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## MARCH ON MOSCOW!

**20,000 U.S.  
TRAINED OMON  
POLICE AND DOGS  
HARASS "MARCH  
ON MOSCOW"**

**MARCH ON MOSCOW  
(July 12-20, 1997)**

The situation in Russia is getting worse and worse. The industrial output is now 47% of the level of 1989, factories are closing down. The agricultural sector is unable to feed the country. The kolkhozes have been forcibly dismantled and its members deprived of the necessary means of production to such an extent that they can barely feed themselves. According to official statistics, just 20% of the goods sold in shops are produced in Russia - the rest are imported. The vast majority of the population has been forced to struggle for subsistence, to grow potatoes on their own, without

which millions would simply starve to death. The Russian population is decreasing by a rate of 1 million per year, mainly due to the increase of the death rate and the decrease of the birth rate. Life expectancy has dropped by ten years, and in some regions, the life expectancy has dropped to the low 50's. The free health care system has been liquidated. Poor people, like pensioners, are deprived of any kind of medical care. Real unemployment has reached unbearable levels in some regions; to take an example, in the southern Republic of Chuvashia, the unemployment has reached 70%.

While the situation in Moscow can be still considered only moderately bad, with many medium and large trading companies and banks flourishing, the economy in the regions has simply collapsed. Money resources have been concentrated in the capital to such an extent that exchanges between enterprises that are still operating in the regions are done without money and workers are not paid in money; when they

are eventually paid, they are paid in production goods. According to official statistics, the average income per person in Moscow is 3.3 million rubles (about \$550, and this is the average, since the disproportions in income are tremendous). This is four times the average in Russia as a whole and almost ten times as large as in the poorest regions. Wage are mainly in arrears in the regions, whereas in Moscow, the situation in this respect is not that dramatic. In addition, the workers' and strike movements are far more active in the regions, where they are beginning to acquire a clear political character.

In these conditions, the political situation in the regions is worsening day by day. There is not a single day when a factory is not on strike in the regions. Economic strikes are developing into political ones. Recent examples were the general political strike in the mining region of Kusbas (July 10-11) that shut down the region and the general political strike in North Ossetia (July 2-4) that developed into a

popular rebellion against the government (the pro-Yeltsin president of the republic fled the region for Moscow).

The mass popular movement Labor Russia, led by Victor Anpilov, organized a political march on Moscow, starting from the regions. The idea of the political march was supported by different political forces. Seven deputies of the State Duma signed a declaration in support of the march and called for support from the Russian people, specially in the regions. The march was meant to start off in the "red belt" around Moscow. Columns departed from 6 towns: Tvyer, Yaroslavl, Vladimir, Riazan, Tula and Smolensk.

The two main columns were led by Victor Anpilov departing from Tula and Vladeslav Terekhov (the chairman of the Union of

Army Officers) from Riazan. The demonstrators covered an average of 200km, mainly by foot, going through the main industrial centres that surround Moscow. Hundreds of activists started off but soon, the number of marchers increased. After the first day, the number of marchers tripled, despite the rain and cold weather. Rallies were held in tens of cities gathering thousands and thousands of demonstrators protesting the anti-popular regime. The most important rallies took place in Podolsk, Serpukhov and Kalinin, anti-Yeltsin strongholds. In Podolsk, 5,000 demonstrators escorted the marchers to the edge of the town. The response from the population was warm. People brought food, bread, berries, etc.

The most important slogans were: "Down with the anti-popular

regime", "Bring the Yeltsin gang to trial", "Down with the government". The population gave a positive response to these slogans.

The Yeltsin regime did its best to prevent people from participating in the march. Trains did not stop where marchers would be. The march was restricted in many areas. All columns originating from different points merged on July 17 on the outskirts of Moscow. The next morning, thousands of marchers started to cross into Moscow. Tens of thousands of police officers and special police forces met and stopped the marchers. The marchers replied by shutting down traffic on the main highways of Moscow, holding a sit-down strike. The Kremlin was surrounded by thousands of police forces with dogs. For this last new acquisition of the

*Photo of some participants received by fax from Moscow. News black out in Russia and the West was complete! NSC has this exclusive fax sent by our reader, Raphael.*



Moscow police department, Russians have to thank instructors from the United States who provided the training. The rally planned to be held outside the Kremlin was banned. Instead, a rally was held in October Square, gathering thousands of people. Altogether in Moscow alone, more than 20,000 police participated in the operation.

According to the main organizer of the political protest, Victor Anpilov, the main political tasks posed for this action were fulfilled. The march carried out public agitation against the regime and for socialism. Delegates from 50 regions were present in the action. There were delegates from Byelorussia, the Ukraine, Georgia and Tadzhikistan as well.

The resolution of the rally held in Moscow condemned the anti-popular policies of the Yeltsin government and called on the Russian people to form Soviets of workers in order to organize the popular rebellion against the anti-popular regime. The resolution also protested the plans for the removal of Lenin's Mausoleum and predicted that this action would result in the outbreak of a bloody civil war. □

## POPULAR REBELLION IN NORTH OSSETIA (JULY 1997)

*Based on an interview with Nartikov Konstantin Tembolatovitch, member of the Ossetian regional committee of the All-Union Communist Party, Bolshevik (AUCP[B]).*

Comrade Tembolatovitch was sent as a delegate to the March On Moscow organized by Workers Russia by the North Ossetian regional organization of the AUCP[B] with the task of establishing links with the popular protests against the anti-popular regime in other parts of

Russia. The popular rebellion took place on July 2-4 throughout the Caucasian Republic of North Ossetia, which remains part of the Russian Federation. This popular movement was led mainly by communist organizations, the AUCP[B], the regional organization of the Communist Party of the Russian Federation, Workers Russia, the Union of Officers and the unions as well.

Thousands of people poured into the capital, Vladikavkaz (formerly Orjonikidze), from all parts of the Republic. The capital was shut down, traffic, public transport, production ... The demonstrators took over the town, explained to the people the class essence of the regime, its anti-popular character and the way out of the present situation. The only way out of this situation is through the unification of the progressive forces and only by revolutionary means. Only a revolution can save the country from the catastrophe. The mass media is in the hands of the regime – it either openly lies or simply keeps quiet about many things. Despite the anti-popular, anti-worker propaganda of the mass media, we are actively working in order to make possible a workers' uprising this coming fall. The enemy doesn't leave us any other way out but by seizing power by revolutionary, violent means. We have no other choice but to arm ourselves.

The demonstrations in Vladikavkaz gathered thousands of people. The AUCP[B] had the largest column. Workers from all factories sent delegates. Thousands of workers participated in the actions. The anti-Yeltsin sentiments of the working class and the population in general is evident. The police forces sympathized with the slogans of the demonstrators, reflecting the general sentiments of the broad masses. The militia rejected some attempts

of the secret security services to attack the crowd. The presidential institutions became largely isolated during the events. All buildings where presidential institutions are located were picketed. Presidential institutions were therefore forced to stop functioning. The pro-Yeltsin president of the Republic of North Ossetia fled the republic and headed for Moscow.

In the events were present all nationalities of the republic, but mainly Russians and Ossetians.

All political forces involved in the events pointed to the necessity of linking up the popular uprising in North Ossetia with other popular movements in other parts of Russia, to unite their forces against the Yeltsin regime. Therefore, delegates have been sent to the March On Moscow and the rank and file membership of the CPRF adopted a declaration addressed to their parliamentary fraction in the State Duma, headed by Gennady Zyuganov. In general, the leadership of the CPRF, specially its parliamentary fraction, do not seem to worry much about the concerns of the Russian people. However, the rank and file has made a positive move towards the ordinary people.

The Republic of North Ossetia has become one of the most powerful revolutionary centres in Russia. Stalin is highly esteemed by the people. The republic is one of the poorest region in the whole Russian Federation. Wage arrears in the republic range from 5 to 9 months. Most of the workers work almost for free. There have been many cases when workers or members of their families have died of health problems connected to severe under-nourishment. The situation has been substantially worsened by the 6-year war with the neighboring Ingushian Republic. This war has been provoked by appealing to the basest nationalist instinct and

fostered by the mafia that supports and finances the presidential institutions of both republics. This is an open war for the physical liquidation of the working class. Everyday, workers are being massacred by mercenaries in this war. The president of the Republic of North Ossetia is deeply involved in this war, and is basically financed by it. The old kolkhoz system has been forcibly dismantled. Apart from a few individual farmers who have profited from special contracts with the directors of the kolkhozes, the majority of the peasants have been deprived of the main means of production, and are not in a position to purchase equipment. Most of the

peasants are just engaged in their own subsistence and cannot produce for the country.

The Yeltsin regime has lost control of the regions. Presidential institutions are helpless against the anger and outrage of the people. The working class and the ordinary people are more sympathetic than ever to the idea of restoring Soviet power. The regime has been obliged to resort to open cheating in the bourgeois elections to retain power. For instance, in our republic, 67% voted for Zyuganov, although it has to be noted that the people did not vote for the person of Zyuganov, but for the restoration of Soviet power. □



**TO OUR SOVIET FRIENDS:**

**ARISE YOU  
MIGHTY LAND!**



**PEOPLES ANTIFASCIST  
FRONT OF USSR!**



# 5TH ANNIVERSARY OF NORTHSTAR COMPASS

It is usual on any anniversary to look back and try to judge whether the goals that were set out were followed or accomplished. In this regard, it is useful to look at the "CREDO OF NORTHSTAR COMPASS" which, in essence, was the road that Northstar Compass set itself which was adopted, developed by NSC Conferences and also by the decisions of the Canadian Friends of Soviet People, as well as the "U.S. Friends of Northstar Compass", besides the Editorial Board that is listed on the masthead of NSC.

Our NSC Credo states:

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Have we done justice in these 5 years to the credo that was adopted and approved during these 5 years? Have we managed to inform, given all the information that we received to our readers? Were we accurate in our prognosis and criticism of the events as they were transpiring in former Soviet Union? And above all, did we manage to satisfy the demands of our readers that now span the globe in 61 countries of the world?

The answers to the above questions are varied and judging by the growth of our readership, the answer is that we have managed to fulfill most of our Credo (not all of it, unfortunately) even by the sheer fact of managing on a volunteer basis to continue publishing NSC each month for these 5 years!

Since the start of Northstar Compass 5 years ago with the aim of filling in the void that was left in the progressive movement and media at that time of "perestroika" (destroika is more the proper word for it) and the practical dismemberment of the Canada-USSR Association, to be followed by the "Concerned Friends of Soviet People" and now, by the Canadian Friends of Soviet People.

In spite of financial problems that are constantly with us, NSC has managed to keep its head above water and to continue to serve our readers.

Our contacts in the Soviet Union keep growing and we are quoted and reprinted in many newspapers and periodicals in the former USSR, as well as in many other countries where NSC is read.

We feel that the efforts and work done by Northstar Compass can be judged by the attacks that are launched against it by enemies of Socialism, the Soviet Union, Lenin and Stalin. Perfect example was the attack against Northstar Compass that was perpetrated by the former Ambassador to Canada, Alexander Yakovlev; in actual fact, the "Gray

Cardinal of Perestroika" through a couple of so-called "correspondents" from Moscow newspaper "Selskaya Zhizn", on which we did an exposé in the February issue (#7) of NSC this year. Obviously, NSC must be getting under the skin of these turn-coats if someone of that stature, the darling of CIA, Alexander Yakovlev, would deem it necessary to attack the editor Michael Lucas as he did!

Is our position regarding different communist and workers' movements in former Soviet Union correct? Do we support certain parties that we feel follow the road towards the resurrection of the USSR above others? Do we make comments and observations about certain parties that under the name of "Marxists", "Communists" are in actual fact abetting and directly or indirectly supporting the present policies of Yeltsin's regime?



The answer to the above two questions is a resounding - "YES"!

Does this rub against the grain of some of the Communist Parties in the world? Yes, obviously it does! Why? Because history teaches us (or should teach us) that under the name of some of these "Communists" the Soviet Union and other former Socialist countries were sold down the river, into the hands of Imperialism! Lenin and Stalin warned the movement against these hidden enemies, who under "patriotic mantle" were the Trojan

horses inside the Communist movements and were the main culprits who undermined and eventually temporarily defeated the Communist leading parties in these countries!

Our 5th Anniversary Conference will take place in February of 1998 where delegates from Canada, USA, and foreign guests will be present, including leading comrades from Russia and Europe. We expect scores of delegates plus guests. This Conference may well turn out to be the turning point in our work for friendship with Soviet people. One of the suggestions from many quarters is to discuss the possibility of establishing an International Council for Friendship with Soviet People which is now needed more than ever, in order to show solidarity with the strivings of Soviet people for the resurrection of the Soviet Union and socialism!

Of course, there have already taken place world-wide congresses, meetings of communist and workers' parties, discussing ways and means of overcoming their differences and approaches to solidify the Communist movement in the world.

