were organized and armed by the USA as well as the settlement in Kosovo of hundreds of thousands of Albanians from Albania.

What would happen if the principle of ethnic majority "selfdetermination" were applied to the solution of the question of ethnic minorities in European countries? Would, according to Chomsky, the Albanians' breaking off of western Macedonia and its annexation to Albania be a "realistic solution"? Or the Greeks' annexation of the parts of Albania where they are the majority? Or the Turkish annexation of the parts of Bulgaria and Greece where they represent the majority? Or Hungarian annexation of the parts of Romania. Serbia and Slovakia where they are the majority of the population? What about Abkhazia, South Ossetia, Nagomo-Karabach, etc.? What about Catalonia, the Basque country, Corsica, South Tirol, parts of Turkey where the Kurds form the majority, or Crimea and other parts of Ukraine populated by Russians, as well as the Baltic states with a majority Russian population?

Chomsky offers to the Albanians of Kosovo as a national minority the right to form their state and to be annexed to Albania. What about the right of the Serbs and Croats in Bosnia and Herzegovina - who are minorities. national not constitutive peoples, what of their their to decide right independence?

The question is whether Chomsky

aware that his "realistic" conception in fact gives legitimacy to the principle of ethnic cleansing openly backed by the American administration. Chomsky's conception, no matter what the author's real motives are, represents an invitation to a violent breaking up of multi-ethnic states. What would that mean for Serbia where 24 nations live? Practically, all the border areas of Serbia would become zones where national clashes could be provoked in order to make possible their annexation to neighboring countries. Provocations already exist in the parts of the country populated by Muslims (Sandžak) and Hungarians (Voivodina).

How can the secession of that part of the country which represents the foundation of the Serbian state and the national consciousness of the people be "peacefully" accepted by the Serbs? Serbs are aware that the real occupiers of Kosovo are not Albanians, but Americans. Chomsky doesn't mention the presence in Kosovo of camp "Bond-Steel", which is the largest American military camp in Europe. And that is, in fact, the main reason why Americans are trying to tear off Kosovo from Serbia and to annex it to Albania. Americans are trying to turn the Balkan and East-European states into a military corridor in order to isolate Europe from Russia and



prevent Europe from approaching the Middle East. "Greater Albania" would become the main strategic point in the American plan to become entrenched in European territory. In his interview Chomsky "forgot" to mention that the immediate reason for the NATO bombing of Yugoslavia was Milošević's refusal to sign the document in Rambouillet in which the Americans demanded the deployment in Yugoslavia of over 30,000 NATO soldiers. In effect, they demanded that Milošević endorse the occupation of his country.

In answering the question "Why the USA started that war?" Chomsky refers to the book by John Norris that states, "The real cause of the war had nothing to do with care for the Kosovo Albanians. The real cause was that Serbia did not implement the required social and market reforms, which meant that it was the only comer of Europe refusing to accept neo-liberal programs dictated by the USA, and this had to be stopped." In the same interview Chomsky says that Milošević "should have been overthrown, and probably would have been, in the early 90s, had the Albanians voted." Chomsky sees in the political groups in Serbia who played the "Trojan horse" for the USA and who received hundreds of millions of dollars from the USA to overthrow Milošević, and in the separatist Albanians, the forces which should have overthrown Milošević. How can anybody fight the criminal policy of the USA in the Balkans, and, at the same time, give support to the political forces carrying out the American policy in the Balkans?

What is Chomsky's opinion of Milošević? Chomsky thinks that Milosevic "committed many crimes", "that he is not a good person", "that he is a terrible person, but the accusations against him could have neverbeen proved." To the question "Are you a Milošević sympathizer?" Chomsky replies, "No, he was terrible. . . . I certainly would never have dined or talked to him. Yes, he deserved to be tried for his crimes but this trial could not be carried out even had it been half fair. It was a farce; they were actually happy that he died."

For what "crimes" should Milošević have been tried and why should he have been overthrown in the beginning of the nineties? – The man who introduced the multi-party system and brought about a constitution according to which the

citizen and not the nation is the basis of the political formation of society, something that was thoroughly opposed by the political forces which Chomsky supports. Chomsky didn't give a concrete reply to the repeated question.

