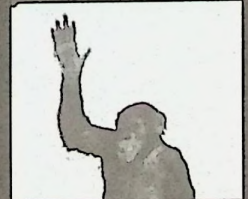
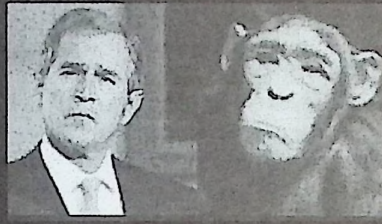


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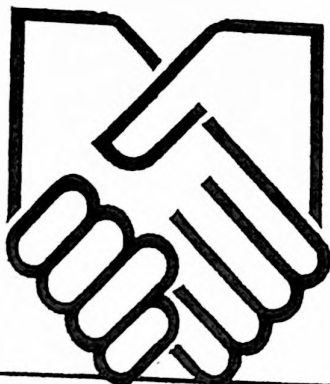
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# DID GEORGE W. BUSH SEE THESE PHOTOS AS HE WAS SPENDING \$40 MILLION OF TAXPAYERS MONEY ON HIS INAUGURATION?

**MICHAEL  
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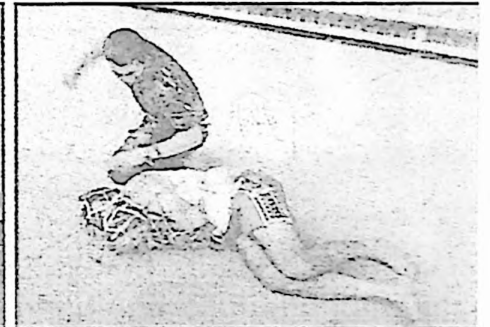
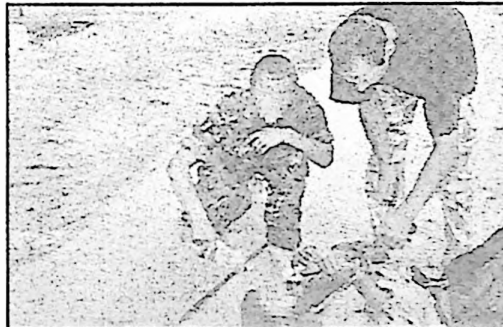
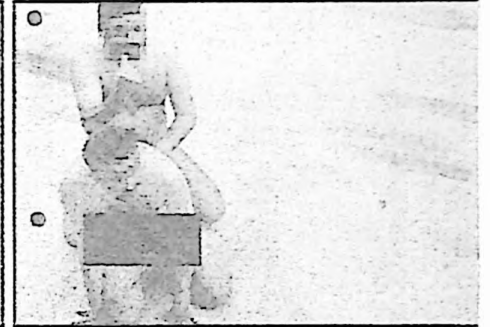
The electoral extravaganza campaign has finally come to an end, the predictable victory of George W. Bush and his complete hysteria of forcing American version of "democracy" on the world and threatening to invade countries that US imperialism does not like, and the despair amongst the Kerry supporters and, maybe the end of the anti-war movement in the US.

How is it possible, that Bush drew millions of people to his ceremony, while these same millions of Americans are appalled at the horrific carnage and mayhem performed by the US forces in Iraq and Afghanistan?

Americans that are opposed to the war must draw the right lessons from this movement of the US Administration towards creeping neo-fascism and the absolute dictatorship in the drive for their New World Order! There must be a joint effort towards a United Front in the US! Opposition to this war of conquest must be the only criterion!

The protests during this extravaganza showed that not all Americans are worshipping Bush and that there is a growing movement by the people towards impeachment of Bush for war crimes. The desertion of US soldiers in Iraq is growing with each week and this fact is being hidden from the public, but news leaks out more and more.

Just consider for the moment what the \$40,000,000 spent on this



*These graphic photographs show some of the torture and humiliating methods used by US and British troops in Iraq!*

extravaganza could have done for humanity? By the way, this does **NOT** include what had been spent on tight security, which made Washington look like a fascist concentration camp, with thousands of US soldiers, marines, police, FBI, CIA and Internal security cordoning off practically the whole city

\*You know that F.D. Roosevelt spent \$2,000 on his inauguration in 1945 – in today's dollars – only \$20,000.