According to our information, garnered from countless newspapers, statements and proclamations, there are about 4 world centres that are vying for world communist recognition, some publishing journals, some trying to establish an international Marxist journal ... others criticising each other's attempts.

These attempts are to be supported since they show the tremendous need for a common front against Imperialism and the danger of fascism which is very real. BUT ... while these attempts at a common understanding are taking place, with different agendas and unfortunately with some

"competition for a leadership role" – the enemy is uniting itself ever more closely to try and put the final nail in the coffin of former socialist countries – get them ensnared, tied-into NATO and thus have the so-called "legal right" to invade the former socialist countries in order to protect their interests by utilizing the present traitors to help them do the job!

It seems to us that the more information we receive from former Soviet Union, the more we delve into the intricacies of their problems, the more we are convinced that some of the existing communist movements now on the scene in former USSR should be looked at ever more closely. Why? Because the criteria of these movements should be above all to unite their efforts for the resurrection of the Soviet Union, not only of Russia alone and for establishment of Socialism and not a mixture of capitalism, dolled up in the trimmings of "socialism"!

For those readers who might think that the temporarily defeated Soviet Union and socialism does not affect the future of the world's working class, let them stop and think what was stated by the Wall Street Journal after USSR collapsed: "... there are now no such things as jobs for life or universal benefits, which were merely the product of the special conditions and circumstances following the Second World War." It further went on to say, "... since the West has won the Cold War and the Soviet Union has disintegrated, there is no longer any need to appease the working people."

Also, it is needed to remember this cardinal fact. Social Democracy

was always the bulwark against Communism and an important diversion for the working class, the bourgeoisie needed social democracy as long as there was a communist threat. Now that there's no longer the USSR, capitalism does not need social democracy to be a bulwark against real socialism!

Therefore, the present events taking place in the world, where the aim is to influence the working class, all sorts of "parties" and "movements" are born or hatched in order to derail the working class from its revolutionary path. A case in point is the present "Independent Trade Unions" now existing in former USSR – easily used and manipulated by the present regime in order to divert the working class from its main aim – to overthrow the regime of exploiters.

One of the roles of Northstar Compass is to expose these pseudo "Communists-Marxists-Patriots" that are being used as diversionary attempts against genuine Communist parties and peoples' movements.

This proposed movement is not a political party, but an attempt to organize friendship forces into an influential force for friendship. Each country had or has friendship society with former USSR, and they could affiliate in a common program to build solidarity with Soviets, meet regularly, agree on plans of action and methods of carrying them out. This International Council is not in competition with any existing movement!

Therefore, an organization such as is being proposed: "International Council (or Society) For Friendship With Soviet People" would be a viable people-to-people world movement that would have as its main aim the friendship with Soviets who would feel the international solidarity, thus helping them in their struggles to

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YOUR SUB?**



replace the present regime, as was the former Union of Soviet Friendship Societies. This international movement would be the present day "Hands Off Russia Committee" which was set up in many countries of the world in 1918 when 14 countries invaded the young Soviet state. Although this is 1997, the situation is even more critical. The International Monetary Fund, the World Bank and Transnational Corporations have a stranglehold on the former USSR and other socialist countries, besides having their agents in practically all communist and people's movements there. This is NO exaggeration!

We feel that the future of Northstar Compass (which now cannot be said that it's the "organ of the Canadian Friends of Soviet People" only) the future of friendship with Soviet is growing and we have to grow and take steps to enlarge our activities and above all, our influence in this respect.

Time has come to unify our ranks, if we really believe in socialism and the absolute necessity of resurrecting the Soviet Union and socialism. This task is not only to help the Soviet people, but this task is absolutely necessary in order to save the future of the working class in all countries from the onslaught of attacks on the working class and the extreme danger of reaction and fascism, no matter under what mask it hides, it's still fascism!

Therefore, we are calling upon our readers in 61 countries to give us your opinion on the matters we have raised for our future development; to make every effort to come to the 5th Northstar Compass Conference on February 20-21 in 1998!

Let us now dedicate ourselves to do everything possible in order to help NSC financially, morally and, keep those letters and articles coming.

HAPPY 5TH ANNIVERSARY,  
NORTHSTAR COMPASS! □

## "INVITATION"

The journal and movement entitled "International Struggle Marxist Leninist", was born at Ischia, Italy in 1996.

As the Principles, and Statement indicate, it was a movement born out of a recognition, that the international Marxist-Leninist movement was divided. However, it was also born out of the conviction, that the only way of resolving these divisions was through active debate about these issues. We cannot hide these differences. We cannot avoid principled debate about these issues. We therefore proposed that this journal should, in a non-sectarian manner, actively discuss and decide what constitutes current Marxism-Leninism.

As we see it, the minimum requirement for all Marxist-Leninists today, is to accept the stands of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin. Beyond that however, we all recognize that there are deep divisions. Marxist-Leninists recognize that the only way to resolve these divisions is to engage in principled debate.

We were mandated at the Founding meeting to convene a Second Conference, to examine the way forward, and to try to engage further groups and organizations that are of Marxist-Leninist conviction. At this meeting, we wish to constructively discuss the international movement and whether these current divisions can be bridged. What are the divisions? How are the deep theoretical divisions to be debated, or is there no point in discussing them? What practical activities, in the form of United Front work, can be engaged in - short of a full agreement and resolution of these differences?

Unless the movement internationally can resolve these issues, many comrades are likely to remain confused, and in this we include ourselves. Since the attack on Khrushchev, led by Albania and China, there has been no single journal and/or forum for such a serious debate. Yet, such a debate is exactly what is needed in order to resolve these problems. We must remember that this was the way that Iskra, under Lenin's leadership, accepted the challenge of forming one great river of Bolshevism, out of the smaller rivulets of struggle, that existed before the debates led by Iskra. We must remember that Lenin pointed out that without revolutionary theory, there can be no revolutionary practice!

In this spirit, we fraternally ask your organization, to be present at Conway Hall, London UK, on the 8-9-10th December 1997. We ask that you send immediately to the London convening organizers listed below, your acceptance of this task, and the name of the organizations you represent, with some of your literature for approval of credentials by the organizers. Board and lodging will be provided once at London.

Conference fees should be according to what the delegations can afford. One delegation is entitled to one vote and one speaker, although observers with non-speaking rights are more than welcome. LONG LIVE MARX, ENGELS, LENIN AND STALIN!

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## MEETING OF U.S. MEMBERS OF NORTHSTAR EDITORIAL BOARD

There was an initial discussion of holding a meeting in New York to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the Russian Revolution on November 7th. It was agreed that we would propose doing this as a coalition to a wide variety of groups. Such a meeting could be very important in developing support for the revolutionary movement in the former Soviet Union. A sub-committee has been formed to follow up on some practical details.

On Sunday, July 6, the U.S. members of the editorial board held a meeting, as a welcome antidote to the patriotic hoopla of that weekend (July 4 being U.S. Independence Day). The meeting welcomed Tony Mestre from Casa de las Americas as our newest member.

We had a short discussion of any contact being able to take some Northstar's to Cuba for the Youth Festival, but the chance seems increasingly unlikely.

There was a short report on the national labor march in Detroit on June 21 in support of the locked out newspaper workers. The march was huge, with up to 100,000 workers, very militant on a trade union basis, but the union leaderships tried to have the marchers steer clear of any socialist political agitation. A report should be sent to Northstar on this, as well as on the Wheeling-Pitt strike.

A large part of the meeting was devoted to discussion of Michael Lucas' proposal for the formation of an International Friends of Soviet Peoples. The sentiment was overwhelmingly in favor. It was felt that the international subscribers' list had grown, including representatives of groups as well as individuals, that

there was a basis for such a group. This group could directly coordinate support activity for the Soviet Peoples, which will be of growing importance as the struggle sharpens over there.

Bill Doares gave a report on some events in the former Soviet Union. There was a march recently with 100,000 people in Kiev calling for the restoration of Soviet property relations. There will be a March on Moscow beginning July 12 against the Yeltsin regime led by Victor Anpilov of Workers' Russia.

It was requested that Northstar have a regular column on strikes taking place in the former Soviet Union.

The group concluded with an emotional appeal to people in the U.S. to fight against the embargo against Cuba which is causing continued suffering for the Cuban people. □

## NEWS DIGEST COMMENT

### WHY DIDN'T DUMA MEMBERS LISTEN TO THEIR OWN COMMITTEE?

*A State Duma Committee (Russian Parliament) was formed to analyze the effects of privatization on Russia during the period of 1992-1996. In their report to Duma (Parliament), the Committee told the government to suspend privatization until October or November of 1997. The report was presented by Duma member, M. Ganayev.*

Part of the report explained:

- Privatization was a campaign to transfer national wealth to a small group of people;
- Privatization failed to make production more effective; instead, there was a two-fold drop in

production accompanied by inflation;

- 57.4% of enterprises which were privatized in Russia lost 9 quadrillion rubles in 1995 alone;

- There was also a blow to the social structures ...

- Lower standard of living

- Systematic failure to pay wages and pensions

- 31.9 million Russians have earnings below subsistence level;

- Privatization failed to trigger an increase in investments in Russia. As an example: investments in production facilities in 1996 was \$64 billion or 18% less than in 1995 when it dropped 10% from the previous year;

- The ruble exchange rate now (April 17, 1997) is 5,750 rubles for \$1 American. The rate of exchange while USSR was in existence was \$2 Canadian for 1 Soviet ruble.

#### COMMENT:

*The above was garnered from the Internet with information supplied by Russian Interfax service and sent to NSC by our member of Editorial Board Jerry Morse.*

*Questions that remain to be asked, and we hope that our Soviet readers will supply the answers to NSC are:*

- *Where are all the billions of dollars that are being poured into the coffers of the present regime going? Although our readers have a good idea, it would be nice if our Soviet readers would tell us in their own words.*

- *Why did not the DUMA heed the advice of its own Commission, since Duma has the largest representations of Deputies from Zyuganov's Communist Party of Russian Federation? How did these "communist deputies" vote on this Commission's report? Did they adopt it, did they discuss it, did they shelve it, or did they just ignore it?*

- *Why would this report only see the light of day now, on Internet and not in the daily media?*

• We would ask that members of the Russian Communist Party (Zyuganov) who do read Northstar Compass to give an answer to our readers of their position on this very important Duma Commission report. □

## CHINA, BEWARE!

### Lloyd Redstone

If our readers will remember, under the leadership of Chiang Kaishek, millions of Chinese people died of starvation. Standard Oil and other transnational corporations prospered. Kaishek was a Christian and he praised the "democracy" that ruled China. Now that Hong Kong threw off the yoke of colonialism, an event that China had to wait for 156 years, the USA and Britain are warning China to adhere to "democracy"!

We read almost daily about the "massacre" (counter-revolution) in Tienanmen Square where over 300 people were reportedly killed. This is almost as many as people getting killed democratically in the U.S. monthly, since the constitution gives everyone the right to have guns.

The U.S. invaded Vietnam and massacred over 3 million people "democratically", destroyed the country, losing 58,000 of their own troops, who were mostly innocent kids. Vietnam was a country that was occupied for over 122 years by foreign countries.

Kuwait was a rich oil producing country, but in 1967, British troops invaded and took over the oil fields and set up a separate country which then they called Kuwait. Many of those that sold out the country were promoted to Royalty status by Britain. Many thousands of people who came to work to Kuwait were not afforded any status or hope to obtain citizenship, they had no rights and were, in actual fact, slaves.

Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait in an attempt to reunite the country into one as was historically the case. The U.S. then invaded and with overwhelming force, drove the Iraqis out in order to restore "democracy" in Kuwait. These forces destroyed most of the infrastructure while killing tens of thousands of people. This was accomplished while outnumbering the Iraqi forces by 20 to 1.

While it might be acknowledged that Saddam is a bit of a loose cannon, the slaughter of innocent people was by no means justified. Tens of thousands in Iraq have died of starvation due to the embargo ... all in the name of "democracy"!

I have to wonder if the day will ever come when the world will learn the true meaning of U.S. "democracy" which, to my way of thinking, spells HYPOCRISY! □

## THE GLOBE MARKET AND THE DEEPENING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CRISIS

By: John P. Saum

*John, from time to time, sends us very interesting materials regarding the economy and its consequences. Being an avid reader of Northstar Compass for 5 years, John is well versed in the global politics and we appreciate his materials, although we cannot always publish them, unfortunately. Below are just some excerpts from his detailed material.*

• The definition of the Global Market: "In this world of nomadic economic agents, a new player is assuming centre stage. This new player, the stateless corporation, is a contemporary mutation of the older multinational firm. Its global products rob meaning from the phrase "made in country X." – Professor Valaskakis, University of Montreal

• The globalization process

challenges some familiar assumptions. Until now, for instance, it was conventional wisdom that technological change and increased productivity would translate into more jobs and higher wages. But in the past few years, technological changes have eliminated more jobs than they have created.