Basically, Chomsky has no political vision of the Balkans that might give these countries the possibility of preserving their independence, without which the story of "democratic freedoms" is but a farce. That is the reason why constructs "democratic" opposition which ought to have overthrown Milošević something that never really existed. Madeleine Albright has many times said that Yugoslavia was bombed in order to bring to power those who would support American policy in the Balkans. This is the real opposition that tried to overthrow Milošević, and that came to power on October 5th 2000 - that turned Serbia and Montenegro into an American colony.

In the "democracy" which the West imposed on Serbia by military aggression more than 50% of the population capable of working is without a job; over 65% of the people under 30 are without a job; the average salary is below 300 €/month; almost 80% of the employed in the private sector have no social security; in Belgrade alone there are over 80,000 drug-addicts; today's students pay as much as ten times higher fees than in Milosević's time; in the process of forced privatization almost all the important factories, mines, water resources and other social property have been sold for small money to Western companies and domestic mafias; the gross national product is below the level it was even during the time of the harshest economic sanctions; never was the number of young people emigrating from the country greater than today; newspaper and television houses critical of the West are being closed; people are losing their jobs daily if they do not conform to the ruling policy; banks are being robbed every day, postal workers killed, people die in mafia clashes . . . Serbia has become a "democratic" society by Western standards.

Whether Chomsky likes it or not, Slobodan Milosević was and still is a symbol of the struggle for freedom of the Serbian people. It is no accident that the funeral ceremony in Belgrade and Požarevac was attended by far more people than

were gathered on October 5th, 2000. One of the main slogans was "Kosovo is Serbia!" That is the reality that we also should insist on if we want peace in the Balkans.

PRESIDENT BUSH'S SPEECH WAS FULL OF CONTRADICTIONS

From The Washington Post

WASHINTON - In his September 13th speech, President Bush tried to make a case for progress in Iraq by citing facts and statistics that many times contradicted the recent US reports or even his own words. For instance - Bush asserted that-"Irag's getting leaders are national something done - sharing revenues with the provinces and allowing former Baathists to join the Iraqi army and to receive government pensions."

But according to US officials in Iraq, this statement is false and any deals that are arranged are all collapsing. Even a few weeks ago Bush told the nation, that "political progress is not working and the government in Baghdad has many important issues to address and to solve."

Although Bush thanked the 36 nations that have small contingent of troops in Iraq, he did not mention. that 10 countries have now already pulled their troops out and more are on the way of doing so, due to the heavy pressure at home in these countries. These 36 countries have only about 7% of the total troops that US alone has in Iraq.

COMMENT

No amount of double-talk and lies will save US from defeat in Iraq and Afghanistan. What is needed is an immediate UN vote of censure and branding the US as the aggressor in Iraq and Afghanistan — but that needs UNITY of those nations that publicly criticize US imperialism, but they are too weak at the knees to take the necessary step as their own people are demanding.

Talk without action is just talk!

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NORWEGIAN INTELLIGENCE AIDING NATO INSIDE IRAN

From Xinhua News Agency

The chief of the Norwegian Intelligence Service, Torgeir Hagen has now confirmed that its intelligence agents are very active inside Iranian borders and are charting Iran's nuclear weapons program, while trying to secure Norwegian business interests in that country.

The head of Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Professor Daniel Heradstveit said: "As a small state, we rather ought to take the role as bridge builders toward Iran. But, here we are, as a small state doing the work for some other big powers. Why?"

According to this Norwegian Institute, Norway's government has for a long time mounted extensive intelligence gathering services for US and Britain through its diplomatic embassies and missions in the Balkans, Sudan, Iraq, Afghanistan.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CHINAP

The following items are gathered from different sources, both inside and outside of China media.

*There were mass "incidents in China" according to many reports in the China Reform Monitor, The Australian and from RIA-Novosti in Moscow.

*There were mass riots and protests in rural China. These mass incidents numbered over 2,000 in 2006-2007, up 6.6% from 2004 levels. Peking has ordered an investigation into these incidents according to senior CPC official, Ouyang Song, as reported by the Xinhua news agency. * The Communist Party of China has now 72.39 million party members, and in 2006 there were 19 million people applying to join the CPC —

this is according to the Xinhua Agency.