\*\$20,000 was spent on yellow roses for the Ritz Carlton Hotel.

\*\$10,000 was spent on caviar for his

guests.

\*\$3,000 on "Laura Bush Cowboy" cookies.

\*Over 22,000 million children devastated by the Tsunami could have received vaccinations and preventive health care

\*1,600,000 number of children could be sent to school for a year in Afghanistan with the money lavished on this inauguration.

\* \$200,500 –price of a suite at the Mandarin Oriental hotel, including presidential suite, chauffeured Mercedes limo and outfits for Mrs N. Marcus.

\*26,000 bullet-proof vests could have been for the US soldiers



**FACES OF ANGUISH, DESPAIR, HORROR AND GRIEF MINUTES AFTER U.S. TROOPS SHOT THEIR INNOCENT PARENTS DEAD IN BAGHDAD!**

serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

\*The taxpayers living in Washington have to pay \$17,000,000 for Bush's Security.

\*Only 9% of Washington's citizens voted for President Bush in the last election.

The above figures are just the tip of the iceberg – since other costs are hidden from the public, but the ratepayers will have to foot the bill sooner than later.

There is a growing movement to stop pretending that the US Democratic Party and candidates such as Kerry are the answer. The anti-war movement should challenge the direction of US policy. The main task is to dismantle the

Military-Industrial Complex and disarm the US war machine.

American people are waiting for leadership to head this anti-war, anti-globalization movements. Time

is right now for all of the progressive movements to shed their illusions that the US two-party system works – yes it works, for the benefit of Imperialism and its New World Order!



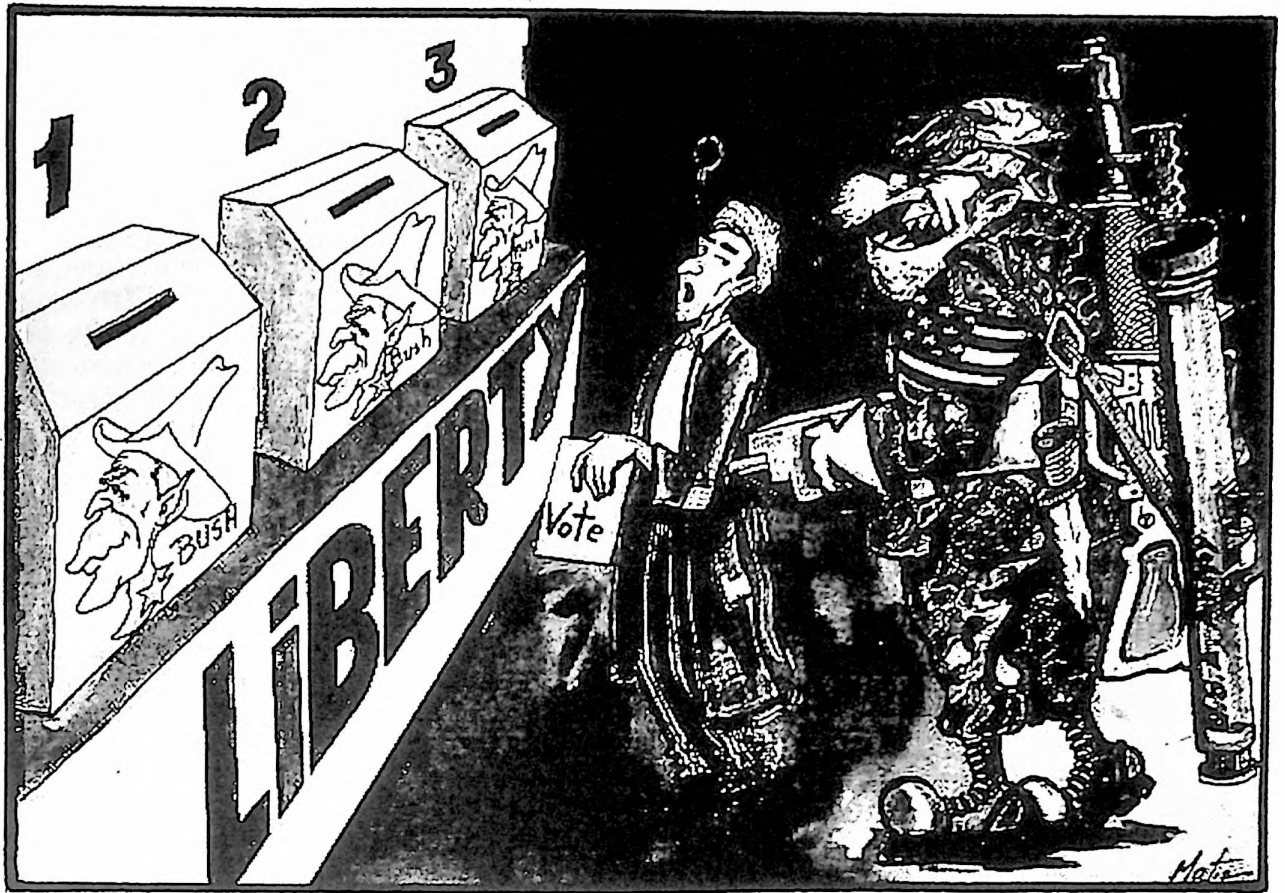
*Listen world! God told me to go on a Mission to liberate you –to bring you US-styled democracy, freedom! This Holy Mission on behalf of God I'm going to fulfill even if it means invading, killing, torturing and burning you and your country!*