• Canadian government has permitted the Canadian National Railway to sell Port of Churchill, not to Canadians, but to American OmniTRAX, after the Canadian government modernized the port with taxpayers' money.

• That brings to mind the effect of the break-up of the Soviet Union – Russia has lost control to foreign ownership of 52 of its 92 sea ports. Thus, the former Soviet Union is deprived of its potential maritime trade and now is solely dependent on the West for whatever trade they feel to throw their way.

• World's 40,000 Transnational Corporations are the dominant factors in International trade, but the smaller corporations are being gobbled up quickly.

• For practical purposes, the International Labour pool is infinite and the bargaining power of Labour is the lowest in a century. The implications of this have only now begun to be appreciated. □

## From Publication: "THE LATEST FROM LACES" THEY TRIED TO TELL US

"Why are there 40 million poor people in America? When you begin to ask that question, you begin to question the capitalistic economy. And I am simply saying that more and more, we've got to ask questions about the whole society. We are called upon to help the discouraged beggars in life's marketplace. But one day, we must come to see that an edifice that produces beggars needs

restructuring." (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., 1967) Dom Helder Camara put it even more simply: "When I give food to the poor, they call me a saint. When I ask why the poor have no food, they call me a communist."

Dr. King was a moderate, politically speaking, and Camara is, or was, a priest from South America. They both came to accept the truth that when a system is evil, it must be changed. It's not a question of individual morality that makes tobacco companies target youth, knowing that smoking causes cancer. The system makes it mandatory that they expand and capture a bigger part of the market at the expense of competition, that they accumulate capital or perish. The necessity to accumulate capital automatically relegates considerations about destruction of the earth, the atmosphere and life to a secondary position.

Unemployment pushes the stock market up. When inflation threatens, the interest rates are raised to purposely cause unemployment. When there is too much milk, it is dumped on the highways. Corporations and the wealthiest people are subsidized to the tune of over \$440 billion annually, and the homeless sleeping on a grate or in a doorway are cursed and legislated against. These contradictory side shows are not the root of the problem, however. It is capital's inherent inability to limit itself, "irrespective of the consequences" and its absolute need to crush anything that stands in its way that prevents an equitable sharing of the resources of this planet.

The goal of every major company is to drive its competition out of business. Twenty-one percent of children under 18 live in poverty in the United States, and that is considered to be good because it drives wages and benefits down and

makes the U.S. more "competitive". When AT&T laid off 40,000 workers, it gave its CEO's \$16 million in bonuses and stock options. When Caterpillar mangled the UAW and literally destroyed hundreds of workers' families, its CEO got a 75% raise.

What makes the "system" so insidious is that it IS a system and no one person has to take responsibility for it. Inside the system are thousands of little systems or institutions for which no one person need take responsibility. Slavery was one of those. Old Tom Jefferson was reportedly a good person whose slave-holdings did not apparently reflect badly on him because slavery was an accepted institution. He held his slaves until his death.

Perhaps this article has not provided any information not already known or rejected, but the hope is that it will make each of us come a step closer to evaluating our own role in changing the system, not just opting out of it or salving our conscience by individual acts that leave the system intact. Can we continue to talk of morality as we blithely groom children to compete in a system which measures success by the gap that can be created between one's self and others?

*We would like to thank our reader Martha Aceveda, USA, for sending us this excellent piece of wisdom.* □

**HAVE YOU RENEWED  
YOUR SUB?**

**TO OUR SOVIET FRIENDS:  
ARISE, YOU  
MIGHTY LAND!**

## NEWS FROM FORMER SOVIET UNION

### INTERVIEW WITH MEMBER OF THE CC OF THE CPRF

Moscow, May 1997

Q: Could you please introduce yourself?

Avalianin: Deputy of the State Duma, Avalianin Timiriay Georgievitch.

Q: You are a member of the CPRF (Communist Party of the Russian Federation).

Avalianin: Yes, I am the secretary of the Kemerov region CPRF organization, at Kuzbas (miners' region), member of the central committee of the party.

Q: Could you please talk a little bit about yourself, a bit of your political biography, your stand towards Brezhnev, Perestroika ... in a few words.

Avalianin: In 1980, I had a situation with the Politburo that could have ended up pitifully. In one of the letters addressed to the Politburo, I stressed that they cannot govern the country any more, for which they almost dismissed me.

Q: Did they publish anything about you at that time?

Avalianin: Yes, there was a big article published in Pravda at the end of Perestroika, sometime in 1989, and also in the Moscow Times. I wasn't very enthusiastic then, neither am I today. The decline in the rate of economic growth in Brezhnev's times was obvious to everybody, the fact that it was at this time that the underground economy appeared, corruption, everybody could see it.

Q: What positions did you raise?

Avalianin: We had a very simple point of view: the decline in productivity of labor, in production. Sometime in 1979, according to my own calculations, the rate of growth of the economy hit zero, despite the official statistics that talked of 1.5 – the economy entered a period of stagnation; some branches sort of grew, while others declined.

Q: It is well known that the State Committee of Statistics provided very different figures for the rate of economic growth. Even in the times of Perestroika, the government claimed positive rates of growth. How could you explain this?

Avalianin: The point here is based on the growing gap between natural and value based indexes. Basically, the economy was “growing” due to the rise of prices, since many economists did not base their calculation on natural indexes but on value indexes. These calculations are an expression of the ever-growing gap between natural and value indexes in the Soviet Union. The production of some goods was initially measured in natural terms, however the official statistics required a transformation of these natural terms into value terms. Calculations based on value terms are absolutely inexact.

Q: You were saying that together with you, many others protested the state of affairs in the Soviet Union. What became of these people?

Avalianin: These people, mainly economists, I am not talking about people like Novodvorskaya.<sup>1</sup> They expressed their views verbally and in print.

Q: What about CPRF and Zyuganov's policies?

Avalianin: Judging by the last, 4th party congress, one couldn't observe any major differences between their reports and theses to the party congress. The content of

Zyuganov's report to the congress did not correspond to what was discussed in the CC plenum right before the congress. This report was not submitted to the plenum. He just outlined it. He was then asked concrete questions regarding the content of his report: “What will be the relation of the party towards the working class, its role in your report?” He answered: “Yes, it will.” In the party report, this question was omitted. The same with the question of proletarian internationalism. This question and many other things were also omitted. But at the presidium, with Kuptsov, this report was read and subsequently accepted as the main CC report.

Q: What could you tell us about the political line that Zyuganov represents, in terms of its ideological roots (are we dealing with a continuation of Gorbachev or something else)?

Avalianin: One can say that the masses of communists and sympathizers firmly stand for the restoration of the Soviet Union. As for Zyuganov, let's take the question of Byelorussia: In Byelorussia, we have two main communist parties. One supports Lukashenko's regime<sup>2</sup> led by Chikin, the other is opposed to him, led by Kolyakin. Chikin's party supports the restoration of the Soviet Union and its membership embraces more than 80 representative to their congress, whereas he sent a representative to Kolyakin's party congress. In the last CPRF congress, both Byelorussian politicians were invited. However, Kolyakin was sitting at the very front whereas Chikin was somewhere in the far rear of the hall.<sup>3</sup>

From the time of the formation of the CPRF, Zyuganov's policy always avoided any sort of practical action for the possible restoration of the Soviet Union. The same thing regarding the attempts towards the

unification of the communist movement of the former Soviet Union. Those members of the CPRF who are closer to the working class advocate the slogan “Workers of the world, unite!”, i.e., they advocate a state-run economy, the social character of the means of production. On the contrary, Zyuganov supports the coexistence of different forms of property, popular power, etc., but he never talks about proletarian internationalism. Everybody stands for the restoration of the Soviet Power, while Zyuganov keeps talking about parliamentary forms of power. He always omits the word Soviet wherever he goes.

Q: Zyuganov has a Ph.D. His works have been published in recent years. What could you tell us about Zyuganov from the ideological point of view?

Avalianin: As for his books and other publications, it is physically impossible to write as many as have been published. In my opinion, a substantial part of his works have been written by “Dukhovnoe Nasledie”.<sup>4</sup> This organization initially called itself the Soviet-American University, then it renamed itself the Russian-American University. Despite the direct and tight relations of this organization with the CIA and the US government, Zyuganov has never denied his relation with this organization. Let's take a look at their newspaper [he unfolds a newspaper that he brought specially for the occasion]: Here, you can see a report on their last congress. Take the report of their leader, Podberiozkin, anti-communist from the beginning to the end. Take Zyuganov's speech at this congress [published in the same issue]: “I always participate in any activity organized by “Dukhovnoe Nasledie” because people gathered here express their grief over what is happening in the country, here are representatives of leading scientific

schools of our country. Here, one has the opportunity to express different views, and there is the possibility that they will be listened to."

You should note that already in 1988-90, it was clearly seen that Gorbachev preferred visiting Germany and the USA, to staying home and that here, he felt himself as a foreigner. The same thing happens to Zyuganov now. At this congress of "Dukhovnoe Nasledie", he feels at home whereas at the congress of communists, he feels uncomfortable, sneaky, always afraid of getting exposed.

Q: What could you tell us about his contacts abroad, in Germany, USA? What about his contacts with foreign communist organizations?

Avalianin: First of all, he conceives himself as the president of Russia, a president who would represent those Russians who stand for private property, who support foreign-inspired paths of development for Russia. Therefore, he doesn't present himself abroad as, for example, Peter the Great or Stalin<sup>5</sup> but as Gorbachev - not as the representative of a great power, but as the leader of a country that goes begging for money the way Yeltsin does today. It is natural that he does not personally meet representatives of foreign communist parties. He meets with everybody abroad except with communists. I remember when, in one of his trips to the USA, someone asked Zyuganov a question like: "You know the Russian state and political situation is very unstable; in these conditions, we would like to know whom to support there." To which, he replied: "You should understand that there is only one party, the CPRF, that is now capable of preventing a social explosion." Preventing a social explosion means prevention a revolution. You should understand that Zyuganov is not interested in those people abroad

who once, at the time of the foreign intervention after the revolution, organized campaigns: "Hands Off Russia". He is just interested in establishing contacts with those who have financial and political power abroad.

Q: It is well known that former members of the East European bloc, like the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland, as well as countries like the Ukraine, find themselves under the economic and political orbit of Germany. Russia, on the other hand, is under the influence of the USA. Is this fact reflected in Zyuganov's foreign policy?

Avalianin: Yes, of course. The main destination in his and his representatives' trips abroad is the USA. As far as I know, in 1996, he personally visited the USA no less than 5 times. I made inquiries at the American Embassy in Moscow about the organizations that invite him. One, I found out that he had been invited by the New York Council of Foreign Relations.<sup>6</sup> This is an organization that includes several former presidents of the USA. As far as I am informed, Zyuganov never reported to the plenum of the CC about a meeting with the CPUSA. The same thing with the European CPs, including the French and Italian.

Q: At the time of the presidential election, the Western media at one point started to present Zyuganov as a sort of hard-liner, who stands for the state interests of Russia, the defense of its monopolies, its army, who strongly opposed the expansion of NATO. On the one hand in Russia, he verbally promised to defend Russian interests in regard to the West, but on the other, he keeps close contacts with the Americans. How can these two opposing positions coexist?

Avalianin: How can anybody remain the head of the Russian CP if he openly says in the presidential

campaign that in case he comes to power, NATO will come here, that he will destroy our industrial potential, that he will dissolve the army ... Nobody would do that in the presidential campaign. You would be shot just like that. As for today, Zyuganov has two faces. Party resolutions are party resolutions, electoral programs are electoral programs, but so far, his practice is a different world. His words differ 180 degrees from his practice.

Q: Then Zyuganov's line doesn't differ much from Chubais?<sup>7</sup>

Avalianin: Take for example the draft law of the "distribution of production".<sup>8</sup> This draft was proposed by the Americans to the Russian government. I even have a copy of the English version of the draft that the Americans printed for their own circulation. The Russian draft and the American one, I swear, are like twins. Fortunately, we in the Duma managed to reject the draft last Friday. Zyuganov supported the draft, and the same for Rizhkov.<sup>9</sup> When the Duma rejected the draft, we noticed they started to feel very nervous. This draft proposed by the Americans embodies a model of the Russian economy subjugated by foreign capital.

Q: You could say that Zyuganov wouldn't be in a position of defending his country against the West. He would become a second Gorbachev.

Avalianin: Yes, of course. He is not the kind of person that could become the leader of his own people in the defense of their homeland.

Q: Does Zyuganov have control over the communist fraction in the Duma?

Avalianin: No, he does not. You should also note that the Duma has proposed drafts of laws that are difficult not to adopt. Take for example the law on the raising of the minimum wage and things of that sort. In the main, we are just left

with the possibility of supporting the present regime for the subjugation of Russia to foreign interests.

Q: How then does he interact with the vast majority of the communist fraction that he does not control?