* The Central Committee of the CPC is eying the possibility and necessity of exporting a large portion of its labour force overseas. The Family Planning initiative somehow is not working fully and this is why there is a need to export some of its labour force to other countries.

* Chinese Government has decided to open up its defence sector to foreign capital investment and profitmaking production and raise funds on the Wall Street Stock Market and other markets. This is according to the Chinese Defence News.

* The recent devastating flooding in China and the ruin of homes, deaths and colossal damage has caused demonstrations to take place in rural areas affected. The people blame the Central government for concentrating on making goods for export to the West, investing money, while rural population while the rural population and the dangerous flooding is forgotten and not enough is done to fix these constant devastating problems.

FLOUNTING INTERNATIONAL LAWS BY US IMPERILISM

Besides people of the whole world, American people should now be asking themselves the following:

"Why are we detaining prisoners in Guantanamo Bay and Egypt instead of the United States?"

US President Bush selected Guantanamo Bay (Cuba) because legalistic chicanery could in fact portray it as exempt from domestic or international law. Otherwise the Bush Administration would face criminal prosecution under Article II, Section 4 of the US Constitution for torturing detainees.

There are many other examples of US disregarding International Law as adopted by the United Nations Organization:

* Indefinite detention of hundreds of Haitian refugees in the Krome Detention Centre in Miami, Florida – in violation of Article 9 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights that the US Administration had signed.

* The US-backed Israeli occupation of Palestinian territory, in violation of UN Resolution 242 and the Fourth Geneva Convention that US signed unto.

* US disregard for the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, which it helped to draft, but abandoned it now.

US citizens should also make certain that their children and grandchildren know the following segment of US history that is not being taught in any US schools now:

"US President Woodrow Wilson in 1915 gave the order to invade Haiti, and he then dissolved its elected National Assembly after this Haitian Assembly refused to ratify the US-drafted constitution that gave US corporations the right to purchase Haitian land. Thousands of Haitians were killed in this occupation struggle and slavery was introduced to Haiti."

MASS PROTESTS IN CHILE

On August 30, 2007 Chilean trade union leaders praised the demonstrations by thousands of workers that were condemning neoliberalism and social exclusion.

Maria Rozas, vice president of the United Workers Central, told Prensa Latina that the professionals from the health system, education, copper subcontractors and the student organization, amongst others, joined this protest.

She also condemned the violent and brutal police actions against the demonstrators, which included over 100 arrested by the police.

The demonstration was a huge step towards unity of the progressive forces against the current reactionary Chilean labour legislation. This demonstration condemned this neoliberalism in Chile, which is now responsible for the destruction of the environment and provoked labour uncertainty. Clashes broke out in all sections of the city and in other areas of Chile.

DID YOU DONATE TO SUSTAINING FUND?

AS I SEE IT

By Jerry Morse

SECRET US PENTAGON TEAM TO PERFECT A PLAN FOR IRAN STRIKE

The US Air Force has set up a highly confidential strategic planning group inside the Pentagon with the task to fight the next war as tensions are rising about Iran.

It is the "Project Checkmate" and this is the successor to the group that planned the Gulf War air campaign. This group reports directly to General Michael Moseley and consists of over 30 top-notch air force, defence and cyber pace experts with complete access to the White House, the CIA and to all other Western intelligence agencies. This plan was already in the works for over two years.

And who do you think is leading this project? General Stutzriem who is considered as the brightest general and is assisted by an Israeli Dr. Lani Kass, an expert on cyberwarfare.

The new French government is pushing all out for attacking Iran. The Pentagon statement said that: "There is no question that we can obliterate Iran, the problem is the follow-up, the planned velvet revolution syndrome that needs to be created".

WASHINGTON, DC -

September 11, 2007 in the US was full of demagogy and the truth is hidden in the bunkers of the FBI, CIA and other Agencies that keep their secrets, lies, blunders and millions of documents well-hidden from the American people and the world about the 9/11. But of course, right on cue they aired the Ben Laden video (delivered by his courier to the White House, of course). But these White House liars will not bring forth any videos or documentaries that show how they stonewalled the American peopleand the Commission that was set up to look into the 9/11

Of course Bush is a liar and the truth is coming out and, the America people are realizing it — albeit too slowly.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

PETER SEEGER WAS NOT WHAT PEOPLE THOUGHT HE WAS

During the hay-day of folk songs and protests in the US, the days of the Weavers, Pete Seeger and many other "left-wing singers and song writers" it is good to remember, even though it is unpleasant.