*My New World Order must prevail, and this weapon will make sure that His Word is carried out!*



# THE ELECTION FARGE IN IRAQ

By Michel Chossudovsky



This much shortened article is based on a very extensive analyses of the media hype that was going on in Iraq in order to present a "large" 73-90% turn out in the Iraq election held last month.

Here are just some quotes from Western media:

\* A high turnout of 72% in and around central Iraq.

\*Election Commission officials said that 95% of Baghdad voters turned out to vote.

Where did this 72% figure come from? This figure was circulating in all the worlds' news services way before the voting booths were closed – more than 2 hours before the actual closing of the voting. This was said by the Iraq's new Minister of Planning – as is the fact – over 2 hours before closing of the election.

After the booths closed, the Ministry issued another news item that the vote might be only 60% turnout. Why this change in two hours? How was this count arrived at, without counting the ballots?

With shattered communications system in Iraq, how could this information get transmitted so quickly to the EICI for release at a news conference?

When questioned on this by some reporters, the Iraqi Minister was very

evasive regarding the source and the methodology underlying this figure. This figure is based "on the eye-witness human flow." Were the percentage based on human flow only, not on actual people voting?

Soon after the figure went down from 60% to 50%!!

The news item from the "New Statesman, of January 31, 2005, said: "30% overall turn out would be satisfactory."

As of the date of this article, no official results were announced by the IECI!

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## OUR OPINION REGARDING THE MASS PROTESTS AGAINST MONETARY SOCIAL BENEFITS

During the second half of January of this year, there took place mass protests all over Russia against all the cutbacks of social services that were enjoyed by the people, especially the elderly and the old age pensioners.

The present Russian bourgeois government decided to cut all of the support for these social service benefits and thus set in motion the hatred of the people into wide protests. In one stroke of Putin's pen, he has thrown out all the pensioners into an unbearable economic situation and hardships. For now, these protests carried only economic demands, but the need is for ongoing political protests.

These mass protests have forced the government to make some concessions - by reinstating free transportation for the pensioners. But the other social benefits, like medicines, communal rent, telephone and electricity and other former Soviet social benefits, were sidelined and not acted upon as demanded by these Russia-wide protests.

Of course this present Russian bourgeois government will not stop on this. They have plans to completely liquidate any and all vestiges of Socialist social services that were won by the October Socialist Revolution, in order to completely privatize them.

The future holds for us terrible anti-peoples decisions by the present Putin Government, using even harsher methods than up to now.

These new draconian laws will not only affect the elderly pensioners, but will affect the whole working class of Russia, as a result of the counterrevolution.

It is imperative that the working class of Russia and all people should awake from their political slumber and actively start becoming involved in the ongoing struggle against this counterrevolution, in a struggle for the rebirth of the mighty multinational Socialist Motherland.

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## BELIEVE IT OR NOT!

An article in a bourgeois newspaper in Canada, "The Globe & Mail", there was published a news item by Reuters on January 14, 2005, that Moscow plans to erect a new monument to Stalin, returning his presence after close to 40 years when all monuments to Stalin were demolished.