Avalianin: He interacts with the communist fraction in the Duma via certain individuals – for example, via Lukyanov.<sup>10</sup> Lukyanov comes to the fraction saying: this or that law is wonderful; if we adopt it, we'll be much better off, etc. However, it is becoming more and more complicated for Zyuganov to control the communist fraction. Please note that this Zyuganovite clique that surrounds him, something like 15 deputies, wouldn't strongly object to the dissolution of the Duma. See what they have done: now the CPRF has entered the popular-left union of Russia. According to the electoral law, a party that enters an electoral bloc doesn't have the right to put forward its own candidates, only through the given electoral bloc. It turns out now that the central committee of the CPRF will not be able to propose its own candidates in next elections. Communists will not be proposed any more. Under the red banner, obscure people will be elected. You should have heard that in the gubernatorial elections in the regions, the left-patriotic front is doing well. Out of 36 governors elected from the front, just 7 can be considered "red". The rest are like Rutskoi. Take the talk given by one of them at the past congress of the CPRF, the governor of Kamchatka. He said: "No matter how hard I search for red governors, I can't find any."

Q: I would like to understand. You say Zyuganov does not have control over his own parliamentary fraction, needless to say, he does not have control over the rank-and-file. How is it possible that he has been re-elected almost unanimously at

the last congress?

Avalianin: Inertia. The same inertia that kept Gorbachev in power – "if not Gorbachev, who else then?"

Q: Was there an alternative to Zyuganov at the last congress?

Avalianin: No, absolutely not. The opposition to Zyuganov is overwhelming, but nobody was bold enough to propose any individual to replace Zyuganov.

Q: Is there discipline in the CPRF? Does such a party really exist then? What is the position of the rank-and-file membership with respect to the results of the last congress, and to the presidential elections?



Gennady Zyuganov

Avalianin: Take for example the last presidential elections. While Zyuganov was talking about the acceptance of different forms of property, the so-called popular power, I and together with me most of the leaders in the regions and all the rank-and-file members of the CPRF, cried: "If Zyuganov comes to power, Socialism will be restored, Soviet power will be restored, the Soviet Union will be restored." According to our calculations, Zyuganov won the presidential elections with 36.5 against 33.5 million votes. Then Zyuganov, on the

very next day after the elections, admits defeat and congratulates Yeltsin.

Q: This is interesting. We all remember at the time of the electoral campaign, Zyuganov, under the pressure of the rank-and-file membership, was conscious of the possibility of cheating in the counting of the votes, as indeed obviously happened. Then he promised he would gather the results from the regions into some independent data network based in the Duma. But the very next morning, he accepted the defeat. Was it physically possible to accomplish this parallel counting? Did this counting actually take place?

Avalianin: As far as I can tell, this parallel counting in the Duma did not take place. Our calculations are based on the obvious contradiction between the official results for the first and second rounds of the presidential elections. There were a large number of regions in which, according to the official results, Zyuganov got more votes than Yeltsin, whereas in the second round, a matter of magic, the results were reversed in favor of Yeltsin. This was clear and flagrant cheating that Zyuganov did not protest. The cheating took place in all regions. The worst examples were in Tatarstan, the Caucasus ... He knew about this, but he accepted the results. For example, we protested in our region and took the case to court. The court rejected our case for a very simple reason: The leader of the party had acknowledged the results and considered the elections fair. Parallel counting took place in the regions, independently, but the results were not compiled by the leadership. Zyuganov was scared to death of winning the elections.

I do not know if he had previously received certain "warnings" from the regime. But I would say that positions were previously distributed

and he accepted his.

Let's recall one of the most remarkable sentences of Zyuganov expressed to one of our party ideologists: "How come you still believe in Communism?"

Q: We have been hearing for the past couple of years about an impending split in the CPRF. Isn't this an illusion?

Avalianin: For a split, the existence of at least two factions is necessary. One faction should advocate for one religion, let's say Islam, another for another religion, Christianity. Here, there are no such factions, everybody is Christian here. There is no ground for a split. A split would be possible if one faction would stand in support of Zyuganov and another one against him.

Q: But this is worse than a split. You talk about the large mass of the rank-and-file, the vast majority of the parliamentary communist fraction being out of control of the Zyuganovite leadership, but nevertheless, the status quo is preserved over the years.

Avalianin: I am sure that in the end, an honest person who will embody the ideals of Socialism will inevitably arise and become a new leader. He [Zyuganov] will be left with a small group of supporters and will vanish as others did before him.

Q: Right after the presidential elections, Zyuganov called for the formation of the popular-left front. Some thought he would rename the party, then he couldn't and the idea was dropped. Will he ever use this structure to create a new party?

Avalianin: He is using this front for this purpose, but he will not manage to do it. Besides that, this front exists just within the boundaries of the central boulevard.<sup>11</sup> Outside these boundaries, the whole front is made up of communists. There is nobody else there. The only ideas

with a future perspective are the ideals of communism. As for Zyuganov, the time will come when he will not be re-elected as the chairman of the party and another will come to replace him. This is objectively based. One should look at this from the point of view of the historical process, not based on the concrete moment.

Q: OK. Then suppose a popular revolution takes over the country, as in Albania, what do you think will happen?

Avalianin: He is a coward; he will never arise as the leader of a popular revolt. He will not call for a popular revolt. Anything that could happen will happen spontaneously, despite him. New leading organs will appear despite him, they will be anti-Zyuganov.

Q: Then let me ask you the following question. You correctly approach this question from the point of view of the historical development. Time by itself means nothing. You say that Zyuganov today is just a formal leader of the party, that in the case of a popular revolt, he will become obsolete, new historical conditions will force him to give up or he would be expelled by the communists. But take the Albanian example. The Socialist party<sup>12</sup> and its leader, Bashkim Fino, has not only saved Berisha from certain collapse under the wave of a popular revolution, but he has prepared the way for a foreign intervention. Here, Zyuganov and Bashkim Fino in essence are the same political figures in two different countries. It is well known that the rank-and-file membership of the Socialist party also participates in the rebellion and it has been the Socialist party that, through its more militant and honest membership, has prevented a march on Tirana. Don't you think history has given another example that despite his

weak position in the party and a definite historical perspective, Zyuganov and the CPRF may still play this sort of dangerous historical role?

Avalianin: Neither Zyuganov nor Gorbachev will play this role. Others will come to replace him. A popular revolt will not bring Zyuganov to power, it will bring others to power. He is too cowardly to accept this role. The revolt may be beaten. Others will come to power.

1. Anti-communist dissident, one of the co-founders of the anti-communist "Democratic Russia" who played a major role in the politics of the government in the times of anti-communist hysteria, from late Perestroika until 1992, of pro-Western orientation.

2. It is represented in the Republic Supreme Soviet.

3. Translator's comment: Here, Com. Avalianin doesn't express his stand towards Lukashenko's regime in general, something that he seems to reserve to himself. Here, Com. Avalianin, as will be reinforced below, points to Zyuganov's practice who, with his opportunist line, doesn't even stand in practice for the resurrection of a new Soviet Union, in the sense of a commonwealth of states under the influence of a strong Russia. This is an expression of Zyuganov's pro-Western line that is expressed among other things by his awkward stand in practice towards the strengthening of Russia as an imperialist power, with the former republics of the USSR as its direct area of influence.

4. "Spiritual Inheritance", a right-wing, anti-communist, Christian organization, which played a major role in the past election campaign and in the formation of the so-called "left-patriotic front" after Zyuganov's defeat in the presidential elections.

5. Here, Com. Avalianin talks from the point of view of great governors of a great country. Note of transl.

6. New York Council of Foreign Relations.

7. Second-in-command in the Russian government, a young economist, famous for large-scale privatization plans, destruction of Russian monopolies. Open pro-Western element in the Russian Government. Note of transl.

8. From Russian, literal.

9. Former Prime Minister in Gorbachev's government. Note of transl.

10. Member of the plenum of the CC of the CPSU in Gorbachev's time, one of the five members of the anti-Gorbachev exception committee that was overthrown in August 1991 by Yeltsin. Note of transl.

11. A circular boulevard that divides the centre of Moscow from the rest of the city. Note of the transl.

12. Socialist because the word communist in Albania was forbidden under Berisha, but in essence, it does not differ much from the CPRF. □



**From Newspaper:  
"GLASNOST"  
Moscow**

*Organ of the Union of Communist Parties-CPSU.*

Here is a cartoon of Chubais, Minister of Yeltsin's regime – saying that there is no money in the kitty. At the same time, Glasnost presents the following facts:

- 70% of the children of Russia do not get proper nourishment;
- 90% of the school children have problems with their health;
- 2 million neglected children in Russia;
- Death rate has doubled among the children.

# HANDS OFF LENIN!

Russian fifth column is continuing campaign against V.I. Lenin. Under direct orders of the TV stations ORT and NTV headed by Gusinsky and Berezovsky, the air is

filled with a never-ending stream of lies and fabrications, trying to convince the people that Lenin was not buried "according to Christian ritual". Saratov (Yeltsin's chief propagandist – Editors) gave a command for his lackeys to search all the archives for any small shred of evidence to make this anti-communist campaign against Lenin believable. Mayor Luzhkov of Moscow got his instructions to get rid of the Mausoleum and all stops are overturned in order to make this a legal attempt, based on "Lenin's behest".

Let us give our resounding NO! We call upon all communists of Russia, all communists of the world to send protests to Yeltsin (address Kremlin, Moscow). They must know that the policy of anti-Leninism and possible attempt to do this sacrilegious act, that they have to contend with the people of all the world.

Cartoon shows the main players in this scheme, such as Gusinsky, Alla Pugacheva (the singer) AIF, Satarov, Kiselev and others. □

**From Newspaper:  
"FOR SOVIET POWER"  
Kiev, Ukraine**

Another excellent newspaper came across our desk: organ of the movement "Communists of Ukraine" which includes very strong revolutionary statements and articles, and also, analysis of the present extremely chaotic situation in Ukraine. It also exposes the pseudo-communists and the present situation where some of the left wing parties and movements directly or indirectly cooperate and knowingly or unknowingly help the Kuchma regime.



In an article which reflects on the March 18th nation-wide strike, the newspaper states that millions of



people took part all over Ukraine. There is some criticism of the present day leadership of the trade union movement, which tried to minimize the political and revolutionary character of the strike!

The paper states that: "we have to expel all the opportunists from the communist movement!"

It also stated that the "Communists of Ukraine" was refused an opportunity to speak to the strikers in Kiev ... only the present "deputies" were the ones to speak and they sanitized their speeches with slogans that dulled the vigilance of the working class by making certain that the demonstrations did not go further and demand the complete abolition of the present regime and the re-establishment of the USSR and Socialism!

As Lenin said: "In the working class there is no bigger enemy inside the workers' movement than opportunism". □

## YOUNG RUSSIAN COMMUNISTS SAY THAT THEY WILL NOT FOLLOW ZYUGANOV!

MOSCOW (AP) - Russia's Communist Party is facing a split, with its youth wing saying it will no longer follow the policies of Communist chief Gennady Zyuganov because they are too moderate.

Following the latest party congress, the Communist Youth Union or Komsomol "stated its independent position and the fact that it is not an appendage of the party", Komsomol leader Igor Malyarov told a press conference.

Malyarov said that young Communists are generally more radical than Zyuganov's allies in the party, whom they accuse of "compromising with the authorities".

Komsomol, a mighty arm of the party in Soviet times, almost disappeared with the Soviet collapse. The revived group now numbers about 21,000 members across Russia and only 120 in Moscow, according to Malyarov.

But its rift with Zyuganov is important because the Communists long have had trouble in attracting younger followers.

Malyarov, speaking at a news conference, said Communist Party leaders tried to put pressure on regional Komsomol activists to keep them in line.

"Our position is not an anti-Zyuganov one, it's just independent", he said. "The conflict is expected to grow."

Zyuganov finished second in Russia's presidential elections last year and since, has remained largely sidelined and subdued within the State Duma, the Communist-dominated lower house of parliament.

At the latest party congress, he was re-elected party leader after calling for a constructive opposition and rejecting calls for mass street protests against President Boris Yeltsin's government.

Young Communists and others are unhappy about such a stance. Last week, some young radicals hurled rotten tomatoes at Zyuganov as he placed a wreath at Vladimir Lenin's Mausoleum on the Bolshevik leader's birthday anniversary.

The youths wanted to protest Zyuganov "attaching the name of the great proletarian revolutionary, V.I. Lenin, to his opportunist party", the ITAR-Tass news agency reported Tuesday.

Seven youths, aged from 15 to 22, were detained. Two of them, who are under-age, will not be brought to trial and the rest might face up to five years behind bars, it quoted Interior Ministry officials as saying.

"There has been a split within the opposition", said Anatoly Baranov, deputy editor-in-chief of the Communist Pravda-5 newspaper. "The official opposition, represented by Gennady Zyuganov, has lost its spirit and can no longer fulfill its functions."

