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# MAY DAY 2006!

By **WILL LAMBERT**

*President Oakville & District Labour Council – Chairperson CAW Local 1256 – Transit Workers – Canada*

From the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass and from the Executive Committee of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, we proudly salute the International ranks of the world's working class! We share the common struggles that characterize our daily lives with unrelenting conviction for the truest freedom and emancipation for all of humankind. We do also humbly acknowledge those that toil with body and brain; our beliefs become fused as one, with unconditional loyalty for a world advanced beyond exploitation, plunder and war.

Workers throughout North America and beyond have developed defence-based organizations for collective security and benefit. The Trade Union movement has long been seen as the sheer counterweight within the capitalist market economy that enable improved economic and social conditions for both skilled and unskilled workers. The Marxist influences that gave initial rise for the formation of industrial trade unions was of no coincidence. Harsh period of great poverty and joblessness throughout the "Great Depression" and thereafter, tested the resolve of workers to either accept a crushing defeat, deprivation and death or a path beyond. This was not so long ago in the annals of time, and this example is of a shining significance for all of us to reflect upon in very practical terms today.

As we find the world struck against American based Global Corporate rule, we see trends that both inspire us and startle us with vast contrast. In Latin America, the popular support strengthening mass rejection of this Neo-Liberal agenda has made us all stand up and cheer!!

The working class, with all of its revolutionary zeal, have been guided by Leaders that live up to the

challenges of this epoch. But, just as we begin to see a return to social advances for humanity in this region, we see the self-asserted defeat practiced by the present Trade Union Labour Leaders in Canada. The mobility of capital without any regulation designed to curb all of the corporate determinations, has threatened the Industrial working class in Canada, creating desperation and misdirection within the Labour movement. The same practically is the case in most of the capitalist countries.



We have witnessed Labour advocacy for great public sums offered as welfare to profit-making enterprises, with the notion that this may somehow halt retracting investments and jobs. We have also seen a shift of political support, historically made for the Social Democrats, who are now propping up corporate based politics that espouse the virtue of trade agreements that underwrite the method of our own de-industrialization.

With the current period seemingly appearing to be bleak, we really only suffer a stunted and confounded administrative leadership, atop many of the main Trade Unions in Canada. The vast membership have been, and are beginning to stir and bring focus to such poorly devised trade union leadership designs. These must be the building blocks for a

renewal of class-oriented clarity of those that must also challenge and change the economic and political orientation in the highest Trade Union offices in Canada.

And finally, the practical work can be achieved in trade unions all over the world by all the militants, all revolutionaries, by all socialists and communists, will be better tested by truth and merit. Just as the role to act as perceived intermediary between workers and the corporate structures managers has withered; the ability to relegate the next generation of leaders has to begin to die. Our future has to be our shared collective hopes only, if we are fully prepared to make it so!

**Happy May Day to the dedicated readers of NSC, and Happy May Day to all workers of the world!**

## **WORKERS OF THE WORLD UNITE!**



**MICHAEL  
LUCAS - Editor**



# OPEN LETTER TO PRESIDENT PUTIN

Dear Mr. Putin:

Although I did receive greetings from you on my 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday as well as from many other people around the world, you are probably aware that the policy of Northstar Compass journal and that of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People, certainly is opposed to the present situation in former USSR that you condone and, that you certainly must take some responsibility for.

Over these many years NSC has published news and exposed some of the conditions that the present capitalist system and imperialism has imposed upon the Soviet people living in Russia and other former Soviet republics. We also had organized successfully two World Congresses for Friendship with Soviet People, and hopefully the Third World Congress will take place in Moscow in 2007, under the auspices of the Soviet Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries and the Russian Academy of Sciences.

What prompted me to write this Open Letter to you Mr. Putin is something that any leader of a civilized country would not tolerate under any circumstances and immediately would take action to stop this from ever happening again, and, hold those responsible for making this film-video and the actors who did perform in this film -video.

Over the Internet, going to a world audience, your Government has allowed itself, in front of not only your own people, but of mankind, to sink into a quagmire of baseness that no other leader of a country would tolerate.

In Leningrad, on board the historical and sacred battle cruiser "Aurora" that gave the signal by firing a salvo for the start of the Great October Revolution, a porno film was made which is so explicit that you have to gasp and, being promoted for sale on the Web page. (SP-351)

Not even in explicit Hollywood film studios would this be allowed to be made or even allowed to be sold on the Internet.

Not only that Mr. Putin - I know that you know your history of the Civil War and the popular song of that time had words "In the struggle for this..." (V borbe za jeto...) -the explicit sex video carries that as its title!

The historical cruiser "Aurora" is a world-recognized historical treasure and sacred to most people. I'm certain that you Mr. Putin, as a former KGB officer, made many trips to this Aurora cruiser, as have millions of people from around the world.

**Would President Bush ever allow or even condone such an event to besmirch the historical monument of the USA, to have such an unbelievable pornographic film to be made and openly promoted on the site of American sacred "Liberty Bell" or at the "Lincoln**

## **Memorial Museum"?**

Dear Mr. Putin!

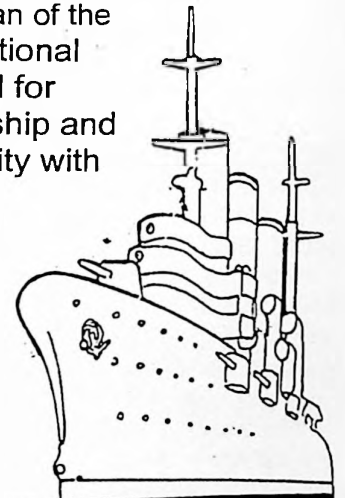
Although there are many great differences between the policies of NSC, of our Friendship Society and the present Russian government that you head, but, common decency, common cultural ethics of all decent mankind abhors this event that your government has allowed to take place.

We as friends of Soviet People (*which includes Russians, Ukrainians Byelorussians and others*) have a long and proud history and traditions since the first organization was set up in 1918, called - Hands Off Russia Committee.

**May I suggest on behalf of millions of friends of Soviet people that you as President of Russia, take concrete steps to stop this uncontrolled development of pornography in Russia and institute laws, like all civil societies, to bring to justice these elements that not only besmirch the human body, the Russian people, but that also besmirches you Mr. Putin as President!**

Yours truly

Michael Lucas, Editor of  
Northstar Compass Journal  
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# A MILLION PEOPLE MARCH IN PROTEST

Los Angeles, California, USA, witnessed the largest public protest in its history last month as many hundreds of thousands demonstrators of all races, thronged the downtown streets to demand justice and legal recognition for the over 12,000,000 undocumented immigrant workers.

This demonstration exceeded anything seen during the civil rights movement or during the Vietnam War demonstrations. This march cut across all party lines, and included whites, Latinos and Asians.

It was against the coming Bill for adoption by the US Congress that would reclassify illegal immigrants as criminal felons and call for a construction of a 700-mile wall stretching across the US-Mexico border, between the Pacific Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico.

It is interesting that the US Government does not clamp down on the US industries, businesses, agricultural monopolies who help to transport these workers into the US to work for slave labour wages, exploit them and often murder them to save paying wages after they become physically exhausted and no longer profitable.

Where is the protest from the AFL-CIO hierarchy?

Where are these very well-paid demonstrators and rock musicians who were transported and filmed to Germany in order to "demolish" the Berlin Wall - which was meant to stop the infiltration of spies and saboteurs to the GDR? Are they going to be organized and assembled by US Imperialism at this 700-mile Mexican Wall in order to tear it down?

Oh yes, by the way - where is the outcry from the subservient Mexican Government?

Or is Uncle Sam squeezing them by the short hairs?

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## WHY DOES THE UNITED STATES WANT A DIFFERENT PRESIDENT IN BELARUS?

Translated by Irina Malenko

### EYEWITNES'S REPORT ABOUT THE ELECTIONS AND WESTERN INTERFERENCE IN BELARUS

#### Belarus in facts and figures:

Capital: Minsk

Population: 10.3 million

Territory: 7 times bigger than Belgium

Has borders with: Russia, Ukraine, Poland, Latvia and Lithuania

Until 1991 Belarus was a Soviet Republic within the USSR

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 7 – 6PM

Minsk looks very modern. A lot of newly built houses, very little rubbish in the streets, almost no beggars. Surprisingly, a very few election posters can be seen, only some with pictures of all the 4 presidential candidates neatly in a row.

In front of the Gorky Park, a few hundred demonstrators gathered to express their full support for president Lukashenko. One of them said: "The president creates five-year plans at the service of the people and makes sure that they are fulfilled as well. There is no big gap here between the rich and the poor. The average wage here is the highest among all of the ex-Soviet republics. It's possible to have a decent living on it without many difficulties. We produce our own food and receive cheap energy from Russia."

Taisia Borodich stated the following: "Lukashenko applies social policies. The wages are paid strictly on time, the factories are working."

Alexander Pernikov, a mining engineer said: "For a family with 3 children, the state pays 50% of their mortgage, and for a family with 5 children – the state pays even a full 100%. The agricultural land remains as the state's property. Lukashenko assures stability, he did not allow our country to be plundered."

Alexander Buksha, a student said: "We are happy with our monthly student allowance, and once we're finished our studies, we all receive job offers straight away."

#### DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS?

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 – 3PM

In front of the cultural Centre of the Tractor Factory - we listened to the heavily pro-Western opposition candidate Milinkevich during his electoral campaign, where he satated: "I have met the leaders of all the most important European countries. They want Belarus to join the EU. But Europe is fed up with dictators a la Hitler." Radio Free Europe (the one that is supported and paid by the US) recorded his speech in full. Milinkevich then continued: "This election will not be fair, and the civilized world will not recognize them. If on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March it will appear that this is the case, we are asking everybody to come at 8 pm to gather on the Minsk's square."

The meeting finished because of bitter cold. We then spoke to one young man who asked some critical questions: "My name is Vladimir Zubrik, I am a worker from the Plastic factory. Milinkevich says that he wants to privatize factories that are not making profits only. As if the West would be interested in such factories. Now in our neighbouring country of Ukraine they sold off all enterprises such as the state steel company Krivorozhstal, and here they would like to do just the same: to sell to the West, to the US the Motor factory, the Tractor factory, the Auto factory. And there would nothing left for Belarus."

#### WHY IS THE US SO DESPERATE TO GET RID OF LUKASHENKO?

"Belarus is the last remaining dictatorship in Europe", said the US president George W. Bush on May 5, 2005. A dictatorship, how, why? First of all, Lukashenko, according to US has wrong friends. During his visit to Cuba, he praised Fidel Castro as a "political example for all politicians in the world." Lukashenko would like to have closer ties with the Venezuelan president Hugo Chavez, in order to support each other against any Western interference. But there must be more wrong with Belarus, according to Bush. Belarus has different internal policies than the other Eastern European countries. Even though everything remains within capitalist frame, the biggest factories remain in the hands of the state, and the freedom of movements for capitalists is strictly limited. The USA sees this with suffering eyes. Why? Because they would like break Belarus open for the International Monetary Fund, NATO and the multinational corporations

The West would love for President Lukashenko to lose this election and is doing everything in its power in order to achieve that. It applies a recipe that has already been successfully tested elsewhere as in Yugoslavia in 2000, in Georgia in 2003 and in Ukraine in 2004 – and this recipe is very simple:

- 1: Announce way in advance that the elections are flawed.
- 2: Create and finance an opposition movement that will take power from the streets. In Belarus it is called "Zubr".
- 3: Spread your own results of the elections through the so-called exit polls and announce the elections invalid.
- 4: Bring crowds of the young people into the streets with free pop concerts, meals and drinks. Block the government's buildings and storm the Parliament.

In 1,5 years the European Union (EU) had created 6 resolutions against Belarus. The EU's representative, Severin, announced already 3 months before the



elections: **"The elections on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March will not be free and fair."** The Belgian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Karel De Gucht has called on Belarus to invite observers from OBSE – which played a shady role in the past elections in Georgia and in Ukraine, where pro-Western governments were brought into power

**Here are some other Western initiatives in order to support the Belarussian opposition:**

In Brussels, Belgium on the Square Kleine Zavel, #3, there is an office of the so-called *"Office for Democratic Belarus"*. It is headed by Olga Stuzhinskaya - an employee of the Parliamentary Assembly of NATO. On February 10<sup>th</sup>, this lady was invited officially by Washington - where, she was received by R. Nicholas Burns, the junior minister of the US Foreign Affairs.

From February 26 the radio station *"Window to Europe"* is operating over all of Byelorussian territory – as a daily information for 1 hour, explicitly aimed at influencing the elections. TV and Internet are also used for the same purpose, with the help of the Russian RTV and the Deutsche Welle. All of this has a price tag of over 2 million Euro, and all this has been paid by the European Commission.

*"Nothing like this has ever occurred before."* wrote the Belgian newspaper De Standaard, and *"it won't be easy for the spokesman for the Commission to explain this."*

On Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> the Byelorussian police discovered in the office of one of the NGO's, *"Partnerstvo"*, exit poll forms for questioning the voters after they leave the polling stations. The NGO was planning to declare the results of the elections invalid, basing it on these forms. The desirable *"results"* of the exit poll were already filled in: Milinkevich (*the candidate of the West*)- 53.7%, Lukashenko (*the current president*)- 41.3 %. At this time as this is being written, the official results of the election are already declared. Lukashenko received 82% of the votes.

**MARCH 19, 2006**

10.45 – Lukashenko is winning everywhere and way ahead of all the



*President Lukashenko celebrating his election victory in Minsk, Belarus, thus defeating the Western powers attacks on him!*

other candidates.

10.50 – first preliminary results on TV: Lukashenko – 82%, Milinkevich- 5%, Gaydukevich – 5% and Kozulin at 3%.

11.30 – around 2,000 protestors gather on the October Square (*not 7,000 that were propagated by Western media*). They had not only a number of white-red-white flags, but a big number of Ukrainian nationalist flags, red and black flags of the Ukrainian fascists of Bandera, 1 Russian flag, several EU flags. Signs were *"Belarus for Milinkevich"*, *"We believe that we will win."* The Anarchists carried placards with *"Strike is the only way."* and *"Down with the police state."*

Police did not intervene. The cars were driving by quietly as always on Sundays.

22.15 - the numbers of protests did not grow, but rather became less and less. For a population of 2,000,000 in Minsk, it indeed was very small number.

After this small number of protestors tried to storm a government building; the police dispersed them quickly.

#### **BELGIANS IN MINSK**

French speaking Parliament member Henri and ex-Minister of Defence De Donnea were sent here by Belgium in order to assure the truly democratic and transparent presidential elections (*unlike in Belgium, the head of State in Belarus is elected by direct general elections, and this has to be done democratically!*). We met De Donnea of Saturday night on the 7th floor of Hotel Belarus, that was fully booked for the OBSE (460 observers).

Could we take an interview from

Mr. De Donnea? No, we could not. Because De Donnea is here as a *"a special representative"* of the Minister De Gucht and is working on a report about the effectiveness of the European observers, that seem to be such a contradictory issue. We were told that *"he does not speak to the media, because his report will be confidentially given to Minister De Gucht of Belgium"* – that very same Minister who demands so much democracy and transparency from Belarus!