During a concert in 1982, during President Regan's time in New York, this concert featured Pete Seeger and F. Kirkpatrick. Kirkpatrick wrote and sang the song called "Fight on Palestine". Peter Seeger strongly criticized Kirkpatrick because of the political content and called him anti-Semitic.

Then there was Ronald Radosh who presented himself as a "radical", but later became a speechwriter for President Reagan and the mouthpiece for the reactionary US Hudson Institute.

When Pete Seeger was criticized for not condemning the Soviet Union and "the crimes of Stalin", Pete Seeger backtracked and asked forgiveness for "following the party line." Alas, Pete Seeger fell into the black hole that embraced anticommunism but in a very left-liberal disguise and at present this movement is of the "new thinkers" and "neo-Marxists", or the present "new left" and of course the "Social Democrats"

These newly baked "left-wingers" used and use key words to disguise their stance, as does imperialism, such as "pluralism, democratization, glasnost, multi-party elections.

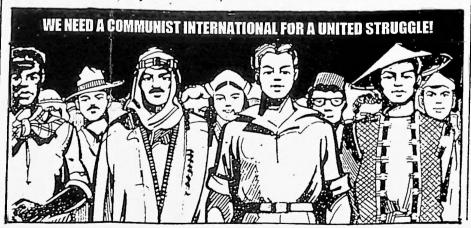
perestroika" and many other pseudoprogressive falsehoods in order to fool the people

These half-baked pseudo-Marxists trying desperately to heap abuse and lies on Socialism and Stalin in particular, should look at the following written by many Marxist scholars ---

"If Stalin was the monster as he is portrayed and responsible for the deaths of thousands (or is it now many millions) of innocent people, there would have been such moral decay and absolute anarchy in the Soviet society that it would have been absolutely impossible to rouse up the heroic fervour of the Soviet people in order to defeat German fascism by the heroic deeds of Soviet people, who not only believed in Socialism but wholeheartedly believed in Stalin, and went into battle, facing death by German bullets, with the cry on their lips: "For the Motherland! For Stalin!" Stalin, more than any other leader in the USSR helped to build a new society, after the defeat of the internal and external enemies during the civil war - and he helped to build a new society from a semi-feudal one and also helped to save mankind from Nazi imperialism!

Zionists who never stop heaping lies on Stalin, should also remember that the Soviet government under Stalin, ordered the transfer of tens of thousands of Soviet Jews to Central Asia, mostly to Uzbekistan for safety, after the Nazi invasion of the USSR."

THIS SHOULD BE FOOD FOR THOUGHT!



ACCORDING TO MISHKA

PUTIN AND THE FORTHCOMING PARLIAMENTARY AND PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS



With the Russian Parliamentary elections coming in December of this year and the Presidential election coming in March of 2008 – Russia is coming to the crossroads. It must choose either for a change, or keep on going on that slippery road to further chaos, exploitation and robbery of the majority of its population.

Putin is doing all in his power to either stay in power or make certain that his political stooge will take over and then be replaced — since Mr. Putin has now hinted through some statements said by his newly organized election group, that he wants to rule for another 7-year term.

Be that as it may, he will do all in his power to pretend to clear up the mess, the mafiosi-run oil industries plus other terrible misdeeds that are happening. He will push to get them all "cleared up" before the elections and thus try to hoodwink the Russian people again.

This time there is Oleg Shenin, the Communist Party of the Soviet Union running for President against Mr. Putin. Will the Communists of the 27 parties get behind him and will he be more dedicated to what he is preaching than was Gennady Zyuganov who ran for President against Yeltsin, and having won, he then abdicated?

I really do think that time is now to again report as to who Mr. Putin really is. And, why did Boris Yeltsin choose Putin as his successor. Let me throw just some light on Mr. Putin's past history. This is taken from the newspaper "Sovietskaya Rossia" March 23, 2000.