### COMMENT:

*Again, we have to state that all these splits and counter-splits have to be looked at from an objective point of view, since the process of crystalization among the Communist parties is taking place, with Soviet people becoming more and more aware of "who is who" and start to compare words with deeds.*

*At the same time, we must wonder as to who is behind all these splits and new movements appearing and disappearing. That is why the question of UNITY is paramount now!* □

## THEY'RE CLOSING DOWN OUR NEWSPAPER

**From Newspaper:  
"WORKERS-FARMERS TRUTH"  
Mukachevo,  
Carpathian Region of Ukraine**

Newspaper "Workers-Farmers Pravda", organ of the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks, is being closed, according to information published in its April 15, 1997 issue.



It is reported that the Attorney General of Ukraine, through his Prosecutor in Mukachevo, where the AUCPB newspaper is published, has singled out this fighting Bolshevik newspaper, because it

exposes the nationalistic reactionary policies of the present Kuchma regime of Ukraine. Mr. Kuchma (President) likes to brag and allay the fears of the population, saying that this "independent Ukraine" is "democratic, freedom of speech is guaranteed, pluralism, private enterprise and freedom of conscience, etc., etc.", but in actual fact, the present nationalistic regime is hell-bent on destroying any criticism or any truth about the quasi-fascist powers that control the mass media from reaching the people.

It is (to us here in NSC) very interesting to note that other communist and socialist newspapers are not feeling the same censorship and being banned as is the publication of the AUCPB "Workers-Farmers Pravda" is subjected to!

Interesting question to ask yourself is - "WHY?"

Northstar Compass wants to assure the newspaper that we are in solidarity with you and we shall do everything that is possible on our part to protest this nationalistic censorship! We have sent our protest to the Public Prosecutor in the City of Mukachevo. We urge our readers in 61 countries of the world where NSC is read to send your protest to:

Public Prosecutor of Ukraine  
 City of Mukachevo  
 L. Tolstoy Street 15  
 Carpathian Region 259400  
 Ukraine

**From Newspaper:  
 "PRAVDA"  
 Moscow**

• In the village of Butki, where Yeltsin was born, the citizens there protested against Yeltsin's regime and against the lack of payment for children's allowances. They burnt to the ground the village Soviet, where there was exhibited the birth registration book. In it was written

the date of birth of Yeltsin.

• Over 10,000 miners in Vokruty went on strike, demanding back wages and the resignation of Yeltsin and abolishing the post of President.

• Picketing of Kemerovo administration by thousands of workers in Kuzbass, for their 5 months unpaid wages.

• In Siberia, at the garrison of Northern Fleet, wives of service men picketed the fleet and administrative naval buildings for back wages that their husbands did not receive since February.

• In Kirov, Vladimir and Kursk regions, teachers refused to give exams to the students as a protest until they get paid their back wages.

• In Moscow, more than 2,000 subway builders set up picket lines in front of Duma, Ministry of Finance, Council of Russian Federation, demanding that the 100 billion rubles in back pay be paid to the workers.

• In the Buryatia district of Zaigraevskom, 11 teachers went on hunger strike to demand back pay for 6 months.

• According to government statistics, from the beginning of 1997 in the country, there were over 720,000 workers who were on strike. Compared to last year, the figure grew by 5 times.

We enclose a cartoon printed in Pravda, but it was drawn by a Paris artist for the newspaper "International Courier". Supposedly, it shows Russia reluctantly joining NATO!?

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**We Do Produce Totally By  
 Volunteer Labour.**

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

**Ken Biggs  
 POSTMARK PRAHA**



## SOCIAL DEMOCRATS KEEP KLAUS IN POWER

The right wing coalition government of the Czech Republic headed by prime minister Klaus won a vote of confidence in the chamber of deputies by a mere two votes in the 200 member chamber on June 9th. The victory was made possible thanks to the support of Social Democratic MP Josef Wagner and the defection of another Social Democrat earlier this year to Klaus's ODS party, reports Postmark Praha in its June supplement. The paper further makes reference to the fact that the Klaus government will now be able to push ahead with its "stabilization and recovery plan" which will cut \$1.4 billion from public spending; this in order to deal with the state budgetary deficit by year's end. According to polls taken last May, two-thirds of the Czech public have lost confidence in their government and the popularity of the ODS has fallen from a high 30% to a mere 18%.

On May 16th, the government announced an economic package which included wage cuts in the public sector, wage restraint in the private sector and the slashing of public spending by 5%. On May 27th, Klaus announced that the national bank would no longer defend the

value of the Czech crown having spent \$3 billion of its \$11 billion foreign exchange reserves in this vain attempt. This in fact is a devaluation of the currency which the main trade union centre CMKOS estimates to be 15% ... Figures released May 25 indicate that the foreign trade deficit is running at 8% of GDP while inflation is also running at an annual rate of 8%.

The Central Bank raised interest rates in May and the government introduced various emergency economic measures aimed at slowing the already shrinking economy in order to cut imports and boost exports. The prime minister has warned the Czech people that they would have to further tighten their belts as a result of lower real wages, higher prices and higher unemployment. Prices of consumer goods have increased by 15% to 20% as a result of the currency devaluation announced in May.

Meanwhile, President Vaclav Havel has returned from a visit to Washington and President Clinton who is deeply concerned about developments in the Czech republic lest these affect NATO's enlargement plans. It should be noted that the defence ministry has not been affected by any cuts in expenditures. The leader of the Civic Democratic Alliance (Micheal Zantovski) has also returned from the U.S.A. echoing the call of the IMF and World Bank to increase the pace of privatization and deregulate rents and energy prices.

So far, all these measures have failed to solve the country's economic crises. PP reports that agriculture has ceased to be self-sufficient since 1989 and the country now relies on imported food. Industrial output on a year over year basis is continuing to fall in real terms. The trade gap is widening, the balance of payments deficit continues to grow and living standards continue to fall.

The Communist Party (KSCM) is calling for the resignation of the present government and its replacement by an interim government of experts capable of tackling the country's ever deepening economic crises. It charges that the economic transformation started in 1990 was built on foundations of sand and that a policy that relies on market forces and non-intervention is doomed to failure. On June 9 in the town of Ostrava, 4,000 people stood in pouring rain to hear Communist leaders who were joined by tenants, union and pensioners' leaders denounce rent increases and unemployment. The failure of the official trade union movement meanwhile is coming under increasing pressure for its refusal to join the protests in the interest of stability. The social democrats for their part are refusing to join in a common effort to defeat the government wooing instead the Christian democrats in the hopes of forming the next Czech government in a coalition with them. □

## WOMEN AND ISLAM

"Women's faces are a source of corruption for men who are not related to them."

- The Taliban Attorney General's Office, justifying the order that windows be painted black in Afghanistan to prevent unveiled women being seen from outside.

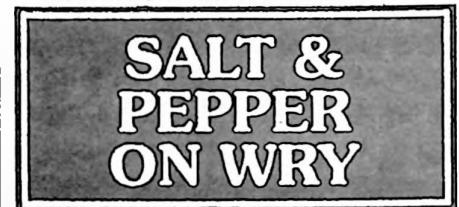
### COMMENT:

*Since USA was the power that supported the overthrow of the Afghanistan government, starting the civil war, supplying it with arms plus Pakistan and Turkey ... we wonder what the USA Women's movement is doing to protest this reactionary, slaveholder mentality of the present Muslim Fundamentalism attitude to women? Will we hear Mrs. Clinton start a campaign to fight for the rights of*

*Afghanistan women? Will Mrs. Albright, U.S. Foreign Secretary, bring this question up at the United Nations? Will the churches and human rights organizations who are so proud of their "human rights" campaigns against former socialist countries, will they take up this savage Middle Age's law? Sorry, even Middle Ages and cavemen did not demand that their women be covered from head to toe with bear skins or not to be seen by other men!*

**WHERE IS THE OUTCRY FROM THE MODERN BLEEDING HEARTS?**

Quote taken from "The Voice of People Awakening", India □



**By: Frank Ray Davis**

PIRACY IN PARADISE: American employers who run off to low-wage paradises are finding that Paradise can present its problems too.

So many large companies have moved to the Guadalajara area that there is a scarcity of competent trained labor. Ten thousand employees are needed in the electric and electronic trades alone, with IBM, Hewlett Packard, and Electron leading the list. Not only is there a shortage of technical workers but of administrative and bilingual personnel also.

The runaway corporations have set up training programs only to have their graduates enticed away by other companies - they moan. Seems that people can run away as well as industries!

Droll to hear capitalists cussing out capitalists for acting like dam' capitalists. Wish I could work up some sympathy for these social irresponsibles. Anyhow, do I hear a

motion to take up a collection to buy towels for these poor weeping runaways?

**NOT 'NUF ENEMIES:** Pres. Yeltsin gleefully announced that Russia's nuclear rockets will no longer be aimed at Western Europe. Let's hope he doesn't re-aim them at his REAL enemies: Workers on strike for their 9 months' back pay.

**SOLVE THIS UN-MYSTERY:** After World War II, brutally devastated Communist Russia and its East European Communist allies snapped back to a notable prosperity WITHOUT MARSHALL PLAN AID. Now, after nearly a decade under "freedom", alias Capitalism, they are lining up with their beggars' cups at Clinton's hint of a second Marshall Plan.

Isn't there a message here for anyone equipped to receive messages?

**TIT-FOR-TAT AND ALL THAT BLAT:** Pres. Clinton wants to open up the Latin-American gun market, and he adduces a good sound reason: If we don't sell 'em the means of mass murder, someone else will. Which is like saying, "That bank there - go rob it before someone else does."

Except robbing banks is much more honorable than robbing poor people.

**HELPS TO BE DULL:** The USA is the "indispensable country" for promoting democracy and peace and "freeing" markets in the Americas, claims Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. You don't have to be even half-bright to smell the phoney baloney here. □

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## QUOTES

### CHURCHILL - ALWAYS AN ENEMY OF SOCIALISM AND THE SOVIET UNION!

Below is a quote from the archives which shows exactly what Churchill was planning right during the Second World War, while pretending to "praise" the Red Army and the role that the USSR played in liberating most of Europe.

Not until 1954 that Churchill revealed what his true feelings had been, and admitted in a speech made in Woodford, England on November 23rd of that year:

"Even before the war ended and while the Germans were still surrendering by hundreds of thousands, I telegraphed to Lord Montgomery directing him to be careful, in collecting German arms, to stack them so that they could easily be issued again to the German soldiers with whom we should work if the Soviet advance continued."

This was published exactly in the "News Chronicle" on the 14th November 1954. In the same issue, the following was to be found, which confirmed what Churchill told Montgomery:

"In New York last night, Lord Montgomery said: "It is quite true that I received this telegram from Churchill. I obeyed my orders. As a soldier, I always obey orders."

#### COMMENT:

*This was the same Churchill, arch English imperialist who, after the Russian Revolution in 1917, as 14 countries invaded the young Soviet state, said: "Let's drown the baby in the crib!"* □

**YOU HAVE AN OPINION  
ABOUT NSC? WRITE!**

## ATTENTION ALL STAMP COLLECTORS!

If your hobby or passion is stamp collecting, NSC has on hand hundreds of stamps from countries where our journal is read.

If you wish to get an assortment of stamps, we shall send them to you, of course, for a small donation towards our Dr. A.J. Thut's Sustaining Fund. □

All translations from Russian, Byelorussian, Ukrainian, Czech and Slovak by Michael Lucas.

## SOVIET TREASURES

Audio cassette of revolutionary, folk and songs that made the Soviet people proud of their land and accomplishments.

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**LETTERS  
FROM  
ABROAD**

**From:  
Cemopi, LE MANS, FRANCE**

Dear Comrades:

Having received the last issue of NSC, I found it very interesting.

In turn, we're sending our theoretical journal which is dedicated to find the roots of revisionism and exposing it to the world of what transpired in former USSR. Some people think that revisionism started with Gorbachev, but now, they realize that it went all the way back to Khrushchev period. As soon as the exposé is printed (at the end of this year) we shall send it to you.

– Best wishes in your work.

*We shall be glad to review your journal in future issues of NSC.* □

**From:  
NETHERLANDS (Holland)**

*From the Marx-Engels Political Library in Terneuzen, we received their book, called "SPEERPUNT", which is the theoretical journal of comrades dedicated to socialism, resurrection of the Soviet Union and for a world in peace and the defense of the working class. We're going to translate some articles from it in future issues of NSC.* □

**From:  
THE RUSSIAN STATE LIBRARY**

Dear Mr. Lucas,

Recently we received a large package of your journal "Northstar

Compass" for 1992-1997 and would like to express our sincere gratitude for this donation and for the kind intention of your Editorial Board to send the journal to the Russian State Library in future as well as other publications of the "Canadian Friends of Soviet People".

Our Library always appreciated friendly relations with the "Canada-USSR Association" and would like to maintain this deep-rooted tradition at present with its successor "Canadian Friends of Soviet People".

In the eighties your organization presented the Lenin State Library of the USSR with a great number of books which formed a special collection known as "Gift from the 'Canada-USSR Association'." Now, we trust that publications of "Canadian Friends of Soviet People" will make as well a valuable addition to the stocks of the Library, will meet our readers' interest and find a broad response among them.