We certainly hope that Byelorussia will not slide into full-blown capitalism, but act as a spark plug for other former Soviet Republics to shake off the capitalist-imperialist shackles that were placed on them since the counter-revolution dismantled the Soviet Union!

**BACK TO THE FUTURE  
COMRADES !**

### **ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW ON BYELORUSSIA**

## **PRESIDENT LUKASHENKO WINS WITH 82.6% VOTES**

In spite of all Western imperialist manoeuvres, tremendous financial help to the dissident groups and desperately trying to start another *"orange revolution"* in Byelorussia, the people gave President Lukashenko another 4 years in office at the March elections.

This of course is a set back for Imperialism, and we, as friends of Soviet people want to congratulate

President Lukashenko on his victory and, we just hope that his promises will go ahead rapidly towards the resurrection of the USSR and Socialism.

Maybe not all of the readers of NSC are aware of the fact that, Byelorussia today is not a Socialist republic, even though symbols of Socialism are prevalent in all of the country and, it is the leading country in former USSR where there are still remnants of socialist economy and services are prevalent.

But, according to the official government figures, here is how things stand now in Byelorussia

- \* 57.1% of all production is now in private-capitalist hands – including many that are in foreign hands.

- \* Energy and heating is 91.6% in private hands.

- \* 68.7% of all building material production is in private hands.

- \* Trade in the whole republic is 79.8% in private hands.

The above are just some official government statistics – which points out that the Byelorussian Republic is in the hands of the capitalist class. The same can be said about agriculture in the countryside.

**GALINA  
SAWCHENKO**



## IF THE WORLD DOESN'T COME TO COMMUNISM, IT WILL SELF DESTRUCT !

These words by Eisenstein, are in fact a reality in present day Ukraine.

Having usurped power, these nationalist representatives of the oligarch capital, they took over complete control of the internal and external situation of Ukraine and this is a fact now.

The neo-fascist organizations are

now legally promoting their fascist ideology. They are well represented in the legal apparatus of Ukraine, in the courts, in culture and controlling the media. They have financial backing of the government and these are just some of the neo-fascist propaganda that are now being disseminated:

- \* Outright Ukrainian nationalism, promoting chauvinism and animosity against people who for hundreds of years lived in peace together.

- \* Propaganda of robbery, killing, pornography, sexual exploitation.

- \* Rampant Ukrainization, anti-Russian hysteria, discrimination against people speaking another language, race hatred and religious intolerance.

- \* Social demagoguery, falsification of history and complete and outright disinformation and outright lies.

- \* Growing pathological hatred and anti-communism.

There are now demolitions of historical monuments, the rush into NATO, while the present regime is pushing for full recognition as heroes the Ukrainian fascists of OUN-UPA that served Hitler and murdered their own people!

Since 1991, during this "peaceful" period, without any wars, Ukraine has lost more than 5,000,000 people!



Viktor Kotian, Anna Zaliubivskaya,  
Igor Lytvynok – holding poster  
Our USSR will live!

The situation in former Yugoslavia should show us where nationalism, neo-fascism leads to destruction of the people for the benefit of US imperialism and its New World Order.

There took place on March 3, 2006 an Antifascist Forum in Kiev, where many young people took part, as these young Communists from Lutsk shown below. As you can see, they are familiar with and read Northstar Compass.

They, as more than 70% of Ukrainians are demanding the resurrection of our Motherland – the USSR!

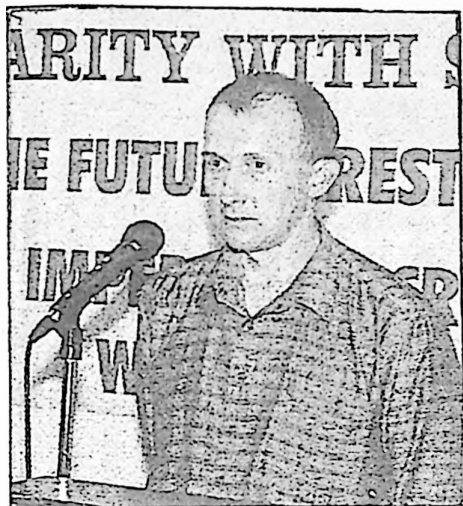


Anna Zaliubivskaya holding NSC



# TRADE UNION MOVEMENT IN LENINGRAD IN 2005

By VLADIMIR NIKIFOROV, TRADE UNION ZASHCHITA (Defence of Labour)



In 2005 in St. Petersburg and in Leningrad Region has been noticed an increase in the activity of trade union movement. The trade union of the dock workers of several stevedore companies in the seaport carried on a struggle for reaching a new collective agreement, workers of Coca-Cola picketed, the struggle of the Ford Motors' trade union continued, seamen of the Portoflot were on strike, trade unions were organized at the Petersburg factories of the Dutch brewery Heineken, factories Pepsico, Caterpillar and Skania, the workers of the Pikalevsky aluminum enterprise actively interfered in the struggle with owners and trade union Zashchita Truda (Defence of Labor) was organized at the factory Electrosila. It is necessary to note not only quantitative, but also qualitative growth of the trade union movement. Not only a powerful splash of activity, which demonstrates the spontaneity and arbitrariness on the movement, but also the organized gradual growth must be noted. This growth has specific features:

1. The conflicts of hired workers and employers have been noted in successful enterprises where the wages are 15,000 rubbles and higher, which is more than the average wage in the region. At the same time, wages in large enterprises in many industries are considerably lower, but this did not lead to organized protest actions.

2. In the city and the region there is a significant number of enterprises, which are built or acquired by large foreign companies. Mostly, these are companies producing products for domestic consumption within Russia. It is impossible to ensure delivery of finished products from abroad in the situation of an interrupted production process because it is extremely disadvantageous economically. No one will transport to Russia Coca-Cola or beer from Western Europe in large wholesale quantities. It is the same as transport water or air. It is event more profitable to assemble and sell cars in Russia, if local production has been already established, and not to transport them across the boarder. Wages of workers in the similar European automotive factories are twice the wages of workers in St. Petersburg. Therefore, the threats of the Ford Motors' management to start delivery of automobiles from Germany most likely are bluff.
3. At the same time there are strong trade unions at the large transnational corporations. These trade unions are vitally interested in having strong trade unions at the newly created plants of their company, wherever these may be located, and in these trade unions being connected with them and exercising the common for all level of requirements, as well as not allowing masters to lower the wages and social benefits. For this reason, some trade union leaders undergo training abroad. Trade unions in the West have the richest experience, a durable material base and experience with lobbying the

parliaments. Support from abroad allows the newly created trade unions in Russia to immediately actively advance economic requirements for the administration and to attain their fulfillment. This support also enables them to build their relations with Federation of Independent Unions of Russia (FNPR) on a more independent basis. Trade union Heineken merged with Sotzprof. Trade union Ford Motors left FNPR and attempts to register together with trade unions Skania-Pieter and Caterpillar-Tosno a new interregional trade union of the workers of machine building industry. Trade unions of the enterprises, which have Western capital, including in their ranks young and energetic leaders, not connected with the previous party-economic nomenclature, which continues to rule in today's Russia, they will establish contacts with Western trade unions. The legislature allows them to enter foreign trade unions directly, bypassing the FNPR. Great significance has moral factor. Foreign companies are perceived by Russian workers as richer ones and as those who pay their workers in the developed countries higher wages. Russian workers demand the same.

4. The trade union of dock workers attained signing of a new collective agreement by means of prolonged organized struggle conducted according to all rules specified by state. In a year it will have to repeat this path. Will it be able to do it again? What if the legislation changes? This is the way of Western trade-unionism with all its pluses and minuses.
5. Ford Motors' trade union

attained from the administration observance of the previous work schedule and payment of bonuses based on the year end results. Next are negotiations of the wage increase by 30%, not 12%, as the employer offers. Staff conference must solve a question about whether to continue the struggle or to agree with the administration's proposal.

6. Seamen of Portoflot of St. Petersburg port were defeated. The owner outwitted them and gave all vessels without the crew for lease to other companies. This shows us that the majority of workers are not prepared yet for the uncompromising struggle with the employers and continue to believe in the nice words of class enemies. And even though they do not kill trade union leaders in Leningrad yet, there already there have been such cases in other cities.
7. The cases of workers in the cities Pikalevo and Kingisepp deserve special attention. There, production is being wrapped up in the industries, which are the backbone of these cities. Workers are cornered, they have no choice but to go to the streets. However, if the workers are not properly organized, these demonstrations may be easily put down by throwing to the workers miniscule handouts and piles of promises to meet their requirements.
8. Trade unions – members of FNPR, did not receive any effective support from this federation, which was one of the reasons for the defeat of Portoflot. This means that the attempts of the FNPR leadership (in particular, in St. Petersburg - V. Derbin) to present themselves as the fourth force in the system Employer - Government - Employee - Trade Union, are doomed to failure. They left



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the Employee, but the Employer did not accept them. This is why their place will be continuously taken by other trade unions. The Interregional Association of Working Trade Unions Zashchita Truda with the co-chairman Oleg Shein, Deputy of the State Duma of Russia, continues to accumulate strength and conduct semi-underground activity. This can be explained by both, the rigid pressure from the administration and by lack of preparedness of the workers to independently, actively and uncompromisingly protect their rights. Zashchita Truda differs from many other trade unions by promoting the creation and the functioning of primary organizations by workers themselves, and by raising not only economic, but also political requirements.

An increase in activity and organization of the trade unions of St. Petersburg is evident. The globalization of the world economy leads to the globalization of the work force market and the establishment of the connections between the trade unions around the world. The time of the unprepared, hysterical demonstrations has passed. Not "*measured step of the iron battalions of the proletariat*" replaces it, but the organized struggle of the trade unions of workers with the use of all means: turning to law courts, negotiations with employers, strike, and so forth. Only being organized at this level, working class will be able to establish its authority and to destroy exploitation completely.

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# UNITY OF ANTIFASCIST FORCES IN THE UKRAINE

By VLADIMIR PRONIN

On March 3, 2006, in the building which was formerly the V. I. Lenin Museum in Kiev, there took place an Anti-Fascist Forum of Ukraine, in which there took part representatives from more than 30 political parties, movements, Komsomol, Union of Soviet Officers, Intelligencia for Socialism, Union of Women-Workers, Slav Committee of Ukraine, International Peace Forum (*European Section*) and many other representatives. There were also Ukrainian Parliamentary Deputies, staffs of Embassy of Russia, Byelorussia, Cuba and journalists from many countries.

Opening the Forum was the national deputy, chairman of the unified "*Intelligencia for Socialism*" G. Boyko. His speech touched upon the very real danger of fascism in Ukraine. He told how the Ukrainian nationalists are all pushing towards this neo-fascism and how they are trying to make heroes of the bandits that were the OUN-UPA and their German fascist masters.

There were many speakers who compared the present policy of the present regime in Ukraine to the methods used by German Nazi Goebbels in subverting the minds of the young generation to be chauvinists, to be vicious anti-communists, to believe that might is right, alcoholism and also complete debauchery of youth morals.

The nationalistic fanaticism came after the "*Orange Revolution*" and now, it is on its anti-Russian hysteria.

In these conditions there had to be a unified forum against this creeping neo-fascism. To proceed with this all important work, this Anti Fascist Forum elected an Anti Fascist Committee, composed of different representatives elected from the delegates present.

This Committee has the mandate

to expose completely the workings of these fascist helpers of Nazi Germany, the OUN-UPA and to label them as they really were and really are – **they were and are a terrorist organization.** Another task is to make certain that these bandits are not given recognition as Veterans of the Great Patriotic War. Further task is to make certain that Ukraine does not join NATO at all costs.

There was a Manifest of the Forum adopted in which there is an Appeal to all progressive people to join in this struggle against the expansion of the neo-fascist ideology in the Ukraine.

Georgi Buyko, the Ukrainian People's Deputy was elected Chairman of the Anti Fascist Forum.

## USA AND TURKMENIA

US imperialism in its efforts to have its "*security*" there, has now given the present Turkmenistan government millions of dollars in order to bolster cooperation and security contacts between USA and Turkmenia. The funds are also meant to revamp their judicial apparatus, maritime security, plus English language training in the schools, instead of Russian.

The present bourgeois traitorous Turkmenian government forgot that it was Socialism and the Soviet people that brought them up from the Middle Ages and the backwardness

## GEORGIANS DEMONSTRATE

From MosNews

Thousands activists from the pro-Russian Justice Party and from the Georgian Anti-Soros Public Movement, gathered outside Georgia's Parliament last month to demand the resignation of President Saakashvili.

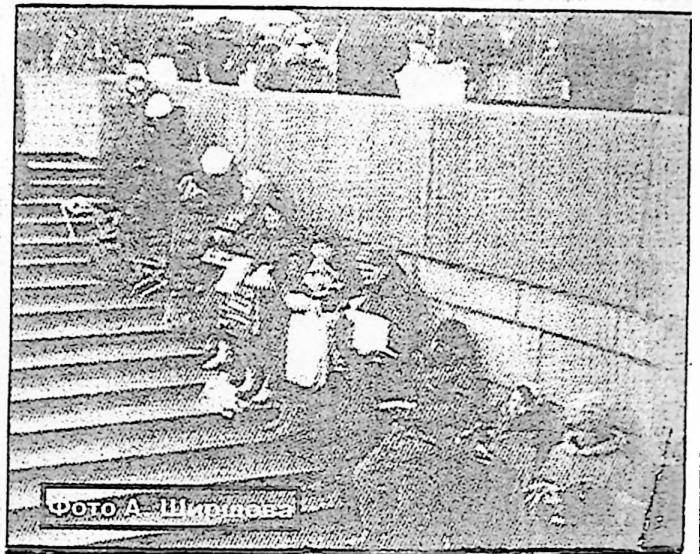
The Justice Party is led by Igor Giorgadze, the Georgia's ex-Security Chief who organized an attack against former Georgian President Shevernadze in 1995.

The Anti-Soros organization is a public movement, affiliated with the Justice Party. The Justice Party accused the present Georgian regime of barring groups of its activists from arriving from Zugdidi, western Georgia's region for the demonstration in front of the parliament.

# PICTURES SPEAK MUCH LOUDER THAN WORDS!

Below you see on your left, President Putin crossing himself as the head of the Russian Orthodox Church in Strasburg blesses the anti-communist statement made by the EU, known as PACE. On the right, this is a common site anytime of the year at all subway underpasses, where people try to subsist by selling anything and everything they have. We wonder whether Putin or this head of the Russian Orthodox Church even think or care about the plight of not only these people, but of the whole ruined country. But of course, God will take care!

Photos from newspaper *Trudovaya Rossia*



FELIX GORELIK

## RUSSIAN TV IS LIKE A MIRROR

V. I. Lenin used to call the great Russian writer Lev Tolstoy as the "Mirror of the Russian Revolution". Today's Russian television can be really called the "Mirror of the Russian counter-revolution." Why? Freely or not, it shows like a mirror, the present situation in Russia. Lately one night on the TV I saw on one channel a tremendously rich and ostentatious wedding of the daughter of the oil-gas magnate. Also, marrying a rich businessman. The wedding was held in the ballroom of the Rossia Hotel, with hundreds of guests from new capitalist "elite". This wedding was like the crowning of a Queen or an Empress - and the cost was in hundreds of thousands of

dollars.