PUTIN"S PERSONAL DATA -

Vladimir Putin's personal data reflects an unremarkable educational background and a professional career with the First Directorate (counter-espionage) of the KGB. Trained at the KGB Institute, where Putin specialized in German language countries, he was sent to the German Democratic Republic (GDR) in 1985. The West German newspaper "Frankfurter Rundschau" claimed that it was Putin's task to control the activities of Hans Modrow (a dedicated pro-Soviet Marxist-L'eninist - Editor) who became the Secretary of the Socialist Unity Party of the GDR before unification.

According to Russian Academician Professor Vitali Kanashkin,(1) who wrote in "Sovietskaya Rossiya" newspaper on February 8, 2000, the year 1990 saw Putin's career veer off the straight-and-narrow professional path of his Soviet training. At that time suspicions were raised about some very doubtful contacts Putin was said to have with Western secret services. In addition, there were indications that he had participated in the sell-out of military equipment belonging to the Soviet troops stationed in GDR. It is a fact that Putin was recalled back home. and he did not receive a rise in military status, as is customary acknowledgment of a task well done. Putin was soon dismissed (2) from the state services. He became assistant to the Vice Chancellor of Leningrad State University, in charge of foreign

relations.

It was in this capacity that Putin personally negotiated the establishment of St. Petersburg's (Leningrad) foreign exchange, signed very substantial agreements on foreign investments and, in particular, assisted with the establishment in the city of substantial German companies and banks. In particular, Putin was personally involved with the opening of a branch of the Dresdner Bank, one of the most powerful foreign banks in Russia.

In 1991 a group of Russian deputies from Leningrad Soviet conducted a special investigation into Putin's activities connected with the issuing of export licenses for rare minerals, sold abroad for dumping prices. The Commission's report was also said to have mentioned that one of these licenses was issued on the understanding that the moneys earned would be used for the purchase of foodstuffs for the city. However, these never materialized.

The group of deputies advised Sobchak, mayor of Leningrad to immediately remove Putin from his position. However, the mayor chose to appoint him as his administrative assistant during his frequent trips abroad. In March of 1994, Putin became the first deputy chairman of the city administration, and in May of 1995, on Sobchak's recommendation,



he became head of the St. Petersburg chapter of the sociopolitical movement "Our house is Russia*, Chernomydrin's political party. During the autumn election campaign to the Second Duma in 1995. Putin managed to attract over 1,100,000 billion rubles into the election kitty of this party, donated predominantly by St. Petersburg banks. In December of 1995 Putih became head of the local chapter of Yeltsin's pre-election campaign. However: the most significant year in Putin's career was to be 1996. when he organized the campaign for Sobchak's re-election and developed very close relations with Pavel Borodin, who was in charge of Yeltsin's affairs.

The author refers to Alexander Minkin, Sobchak's biographer, for information that Putin's activities can be followed-up from the fecords of St. Petersburg's attorney-general's office, customs, and the City Town Hall. Some of these records are said to deal with a number of raw materials shady "deals", shameless "collection" of funds for Sobchak's re-election campaign, or negotiations concerning casino betting facilities. There is also mention of foreign currency transfers to many Swiss banks, the legitimization of all the purchases abroad, including the acquisition (in a fictitious name) of a large villa in the Spanish town of Benidorm. When Putin was accused by a former member of Lensoviet, A Belyayev, that he acquired real estate on the French Atlantic coast, Putin took him to court, claiming 200 million rubles in compensation. (Many of those that accused Putin somehow have disappeared from this earth - Editor).

Sobchak's loss of the election turned out to Putin's advantage he was offered the position of Pavel Borodin's deputy in the Kremlin, charged with the management of Yeltsin's many properties abroad. On March 26, 1997 Yeltsin appointed Putin, by a special order, to the position of deputy chairman of the presidential administration, and head of

the main control directorate of the president. On July 21, 1998 Putin was appointed as the director of the Federal Security Service (FSB), and on March 29, 1999 he was elevated to the secretaryship of the important Russian Federation's Security Council while at the same time retaining his directorate of the FSB. On August 9, 1999 then Prime Minister Sergei Stepanshin was dismissed (after only a few months' service) and Putin was put in his place. In a course of a TV interview Putin acknowledged with thanks his new position and stated that he would be a candidate at the forthcoming presidential elections in 2000.