With the upcoming 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the end of the Great Patriotic War, obviously president Putin is feeling the growing anger of

the people and made this decision in order to placate the growing resentment against this degradation of J.V. Stalin.

The official statement on behalf of President Putin to the Moscow Ekho radio station by Oleg Tolkachev, Senator from Moscow stated: "A monument will be erected to those who took part in leading the war against Hitler, including Stalin".

**So, Stalin's part in the defeat of Fascism is presented as an after thought!**

No matter how the present regime tries to obliterate the role of Stalin, the people are demanding the truth and, there are more and more films shown now portraying Stalin in a truthful manner!

## FINLAND'S TERRITORIAL CLAIM AGAINST RUSSIA

Russian Information Agency

**PETROZAVODSK-** Russia's Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov described as a provocation, Finland's claim to territories from the former Soviet Union. The Minister commented last month on the so-called "Opinion Polls" conducted by the Finnish nationalistic organizations, pushing for the return of the Karelian Isthmus and some other border areas in the Republic of Karelia.

"Instigators of such surveys are provocateurs, aiming to provoke the re-animation of territorial claims, and of attempts to rewrite history. This is a very dangerous tendency indeed."

Seized by Sweden in the 12th-14th centuries, Finland's territory was annexed to Russia after the Russo-Swedish war in 1809. From then on, this Finnish principality existed within Russia as an autonomy. On December 31, 1917, the government of Soviet Union recognized Finland's state sovereignty. As history showed, Finland attacked the USSR even before Hitler did. Finland also took the Nazi Germany's side in WWII and attacked Soviet Union together with the German forces.

# THE FINAL ELECTION FARGE IN UKRAINE

By VLADIMIR PRONIN

The serious economic, budgetary problems were mixed into the presidential election of Ukraine, and this marathon election is finally over, with the victory of Victor Yushchenko over the now ex-Premier-Minister Victor Yanukovich. Why was this victory foreseen? Because he was promoted and put into this post by the financial and political circles of US and NATO - these top dogs of the imperialist gang who call themselves the rulers of the world.

Could there have been different results in this election - this question was truthfully analyzed by President Lukashenko of Byelorussia, when he said that "*Byelorussia is not a Banana Republic and, no "orange revolution" can take place there. Even though this remark might make some of the present Ukrainian government people hot under the color, but it is the truth. These words of President Lukashenko concern all of the post-Soviet republics. It is the only post-Soviet republic that still carries on an independent policy and thus enrages hatred from the imperialist camp, as well as from those whose interests are opposed to Lukashenko and the supporters of the New World Order.*

The people of Ukraine have resolved themselves to their fate, and the most informed and astute voters have understood even after the first round of the election, that all of the left forces, including the communists have suffered a defeat, and thus they did not await any better results after the third round.

The people heaved a sigh of relief that finally they got rid of Leonid Kuchma, who for ten years brought the country into chaos, where Ukraine lost population from 52 million to 47 million! Kuchma managed to be hated and despised by all classes, from the oligarchs to his cronies, who were never sure of their jobs. It is no secret now that with the help of millionaire clans, including Pinchuk, Kuchma was

assured clemency from prosecution and retirement with his millions, and therefore he sold out his former Minister Yanukovich.

The results of this election could have a very unforeseen future for Ukraine and its people and, for the rebirth of socialism. There was a split in the two left forces existing in the Ukraine and a split of Ukraine into two parts and into two separate languages.

The problem started when the counterrevolution took place and there was no effort made to give birth to one united Communist Party. During this election, the Socialists took the side of Yushchenko and this is due to the traitorous policy of the head of the Socialist Party, Alexander Moroz. Now, they are fighting for government posts in the Yushchenko government.

The Communists in this election practically lost everything except their honour. They were trounced in the first round (*Here we are talking about the Communist Party of Ukraine only- Editor*) and their policy was that both candidates were not worth supporting.

Even Zyuganov of the CPRF over the Russian TV urged them to support the pro-Russian Yanukovich.

The split in votes was that the Western part of Ukraine, including Kiev, voted Yushchenko, while the Eastern part and the southern part, plus the Predniester industrial region voted for Yanukovich.

Now everyone is awaiting the first move of Yushchenko, waiting for the fulfillment of his promises, which were so many, that never were there so many made in Ukraine's history. The economy is in a terrible shape.