There was a scandal here because there were journalists who tried to get into the wedding in order to film it. Special guards prevented them, confiscated their cameras and they were beaten at the same time. There was a fury created and also the daughter of Sobchak, the former Mayor of Leningrad who was also not let in. This former mayor Sobchak is the one that pushed through the renaming of Leningrad to St. Petersburg.

Meanwhile on another channel they showed the real horrific housing crisis in the city of Tver - formerly known as Kalinin. What a contrast! After seeing that wedding extravaganza, seeing the city in its decay, ruin, un-kept streets, ruined homes, sewage flowing openly, water all over the streets and basements - and it is here that live thousands of people. In any apartment with seven families, only one toilet and one bathtub!

These are the results of the counter-revolution. The Russian Academician Lvov, presented the following figures: In Russia 15% of the people get 92% of all profits! That means that the 85% of people just get 8% .

Just think about these figures. For the daughter of this millionaire to have such a wedding, there are millions of people across the country who must live in such dire conditions! Most people are unemployed. How can they live like this? One man said that he has three children, and when they grow up, you think that they will defend such a government? There are millions like this in the whole country. If we had a good leader and get organized, we would all rise up against this present system!

This same person who was interviewed said that under the Soviet system he had a job, had a three-bedroom apartment rent free, had his brothers receive free education - but now he is at the very bottom.

According to the official figurers, Russia has 40 billionaires, second only to the US. According to Western sources, these new rulers have exported 300 to 800 billion dollars into foreign banks - no one exactly the amount of money that was siphoned out. All this money was due to the hard work of couple generations of Soviet people - and now due to this counter-revolution, they were stolen by these newly-baked Mafiosi capitalist crooks.



Only in Ukraine this last winter there froze to death over 1,000 people? Hundreds of people, having no place to live, froze to death in underpasses or on the streets. The same situation happened in Moscow also. There is no such situation anyplace on earth, except in the third world countries like in Africa.

The cost of the daily products needed to sustain life is beyond the affordability for the majority of Soviet people. The population of Russia is shrinking by 1,000,000 people each year, while in Ukraine it is shrinking by over 400,000 people. The academics are predicting that if things do not change soon, that inside of 40-50 years the population of Ukraine will shrink by 50% while in Russia, by one third!

One of the reasons for this misery is the role of the church in befuddling the people. Together with the leadership of the Orthodox Church, which is being urged and blessed by the new religious convert, President Putin himself, Russia had opened its gates to thousands of rabid evangelical, reactionary and religious fanatic groups.

On Russian TV channels you see constantly the new self-proclaimed Messiah Grigory Grobovoj, who sees himself as the second coming of Christ. He asks for \$1,5000 each, so that he can resurrect people from the dead. He urged the Mothers of children that died in the Beslan tragedy that for that sum he will resurrect their dead children. He has thousands of followers.

The masses have not yet awoke from their tragic slumber and tragedy. The TV and mass media made them like zombies, disorientated, unsure of their own power, believing that parliamentary participation will save them. Like in the Ukraine, they continue to vote in the parliamentary elections, believing the lies of their candidates, thus prolonging capitalism and unfortunately, not listening to Communists.

But the hate of the present situation is growing! The fight is in the near future! Present youth is gathering its forces for the struggle – there are appearing signs of Burevestniks as shown by the Vanguard of Red Youth in Russia, Komsomols.

## SENEGALESE STUDENT SHOT DEAD IN ST. PETERSBURG

A student from Senegal studying in St. Petersburg has been shot dead as he left a nightclub with his friends. It is believed that he was shot with a gun decorated with a swastika that was found near the scene.

Attacks on immigrants in this capitalist Russia and on foreign students have been on a rise, and especially in St. Petersburg, since the collapse of the Soviet Union. Last month the city's court handed down a **not guilty** verdict on a teenager accused of racially motivated murder of a tiny nine-year-old girl from Tajikistan.

The prosecution has appealed against the decision in order to only convict him of hooliganism, instead of anti-racism. People are complaining that the city's politicians are exploiting nationalism in order to win votes by stirring up racial attacks.

President Putin has ordered the police to crack down on racist violence.

### COMMENT:

*Band-Aid solution will not cure the problems. The cure is to Go back to the future - Back to Socialism!*

## BELARUS & RUSSIA WILL PROVIDE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE TO NATO EXPANSION

*From Byelorussian Telegraph Agency*

The Commander-in-Chief of the Russian Air Force, General Vladimir Mikhailov told a briefing on April 4, 2006 that one of the first measures already taken on counteraction was that Russia supplied anti-aircraft and anti-missile complexes V300 to Belarus.

The Russian General expressed indignation that NATO has put Belarus on the list of countries that could be subjected to preventive strikes. "I have a very negative attitude to such a statement and I am extremely indignant. Sabre rattling will not produce anything good!" he

said.

"We have to show NATO that we are united now, more than ever!"- he concluded.

## LEFT FORCES IN KIEV TOOK OVER THE MAIN KRESHATIK STREET



The forces organized by the "National Opposition" with Natalie Vitrenko, head of the Progressive Socialist Party of Ukraine, erected hundreds of tents in the square and vowed to stay there until they see and they know that the upcoming elections of Deputies to the Ukrainian Parliament will be held without any manipulations and cheating by the present Yushenko Government. There are thousands of protestors gathered to protest the present policies of this Ukrainian nationalist government.

## INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT IN DEFENSE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS – FIGHTERS FOR SOCIALISM

Dear Michael Lucas:

The restored CPSU has created an International Movement in Defence of Political Prisoners – fighters for socialism. This movement has taken under its wing the political prisoner Igor Gubkin, whose criminal case was fabricated (he was accused of killing an unknown person, called Mr. Yegorov by the court) and the Judges called an

intentionally illegal verdict. The present Russian authorities cruelly deal with those who have different political opinions.

Our movement has addressed President Putin, the Attorney General, the Human Rights Commissioner V. Lukin, plus various non-governmental NGO's and the media, with a demand that the judges be put on trial who deliberately fabricated the evidence and have thus given an unjust sentence. The actions of these judges is a crime, according to the Russian Penal Code, article 305.

We are sending NSC this Open Letter, and are asking you to publish it, in order to inform the citizens abroad about the situation with the criminal justice system in present day Russia that is flourishing with the full knowledge of the authorities. We are certain that the actions of the broad public will help the justice be restored.

I hope that our mutual efforts will help us to withstand the human rights violations and the violations of the right of freedom of every single person who fights injustice, genocide and other misdeeds of the authorities.

For those who would like to receive more information about the case, they can write to:

Russia 141090  
Moscow Region Yubileyny  
Ul. Papanina 12/18, apt. 30  
Nina Ivanovna Polchenko  
Chairperson

*NSC has fully and in detail published about this fabricated case against Igor Gubkin. We urge our readers also to support this campaign.*

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# FAREWELL



## ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF J.V. STALIN – MARCH 9, 1953

The late Vic Ratsma, member of Editorial Board of NSC translated from Dutch this Poem dedicated to Stalin, which expresses the sentiments of the majority of the peoples of the world. It would be good if all of the present revisionists all over the world would read this poem and draw lessons from it, before their judgement day comes! Editor

In the mournful silence of the ancient square  
Old guards waited, for the final time, comrades, young and old  
Fathers held their children higher when the hearse came near  
Through the dark throngs of the masses, it glowed like a morning flame  
But the proud Red Flag with which people, happily singing  
Had greeted him in bygone years on this same square  
Now covered this friend and father, laying in his deepest sleep  
As the sombre tones of mournful music sounded.  
On the shoulders of his nearest he was carried one more time  
He, who taught them liberation and to live in freedom  
He, Lenin's pupil and comrade through the difficult years  
Was taken again to Lenin's side in the comradeship of death  
Cannons boomed lonely, all work and labour ceased  
To Red Square they flocked like doves to a dovecot  
The thoughts of millions, their vows filled the air  
For the dead hero, who now rests from his super-human work  
He will rest, he will sleep, but what he created holds power and breaths  
Among the people it lives, it stirs to heroic acts  
Until no hiding place can be found where slavery can thrive  
Until the brotherhood of people can celebrate Stalin's name in peace.

*In memory of Joseph Stalin  
Gori, December 21, 1879 – Moscow, March 5, 1953*

*The people of the world will certainly not read such a poem about  
Krushchev, Yeltsin, Gorbachev, Yakovlev, Beria or, even Putin!*

# FRIENDSHIP NEWS

## FROM SOVIET FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Dear comrades:

We are pleased to inform you that the Second issue of NSC – Russian Edition is finally out (a total of 1,000 copies). We will shortly despatch you a pack of 15 copies.

This issue has been printed by funds that were raised by our members and supporters, though the question of financing future issues is still anything but clear. You have the same problems also we presume.

The March issue of NSC has arrived, and we are about to enter the process of digesting it and translating it. We expect to be publishing NSC in Russian every two months.

We had further discussions with Georgi I. Tikhonov and David V. Dzhokhadze about holding the Third World Congress in Moscow in 2007. Everybody is very optimistic about this idea. We have agreed to keep in mind the proposals of the International Council and are now investigating all possibilities in order to make certain that the Congress is a huge success.

Please inform the comrades of the International Council that we will do our very best for it to come true.

Regarding the mail of NSC (*hard paste up by post*) comes to us late because of our postal service. We feel that electronic post is the easiest and fastest for us to get your issues, because the sooner we get your copy, the sooner we shall start on the Russian edition.

Best regards

Vladimir Chechentsev, Chairman  
Viktor Bourenkov, Vice Chairman

## FROM WROCLAW POLAND

Dear comrade Michael Lucas!

On the occasion of your 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday, I feel it is a great honour to be able to send you my warmest greetings, good health and sincere congratulations! For many more

years to your productive work!

Also, may I wish you even more successes in your Editorial work as Editor of NSC and in your political struggle for peace and the struggle against capitalism and, above all, for the resurrection of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics!

My best wishes for the comrades that work in your collective.

As is our Polish custom on such occasions, I will sing with my comrades to you this song:

Hundred Years, Hundred Years.  
Let it be One Hundred Years!

Again and again may you live One Hundred Years!

Let your shining star never die!

Professor Zbigniew Wiktor

## FROM TORONTO CANADA

Greetings dear friend:

I am sending you my very best wishes, dear Michael on your 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. I wish you happiness, and success in your life. Above all I wish you health and 100 years! In your honour I am sending \$75 donation and more successes in your work. Be well, because we, and the world needs you!

Katy Swonarow

## FROM PRAGUE CZECH REPUBLIC

Dear Comrade Michael Lucas,

We learned in the March issue of NSC that on March 7<sup>th</sup> you have reached a significant life's jubilee – 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday. With great pleasure we join a large suite of notables and cordially wish you good health and many further successes in your personal life and in your credible work, not only for the benefit of the Soviet people, but also for the benefit of all people on our planet!

We would like to convey our great respect and heart-felt thanks for your organizational and inspiring work as the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People and your

contribution to the high political level of the Northstar Compass as its Chief Editor.

On behalf of the Editorial Board and Staff of the newspaper Dialog, let us hold you in our warm embrace and shake your hand.

Yours sincerely,

Ing. Zdenek Novotny, Chairman of  
the Republican Editorial Council  
JUDr. Jaroslav Weber, Editor in  
Chief and Publisher of Dialog

Dear Comrade Lucas,

Please accept my heartfelt congratulations and best wishes for the future as well.

Pavel Degtar

## FROM SENEGAL

Happy Birthday thousand times. I wish you all the best, good health that will enable you to continue the wonderful work for the noble cause. My regards also to Helen.

Best regards

Fallou Gueye

## FROM CC-COMMUNIST PARTY OF ROMANIA

Dear Comrade Michael Lucas:

On behalf of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Romania and me personally, on this special occasion of your 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday, we wish you health, prosperity and lots of success.

Thank you very much for your efforts to keep us informed and in permanent communication with comrades worldwide.

We appreciate very much your professional activity as Editor of Northstar Compass and leader of the International Council, and we admire your achievements in the struggle for the right cause, for a Communist victory, for a better life for the people.

Happy Birthday, Michael Lucas!

Alexandru Pantazi  
General Secretary  
Communist Party of Romania



FROM MOSCOW  
RUSSIA

Dear comrade Lucas!

I cannot write English but I do know that you can read and write Russian and that you will understand me.

I want to sincerely thank you and the collective of NSC for your publishing news about the political prisoners and fighters for Socialism. Your support is very important to us and it already is getting results. Our comrade political prisoners have started to receive letters of support from the worldwide readers of Northstar Compass.

I also want to thank you for the names and addresses of the Spanish political prisoners – communists. We had contacts with them in 2001-2003, defended them in the press, but somehow our contacts were disrupted. We asked NSC since we found out that you published many articles in their defence. Now we are helping these comrades also.

But most of all comrade Lucas we are happy for our contacts. You never looked at the tremendous distance between us. You never did give up or slackened in your efforts to defend the Soviet Union, our Motherland during these very disturbing moments for our Soviet people. Your hard work and your dedication never ever wavered in supporting our just cause, the cause of Socialism and the resurrection of the USSR. Not only are you comrade Michael Lucas a patriot and a true Communist-Marxist in helping our struggles, but you are also a true internationalist.

You are also a true Leninist-Stalinist, because you never wavered or forsaken your comrades in their hour of need!

Once more, tremendous thanks to you dear comrade!

Please allow me to join with all others to wish you health on your birthday. From my heart I wish you success in our common struggles, health and always to be as optimistic as you are!

N .Glagoleva, Chairperson of the CC  
All Union Movement for Defence of  
Political Prisoners-fighters for  
Socialism and  
Secretary of the CC Russian  
Communist Workers Party -Russian  
Party of Communists

## ON THE 110<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF LEGENDARY GENERAL LUKAC - APRIL 23, 2006

*Dedicated to Michael Lucas (Lukac)*  
By GALINA SAVCHENKO – Ukraine

Year is 1936. The People's Front that was established by the Communist Party of Spain won the parliamentary elections. In reply to this victory, the reactionary-fascist forces in Spain started a counterrevolution. The German and the Italian fascists sent in their soldiers and armaments and thus there took place a bloody civil war. For three years the Spanish people fought heroically against fascism for freedom and independence of the country.

The governments of England, France and the USA took the "neutrality" position, but in fact were supporting fascist insurrection. In March of 1939 the democratic government of Spain fell, and the country became ruled by a fascist dictatorship. The leader of this fascist Spain was General Franco and instituted a fascist terror regime and then established cooperation with Hitler of Germany and Mussolini of Italy.

During the civil war from 1936 to

1939 the struggle was supported internationally. Together with scores of brigades of internationalist volunteers, there were volunteers from the Soviet Union and from other countries – they were fulfilling their internationalism. All over the world this General Lukac became famous in fighting for the freedom of the Spanish people, together with H. Dias and D. Ibarurri, known as "Pasionara". Her famous words are repeated even today, by all patriots of the world: "It is better to die standing up, then live on your knees." This was the cry to the Spanish people to struggle for their freedom.