– Best Regards,  
Tatianna Afanasieva,  
Chief of the Department

Dear Friends:

*We thank you for your letter and thanks upon receiving a full compliment of our Northstar Compass publications to your Library. We have put your Library on our mailing list and shall send all the future publications that we publish.*

*Our traditional cooperation shall continue, in spite of the renaming of the V.I. Lenin Library to the present name it carries. Ideas and the road ahead are clear and future certainly belongs to the immortal ideas of V.I. Lenin.* □

**From:  
NEWCASTLE,  
Northern Ireland**

Dear Friends:

Please write me re: subscription rates for NSC. I came across your name in Postmark Praha publication.

– Yours Fraternally,  
Justin O'Hagan

*Welcome aboard, Justin. Sample copy is on its way to you.* □

**From:  
SOCIALIST CULTURAL  
INSTITUTE OF BRAZIL**

Dear Friends:

We do receive Northstar Compass and we congratulate you for the wonderful journal plus the excellent cover of the April issue. It's so inspiring, so creative. We shall be ordering some of your historical videos.

Please accept our warmest compliments.

– Professor Giovanni G. Vieira

*We certainly appreciate our cooperation and would like to receive your publication from which we can reprint some articles.* □

**From:  
MASS LINE PUBLICATIONS  
INDIA**

Dear Comrades:

By separate mail, we have sent you three books which we hope that Northstar Compass will have the opportunity to review.

We would like to receive the "Secret Documents" and "Next To Stalin" which we would also like to promote here in Kerala, India.

– R.K. Nair  
Manager

*The books are on their way to you and in future NSC, we shall be glad to review your very excellent publications.* □

**From:  
RUSSIAN COMMUNIST  
WORKERS PARTY**

Dear Friends!

My letter together with my article about the problems in the Bolshevik-Communist parties in

Russia on February 18 was given to the Duma deputy Grigoriev to be sent to you directly. They informed me that they've done what I have requested. Therefore, I'm perturbed as to why my article did not appear in NSC, although since that time, I have received 3 issues of NSC.

Question needs to be asked as to the reasons ... either you did not receive this material or there are other reasons.

I understand that in your Editorial Board, there could be different opinions regarding the split that took place between the members (Tiulkin and Anpilov). This is evident in part by your commentary about the appearance of the first number of the newspaper "Workers Russia", as mentioned in the NSC No. 5, 1997.

You are disturbed by the "personal attacks". But to us, we who are working directly in this movement, it is hard to achieve this unity and we took the steps at the VI Congress of the RCWP to cleanse our ranks from the splitters, whose ambition was to lead.

I'm sending you a copy of "Workers Russia" where there is an article in a condensed form by me - called "Stenographic Report of the III Congress of RSDWP". When I was working on this article, I compared the situation in the communist movement now with that as it was in 1905 ... that is why we're taking into account Lenin's tactics in struggling and making stronger our Russian Communist Workers Party.

- With Regards,  
V. Chechentsev

Dear Comrade Chechentsev:

We thank you for the above letter and our Editorial Board decided to answer your question on the pages of NSC since this question is very important and it is necessary for our readers to understand the policy of NSC in this

matter so that there should not be any misunderstanding.

We received your article as you mention above and after discussion, it was decided not to publish it, due to certain personal attacks against Victor Anpilov, who is no longer accepted as a member of the Russian Communist Workers Party. Having said that, we are in no way accepting without question everything that Victor Anpilov says! As a matter of fact, our policy is to point out certain policies, statements and actions of any leader, of any communist or mass movements that exist in former Soviet Union.

We do however criticize and point out the dangerous situation that is being perpetrated by the policy of Zyuganov and the CPRF. On this question, there cannot be any mistakes as to our policy regarding the unfortunate present political line that is being promoted by Zyuganov and others - the cooperation and support, directly or indirectly to the present Yeltsin regime!

We always promoted and appealed for UNITY OF ALL FORCES in order to resurrect the Soviet Union (not only Russia) and Socialism!

This "internal squabbling", be it needed or be it necessary, is not doing the anti-Yeltsin movement any good whatsoever, since it is much easier by the present regime to divide and rule! That's the policy of Imperialism and the present danger is so grave that unless UNITY is achieved quickly, now that Russia is in NATO - this might be too late, since USA and NATO have the "legal right" to go in and crush any peoples' revolt.

We dropped from our masthead (Editorial Committee) people who now are in the leadership or in Editorial position in newspapers in former USSR for the simple reasons that Northstar Compass must proceed in its policy as an observer of events in the former Soviet Union, dedicated as we are to friendship with Soviet People.

We republish some articles from

your newspaper "Trudovaya Rossiya" and we shall go on doing so, as we do from other newspapers, but we shall not publish any articles that help to damage the quest for unity among all of the mass parties and movements that are trying to resurrect the Soviet Union.

Be it known also, by criticizing some of the policies of Zyuganov and others, does not mean that we are criticizing the whole communist membership of CPRF!

Be it also known, that Northstar Compass is not an organ of any political party ... it is the organ of the Canadian Friends of Soviet People, although we have readership in 61 countries of the world. The question of our future, shall be decided at the 5th Conference of Northstar Compass in February of 1998, since there will be delegates from many countries present.

Again, we shall be only too glad to publish your articles or letters from the Russian Communist Workers Party in NSC about the present struggles that are taking place. We shall try to avoid personal attacks, but shall be only too glad to publish the DIFFERENCES that divide the communist parties from each other - differences in principle, based on Marxism-Leninism.

We wish you comrades well in your struggles, together with other patriotic forces who want to resurrect the Soviet Union and Socialism. We in our turn will help to whatever extent we can, because your struggle is our struggle!

- Editorial Board NSC

**From Newspaper:  
"BOLSHEVIK"  
Murmansk, Russia**

Dear Comrade Lucas and Members of the Editorial Board of NSC:

Please forgive us that we do not regularly send you our newspaper plus party materials. We have a very hard time with finances.

Thank you, that you comrades are not forgetting us plus sending

us your publication. We admire your journal very much, with its wide range coverage from all over the world, plus your great, well thought-out editorial comments and of course, your wonderful graphics and caricatures.

We're sending you 4 copies of our newspaper plus the brochure of AUCPB speeches-statements by Nina Andreeva.

Since we are all volunteers, our previous Editor is no longer with us, and for tactical purposes please eliminate any mention of any editor for our newspaper.

With sincere greetings by the 12 member Editorial Board of newspaper Communist.

- Yours,

Druchinina

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**From:  
LEICESTER, England**

Dear Comrades:

I read Northstar Compass with interest. I find it very informative, but I am impelled to take issue with your Editorial regarding May Day and the title of the Editorial "Working Men of all countries unite!" This in effect cuts out 50% of the working class, the women, who do the most important work in our society. Even Lenin said that without women there can be no socialism. I feel that the slogan embraced in the 1930s was "Workers of All Lands Unite!".

- Harry Giblett

*We agree with your letter and we're sorry that this was not noticed by our Editorial Committee. We need readers to take us to task sometimes. Many thanks!*

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**From:  
SOUTHAMPTON, England**

Dear Comrades:

Enclosed please find a cheque for 10 copies of "Secret Documents" and 12 copies of "Next To Stalin" plus

two subscriptions for Northstar Compass. Would like to order some videos from you friends, but are they compatible to the system we use in England?

- All the Best to you, Friends,  
FRIEND IN STRUGGLE

*We thank you for your orders and the videos that we have can easily be converted to British system. Just send us the orders and you shall receive them in the system used in Great Britain.*

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**From:  
HOVE, EAST SUSSEX, England**

Dear Friends:

Enclosed is my subscription and a donation. It's not easy to get all the information on the former Soviet Union, but you people through Northstar Compass supply this extremely well. All the success to your publication and work.

- Sincerely Yours,  
Albert G. Williams

*We would like to thank you for your letter plus the materials that you've sent regarding the soon-to-be-erected monument "War Memorial" to Soviet war dead in South London. This project was undertaken and promoted by the Society for Co-operation in Russian and Soviet Studies and supported by the Embassy of the Russian Federation.*

*In future issue of Northstar Compass, we hope that we shall get the final architect drawing that we can publish in our journal. We would also like our reader Williams to do a story on this important event that maybe can be repeated in Canada, USA and other war time allies of USSR.*

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**From:  
LUGANSK, Ukraine**

**We Do Produce Totally By  
Volunteer Labour.**

Dear Comrades:

Greetings to you all on the Day of Victory!

Much success to you and hardy health.

With great respect on behalf of the Society "Unity - for Leninism and Communist Ideals".

- E.A Mazur  
Chairman

*If you comrades would be willing, we would be more than proud and a great honour to be members of your Editorial Committee as young Soviet representatives.*

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**From:  
CHESHIRE, England**

I found your Northstar Compass journal as an excellently produced information source - very interesting and so well put together that I'm subscribing to it. I found also through your journal, an excellent publication from Prague, called Postmark Praha. Am sending you two recent issue of the newspaper "Morning Star". Already, we see shafts of light bringing with it hope for socialism.

- Clifford F. Roe

*Welcome to our growing family of readers in 61 countries. We're certain that you shall promote NSC where you are!*

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**From:  
COMMUNIST PARTY OF  
SWEDEN (KPML[r])**

Comrades:

I just received the latest issue of NSC (No. 10) and as usual, read it with considerable interest. I even found my own letter to you there! I feel a bit ashamed since I really don't remember whether our News Briefs (on NATO) were sent to you or not. However, the mentioned NATO exercise will take place next week and I will send you some report



afterwards concerning this.

My main reason for this letter is we would like to make a new order for your books. Those we bought a couple of months ago have all been sold out and there is a demand for more!

I hope the price is the same. I enclose a cheque for US \$500, paying for around 20 of each "Secret Documents" and "Next To Stalin". If there is a chance for us to receive them before the end of June, it would be very good. The first week of July, the Party has its traditional Summer Camp, where around 500 people, party members and workers' families spend a week together at a beautiful lakeside place, some 200 kilometres from Gothenburg. If possible, we could then sell them there.

I also enclose a copy of a recent issue of the Party paper Proletären with an extended interview with Comrade Viktor Anpilov. I had the pleasure of meeting him (together with Comrades from other Communist Parties in Russia, Tiulkin (Russia Workers' Communist Party), Popov (Russia Workers' and Peasants' Party) and Baryshev (Secr. of the CC of Nina Andreeva's Party) recently at an international seminar in Brussels.

Among other things, it was very good to learn from him and Comrade Baryshev that their two parties plan a 'Unity Congress' in Moscow in October this year. As you frequently point out in NSC, the split between the Communists in Russia at present, is unfortunate (even if there are historic reasons for it in the "turmoil" of the last 8-10 years). This could be one step in the right direction. Our Party is invited to attend this Congress, which we most likely will do.

Reading NSC is sometimes like meeting old friends. Comrade Ken Biggs I met in Prague just a month

ago, when I was invited there to speak at a conference on "Security Issues in Central Europe", and the Polish Comrades, whose paper you have an article on, are also good friends of ours. Last year, we had a group of young members from their party at our Summer Camp to study the building up of a youth organization, and Comrade Zbigniew W. has been with us several times. (He was also in Brussels by the way.)

– With Communist Greetings,  
Teddy-John Frank, KPML[r]  
inter.secr.

*The books are on their way to you and we hope that our cooperation shall continue and that maybe someone will attend our 5th Anniversary NSC Conference in February 1998!* □

**From:**  
**SAN MARINO, Italy**

Dear Comrades:

My order of "Secret Documents" and "Next To Stalin" arrived plus the latest issue of Northstar Compass, for which I thank you!

Enclosed is an order plus finances for videos. Enclosed also are stamps for NSC to utilize to raise some finances.

Here's my proposal to raise some money for NSC. I have about 100 booklets (90 pages) about the history of San Marino in Russian. I shall send them to you in parcels so that you can sell them to your readers who do read Russian.

With communist greetings and keep up the good work!

– Aldo Righi

*Your stamps and the offer of books about San Marino will certainly help us to gain finances for Dr. A.J. Thut Sustaining Fund. Many thanks. Please*

**YOU HAVE AN OPINION  
ABOUT NSC? WRITE!**

*write about the feelings of Italian workers on the troops being sent to Albania.* □

**From:**  
**KHARKOV, Ukraine**

Dear Friends:

Thank you very much for publishing my articles. Am asking you to take a look at Kharkov, where communists are gaining strength in their sphere among the working class. We would like you to establish contact with them. This is a large industrial and educational centre, having some experts who received the Lenin and State prizes, people know English very well. Your journal will be of special interest and use to them. Enclosed is the address of where to send Northstar Compass.