US and NATO do not expect any results in the economy, their policy is to destabilize Ukraine and they are pushing for confrontation between Ukraine and Russia and other former Soviet Republics. The aim being is, to divide Russia into small pieces and thus rule. Everyone is convinced that Ukraine's policy will take a pro-

American stance in all aspects of cooperation and plans for the US New World Order.

In conclusion we can say without any hesitation, that the people of Ukraine cannot expect anything good from Yushchenko being at the helm of government - it will be an anti-peoples regime!

The results here are such that it is a fact that the people of Ukraine cannot expect anything good or positive from this victory of Yushchenko. It will be even worse, than it was under president Kuchma - this is an anti-peoples regime. The serious danger now is that Yushchenko himself has a reputation of being not a very reputable politician, and, he will just act now as a "Czar" - **but someone else will rule.** It will be a tragedy if this "*other ruler*" will be none other than the American Ambassador in Kiev! This is a well known fact, that in any banana republic, this is always the case.

So, the victory of Yushchenko is a fact. But for us Communists, this is not the main factor. What is more important is the fact that the Ukrainian Communists, in the last two elections suffered a crushing defeat. It is with the same scenario and with the same results that the Russian Communists suffered defeat, and the crisis is getting deeper and more devastating.

**The much needed analyses of this crisis is the most important task--to solve in the immediate future!** ■

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## PUTIN'S DIFFICULT YEAR

A December 2004 poll taken by the Levada Center said that support for Putin dropped from 84 % to 64% in the last year. Most people said that Russia was heading into "*a blind alley*" while only 13% expressed the opposite view. ■

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## RUSSIA'S AFGHAN DRUG PROBLEMS

EUROASIA SECURITY WATCH

The booming drug trade in Afghanistan, under US occupation is posing a grave – and alarmingly growing – threat to Russia. In 2004, one quarter of heroin produced under the “watchful eyes” of US occupation troops – about 400 tons – was intended for Russia. Afghan drugs are estimated at claiming up to 70,000 Russian lives annually. Moreover, the flow of drugs into Russia has increased substantially since late October of 2004, when Russia and Tadjikistan had agreed to a withdrawal of Russian border troops manning the Afghan-Tadjik border. Since that time, this open boundary is becoming a new staging point for drug-trafficking in the region.

This was published in the Moscow Pravda newspaper, Jan. 13, 2005. ■

## SOLIDARY WITH COMMUNISTS IN LATVIA

In the so-called “democratic Latvia” the government has banned the activity of the Communist Party of Latvia. The work and publications by the Communists were equated with that of Nazi ideology and also pronounced as a crime. This was used to persecute the members of the Communist Party.

As a result of this, the people who stayed as members of the forbidden Communist Party of Latvia after January 31, 1991, for more than fourteen years have no right to take part in any elections. They have also no right to vote or to be elected.

The meeting of international representatives of the Communist Parties that met last year in Athens, Greece, issued a statement condemning this policy and it was sent to the European Union and the European Parliament, asking them to take any possible action to condemn this injustice.

This document was signed by 44 Communist Parties. ■

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## JAPAN MAKES TERRITORIAL CLAIMS ON RUSSIA, CHINA & SOUTH KOREA

ITAR-TASS. JANUARY 18, 2005

The ruling Liberal Democratic Party of Japan has accused Russia and South Korea of illegal occupation of native Japanese territories – like the Southern Kuriles, Takesjima/Tokto islands, and China of illegitimate claims for the Senkaku/Diaoyutai islands.

This was the message of the “Course of Action” adopted last month at their congress, devoted to the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of their LDP party. This confirms that Japan has territorial claims on its Far Eastern neighbors.

A part of this plan is to hold in March a conference in the north of the Hokkaido Island, in the city of Nemuro, from where the Southern Kurilies are well observable and shouting slogans against Russia.

But on the diplomatic front, Japan has been avoiding talking about their demands. The objective is to get Japan's sovereignty over all the Kurile Islands.