In 1937 taking the post of the 12<sup>th</sup> International Brigade, fighting against fascism in Spain, General Mate Zalka (General Lukac) died heroically.

As an officer in the Austro-Hungarian Army 1914-1918 he took part in the First World War. In 1916 he was taken prisoner by the Russian Army. He joined and fought with the Red Army during the Civil War and in helping build Socialism in the USSR. In 1920 M. Zalka (Lukac) joined the Communist Party, He was a prolific writer and wrote in Hungarian, besides Russian.

Do the present day Hungarians remember the name of General Lukac? Do they know that the legacy and dedication of this hero is



General Lukac (Zalka), (middle) near Barcelona

being carried on by Michael Lucas – the chairman of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, the Editor-in-Chief of the Communist journal “Northstar Compass”? When the present Soviet renegades, under the direction of the foreign intelligence agencies secretly signed the anti-constitutional document liquidating the USSR, Michael Lucas stood up to defend the Soviet Union.

The journal “Northstar Compass” was started by the real Canadian Communists, in 1993, in order to struggle for the resurrection of the USSR. But bit-by-bit this journal has spread practically all over the world. Today Communists, Socialists and patriots in more than 70 countries of the world read and write to this **Red Journal**, which made us, the Soviet people aware of real and dedicated friends of Soviet people in foreign countries.

Not too long ago this great internationalist Michael Lucas celebrated his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. He is in very good form, professionally plays the violin and sax, had dance orchestras, and his paintings are known not only in Canada, but in many countries of the world as a professional artist. But, the main attribute is that Communist Michael Lucas remains faithful to the Communist traditions of his also talented uncle Mate Zalka – General Lukac!

Here in Ukraine on March 26, 2006 70% of the people unfortunately voted for the lies, for the Ukrainian bourgeois and their promises, who in fact have brought the country to the end of the road where: 7 million professional trained workers have left Ukraine in search of work outside the borders of their Motherland; over 500,000 women are working in Bordelo’s of the world.

But the most horrific facts are that the present regime is banking on the support of NATO and the monies that are flowing to them, are actually buying votes with American dollars. A case in point is the young people that were brought in for that “Orange Revolution” were actually paid \$80 by the present Ukrainian regime of Timoshenko, to stand in the square for two hours! These facts came to light now.

One of the young \$\$ bought demonstrator said the following: “ I

*have no patriotism, as is the feeling amongst our young generation. It is the same to me and to others, whom to vote for. We would vote for Hitler as long he would have paid us in dollars!”. This ideology of being a traitor to ones country is being promoted now officially.*

But the time is coming sooner than later, when there will be a law of social justice, and a new generation of people like comrade Michael Lucas will emerge and will throw out the Yankees and their present internal helpers outside the borders of our Motherland, with all the hate and despise that these elements certainly deserve!

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**FROM RIO DE JANEIRO  
BRAZIL**

Dear Michael:

On the occasion of your 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday, I send you the best wishes of long life and good work for the Soviet Union and the world.

Pedro Castilho  
Society for Friendship with Soviet People

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**FROM PRESOV  
SLOVAKIA**

Dear Michael:

After receiving the March issue of NSC I found out that it was your 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

The Carpathian Mountains, your birthplace in Czechoslovakia, are very proud of its son and in what he was able to accomplish in the world on behalf of mankind.

Although it is not up to me to pass judgement on these past years, but I know, since I was also a witness in Canada for many years as the Consul of Czechoslovakia, to see and witness the work that you were doing. I thank you for our cooperation during those years. It is also sad that we could not be together to celebrate this important birthday!

We have a great more to do yet. You must finish writing the two books – one about the history of the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians and the other, the history of the Canada-USSR Association – the Canadian Friends of Soviet People. When I was in Canada as the Consul of

CSSR, I saw the archives you had at the Friendship House!

I also am going through my extensive archives to do the same – maybe we should have started to write a bit earlier. This history Michael must be written, for future generations.

I wish you health in order to accomplish this important task. I have faith that we shall accomplish these tasks!

Here’s hoping that we shall meet soon to tell each other what is in our hearts!

Dr. Ivan Humenik

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**FROM KIEV  
UKRAINE**

Dear Michael:

Having received the latest issue of NSC I found out about your Birthday, so even this late, I want to sincerely wish you health and success in the struggles. I saw that you have received greetings from others around the globe. On my behalf I want to wish you health, dedication and further successes in our common struggle for the rebirth of Socialism in this post-Soviet period and the victory of socialism all over the world!

Give greetings to your dedicated and energetic wife, who keeps the wheels of the organization and of the publication going onwards in the very important financial field.

Many years of struggles, when together with your most dedicated comrades in Northstar Compass and friends around the world, I had the pleasure to work with you and your comrades, and, this has shown the growing success of NSC. Who could have imagined that in these few years you managed to get people like Putin of Russia, Prime Minister of Canada and the president of Slovakia – to greet you on your 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday – or that the Third World Congress will be held not in Canada, but in Moscow in 2007? This will guarantee that the Congress will be a huge success and with massive attendance.

I greet you from the bottom of my heart and wish that you keep on struggling and that, in spite of high personalities around the world greeting you, that you will never forget your old friends, who were

with you through those years of struggles for the friendship with Soviet people and for the success of NSC, which is now published in English, French and in Russian Editions.

Once more, my sincere wishes on this important jubilee in your life.

V.A. Pronin

#### FROM RIO DE JANEIRO BRAZIL

Dear comrade Lucas:

We wish to send you our best wishes on your 80<sup>th</sup> birthday, inspired in the Bolshevik ideals for a better world, for a socialist world.

Marco Antonio dos Santos  
Chairman of CeCACP.

P.S. We are very happy to inform you that a Portuguese version of your January Editorial of NSC was published in the CeCAC website – [www.cecac.org.br](http://www.cecac.org.br)  
[http://www.cecac.org.br/Coluna/Editorial\\_NSC\\_jan\\_06.htm](http://www.cecac.org.br/Coluna/Editorial_NSC_jan_06.htm)

#### FROM US FRIENDS OF SOVIET PEOPLE

Dear friends:

Enclosed please find \$500 donation towards the work of our journal, Northstar Compass, for its excellent presentation of actual facts and its dedication to the resurrection of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Many people, who were fooled by West's promises of good life and pie-in-the-sky in former USSR, are now finding out the bitter truth of these promises and are now actively starting to struggle against the present regimes that have usurped power in former USSR.

There is now, more than ever a great need to expand even further the readership of NSC. All of us here are very glad that now there is now an excellent Russian language edition of Northstar Compass being published in Moscow, by the Soviet Friendship Society with Foreign Countries.

**Congratulations dear comrades!**  
The next step is to get a Spanish

language Edition of NSC to be published!

The holding of the Third World Congress in Moscow in 2007 will be a great milestone in our work for friendship with Soviet people!

On behalf of the US Friends of Soviet People

Dr. Angelo D. Angelo  
Chairman of U.S.F.S.P

### Here, There and Everywhere!

#### US IMPERIALISM AND THEIR GLOBAL CONFLICT PLANS

US is planning for a global conflict that Pentagon says will last 20 years. The White House is calling it the "long war" which will be integrated military, financial and diplomatic campaign that will span the whole globe, shaping the lives of the coming generation, much as the Cold War defined the baby boomers.

The question that needs to be asked now, as to what is Russia and China doing to prevent these plans against humanity? Or are they going to hibernate and see what pieces of the pie they will then pick up?

People of the world will be there after to judge and carry out the proper sentence!

**President Morales and Bolivia  
ratified its refusal to sign  
agreements with the  
International Monetary Fund for  
a free trade agreement with US.**

**A nation, like the US that  
spends more on military  
defence than on its social uplift,  
is approaching not only a  
spiritual death, but  
condemnation of all humanity**

#### HOW LONG CAN THIS GO ON MR. BUSH?

Over 2,000 US soldiers dead in Iraq, billions of wasted dollars, thousands of maimed young people, hundreds of thousands of innocent Iraqi people, and Iraq still has no consistent electricity or clean water, while this US imbecile president as a "leaker in chief" has the nerve to be trying to sell the American people and the world on a need for a new war in Iran?

If God told him to do this, then he should switch to another religion or question God himself!

#### CRY OF AN AMERICAN MOTHER WITH HER SON IN IRAQ!

Why are we Americans, so afraid to acknowledge that all the USA's aggressions are interrelated with capitalism, with the ruling class privileges, with war profiteering and worker abuse in our own country, and in many other country's. Are we just going to sit passively in our living rooms, in front of the television's tiny light, or also sit quietly praying in the church pews, while this US government carries on wars of extermination? Unfortunately, it appears so!

#### PALESTINIAN'S HAMAS CALLS ISRAEL'S BLUFF!

After Hamas won the elections in Palestine, Israel and its master USA, said that they will not recognize the Palestinian Government until they recognize Israel. Then sanctions were instituted against Palestine.

Now that the Hamas-led Palestinian government said that it is willing to recognize Israel, if Israel withdraws fully from West Bank, East Jerusalem and Gaza Strip.

Israel and the US said that this is unacceptable!

**Hey – where is the pressure  
from China and Russia?**



**MICHAEL  
OPPERSKALSKI**



**PRESS RELEASE OF  
ACTION OF THE CHAD  
FOR THE UNITY AND  
SOCIALISM**

In a press release on March 22, 2006, the leader of Chads' SCUD, Yaya Dillo Djettou accused the French Government and its Air Force for having transported arms and heavy war equipment in order to escort this Chad dictator and president into his pink palace and this, against the people's will who are struggling against this dictator and butcher of Chad's liberation struggle.

This is constant intervention by French imperialism and their colonial troops to support the dictators in Africa, while claiming that France is going to bring democracy. This French supported Idriss Deby is responsible for the murder of more than 250,000 Chadian people in 16 years of dictatorship. Never in the memory of Chadian people had the country knew such a level of misery. This dictator has robbed Chadian people of wealth.

Chad occupies 173 place out of 177 countries, according to the IDH classification report of 2005. The country has sunk into an abyss.

Do French colonialists not remember when they forcibly took our young people into their colonial army to free France from Nazi occupation? These men are now old and ill and these veterans are undergoing constant racism.

**HOW CAN WE IMPROVE  
CONTENTS OF NSC?**

**The Action of Chad for the Unity and Socialism (ACTUS):**

\*Condemns the armed intervention by France for the criminal regime of General, President Idriss Deby Itno.

\*Demands the immediate closure of the French military bases in Chad and in Africa. These bases are fatal to democracy and are meant for the domination of Imperialist France.

\* Give an appeal to the Chadian popular masses to stage an uprising to overthrow this hated regime.

\* Call upon all the officers and soldiers of the Chadian Army to massively desert and join their brothers-in-arms in order to defeat this hated murderer regime.

\* To honour the heroic fighters of SCUD and RPJ who have fallen on the field of battle during the battle of March 20, 2006 in the East.

\*Asks the international community, such as the UN, UA, EU and friendly countries to Chad, to exercise strong pressure against the president and his regime.

\* Any attempt or subterfuge aimed to support this regime and its crimes against humanity will be a failure, since this will only galvanize the determination of the Chadian people for armed struggles until final victory.

The Chadian popular masses will not have any other alternative but to continue the armed struggle if this dictator persists, with French support, in refusing to heed the decision of the Global Conference of Peace.

**IRANIAN MILITARY TESTED  
THE WORLD'S FASTEST  
TORPEDO"**

**TEHERAN** – In the course of these manoeuvres by the Iranian army and navy in the Gulf area, this torpedo was tested. The type and technical characteristics of the new torpedo were not revealed. It is capable of reaching the speed of one hundred meters per second. Iran had launched large military manoeuvre this month.

There took part in this exercise

over 14,000 officers and men, several naval squadrons and aerial bombers.

Iranian Rear Admiral Mohammad Dohkan stressed on the eve of these manoeuvres that the Strait of Hormuz would be the main area of the military exercises. *"Iran is in full control of this part of the Persian Gulf, through which about eighty per cent of all the petroleum, extracted in this region, is being shipped"*, he stated.

**IAC STATEMENT ON THE DEATH  
IN PRISON OF PRESIDENT  
SLOBODAN MILOSEVIC**

The International Action Center would like to send its sincere condolences to the family, friends and comrades of President Slobodan Milosevic of Yugoslavia and to the people of the Balkans who mourn his death at the hands of the court and prison authorities in The Hague. We join with others around the world to condemn the International Tribunal on the former Yugoslavia for this crime. The full responsibility for the death of President Milosevic lies directly with the fraudulent court created by the US and NATO governments at The Hague. We also join with the demand for an independent investigation of the circumstances leading to the death of President Milosovic's.

**The ICTY was responsible for his care and is guilty of criminal neglect.**

The NATO leaders – Bill Clinton, Tony Blair and Gerhard Schroeder – should have been the ones on trial for war crimes.

From the day of his unlawful kidnapping, President Slobodan Milosevic waged a heroic defence of his own actions to defend Yugoslavia. He equally exposed the crimes of these leaders of the great powers of the world. For this the people of the Balkans and of the whole world will be indebted to him.

Sara Flounders  
Co-ordination  
International Action Center

# AMERICA WILL STRIKE FIRST – SAYS BUSH

By SAM KNIGHT

America will continue to pre-emptively attack its enemies and Iran is now the greatest danger facing the United States, George Bush announced late in March in a new version of his "National Security Strategy."

In this 49-page document released before the third anniversary of the American invasion of Iraq, Bush said that his Administration shall continue to confront states before they had the chance to attack America or develop nuclear weapons.

George Bush accused Iran of masking its nuclear intentions for almost 20 years and since it threatens Israel, America must change the regime in Iran in order to afford freedom to Iranian people.

Bush also said the following: "The path that the US has chosen is consistent with the tradition of American foreign policy, like the policies of former Presidents Harry Truman and Ronald Reagan, and we know how to achieve our goals."

Bush also identified and vilified North Korea and Syria as rogue states. He said that the "US wants to strengthen even closer relations with Russia and China, the two countries that are closely cooperating with the US policies."

This Bush's security strategy was published in March as the American President is bedevilled by the worst approval ratings of his five years in office. That is why he demands for his Republican party to introduce fresh faces to the White House, since he cannot shake off a whole series of scandals that are plaguing the White House.

# CHAVEZ: "US HAS BEEN ROUTED IN IRAQ!"

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez said last month that the US troops have been routed by a strong resistance movement in Iraq, but haven't pulled out yet because the officials in Washington won't acknowledge defeat.

He also stated that the US would also suffer a tremendous defeat if the Bush administration decided to invade Iran. Using a Venezuelan slur in referring to President Bush, Chavez added: "Mr. Donkey thought they were going to be received as heroes."

Earlier, Hugo Chavez accused the Bush administration of falsely accusing Iran of trying to build an atomic bomb as a pretext of seizing control of this Middle Eastern nation's vast petroleum reserves.

He also charged that the developed countries such as the US, France, Germany and others, want to maintain a monopoly on nuclear technology by denying it to the developing countries like Venezuela and others.

Despite the political tensions between the US and Venezuela, Venezuela still sells the largest share of its oil to the United States.