Author Kanashkin refers to Putin's manifest partiality to Brerezovski, Chubais, Nemtsov. In his view this is not just a matter of interdependence, but showed Putin's predilection for "everything Western". He does not think its coincidental that Putin - all smiles - stated from the window of the helicopter carrying him to the Russian troops in Chechniya - "We lately do cooperate closely with the CIA and Israel Mossad in matters relating to Chechniya!"

DID YOU KNOW?

There are more Internal Security Troops in Russia under Mr. Putin now, than there are soldiers in the whole Russian Army! Why?

So that Mr. Putin can sleep in peace!

There are 150,000 U.S. troops in Iraq now, but - the private army that the White House has hired from the US Blackwater Private Amy number 170,000 troops. They are not subject to any laws either by the US administration or the Iraqis - they kill, they rape, they plunder at will and cannot be held accountable at al!!

These are hired killers – soldiers of fortune that make the former French Foreign Legion now look like school kids!

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FROM SANTIAGO DE CHILE CHILE

Dear comrades:

We hope that you received the CD of revolutionary songs and a poster of Che plus postcards. We are very glad to read the latest English copy of NSC and also our Spanish edition of NSC which is being distributed across Chile.

The Red Flag is not dead. Day by day we are getting stronger in the countries of Latin America. The promises of capitalism for the working class are always broken and the need for Socialism is getting clearer day by pay for most of our people.

Comradely years Carlos Opalks T.

THE 45" HITERNATIONAL ANTIWAR ASSEMBLY IN JAPAN

Dear colleagues of Northstar Compass:

We thank you for your message of solidarity which was read to all of the delegates at the Assembly.

In the midst of their antiwar activities, the Japanese workers, students and citizens held this Assembly last August 25th in Tokyo and other regional meetings were held in cities of Hokkaido, Hokuriku, Tokai, Kansai, Kyushu and Okinawa.

At the meeting in Tokyo, on behalf of the Executive Committee,

Yasuvtuki Kusuda made the keynote address by calling upon the gathered delegates: "Let us organize the revolutionary antiwar struggle to break through the crisis of global warfare created by the new confrontation between the US and China/Russia, and we must advance it internationally! We are witnessing the Bush Empire, desperate to build up the so-called defence systems, and on the other hand, the Putin-led Russian government and the Hu-led Chinese government, which are overtly starting their challenge to imperialist through the break America's exclusive military control of outer space. A new nuclear arms race has started. Let us fight against this competitive strengthening of nuclear military power by the US and Russia/China!"

He also criticized the present Japanese subservient Government to US imperialism, as well as the Japanese Communist Party, because it has abandoned their opposition to US-Japan military alliance with the view of attracting "conservative voters."

After the break for the delegates, there were read messages of greetings from foreign friends, including from Northstar Compass and from the International Council. The report on the Japanese militant student actions received a standing ovation.

At the conclusion of the Antiwar Assembly, there was played the International and many anti-war slogans were shouted by all present.

Colleagues all over the world! Let us continue to build up our international solidarity.

Rallies such as the photo shows were held all over Japan and the attendance was mostly by young generation who are very active in these meetings, rallies and protests!

FROM MLYS Jyvaskila FINLAND

Dear comrades:

We're sending you two theoretical magazines called "Jaanmurtaja" which I hope you will enjoy.

Mikko Kivipuro - Editor



Here we reprint just a few items of interest for the NSC readers.

"Before a Communist International should be organized, there has to be knowledge about opportunism and revisionism in many parties of the world. Communism should be apart from all of them. Also there has to be professional knowledge about Marxist leadership to lead this Communist International. All of this needs resources and much work. In the future, our journal will be published only on the Internet. It is more efficient, regular, timely and interactive media. We will enlarge target from communist readership to beyond communist readership."

"The Finnish left wing media gives too positive an image about Venezuela's revolution. There are many problems to solve and much work to do before Venezuela can call itself Socialist. President Hugo Chavez promised in April of 2007 to save private ownership. His words should be taken more as a political action to calm the fears of the bourgeoisie, than taking it as part of a theoretical discussion."

HAVE AN OPINION? THEN WRITE!

WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW IS FRIENDSHIP, PEACE AND UNITY IN THE STRUGG AGAINST U.S. IMPERIALISM - BY ESTABLISHING A

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