Let me in passing make some observations. Personally, I'm very much in support of Victor Anpilov, who in my eyes is really revolutionary, peoples' leader. I critically observe Zyuganov since I see his departure from the class struggle, playing with the church, playing and cooperating with the "white" opposition. Also, with all respect towards Nina Andreeva, but I am against putting down, or criticism towards Zyuganov. In the struggles against counter-revolution, you need to unite different groups who have different understanding, on different levels of development, utilizing all society's movements and all methods of struggle – parliamentary, and non-parliamentary ways. Gennady Zyuganov is leading behind him a great number of people against the Yeltsin regime – you must understand that over 40% of people voted for him! Is it necessary then to criticize him? Is it necessary to publish caricatures of him? Is this not sectarian? Victor Anpilov did the correct thing when he supported Zyuganov for president. He stood together with Zyuganov on the

tribune at the May 1st Meeting! Am I not correct?

Good health to you and much success!

– With Communist Greetings,  
Felix Gorelik

For unity of communists, for the establishment of the People Anti-bourgeois Front!

*You are correct Felix that 40% voted for Zyuganov. They did so because they believed that he was a Communist, Marxist-Leninist and that his party, the CPRF was really devoted to socialism and the resurrection of the Soviet Union.*

*Looking at all the news emanating from both the capitalist and communist press in Russia, looking at the interviews given by Zyuganov here in the West, his trips arranged by U.S. State department, speaking to the U.S. War College (?) ... even the Western journalists state that Zyuganov is not a communist or even a fellow traveller Marxist! Regarding your insinuation that why should we draw caricatures of Zyuganov ... may inform you that these caricatures were published by New York Times, which of course is not a Marxist newspaper and they really do support Zyuganov!*

*Our Credo is to make comments on ALL the movements that are present in former Soviet Union. Zyuganov had an opportunity to win a vote of no confidence in the Duma against Yeltsin regime many times on the Constitution, on Chernomyrdin's appointment as Prime Minister. Why did he not organize the people into the streets to protest the signing of Russia's admission to NATO? □*

**From:  
SEVASTOPOL, Ukraine**

Dear Comrades:

I thank you very much for your latest number of NSC plus other interesting publications, such as International Struggle that you've sent me and I will try to answer some of the questions that you asked me.

If I hear correct, that you Michael might be coming here, I certainly will welcome you in our Hero City of Sevastopol.

Regarding your questions:

• I understand the kind of hurt that you comrades feel at the situation in our former Soviet Union and its splintering into pieces, plus splits in the communist movement in Russia (as also Ukraine and others), but for me, as a person professionally dedicated to history of my country and above all in its political complexity, today's situation does not present itself as different from previous situations in our country. The question is this: that similar situations were in evidence and transpired in Russia in the period between the First and Second Russian revolutions (June 1907 - February 1917).

At that time, amongst the Bolsheviks, there were also few fractions amongst whom the big was "Leninists", "Otzovisty", "Mezhdurayontsy". Amongst the Mensheviks till 1914, there existed two groups-fractions: "Mensheviks - party members" (Plekhanovtsi) and "Mensheviks - liquidators", and between the period of 1905-1917, there were numerous fractions in the Menshevik ranks. Amongst the Socialist-Revolutionaries (Yeserovtsi) between 1905-1917, there were 10 fractions. Why is it that these were called "fractions" while in reality they all became members of the Communist Party.

In this way, 80-90 years back, the splits in the revolutionary movement in Russia was more numerous than it is at the present time. The name of Lenin in 1916 was known at the most by only about .01% of the population of Russian Empire.

Therefore, it is of no use to search for the reasons for the present Communist splitting into many

groups and solely blame opportunism or the influence and provocations of the secret state police of Yeltsin, although it is a factor.

In politics as in nature, there is a place for natural selection, and for the process of natural selection, there is always a need for much material, so that there will be plenty to choose from. If another socialist revolution in Russia is a necessity and imminent historically, then this historical revolution will take place and from amongst the many communist parties, the people will choose the one that will be able to accomplish this historical necessary revolution.

Regarding the revolutionary Albanians and sleepy Russians, here we could explain that Albania from the end of 14th century to 1912 was a colony of Turkish Ottoman Empire - at that time, Albanians were for Turks as Chechens were to Russians. It is natural that these people did not persevere for long. Regarding the Russians, it is good to remember what German Kaiser Bismarck said: "Russians take a long time to harness a horse, but then they fly very fast" or how the people talked when J.V. Stalin was alive "Soviet state perseveres for a long time, but they strike very hard and there is terrible pain". I feel that by the end of 1997, Russians will unfurl and will surprise their friends across the world.

– Always with respect to you,  
Konstantin KolontaeV

P.S. If it would be possible, could you send me ALL of the publications that were issued by the Association from 1992-1995 for our use here?

*Your request shall be fulfilled and we thank you for your in-depth analysis of the present situation. Your help to us is great and we are very thankful that we have you as a member of our Editorial Committee. □*

**NEWS FROM  
U.S. FRIENDS OF  
NORTHSTAR COMPASS**

**From:  
Lehigh Acres, FL., USA**

Hello Comrades!

The information in the book "Secret Documents" about the traitorous actions of nationalist groups in the Baltic nations and in Ukraine and other places is very well known here, as is the Nazi attitude toward these other ethnic groups. For instance, "Waffen SS", a Ballantine book written by John Keegan very early in the USA, with pictures to show (clear photographs) these ethnic SS divisions and text to show the Nazi attitude with the words so clear and racist totally exposed. Also, there is "Quiet Neighbors" by Allen Ryan about war criminals from these non-German nations, there is also the literature available from the Simon Wiesenthal Institute listing names and actions of these traitors. These are just two more well-known books, but there are many, many books about this with pictures also.

Anyone in the USA who even knows a little bit about the "Captive Nations" organizations that many Lithuanian, Ukrainian, Rumanian and other people here form, knows they are not only fascist, but very Christian! All you have to do is go in there and talk to the people to find this out, it's not a secret! It is well known that many of these traitors showed up in the Western Zone after the War (GP or WW II) as Displaced Persons. It is known and exposed by Mr. Ryan that Truman (that stupid bohunk) let these war criminals into the USA, preferred to let them come here.

Tani Jantsang

**From:  
Detroit, MI., USA**

Dear Friends:

Enclosed is a donation plus a renewal.

Unfortunately, in the last while, there were deaths in the near family plus in the progressive movement, leaving a vacuum in our ranks. They shall be missed by all, these fighters for the rights of humanity.

I might have differences with NSC, but I shall praise you when I feel that you do constructive work (and this is most of the time), and I'll criticize you for nonsense or propoganda. The April issue was good.

Doing some translations myself from Russian, written in scholastic" language, I can truly feel sorry for you when you are saddled with most of the translations.

- Good Luck,

George Shenkar

*We appreciate your frank and sincere comments and shall try to get more praise than criticism.* □

**From:  
Hamden, CT., USA**

Enclosed is my renewal payment.

May I tell you how shocking it was to see your translation and reprint of the article on the "Masons" in the December 1996 issue. Do you know of any other left or progressive publication that would bother with such nonsense? Why, this is the kind of stuff one expects from conspiracy nuts or from the Lyndon La Rouche operators in the U.S. What has this notion of "agents of influence" to do with any socialist ideas or class relations? The continued stressing in this article of the Jewish origin of so many individuals is a tip-off this is the work of shady or anti-Semitic characters. Did you investigate to ascertain the politics of this pompously named "Strategic

Information Service" of Sevastapol? It would not be surprising to find such material in a Pamyat or Zhirinovsky publication or a Lyndon La Rouche journal, but why in yours?

Blaming the Masons is not going to help the Russian working class. Spare us this renyxa (nonsense)!

- Sid Resnick

Dear Sid:

*Your letter arrived in time to be read and discussed by the Editorial Board. We take note of your comments and your concern that such an article was published.*

*We appreciate your comments, although we do not agree with them, nevertheless, it is to your credit that you wrote. Let us just make a few observations as to your concerns:*

- *This article we translated from Russian Communist newspaper that is published in Odessa. Since we receive nearly ALL communist, socialist and mass movement newspapers in Russia, Ukraine and Byelorussia - this article appeared in 7 different newspapers.*

- *We try to present to our readers a cross-section of news, events, articles and letters that show unfortunately the diversity and lack of unity that permeates the anti-Yeltsin regime press and movement. We also like you to note that we take exception to many articles, we write our feelings to our friends there about our concerns.*

- *In this article, we do not wholeheartedly agree with ALL of the facts given or ideas put forward. But ... we cannot wish it away, these communists-Bolsheviks that publish these newspapers are part of the daily struggle over there. We try to present different points that they represent.*

- *Yes, this Service in Sevastapol is being used by most of the newspapers that we receive. Besides ... we are a volunteer Editorial Board and have no resources or finances to check or re-check all of our materials that we receive in good faith, from people who are*

struggling against the present regime.

• We get the publications from Pamyat and from Zhirinovsky, but this article DID NOT appear in their publications.

• Your insinuation that we publish "shady anti-Semitic articles" and that "shady" characters are behind this, is way off the mark. By criticizing Zionism and linking it with Masons as that article does, this does not in fact become anti-Semitic, since Zionism is a reactionary ideology which has nothing to do with nationality. When all progressive mankind criticizes American Imperialism, does that mean that everyone is against American people?

Any reactionary ideology is just that, REACTIONARY, no matter which country or people it comes from!

Blaming the Masons as a reactionary ideological movement and exposing its tentacles all over the world is a necessary step not only for "Russians" as you say, but also for Americans as well.

Again, we would like to thank you for this letter.

– Yours,

Editorial Board

**From:  
Miami, FLORIDA, USA**

Dear Companeros:

Enclosed is a subscription plus a modest contribution.

Observing what is happening now in the former Soviet Union, it is something amazing to see how come the Soviet people, who proved numerous times during the long historical period of time to have enormous reserves of courage, pride, talent, selflessness and steadfastness, are now accepting so passively how their homeland is being plundered, raped, colonized, and the future of their children and future generations lost as victims in the hands of the new foreign conquerors and the modern day Cipayo-Vlasovites. (Cipayo: soldier or politician at the

service of a foreign power against the interests of his/her own homeland.)

When we see all the splits, counter-splits, arguments and divisions among the Soviet Communists, it is very obvious that the secret services of the foreign powers and the Cipayo-Vlasovites are doing a very good job for their anti-peoples' cause and are having a heyday. It is really incredible that instead of having a united strong communist party with all the different tendencies within it (including the Zyuganov's CPRF), allowing all discrepancies being argued and solved through the passage of time, experience and the mass struggle as a mechanism of political/ideological/natural selection, where only the most effective tactics and strategies are going to prove its validity and success, what we see is a huge number of strings pulling sometimes in very different directions and obviously also being easily penetrated by the enemies of the Soviet people, when what they really need is a strong, united, principled and clear minded communist/patriotic party that, like an unbreakable steel cable will pull the Soviet people from the abyss where it has been pushed by its enemies and that will serve as an irresistible magnet to all those weak spirited people and those hidden under a thick crust of cynicism because of all the betrayals and deceptions they have gone through.

It seems to me that what the Soviet people want to see is not a war of egos or conflicts because of ideological subtleties that are not really relevant NOW, and after victory is achieved and state power is finally back in the hands of the people, with all the lessons learned during the last fifty years, there will be plenty of time to solve and sort out all differences and discrepancies.

The time for unity, consensus,

thinking, planning and action is NOW. Soviet communists owe that to the Soviet people and to all humankind.

– Cordially,

Joaquin C. Pedroso

P.S. Perhaps Soviet communists, besides reading and studying the works of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, they should also read and study works of Mao Ze Dong, Ho Chi Minh, Kim Il Sung, Ernesto Che Guevara and Fidel Castro.

**ATTENTION OUR SOVIET READERS!**

We of the Editorial Board of NSC would certainly appreciate any comments regarding the above letter to NSC. We're certain that our readers would be interested in reading short replies to our companero in Miami, Florida, USA. □

**From:  
Santa Monica, CA., USA**

Dear Friends:

Sending money for audio tapes to the following addresses. At the same time, I'm recommending some books that will be of interest to you.

As for the critics of Northstar Compass as too "Stalinist" or too critical of Zyuganov or the CPRF, I say, don't worry. The renegades and counter-revolutionaries by their deeds and in their own words, condemn themselves. Keep reporting this but do not forget the growing fight back and the struggle for socialism!

– In Solidarity,

John Kitchenka

Your suggestion, we shall fulfill to the best of our ability. □

**From:  
Wappingers Falls, N.Y., USA**

Dear Comrades,

Sorry to be so late with this payment. I have been out of work.

Keep up the good work. We in the CPUSA applaud your contributions to the continuing struggle.

– Comradely,  
Dave Mallisk

*We hope that CPUSA members will add their voices on the pages of NSC.* □

**From:  
Columbia, CA., USA**

Dear Editor:

Just received my June copy of "Postmark Praha". According to it, there was a recent congress of the CPRF. There was nothing said on its nature or results. So far, I have seen no other mention of it.