# FRENCH YOUTH DEMONSTRATE

PARIS – On April 4<sup>th</sup> more than 3 million French students, trade union members and many left-wing political activist marched again in France, calling for a general strike and demanding that the government annul the First Job Contract Law (CPE), which wholly discriminates against young employees.

The French General Labor Federation (CGT) Secretary, Bernard Thibault, called it a very successful continuation of previous protests, when France was rocked by over 3 million protestors.

Thibault called on the protestors to give a deathblow to the CPE, which allows all employers the right to fire, without cause, the under 26-year olds, during their first 24 months on the job.

**SOCIALIST PARTY OF BANGLADESH** – March 20, 2006 was the third anniversary of the Anglo-USA war on Iraq. On this occasion the Combined Movement for Peoples Emancipation and Protection of National Resources (Gonomuki) a conglomerate of some left wing parties, including the Socialist Party of Bangladesh-SPB launched a demonstration in the streets of Bangladesh capital Dhaka. Earlier they organized a rally at Muktangan and it was addressed by the SPB convenor Comrade Khalequzzaman, Mobinul Hayder Chowdhury Abdullah Sarker, Saiful Haque, Hamidul Haque, Samsuzzaman Milon, Badrul Alam, Babul Biswash. Kamrul Alam Sabuj and Badlur Rashid Firoz.

Meanwhile, other left parties including the Communist Party of Bangladesh-CPB organized their own separate rally and procession on the same day– thus subverting an attempt at a united front.



In Paris alone there were over one million protestors amid a massive security operation, involving over 4,000 riot police. There were large demonstrations reported also in 15 French cities.

As a result of all these protests, the Eiffel Tower, the most important Paris monument and a large tourist attraction, was forced to close its doors.

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## FROM THE PALESTINE MONITOR

**JERUSALEM – Reuters** – Israel has begun construction to link a West Bank Jewish settlement to Jerusalem, sources in the Premier Minister's office told us. Palestinian authorities said that this could torpedo future peace talks and this is also against a UN resolution. Israeli bulldozers have already broken ground to build an illegal police station near Maale Adumim, the biggest Israeli West Bank settlement, as part of a project to build over 1,000 illegal homes on the land. The US which wants Israel to halt the Jewish expansion, has opposed the plan, but behind the scenes, obviously the go ahead was given

## YOUNG PALESTINIAN BOY SEVERELY BEATEN BY ISRAELIS-

Last month, on a Sunday night, a fourteen year old Palestinian boy Hamza Fawzi Iweida, was beaten, abducted, tied to a chair and insulted, after being asked by the Israeli secret agents, who did not identify themselves, for his identity card.

His small body did not protect himself against the intense rage forced upon him. He committed no crime, other than being a Palestinian boy from Jerusalem. At 4 am that Sunday, Iweida and his younger cousin were bringing food to his brother. In an interview with the Palestinian News Network, he said:

*"We were on the way back to my house, we were just 200 meters away from the house, when a white car skidded to a stop. Two Israeli agents jumped out, one was with black hair, another had white hair. They demanded to see my identity card because I am under 16..."*

## Statement by: The Yugoslav Communist League

For four and a half decades, we have lived under socialism which has had many faults but also many virtues. Now we have been forced into a form of savage capitalism with its countless faults and no virtues whatsoever. Socialism in our country was a hopeful and renewed social system. It had to overcome great obstacles left over from the first and second World Wars, not to mention countless problems and capitalist blockades. It had to set aside substantial resources for the defense of this new emerging society. Consequently, and naturally, there was no abundance.

Nevertheless, there always was money available to cover all the basic necessities for every individual in the society. Now, an overwhelming majority of the population is unemployed with no hopes of getting one in the near future, as long as the present regime rules our country, a bourgeoisie installed in power by NATO's military and dollars. Due to the imposition of this amoral regime by the NATO countries, our Yugoslavia has ceased to exist. As a result of the NATO aggression, Kosovo and Metohija are occupied and have been transformed into the largest military base of the NATO Pact in Europe. With the adoption of the unconstitutional law of co-operation with the Hague Tribunal, the present stooge regime has legalized the NATO aggression against Yugoslavia. In nearly six years of the nefarious DOS regime and their accomplices, DSS/SPO/NS, more people have lost their lives than in all the aggressions against socialism during its 45 years of existence. Under the rule of the present puppet regime, our country has become the most impoverished country in Europe. Foreign debt has reached nearly 16 billion dollars. An average Yugoslavian family of four now owes more than \$8,500. Imports are covered by only 20% of exports and foreign trade deficit amounts to over 6 billion dollars. More than 60% of the industrial capacity is not utilized, partially



utilized or shut down. Close to 40,000 companies are in receivership or close to it. All large companies (or practically all) were sold for peanuts to foreign capital or to the emerging domestic/local bourgeoisie and during the time since this regime was imposed in Yugoslavia, not a single product has been made. All we have today was built under socialism. The number of unemployed people today exceeds 2 million. The average wage of those who are employed amounts to considerably less than \$2 dollars per day. Working people are deprived of their basic rights and see no other way to earn a living than by becoming laborers of foreign capitalists and the new installed domestic mafia. With the support of corrupted union leaders, Europe's most right wing laws have been enacted. With the privatization of the state, societal and co-operative property, foreign and newly emerged domestic capitalists have stolen from our people what was created over decades by the sweat and blood of our ancestors, our forefathers, mothers and us. Previous regimes have adopted the law by which participation in the election is being paid by several tens of thousands of euros.

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## STATEMENT BY THE CC LEAGUE OF YUGOSLAV COMMUNIST YOUTH

Slobodan Milosercic, President of Yugoslavia was an anti-imperialist fighter. He showed the world the truth about the aggression by the Western powers against Yugoslavia, he was a symbol of resistance to the new world fascism.



For this crime, the Hague Tribunal is directly responsible, by its denial to allow for his medical treatment in Moscow, in spite of his critical medical, condition.

We demand from the UN Secretary General to immediately suspend the existence of this criminal institution, and from the UN Security Council, we demand also that it abolish its very existence!

We also demand from the pro-Western Serbian bourgeoisie regime to immediately cut off any and all cooperation with this Imperialist Hague Tribunal!

In this tragic hour, we wish strength to his family to the people of Yugoslavia and to all independent minds that were and that will be involved in the struggles against enslavement, shallowness and imperialist arrogance.

**The guilty ones must be punished!**

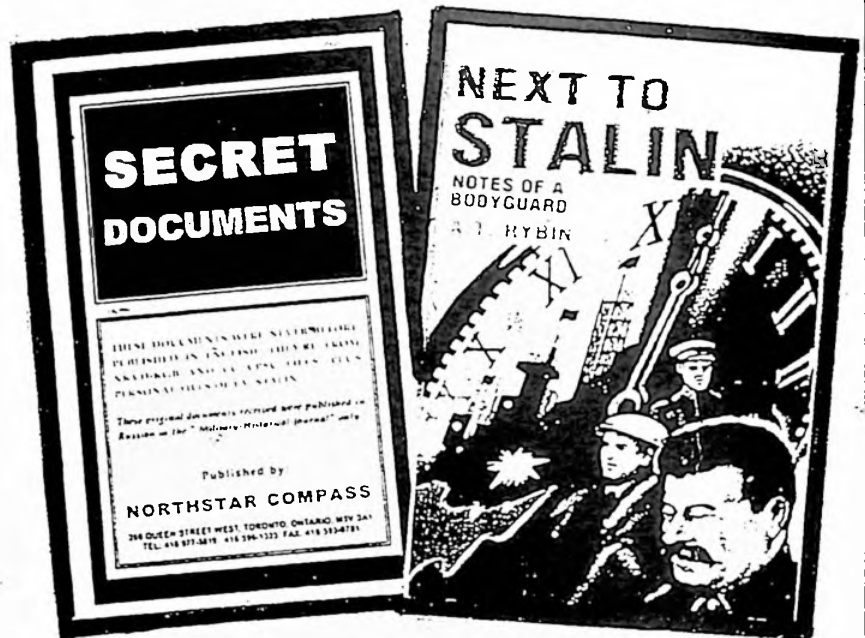
**COMMENT:**

We just hope that Russia and China, both members of the UN Security Council and both having Veto Power, will do what you comrades are proposing. They could have done more when President Milosevic was alive!

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**WAR IS PEACE**

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# WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THE AXIS OF EVIL



# YOU TAKE CARE OF DOMESTIC DISSENT!

## A MESSAGE FROM THE U.S. HOMELAD SECURITY

- 1: VOTE AS YOU'RE TOLD.
- 2: GLADLY PAY YOUR WAR TAX.
- 3: DON'T ASK QUESTIONS – ABOUT ANYTHING.
- 4: WATCH YOUR NEIGHBORS – ESPECIALLY FOREIGN ONES.
- 5: DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT.
- 6: REMEMBER – PATRIOTISM REQUIRES BLIND OBEDIENCE.
- 7: REMEMBER – BUSH SPEAKS TO GOD DIRECTLY.

### **BUSH – HE'S ABOVE THE LAW !**

When President Bush signed the re-authorization of the United States Patriotic Act last month – guess what he did? He included an addendum which said that he did not have to feel obliged to obey the requirement that he must inform, the US Congress about how the FBI - CIA was and is using the Patriot Act's expanded policy powers.

## OPEN FORUM

# THE ISSUE OF IMMIGRANTS

By Aaron A. Moss, DDS, PhD

At the time of this writing the issue of the immigrants are making headlines, front-page news. We are told: The immigrants are taking away jobs from the American workers. They undercut the wages of the American worker. They are blamed for unemployment. They use of our tax money for social benefits (education, welfare etc). Immigrants come to USA to get rich. The intent of this article is to explain why all the preceding are lies and/or distortions of the truth.

Who is responsible for the large influx of immigrants from Mexico and other countries south of the border? After USA corporations plunder the natural resource and wealth from countries via corruption of government personnel, war, heavy interests on loans via world trade organizations (*WTO, IMF, NAFTA etc*), people are left destitute with no jobs; starving. They risk their lives to cross the boarder into USA; not seeking riches but only for survival (*of themselves and their families*), i.e., to **STAY ALIVE**. The plundering of these countries by U.S. corporations is the **REASON FOR IMMIGRATION**.

The immigrants are scapegoats who are blamed for unemployment. The blame for the latter is not the immigrants; the blame belongs to our government and to a system in which a handful of people exploits the vast majority of people around the world.

Immigrants are blamed for downgrading wages. The fact is that the employers, competing among themselves, downgrade and undercut wages to greedily increase their profits. The immigrant must except any wage. They came to USA risking their lives; forced to accept any wage. The immigrants do the dirtiest work, that in most cases, the American born worker will not accept (*at the low wages offered to them*). We must not believe the lie that immigrants undercut wages.

The solution is for the immigrant to become unionized to become part of a united worker's movement. When this happens the employers will not be able to drive down wages. The benefits of unionization will be both for American and the immigrant workers whose wages will be protected by the union. The working immigrants pay more than their share of taxes for any social services, education and/or health benefits if any.

Who gains by making immigrants the scapegoats? The popularity of G.W. Bush has fallen to its lowest point of his presidency, mostly because of the Iraq war. The issue of the immigrants is now on front pages while the Iraq war is buried deep inside the paper. Thus, news about Bush's falling popularity moves to the rear burner, a bonanza for the Bush cabal.

**DIVIDE AND RULE** is a tactic of the ruling elite. People fighting among themselves (*racism, anti-Semitism, sexism, and also anti-immigrant*) cannot enact favorable legislation. But people united create a powerful force that can never be defeated.

Employers do benefit by lower wages not only for immigrants but also for non-immigrant workers.

Who is responsible for the large influx of immigrants from Mexico and

other countries south of the border? After USA corporations plunder these countries via corruption of the government, war, crushingly heavy interests on loans via world financial organizations (*WTO, IMF, NAFTA etc*). The people of these countries are left destitute with no jobs risking their lives to cross the boarder into USA. They are not seeking riches. They want only themselves and their families to **STAY ALIVE**.

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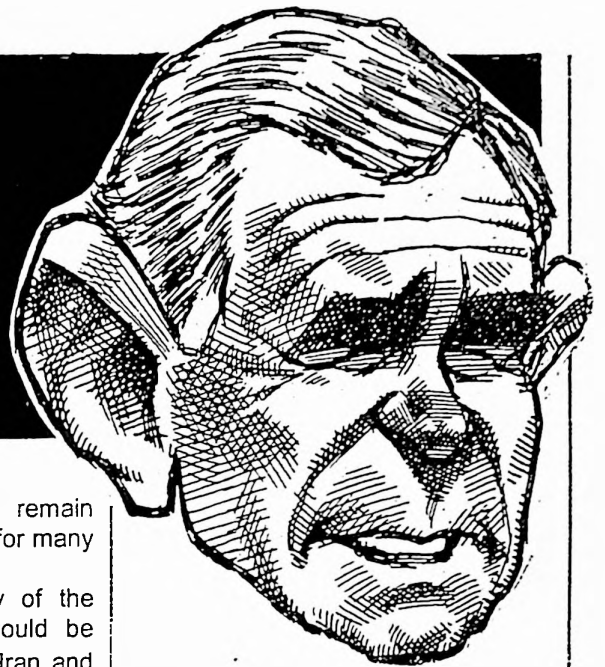
### **USSR SYMBOLS ARE LIVING IN CANADA**

As hard as Imperialism and capitalism, both in former USSR and here in Canada try to demonize the Soviet Union – you can see Soviet symbols such as the red flags, hammer and sickle, the words USSR, both in Russian and English; Lenin and Stalin T-shirts; songs, Soviet memorabilia etc. etc. Here is just one example that you see on cars – the words USSR-CCCP. **Yes - back to the future !**





# WHEN WILL THE WORLD STOP THIS MADMAN ?



Dear readers:

*This new development had to be inserted into this issue at the last moment, because, unless the people of the world act and act fast, this Imperialist Madman will go on devastating mankind!*

Editor of NSC

## US WILL USE NUCLEAR BUSTER BOMBS AGAINST IRAN: THIS WAY LIES MADNESS

By STEPHEN M. OSBORN

The latest information I have is that President Bush demanded and received from the US Congress permission to use nuclear **"bunker busters"** on Iran in a pre-emptive strike. The pretty name of **"bunker busters"** is a cute sounding name for a nuclear horror. Airbursts are horrible enough, using incredible destruction through heat, shock and radiation. The fallout from this bunker buster bomb will be registered all around the world.

The Castle-Bravo blast in Bikini in 1954 was a fifteen megaton surface blast and it blew a hole over a mile wide and four hundred feet deep, completely obliterating the island, vaporizing over thirteen billion cubic feet of coral, rock and water, sending it in a radioactive cloud all over the atmosphere. The effects were felt worldwide.

Firing these new bunker busters in an attack on Iran by Madman Bush, will vaporize hundreds of tons of earth, water and rock and send this radioactive soup downwind to kill and sicken whole populations. Those people downwind will die quickly and horribly in hours. The global increase in cancers and disease will rise very

dramatically. The land will remain contaminated and unusable for many generations.

Just picture the intensity of the radioactive disaster that would be perpetrated on the area of Iran and all other countries.

Now, we are facing the prospect of Depleted Uranium, not from artillery shells, but from these megaton Bunker Busters bombs that will contaminate the whole atmosphere. This depleted uranium is of extreme density. **The life span of this depleted uranium is more than 4.5 billion years!!!** When this depleted uranium dust gets into your lungs, wherever you may be, it will bombard the body living tissue for the rest of your life and beyond. There is no cure and there is no protection.

This madman's US government assures people, like they did with **"Agent Orange"** that was used in Vietnam that: **"There's nothing to it, it is all in your head."** Meanwhile people in Vietnam and US veterans are continuing to die horrible deaths and will for generations, since it is passed on through the genes.

In spite of the many treaties that were adopted by all the powers, they mean nothing to US imperialism, because they interfere with profits for the multinational corporations.

All of these breaches of scores of agreements are overshadowed however, by the US plans to use these nuclear weapons - no matter what cute names they give to them! The effects of that will be earth shattering, not only millions of deaths, global warming and pollution on a worldwide scale, but also a road of no return for humanity.

Dear readers:

*It's impossible to read the above and not be mad as hell and not to*

*start asking very pertinent questions that soon must be answered!*

*\* Isn't it time to revamp the whole of the United Nations and take it out of the clutches of US imperialism and the NATO gang? In this respect, it's time to move the UN out of New York, USA.*

*\* Isn't it time for the anti-imperialist movements all over the world to join ranks and demonstrate against those countries that give lip service, that they are against some polices of US imperialism (like Russia, China and France) but behind the scenes they cooperate with the US, hoping to get some spoils from Uncle Sam.*

*\* Why doesn't France, China and Russia use their veto power to stop the war in Iraq, in Afghanistan and the plans to attack Iran? Why don't they US imperialism?*

*\* The excuse that these countries use that they must be diplomatic is nonsense! Is US aggression against countries diplomacy?*

*\* Over these many years since the collapse of the USSR, there were held scores of meetings of all progressive parties, resolutions were adopted, books published, seminars held, etc. - but, still there is no UNIFIED FORCE set up worldwide to counter and stand up to US creeping fascism and their lackeys!*

Dear readers:

*This is something that we all must think about and find answers.*

Michael Lucas,  
Editor of NSC

# SPECIAL FOR NSC

## ZIONIST LOBBY DOMINATES U.S. POLICY, SAYS HARVARD STUDY

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Middle East policy is not in America's national interest and is motivated primarily by the country's pro-Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) lobby, according to a study published on March 16, 2006 by researchers from the Harvard University and the University of Chicago.

Observers in Washington said last month that this study was liable to stir up a tempest and spurn renewed debate about the function of the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee.

The study said that: "No lobby

before has managed to divert U.S. Foreign Policy as far from what the American national interest would otherwise suggest, while at the same time simultaneously convincing the Americans that U.S. and Israel interests were essentially identical". Wrote the authors of this important study.

John J. Mearsheimer from the University of Chicago political science department and Stephen M. Walt from Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government relied on analyses of Israeli and American reports and documents. They also utilized the findings of an Israeli human rights group B'Tselem.

This study also documents that American (Jewish) supporters of Israel pushed the United States into war with Iraq. It lists very senior Bush Administration officials who supported the war and who also support Israel - such as Paul Wolfowitz, Dough Feith and David Wurmser.

The authors concluded and charged that this influence is a source of great concern and this has caused great damage to Israel by preventing it from reaching a compromise with its neighbours.

## US USING PHOSPHORUS WEAPONS IN IRAQ

First comes a vivid white flash, then acid, acidic smoke and, finally, the unforgettable pungent whiff of garlic. After this, there is a fierce, bright yellow flame, followed by a fine rain of molten blobs. This is an explosion of an incendiary shell containing phosphorous that the US military is using in Iraq.

The horrifying result is that the skin and muscle coming into contact with it, turns into a smouldering substance. The US soldiers call this terrible agony, "**Shake and Bake**". It reaches 30C, it ignites the skin, and people die a horrible death. This consumes the skin, the fat and all the body tissue until it hits the bone.

This "*incendiary weapon*" was banned by the 1980 Convention on Conventional Weapons Protocol against civilian population and targets. **But this Protocol was never signed by the United States.**

*From The Beacon, from Australia*

*Since Bush supposedly talks to God, did the Almighty gave the signal to burn the Iraqis alive?*





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# AMERICAN ELECTRONIC WAR ON WORLD WIDE WEB!

US is now taking its battle on the so-called al-Qaeda operatives to new fronts. Deep within the Pentagon corridors, technologies are being deployed to wage future wars on the Internet, in newspapers and even through the mobile phones.

Imagine a world where wars are fought over the Internet; where TV broadcasts and newspaper reports are designed by the US military to confuse the population, more than it is now, and where the US military can shut down your computer, phone, radio, or TV at will. In 2006 we are about ready to enter such a world. This is the age of information warfare and details of what this means is contained in a report, entitled *"The Information Operations Roadmap"*, commissioned and already approved by the US Secretary of Defence, Ronald Rumsfeld, as seen in many well known newspapers in England.

The Pentagon has already signed off \$383 million in order to force through these document's recommendations. The US military is gloating that this is **"a revolution in the concept of warfare."**

The three-stage plans to do this follows here:

**FIRST:** Pentagon will wage war against the World Internet in order to fully dominate the realm of all world communications, prevent any digital attacks on the US and its allies and to have the upper hand in launching cyber attacks against potential enemies.

**SECOND:** To start psychological military operations, known as **psyops**, these will be at the very

heart of all future military actions. This involves all media, from newspapers, books and posters to the World Internet, music, blackberry's and personal digital assistants (PDSs) - to put out black propaganda to assist government and military strategy. Psyops involve the dissemination of lies, fake stories and releasing information in order to wrong-foot any enemy.

**THIRD:** US Imperialism wants to control all of the Earth's electromagnetic spectrum, allowing US war planners to dominate all mobile phones and communications, PDAs, the Web, radio, TV and other forms of modern communication. This could see entire countries denied any access to all telecommunications at a flick of a switch, by America.

This revolution in information warfare is merely an extension of the politics of the neo-conservatives of the Bush Administration. Even before getting into power, these elements were already planning total military and political domination of the world. The Project for the New American Century (PNAC) was founded by Dick Cheney, the vice president, Donald Rumsfeld, the defence secretary, Bush's younger brother Jeb; Paul Wolfowitz, the Head of the World Bank and Lewis Ebby, Cheney's former chief of staff, but now indicted for perjury in the US.

After the electronic warfare, the US war planners turned their attention to psychological warfare. *"US military forces must be better prepared to use psyops in support of our military operations"*, Pentagon

stated. This includes *"Truth Squads"* to provide public disinformation to the world media when any negative publicity against the US is noticed, better known as *"damage control"*. This is then followed by the *"Humanitarian Road Shows"* which will be despatched to all spots in order to support, finance and organize these *"colour revolutions"* wherever they're needed.

Pentagon has allotted \$161 million to help place pro-US articles in all of the overseas media.

## THIS IS A SPARK! MAY IT CONTINUE TO BURN!

**MILWAUKEE, USA** – Thousands of voters turned out in Wisconsin to vote, for now in a symbolic way, by sending a heartfelt message to President Bush: **"Bring the troops home from Iraq!"**

By an overwhelming margin, voters in the 24 out of 32 communities approved a referendum calling for the immediate withdrawal of US troops from Iraq last March. The feeling of the voters could be seen by this remark of one of the voters: *"I thought right from the beginning that this was an ill-advised invasion by President George Bush!"* More than 75% of the voters condemned the invasion of Iraq.

*"The Bush Administration has seven months to listen to the people - to us, the voters - and do the right thing. The people have spoken. This is how democracy should work!"*





## SPECIAL FOR NSC

### **Workers, Labourers, Youth, Women!**

The fascist dictatorship of the MGK (National Security Council) takes the dirty war to extremes. First, they mobilized the counter-guerrilla gangs which were caught red-handed in Semdinli, and now they commit massacres with chemical weapons in the mountains. The brutal murder of 14 guerrillas, which were fighting for national-democratic demands and the brotherhood of the peoples, was the last example of that.

As if the attacks of the dirty war and the annihilation were not enough, the fascist colonialism rains down gas bombs and bullets on tens of thousands of Kurdish labourers who wanted to bury their martyrs. The streets of Kurdistan are turning into Palestine. The cruelty is the same cruelty; the resistance is the same resistance!

**Our Turkish People!**

Don't believe the lies of the fascist generals with their US-medals. The colonial dirty war waged against our Kurdish people is a dirty mark that stains your national honour. The fascist dirty war is the war of those who knock down your houses built overnight, who attack your strikes and resistances, who tortures your children, who condemns you to unemployment, misery and exploitation. The fascist dirty war is the war of those who pull your children into the bog of gangs, drugs and prostitution. The fascist dirty war is the war of those who plunder you by means of taxes.

The fascist dirty war is the war of those who made available the grounds, the airports and ports to the USA. The fascist dirty war is the war of those who offer the labour of the Turkish workers and labourers, the values produced by you, to imperialism.

**Brothers and sisters!**

Our party offers its condolences to our people, to the HPG (Liberation Army of the People) and their party, whose 14 uncompromising guerrillas were murdered with chemical weapons after a glorious resistance lasting for two days.

Our party greets the praxis of the heroic sticking up for the martyrs shown in Amed, Adana, Batman and Siir and the resistance in Amed with enthusiasm.

**Workers, youth, women, poor and oppressed people of our Turkish and Kurdish people, of our Laz, Georgian, Arab, Greek, old-Syrian, Circassians, Roma, Abkhazs and Armenian nationalities!** It is the day to fight shoulder on shoulder against the capitalist order of exploitation, against the fascist dictatorship and against the dirty colonial war. It is the day to confront the racism and chauvinism with the united resistance of the peoples.

**Let us fight;**

In order to stop the attacks of the fascist dirty war,

For the clarification and punishment of the fascist counter-guerrillas from Susurluk and Semdinli,

For the clarification of the 1000 secret operations, the disappeared people and the locating the places of the mass graves,

For the recognition of the demands of our Kurdish people, that demands national-democratic rights, in the first place the recognition of the national existence and education in the maternal language.

Let us conquer the districts, squares and schools with meetings, marches of torches and barricades.

Let us raise the flag of freedom and brotherhood of the peoples.

**Stop to the colonist-military attacks!**

**Istanbul and Amed, shoulder on shoulder**

**Freedom, justice, equality to the people!**

**Long live revolution; long live the brotherhood of the peoples!**

**Marxist Leninist Communist Party of Turkey/Northern Kurdistan  
Central Committee**

29<sup>th</sup> March 2006

[www.mlkp.org](http://www.mlkp.org)

## AS I SEE IT...

JERRY MORSE



**ANKARA- TURKEY** – On March 24, 2006 USA General Peter Pace, Chairman of the US Joint Chief of Staff told the world military representatives at the Global Terrorism International; Symposium, that “*War on terrorism will last long after the wars Iraq and Afghanistan is over.*”

**EUPHRATES RIVER, IRAQ** – Finally the truth came out in the wash. A Pentagon 210-page report (*Iraqi Perspective Project*) did accidentally fell in the Euphrates River. But it was lucky, that it was then recovered by Haliburton Co. who do have a water purification program contract. They were working on their water intake pump systems, which piped this unpurified water straight to the US and Allied troops in the Green Zone.

That report stated that it was the Russians that had given intelligence information to Saddam Hussein, but, because the document was soggy, it was difficult to read the actual information, including some blotchy items that were pertaining to Donald Rumsfeld's meeting with Saddam Hussein and having given him billions in 1983-1986. This report also stated that Rumsfeld felt that Saddam owned the Pentagon a bit more decency and loyalty, since the question of stock market and oil shares are more important than other things, like human suffering.

Haliburton officials gave these documents straight to Bush and the White House and, apologized that some of these documents are lost and had floated down the Euphrates River along with the flow of sewage.

**BARBARA BUSH'S KATRINA DONATION TO ENRICH HER SON:** Former first lady Barbara Bush donated a large sum of money to the

Bush-Clinton-Katrina Fund, but with specific instructions that this money be spent with an educational software company, owned by her son Neil.

### **WALTER KRONKITE DOCUMENTARY, SENDS WARNING TO THE CONGRESS:**

Not unlike the Vietnam quagmire on which I reported in 1968, we are today presented with the Iraq quagmire. The so-called threat of world communism has now been replaced by international terror as a pretext for another misbegotten and mismanaged war – but the falsehoods and the broken promises and the withering of national faith are too familiar.

**LONDON, UK** – One must admit Bush's suspicions that terrorists are everywhere, grows exponentially. The US Homeland Security organization is very big and very costly – but it is promoted that it makes for lots of jobs.

Mr. Bush's clone in Canada, Prime Minister Harper will increase police numbers, while eliminating the existing Gun Control Laws, thus putting big smiles and future election campaign donations from the weapons industries into the coffers of the Conservative (US) Party in Canada.

Now, (*another clone of Bush*) in Britain, Mr. Tony Blair, is launching his own “*Serious Organized Crime Agency*” (SOCA) - but pronounced Soka, which equates to soaking the working people for more money. One would think that in present bourgeois England and in Europe, that there are enough police organizations to handle anything. There are London Bobbies, Scotland Yard, MI number 5-6 etc., Interpol, Europol, Telephonepol, plus the Regular Army, Reserve Army, Emergency Army, Recruitable Army, Weapons Makers Association, NATO, NORAD, Satellites, Under Water Sensors, Cameras etc., etc.

This is quite an exceptional list of law keepers. This “*hit hard*” commandoes are meant to defend the imperialist “*democracy*”. This is the plan by US imperialism for the New World Order and all of these countries, who are now in the pockets of Uncle Sam, must obey the dictates and thus be tied to US

imperialism – so thinks the Bush Administration.

But the winds of change are blowing in the wind, and sooner than later, these present war hawks and War criminals will be tried and dealt with as were the German fascists by the World Court.

## **US VIETNAM DESERTERS BEING HUNTED DOWN NOW**

By TOM REID

**THIRT-SIX YEARS** after he deserted from the US Marines, after he saw the carnage at My Lai, in order to avoid being sent back to Vietnam again, Ernest McQueen believed that the military had long ago given up on him. But last February 12, 2006 the US military caught up with him.