Whether or not you see fit to publish my article is not too important, but what I said about a possible split, I still feel, is valid. Whatever the results of the congress, I don't think that possibility is eliminated, unless the Zyuganov leadership is willing to commit itself to a fighting program for a return to socialism. That I don't think they are honestly willing to do. Even if they did, they could not be depended on to consistently carry it out.

I don't think it is logical to see the CPRF membership as one homogeneous mass. Its leadership and part of its membership may be made up of former lower echelon apparatchiks and functionaries, but it would be wrong to think the majority is not made up of dedicated communists and community activists, even though they may not be clearly oriented. We would be kidding ourselves, if we really believed any one group there is. Not to say any of them are all wrong. They all have elements of a practical program back to socialism. But none of them have all the answers. Do we think we have?

Until we have a comprehensive

report on the proceedings and decisions of the congress, it isn't possible to draw any all-round conclusions.

Upon reading about the congress, the thoughts that came to mind were, Zyuganov's and company had to be aware that large sections of the party couldn't help but be, to say the least, unhappy with his performance during and even after the presidential elections, and might demand a change in direction. In particular, specific measures to combat the Yeltsin forces and begin a move back to socialism. In light of that, they also had to be aware some compromises would have to be made to avoid a determined battle over policy, possibly leading to a split. Such a split would torpedo Zyuganov's political ambitions. His political leverage depends on a widely based and strong political structure. Any breakaway would seriously weaken his position.

Whatever the results, for good or bad, even with a division of its forces, the CPRF will remain a major factor in the political life of the country. That, we can only ignore to our detriment.

– In Solidarity,  
Del Berg

*You will read in this issue the interview with a member of CC CPRF which answers most of the questions that you raise in this excellent letter.* □

**From:  
Columbia, CA., USA**

Dear Friends:

Regarding the Congress of the Russian Communist Workers Party that was held, would it be possible to get a report on that Congress, since this party is an important element in the struggles now going on, to see what their thinking is, thus giving us a better insight. Hoping that you will get this information so that readers of

NSC will be able to read and make their own decisions.

– In Solidarity,  
Del Berg

*We have requested this information, and as soon as it is available, we shall print it in NSC.* □

**From:  
Williamson, WV, USA**

Dear Friends:

No doubt you spend a great deal of time poking through the bourgeois media garbage, searching for any truth cast out. Often, the elite bourgeois journals are more truthful than the mass propaganda outlets, where it seems the bourgeois seems to feel that issues are too serious to waste time on the idiotic drivel spooned to the masses. Seeming isn't so, of course, so even it must be read carefully.

A case in point is the enclosed article from the Wall Street Journal on the March 17 demonstrations in Russia. I suspect a certain amount of "whistling by the graveyard" in its account. Not least because of its late date! Nonetheless, I expect there are a few valid points in it. First, the demonstrations themselves failed of their supposed purpose, a mass demo of the labor movement, 18 million strong. This is unpleasant, but facing facts is the Communist way of politics. Second, the CPRF is dismissed as a serious oppositional force. Third, the problem is the leadership which is not truly fighting back against the savage economic class war being fought against the workers. Fourth, the most important enemy of the real Communists is the renegade "labor" bureaucracy. Note especially how the writer dishonestly tries to paint the union leaders as ex-Communists, yet gloats when they go so far as to rough up Communist demonstrators in Tver!

Now, even when a bourgeois journalist is trying to report honestly

in the expectation that it's for his masters instead of hoi polloi, ideological nuttiness creeps in. Who, with any understanding, is really surprised that mass strikes rock the foundations of a worker's state? Political imperfections do not change the fact that the Soviet state rested upon the workers, and when they moved, the Soviet state shook from bottom to top. Mass strike and demonstrations may threaten a bourgeois state, as recently in Italy and France, but those were and are the weapons of the class enemies of the proletariat. They are always against labor.

But to move beyond the ABCs of politics: Naturally, the bourgeois writer does not ask the real questions posed. Was the mass demonstration intended to fail? Or, is it an omen of the final discrediting of the lackeys of democracy? I urge you to dedicate what you can of your scarce resources to examining the labor scene for the answers.

I cannot end without praise for the early interest in the Albanian Revolution. Whether it wins or fails, the Salvation Committees are surely the nomologous forms of Soviets. As such, their emergence is one of the most critical events since the October Massacre which completed the (temporary, I hope!) counter revolution in the Russian Federation proper. There have been fragmentary reports that some demonstrators in Russia have already been influenced by the example. This is possibly of the utmost significance.

- Steve Johnson

*The article you enclosed from Wall Street Journal is an eye opener, coming as it is from "the horse's mouth"! Your analysis is very correct!* □

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## LETTERS

### Arthabaska-Victoriaville QUEBEC

Letter-to-the People's Weekly World

All men are created equal, babies are perfect and therefore, perfectly equal, all born with the potential genius of Albert Einstein. We end up in extreme difference because eighty five percent of ones standing in society, his/her social-economic position is determined by the standing of one's father. "The coefficient of determination" leaves only fifteen percent for opportunity usually to produce traitors to their working class roots. As the poor in Toronto put it, "Scum rises to the top". Since capitalism is a system of inheritance, we can only achieve a merit based society of equal opportunity, of universal "affirmative action", through socialism. Those who tinker with the system should not include ourselves. Socialism works as it does in Cuba. Look at the quality of life in Washington, D.C., compared to Havana if one needs living proof. The reintroduction of exploitation in former socialist countries is the other half of the proof. Capitalism is a universal disaster. To be concrete, if the paper (PWW) drops its Red, White and Blue coloring on Earth Day to go green, why not have a May Day issue in Red color and devoted to socialism?; some basics in philosophy, political-economy, history and for one day a year become a portable Party School. Only socialism can save the human race.

William Bunge □

### From: Toronto, ONT.

Dear Friends:

Am enclosing my renewal, plus a small donation.

I think Michael, that the "Mighty Land" - soaked in blood - will rise, perhaps not as quickly as we would like, but it WILL! The sooner, the better ... I could not look at TV where it showed the degradation, poverty, lice-infested homeless people - just couldn't look at it ... about the once mighty Land of Soviets!

- Stay Healthy, Friends,  
Misha Korol

*We wish you success in your venture to write the history of the struggles that you were involved in. Canadian people need this history!* □

### From: Saskatoon, SASK.

Dear Friends:

Enclosed find two cheques for cassette "Soviet Treasures" and the book of poetry "My Calvary" by Professor Herasymchuk.

Keep on doing the fine work!

- William Lutz

*We certainly will keep on doing what we have done for 5 years!* □

### From: Etobicoke, ONT.

Dear Friends:

I look forward to reading every issue of Northstar Compass. I would like to get the address of the person that wrote a few issues ago, an article called "Did You Know". A most enlightening piece.

- Yours,

Joseph Biczok

*We had many compliments on this article.* □

### From: Swift Current, SASK.

Sending you my renewal to NSC and I must say that the April issue of NSC was great with the article by Michael Ukas - and yes,

USSR will be reborn again! When I was in the Soviet Union in 1974, I saw the tremendous reconstruction and development that no other country or system would have been able to achieve.

Jesse Light's article was interesting and to the point. The exploitation by oil barons in the Arabian point of the world is nothing more than raping the natural resources of the people. Please send me the videos listed. By showing these videos, that is the best way to convince people as to what socialism was able to accomplish.

The rest of the cheque is a donation to NSC.

- Yours,

John P. Saum

*Your donation is appreciated, of course, plus your kind words towards NSC. Excerpts from your article will be in NSC.* □

**From:  
Burlington, ONT.**

Dear Friends:

Enclosed please find \$100 donation towards the NSC Sustaining Fund. Wishing you the best! Keep on doing what you're doing so well.

- Robert McNicol

*We shall certainly proceed with your advice. Many thanks for your generous donation.* □

**From:  
Westbank, B.C.**

Dear Friends:

Sending you a donation plus newspaper clippings which show you what is transpiring in the world and how I feel about the conditions that constantly surround us, but unfortunately influence our thinking, whether we are aware of them or not.

1. Remember the "top secret" Dew Line built in Canada by USA

against the USSR during 1953-57? Billions spent on planes, "Canada's Maginot Line" all aimed at the Soviet Union's threat!?

2. Regarding Alaska and the lies that it was sold by the tsar to USA for \$7 million, it is an absolute lie. Alaska was leased by Russia to USA, it was never sold as the documents now available and quoted in the "Spotlight" newspaper published in the USA state.

3. Hawaii - the occupied country by USA marines and a supplier of cheap labour plus export of vegetables and citrus fruits. Mr. Dole of USA Congress has a pineapple plantation there. USA follows Hitler's methods.

4. Regarding Churchill, yes I do know more about this reactionary than many people, directly from his former Valet, Bowden, who told me about the abusiveness of Churchill towards his wife and children. This Valet stated that when Churchill thought that the Germans were going to attack Britain, he got stone drunk so that his guards had to carry him out on a stretcher. This Valet of Churchill is dead now and he was very bitter about the real Churchill that all history books try to hide from the public.

- Yours,

Olga Krimtschenko

*Olga (our dedicated reader) has sent us numerous clippings from different world publications that Northstar Compass will utilize in future issues. These clippings are invaluable and throw light on events that most people have forgotten or do not have the opportunity to read as Olga does. Again, many thanks!* □

**From:  
Quill Lake, SASK.**

Dear Michael,

Please continue with my double subscription to NSC.

From strategic studies, NATO containment of Russian power is Russian encirclement. This will be the deadliest error of Modern civilization for all Humanity and Christianity. This circle of death is meant to be a ring of steel purpose captivity for Russia and Socialism.

Have we forgotten that USSR fought a devastating patriotic war such as yet unknown in modern history against Fascist aggression built up for profit by imperialism to destroy Socialism.

Soviet land was devastated. USSR supported our economy, required grain purchases, while still bleeding and licking its wounds from World War II. Our agriculture sector translates boosts for industries directly associated with agriculture, the petrochemical industry, the iron industry, the steel industry and the food and automotive industry, the construction industry, all benefit when there is a strong agriculture economy. USSR provided a honeymoon to our economy to including the military for defending Canada, but not for supporting NATO to encircle RUSSIA to provoke World War III. An insane premeditated intention that requires maturity for a quick fix.

Our government should not be blind to the deadliest error about to be made in Modern Civilization (the end for all Humanity).

Enclosed \$100 cheque for 1 double sub \$40.00, 1 copy Churchill and the Bomb \$12.00 and donation for sustaining fund \$48.00. I wish that I could make it more. NSC is getting better with each new issue.

Best wishes for a life with a future for all humanity on planet Earth.

- Sincerely,

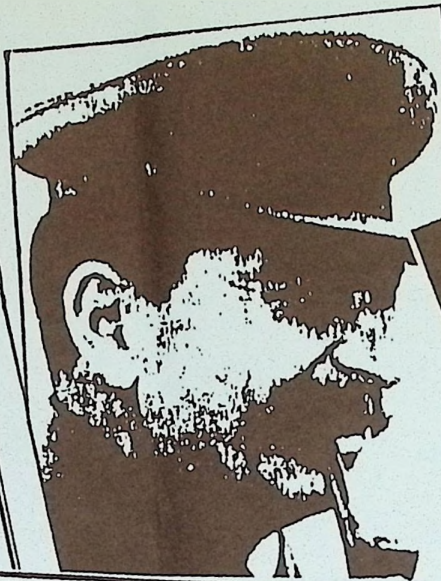
Peter P. Morozoff

*We could not have said it better ourselves, Peter. As always, you are right on the mark!* □

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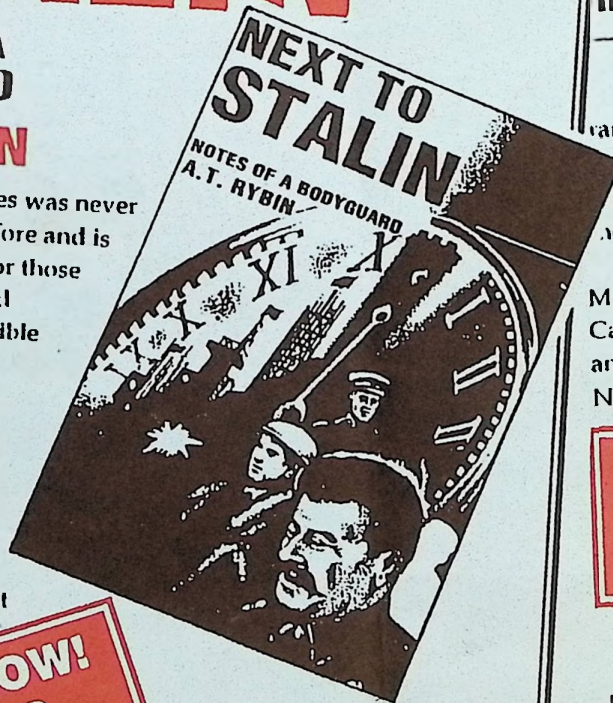
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