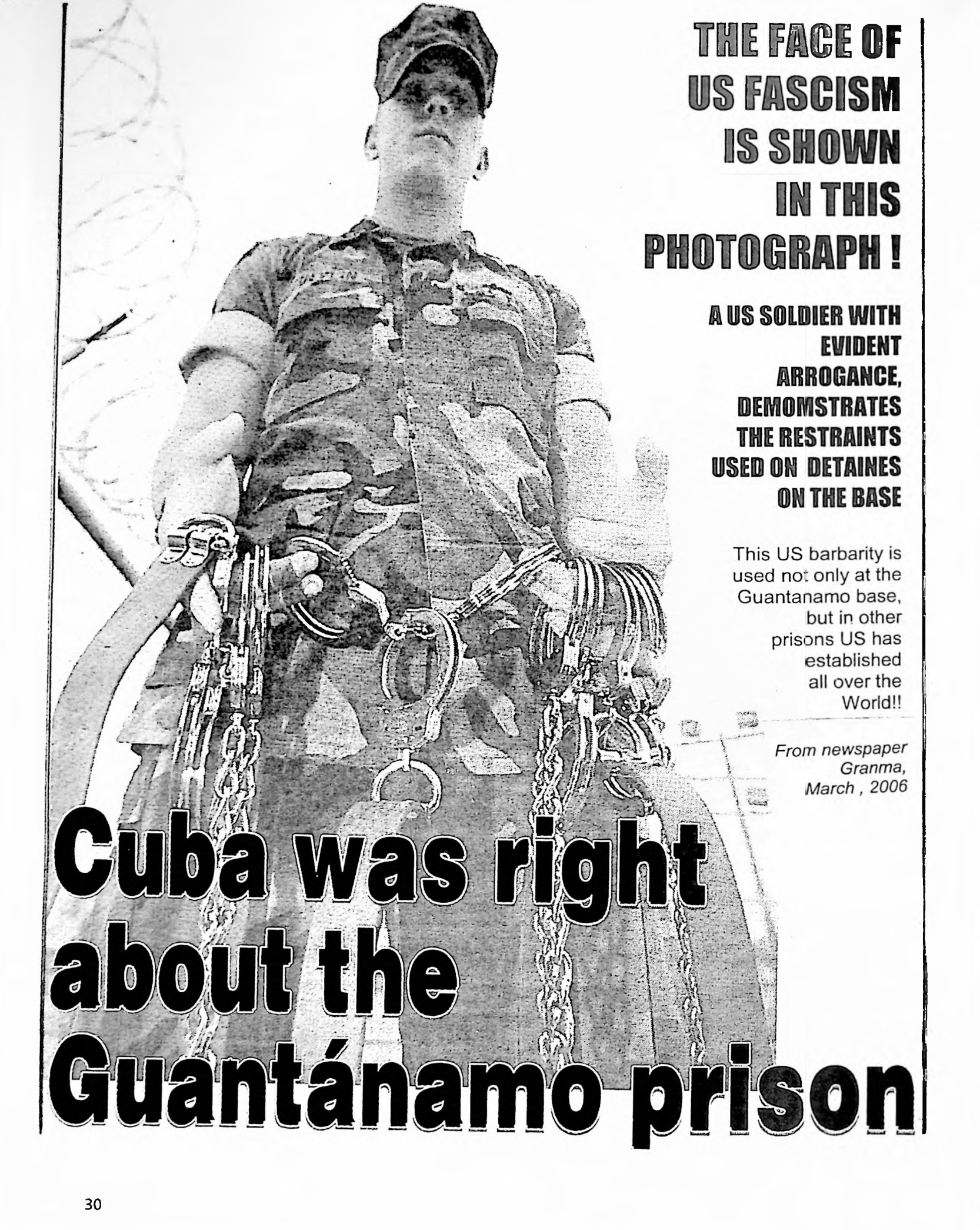
“*It wouldn't take a brain surgeon in order to find me anytime*”, Ernest McQueen, 55 years old, balding and grey said. “*This is done now in order to send a message to the young guys in Iraq and Afghanistan not to desert. Why else would the US government suddenly be chasing old men like me?*”

There is a growing concern by the Pentagon over the extremely large number of US soldiers who have deserted since the Iraq war began. Pentagon will admit only to an official figure of 9,000 US soldiers who deserted because they felt that the US is waging an illegal war against Iraq. But the figure is very much higher, according to US Veterans Association.

McQueen said that he deserted four days after the My Lai massacre by US troops of Vietnamese villagers was revealed.

“*I saw pictures of US soldiers with 20 cut off ears of Vietnamese people hanging on their belts, and one Marine with a bottle of whiskey in one hand and a severed Vietnamese head in the other*,” he said.

He and thousands of other US veterans are still suffering from Agent Orange and depleted uranium - plus all of the atrocities committed by US troops combined - made thousands of US soldiers desert.



**THE FACE OF  
US FASCISM  
IS SHOWN  
IN THIS  
PHOTOGRAPH !**

**A US SOLDIER WITH  
EVIDENT  
ARROGANCE,  
DEMONSTRATES  
THE RESTRAINTS  
USED ON DETAINEES  
ON THE BASE**

This US barbarity is used not only at the Guantanamo base, but in other prisons US has established all over the World!!

*From newspaper  
Granma,  
March , 2006*

**Cuba was right  
about the  
Guantánamo prison**



## QUOTES

**"Zionism is a form of racism and racist discrimination."**

*From a Resolution adopted on November 10, 1975 by the United Nations Organization (UN)*

"The crippling of individuals I consider the worst evil of capitalism. Our (American) whole educational system suffers from this very evil. An exaggerated competitive attitude is inculcated into every student, who is trained only to worship material success as a preparation for his or her future career."

*Albert Einstein (1879-1955)*

## DID YOU KNOW?

### CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT THIS WAS SAID BY BUSH?

*"One of the great things about America, one of the beauties of our country, is that when we see a young, innocent child in Iraq being blown up by an IED, we cry."*

President Bush, March 29, 2006, Washington

*"We support the election process, we support democracy, but that does not mean that we have to support governments that get elected as a result of democracy."*

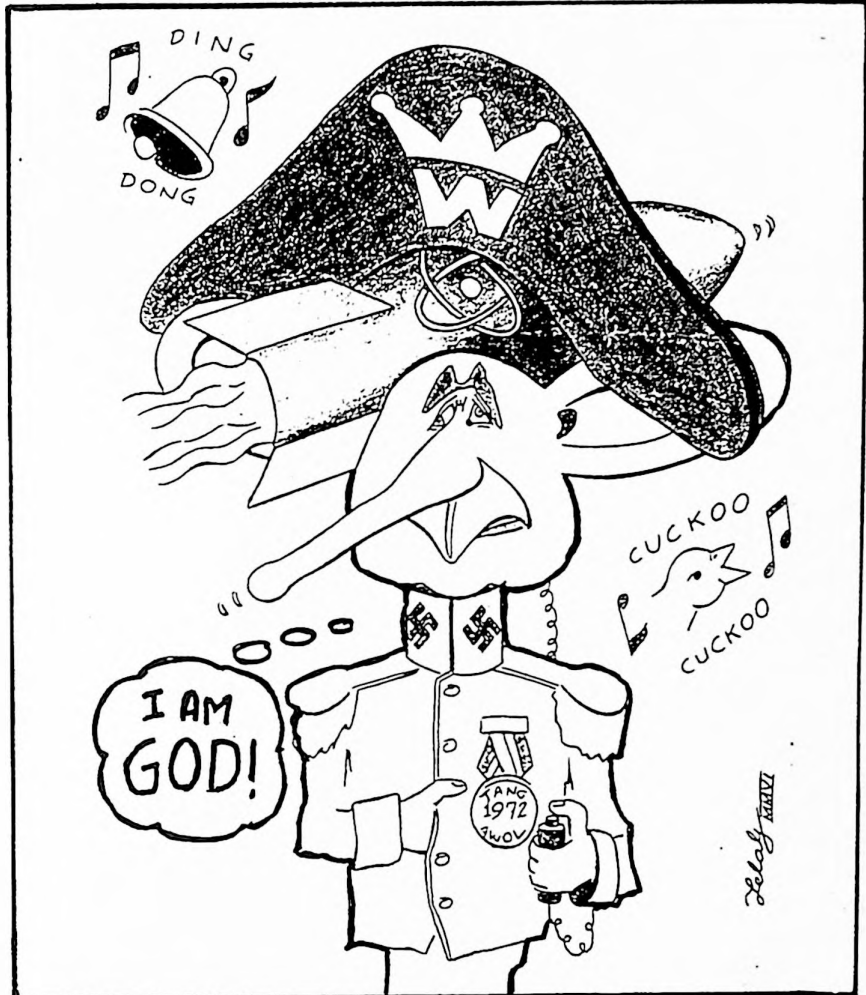
President Bush, March 29, 2006, Washington

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## FEATURE ANALYSIS



## THE WORLD'S GREATEST SWINDLE

By ANA LUCIA GELABERT

Even since US President Nixon took the US dollar off the gold standard, how much is the US dollar's true worth, relative to the cost of living in the US and elsewhere, in exchange for dollars, is anyone's guess. The financial pundits of US imperialism will not reveal the truth.

**Bottom line:** as long as the USA retains its overwhelming military superiority over whoever comes second, above all its huge stock pile of nuclear weapons of mass destruction - never mind the temporary quagmire in Iraq - like

some modern Dr. Faust, the imperialists will keep turning lead (*military might*) into gold (*dollars*) and force the rest of the world to accept them as "*preferred international exchange currency*." In the process, like Faust, selling to the devil its erstwhile delusive façade as the "*paradise of democracy and a nation respectful of and ruled by laws*": handy propaganda tool so decisive to beat "*the evil Russians*" in the ongoing Cold War. This new Cold War will try to impact on this newly exposed "*soulless USA*" that openly tortures prisoners, pours white phosphorous on the civilian population, and pre-emptively invades other countries on the flimsiest pretexts.

For all the practical purposes, it matters not a whit whether the US national debt exceeds **\$10 trillion**, or its federal deficit exceeds **\$1 trillion** per year: all likely events today. As

long as the USA is able to roll the "printing presses" and print as many dollars as it needs, all these imbalances, as astronomical as they are, are unimportant!

Besides all of this, US has no gold backing. Today's US dollars are way overpriced. Example: recently Venezuela government assigned to all the homemakers (*housewives*) a monthly salary of Bs 520,000 (*Bolivars*), recognizing housewives of importance to all society; which then lifted these homes above poverty level. In comparison to the USA, \$19,000 a year marks the limit between poverty and not; therefore the Bolivars 520,000 should equal US \$1,583 per month, for a ratio of BS 380 to \$1 dollar - 8 times over its fair price. Same was seen until 1989 when a DBR (*West German*) mark was priced as several DFR (*East German*) marks, although it took more DBR marks to rent an apartment in West Berlin, then DDR marks to rent a comparable apartment in East Berlin. Wonders of the "free market" capitalist exchange!

That is not all: the overpriced dollar means that, even if oil went up to US \$76 a barrel, its true value in 1973 dollars would only be \$9.50 a barrel; cheaper than its cost in 1973! Some business, eh?

Should OPEC Nations as well as other main suppliers of oil to the USA - notably Canada and Mexico - demand payment in Euros instead of dollars (*never mind if they dared to do this, they would be nuked into oblivion for this affront*) the change would not be a cure at all - since the Euro too is overpriced with respect to third world currencies, based on which raw materials are produced. BUT, even so, it would take the checkbook away from this US bully that is terrorizing the world and endangering the human race's very survival - and that is most important!

But - I'm sorry Messrs. Gorbys, Yeltsins, Putins and Zyuganovs - you will not be included in this wolf pack, no matter how much there might be your desire - nor will any of the ex-Warsaw Pact countries be included in this piratical wolf pack - nor are there any plans to include them into this profit trough - just exploit them, is the US imperialist plan!

Even if present capitalist Russia, however unlikely this scenario can

be, managed in the near future to keep Siberia as part of Russia, I predict that within the next 2-3 decades, unless there is a unified outburst by Soviet people to get back into Socialism, the US will BUY Siberia from Russia, with no questions asked. **Why?** In order to help Russia in its forthcoming economic collapse. There will be no war or invasion needed, since US and NATO and their open and hidden friends have Russia entirely surrounded.

It's a fact, that in just one square mile of Siberia's Kamchatka forest - there is enough paper pulp to be harvested by US \$\$\$ and imperialism will pay it for Siberia, and this will include untold billions in bribes that will be all deposited in some Swiss bank accounts.

Who will benefit from this Great Swindle? Clearly the multinational financial institutions of the US Evil Empire and their European Union accomplices, accumulating untold profits, in either Dollars or Euros - in order to be able to continue to exploit the cheap labour in third world countries, such as making tennis shoes in Bangladesh for \$1 a pair and reselling them in New York for \$100 a pair!

For the US workers and their labour aristocracy, this is a mixed blessing for the time being. Add to this the greasy Mac hamburgers, other gadgets and consumer stuff that is being produced in the third world countries and in the so-called "socialist" China, at cheap and exploited labour - makes this the "Good life in America possible." But never mind the epidemic in the USA of cocaine, heroin, murder and psychotherapy pandemic to try this "sex up" their empty and worthless lives. In payment, all they need to be is eager cannon fodder for US imperialism, ready to massacre all people and babies in whatever imperialist adventure they are sent upon. But in dismay at home, they watch as their parents workplaces, be they steel mills or electronic appliance factories or auto plants are being closed down and "outsourced" to the third world, cheap labour countries. **Or, maybe the next Imperialist's cheap "outsourced" production facility will be located in Siberia!**

RAY O LIGHT



*From the Belly of the Beast*

## **New York City Transit Workers Fight For All**

In a radical departure from most of the recent history of organized labor in the USA, thirty-four thousand bus and subway workers in New York City, the members of Transport Workers Union Local 100, carried out a bold though brief strike against the Transit Authority during the height of the 2005 Christmas shopping season last December. Their strike was a rare shining moment for US workers in this period and provides hope for better days ahead.

First, they struck in the context in which the strike as a weapon of organized workers has become "an endangered species" in the current Bush-led anti-labor climate in the USA. Secondly, they struck in a situation that would effectively block consumers from carrying out their Christmas shopping and could have easily become a rallying point for the powerful anti-labor corporate rulers of New York and the country, if not handled carefully. Third, in order to strike, the workers and their outstanding, largely Afro-American and immigrant local leadership, headed by President Toussaint, went up against the conservative national leadership of their union which actively discouraged the strike. These national union leaders wanted to collaborate with the business community that relies so heavily for their yearly profits on this brief shopping season.

Fourth, the Transit workers clearly possessed some confidence that the masses of the NYC population would respond positively or at least not allow themselves to be rallied by

reactionary politicians such as Mayor Bloomberg into a backlash movement that would not only kill the union's demands but possibly smash the union entirely. The fact that the union was fighting for a better contract against a Transit Authority that was known to be swollen with huge profitability aided their effort.

Most importantly, the just demands of the union members reflected their concern not just for themselves but even more for future workers, today's youth, who also will need a decent job with decent benefits. Thus, wages as well as health care and pensions were defended for future workers by their strike demands. In this effort, Local 100 skillfully struck, calling attention to the union's just demands; but it did not exhaust the patience of NYC's population by staying out too long.

This concern for others, in sharp contrast with the narrowness and selfishness that has plagued U.S. organized labor for decades, was appreciated by the working people of New York City and its environs, the very people affected by the strike! The masses, including large numbers of minority and immigrant workers, recognized that the Transit Workers and their union (with a large number of immigrant and minority members) were fighting for a better future for them and their families, too. Thus, the strike promoted unionism and worker solidarity in action. While this struggle isn't over, the bold strike of NYC's Transit Workers has strengthened organized labor in the largest population center in the USA. It has provided inspiration for the struggle for workers power in the USA.

## **Regime change is not enough--- System change is required!**

The main slogan for this April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2006 National Demonstration in New York City is "End the war in Iraq--Bring all our troops home now!" This is a just and noble aim, for it addresses the responsibility that

we have, as members of US imperialist society, toward our brothers and sisters in Iraq and the Middle East. This demand supports the right of the Iraqi people to self-determination in their own land. It complements the just war for Iraqi national liberation from US imperialism. It makes being present here today worthwhile.

But United for Peace and Justice (UFPJ) and the other initiating organizations for this April 29<sup>th</sup> demonstration are at the same time perpetuating many illusions about the nature of the adversary that we face. These illusions are quite evident in the most prominent statements contained in their main leaflets calling us to NYC for the "March for Peace, Justice and Democracy".

The UFPJ leaflets claim: "We have a foreign policy that is foreign to our core values, and domestic policies wreaking havoc at home." And, "Our message to the White House and to Congress is clear: Stand with us or stand aside!"

**Illusion#1:** "We", the people of the USA, are one. **Reality#1:** The interests of the US working class are diametrically opposed to those of their monopoly capitalist rulers in the long run. The USA is a class society as well as a society that contains within it a number of oppressed nations. These include not only the direct colony of Puerto Rico but also the Chicano people who are mostly without rights in the Southwest USA, actually Occupied Mexico. It also includes, among others, the Afro-American people in their Black Belt homeland including those from the New Orleans area who have been driven out through the most cynical and vicious use of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

**Illusion#2:** The current political representatives in Washington, DC have the choice of "standing with us". **Reality#2:** The responsibility for the U.S.-led unprovoked war of aggression against the people of Iraq lies first and foremost with the U.S. monopoly capitalist ruling class and its political representatives in Congress and the White House. Indeed, the foreign and domestic policies of the US government make no sense if one believes we have a

democratic government in the USA -- "of, by and for the people". However, when one understands that US government policy represents the dictatorship of the monopoly capitalists and imperialists, it becomes clear that the Bush Regime and its Democratic and Republican supporters in the US Congress, the Supreme Court, etal. are loyally serving their masters at Enron, Halliburton, Exxon, Unocal, etc.

**Illusion#3:** US imperialism's war against the peoples of the world, its "foreign policy", and its war against the working class and oppressed peoples at home, its "domestic policy", are preferred policies that can be changed merely by politicians "standing with us". **Reality#3:** "Imperialism is a world system of financial enslavement and colonial oppression of the vast majority of the population of the world by a handful of 'advanced' countries." (Lenin) US imperialism is waging a war internationally in the form of pre-emptive, unprovoked attacks on sovereign peoples. It is waging a war internally trying to criminalize recent immigrants and their friends, using flagrantly illegal and widespread domestic spying against all their citizens, as well as court suits and laws aimed at smashing organized labor. This is not merely a preferred policy; the constant drive to war at home and abroad is the inevitable product of the decadent, moribund, political-economic system of imperialism.

Contrary to the illusions promoted by UFPJ and others--the fight for PEACE cannot be reduced to votes for Democrats, the shameless collaborators with the Bush band of war criminals. Nor limited to street protests such as today's in NYC.

**Regime change is not enough.  
System change is required.**

**No to the World's No. 1 Terrorist!  
No to the No. 1 Exploiter of the  
World's People!  
Stop the Bush-led Global  
Imperialist War on the Peoples of  
the World!  
Workers of the World and  
Oppressed Peoples Unite!**



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### "BOOTS ON THE GROUND POSTER"

To:  
Prime Minister Harper of Canada  
Ambassador to US, Michael Wilson

I am 83 years old and I have always loved being a Canadian. So I must tell you that when I heard that the Canadian Embassy in Washington has an electronic newspaper to give the American citizens a sense of Canada's role in North America, Global security and War on Terror, I was enraged and very ashamed of the present government's behaviour. You must surely know that the vast majority of Canadians do not want Canada to participate in any wars.

**You do not speak for us. We are dismayed and irate!**

We demand that the posters "Boots on the Ground" be pulled and that the CanadianAlly.com website be dropped!

Yours, in hope  
Betty McWhinnie

### FROM WINNIPEG CANADA

Dear friends:

Enclosed please find a donation of \$250.00 towards NSC and my renewal and a new sub to a friend. Keep up the good work!

Walter Tyshko

### FROM MOSCOW RUSSIA

Dear comrade Lucas:

Many thanks for your letters and the NSC that I receive regularly. Unfortunately I still did not receive the Russian Edition of NSC that is being published in Moscow. (We

informed the Russian NSC of this – Editor)

Enclosed is the printed version of our newspaper "Iskra" which can be read on: [www.iskra1917.ru](http://www.iskra1917.ru).

I feel that you will be interested to read the article "Lenin and Stalin, living leaders of the working class."

I am in full agreement with this excellent article. It is now published by the Communist Party "Iskra".

Enclosed is a donation of \$50 towards NSC.

M. T. Goroshkova

### FROM A CUBAN-AMERICAN POLITICAL PRISONER

Dear Editor and NSC Collective:

Thank you for sending NSC to me regularly as a political prisoner in a Texas jail.

In the February issue I read about the forthcoming Third World Congress in Moscow in 2007, and of course this is a very welcome development. Among the proposed participants I read the name of Zyuganov of the CPRF, and I feel that his presence will bring about a lively exchange of ideas.

Often in my jail cell I entertained the idea of Zyuganov and the CPRF winning the elections in Russia. Welcome of course in the sense that although Zyuganov is not exactly a most revolutionary communist, but if the CPRF would be in power, the opportunity would arise for some real communists to do work from the inside, and some accomplishments might develop from that opportunity.

But the news contained in the same issue that Zyuganov in 1996 did win the election but nevertheless went ahead and congratulated Yeltsin "on his victory". If those contentions of Kupkov are true, then Zyuganov's conduct is open treason to those that trusted him and voted for him.

I would strongly suggest that Zyuganov needs to come crystal clear on this. If the allegations by V.S. Kupkov are untrue and nothing but "sour grapes" of some kind, then Kupkov needs to be exposed. But if the allegations are shown to be true, then the least that Zyuganov must do is to resign his position in the CPRF and let some one else a bit more gutsy and militant take his post.

Happy 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Michael! Sorry that this could not get to you sooner, due to the **in-communication** here, but the struggle goes on regardless, with very much thanks to you.

Most excellent article on women's situation by Irina Malenko and the drawing on the cover and inside is great, very delicate and well drawn.

Ana Lucia Gelabert 384484  
1401 State School RD  
Gatesville, TX 76599  
USA

*The drawings are by your truly (ML) in most issues of NSC.*

*We're asking our readers to write to Ana, the Cuban-American prisoner, letters of support.*

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### OPEN LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA

Dear Prime Minister Harper:

Talk of military superiority for waging wars, supporting a ballistic missile defence strategy, and exporting violence through heavy-handed military measures shows us that our Canadian foreign policy has gone astray. Our leaders and our generals are marching to the beat of the drum, but going the wrong way.

Violence invites violence, as our giant philosophers and social activists, such as Lev Tolstoy, Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr. have shown humanity. Soldiers, tanks, bombs and missiles will not create democracy or more security, but it will raise a fortress society and more fear. Let us remember that war does not solve problems of poverty, inequality and

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injustice. As citizens we know that the military industrial complex robs us of the resources we need for our basic rights of universal health care, clean air and water, education, and well-paid jobs for all.

Canada's tradition of peace-keeping is the courageous and smart way to go, and that's why it is supported by majority of Canadians.

Canada as a nation does not have a clear vision in a democratic country. This has to be discussed fully by all parties. Moreover, it is an issue of human survival. We need to change our outlived habits of assuming that wars are inevitable. We need to find a better alternative to violence through such mechanisms as cooperation in discovering a common ground for action, negotiations across boundaries, inventions in bridge building, education and respect for the culture and needs of other nationals. In brief, we urgently need the moral strength and compassion to create a non-killing society.

The idea of looking for an alternative strategy has come. We need to redefine our role in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. As Victor Hugo once wrote: **"Nobody can stop an idea whose time has come!"** The power and creativity of non-violence is needed now.

Let's bring back our troops and reclaim the supremacy of moral law, justice, truth and love.

Koozma Tarasoff  
Ottawa, Canada

#### FROM TASHKENT UZBEKISTAN

Dear Michael:

It was nice to hear from you. I can just imagine the slick boring and superficial presentations at the University of Toronto by the gathered panellists, including one Zionist "expert" from Russia, all talking about why the USSR collapsed etc. etc. There will be nothing there but lies, lies and distortions of the real problems. I would probably blow my stack if I went there.

I am glad that you asked to be present (*but was refused*) and present your point of view as Chairman of the International Council. Good for you for at least

trying to be present.

They should have been honoured to have you come, with your encyclopedic knowledge of the Soviet Union, from the days of Stalin, through "the thaw", the stagnation (*we both know the pluses and minuses of that period*) and the undermining of Socialism by the sell-outs like Gorbys and Yeltsin. But that would have ruined their little game.

An excellent idea for some of the Executive members to be there. Maybe a bit of truth will be able to be heard.

The dynamics of life here in Uzbekistan, where I work, are very strange. It's as if "K" has embraced Russia and longing for a return to the comforting days as was the Soviet Union. Meanwhile the people are discovering the many good features of Islam, which is immune to Judification and is based on social justice.

Our hope of overthrowing US-Israel now lies with the revival of Islam and the survival and nurturing of Socialism in Latin America. Oh, and also with the courageous President Lukashenko in Belarus.

I will toast you Michael and the successful elections in Byelorussia on the Muslim spring holiday Navruz (*I don't think that 100 grams of vodka is too terrible a sin.*)

All the best to all of the comrades and friends in the Association.

#### ERIC WALERG

*Former member of the Canada-USSR Association and very active in the activities of the Soviet friendship movement, now residing and working in Uzbekistan.*

#### FROM FLORIDA USA

Dear Editor:

Bush, Hitler, Mussolini, Putin, etc. are just so many ordeurves on the Capitalist a la carte Menu, as needed for profits, etc.

In many places on this earth this has been going on for centuries.

Out of 6 billion population on this earth, there are any number of people and leaders that can be bought unfortunately.

John Corlett

#### LETTER FROM

### JOSE ANDUJAR

## Political Prisoner of GRAPO, Langraitz Prison in Spain

Dear comrades:

Last month, being disgusted at the assassination of two Basque political prisoner comrades – Igor and Baru, I refused to take food in my prison cell as a protest and wore a sign around my neck in solidarity with these assassination deaths, which the prison director took exception to. I refused to take the sign off, but the head "screw" pulled it off and ordered my immediate removal to an isolation cell, and I was held there for a whole week.

It was a provisional measure until they decided just what to do with me the following day. But, it certainly did not take them that long – after ten minutes I was informed to take my belongings and into the isolation cell I was thrown.

The prisoners being thrown into the isolation cells are physically emancipated, beaten up, and you can hear crying, screaming, kicking the doors because there is no toilet facilities. You can hear them being handcuffed, screaming in great pain, vomiting, yelling as they are led to and fro.

Hearing this for 24 hours per day creates a feeling of despair, panic, lots of anger and much very highly charged tension. They had to take me away with a serious bout of uncontrollable anxiety and serious palpitations.

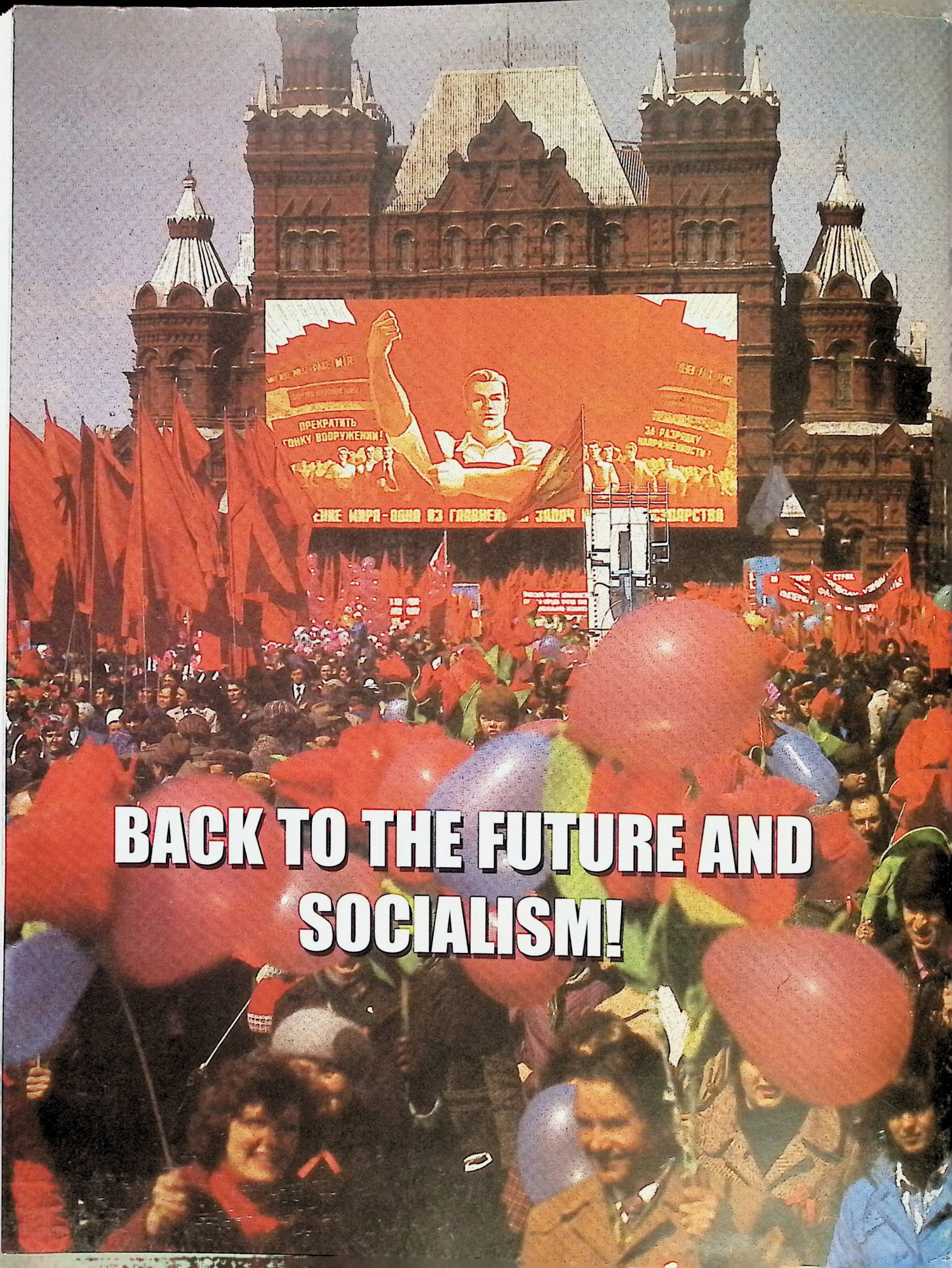
These are the sanctions imposed on the Basque political prisoners for protesting and condemning the political assassinations – this I denounce as "White Noise Torture".

A special embrace from me for Igor and Baru, for your struggle and for your commitment!

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ALL IMPRISONED!**

**AFTER READING NSC, PASS  
IT ALONG TO A FRIEND!**





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