### COMMENT:

*It seems that Uncle Sam is the power behind this move, in order to support the growing Japan's military to flex its growing muscles. The policy of US imperialism is to make certain that Russia has no outlets to the ocean or sea - to make it land-locked and thus an easy prey.* ■

## SOROS FALLS FROM GRACE IN CENTRAL ASIA

NEWS CENTRAL ASIA –  
Turkmenistan

After Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan, Tadjikistan has voiced great concern about the activities of the Soros Foundation. In quick sequence, Uzbekistan kicked out Soros, Kazakhstan issued a back-taxes notice that will close the Soros offices. Why all this unity against Soros?

One of the declared aims of the

George Soros Foundation and its downstream organizations, on behalf of US imperialism, is to create “Civil Society” in the Central Asian nations. He feels that Central Asia countries are inhabited by barbarians and uncivilized creatures. In short—they're uncivilized natives.

Asserting that there is only one acceptable model of democracy, and that is the American model – and you better take it or the US will show it down your throats. But the Central Asian countries have a collective heritage of thousands of years of civilization. Or, does US Imperialism want to do what they did with the Native American people? ■

## 10,000 MARCH AGAINST YUSHCHENKO AND TIMOSHENKO

ITAR-TASS

**DONETSK-** Over 10,000 people organized a protest action in Donetsk, Ukraine last month, in support of Viktor Yanukovich. This protest action had been initiated by the organizations of the Party of the Regions and the Progressive Socialist Party of Ukraine. Representatives of the Russian community also joined this protest in large numbers. Even members of the Green Party joined the protest, when earlier they refused to support Yanukovich.

The participants protested the rigged results of the third round elections under the auspices of the Central Election Commission. Every region of Eastern Ukraine brought thousands of signatures in support of Yanukovich and Ukraine's federative system. ■

## HOW DEEPLY DID THE CORRUPTION IN UKRAINE GO?

By LOISE MICHEL  
[www.MLtoday.Com](http://WWW.MLtoday.Com)

The recent issue of the New York Review published this excerpt,

Between the first and second round of voting in Ukraine, Lytvyn, the speaker of the Ukrainian parliament and former chief of President Kuchma's executive, made a swift and a very low profile trip to



Washington, where he met with Colin Powell, Condoleezza Rice, Senators Richard Lugar and John McCain and representative Henry Hydes.

The Americans knew that Lytvyn will be able to help Yushchenko win some key support in the Rada. Lytvyn after his return from Washington, permitted the Rada to hold an illegal no confidence vote against the presidential candidate and then the Prime Minister Yanukovich's government. This proved to be a crucial development that was soon followed (*under pressure from afar – Editor*) by the Ukrainian Supreme Court's ruling that the run-off was invalid.

It would be an act of unprecedented gullibility to believe that this secret meeting in Washington between the highest-ranking US foreign policy figures and Lytvyn of Ukraine was just a casual, friendly chat. Such meetings are rare and consequential. In this case, with the fate of Ukraine in the balance, no doubt a plan was discussed and adopted to further the success of this Ukrainian coup. Let there be no doubt that Lytvyn expects something in return for his efforts.

In my interview for the New York Review, Lytvyn wanted me to know that he is now working with the West!.

## The Fascist Paramilitaries are Behind Ukraine's 'Orange Revolution'.

ASSOCIATED PRESS – Jan. 1, 2005

**KIEV, UKRAINE** – Among the orange ribbons, rabbit ears and dyed hair of the Ukrainian students who have become the happy faces of the Orange Revolution, a darker colour has become more prominent, the green camouflage uniforms of the far-right nationalist group.

"We are the sodiers on an assignment," said one of them, Roman Dobynevych, "We are here to guard the revolution and to prevent Russia's interference."

He commands a unit of the Ukrainian National Assembly-Self

Defense Organization, which says it has provided much of the muscle behind the weeks of protests in support of opposition candidate Viktor Yushchenko

Although Yushchenko says that he will bring Western-style democracy to Ukraine, the presence of this group, the Ukrainian acronym is UNA-UNSO's dark green uniforms is inflaming Ukrainian nationalism and promoting intense anti-Russian sentiment. As the number of orange-wearing protestors declined on the streets, the UNA-UNSO's dark green uniforms with an Iron Cross-like insignia got increasing notice as more and more of these fascist-minded youths began marching on the streets of Kiev.

Even before the elections, this organization took over an abandoned sugar factory with the Kuchma's police looking the other way, as their headquarters from which they coordinated the weeks-long blockade of outgoing President Kuchma's office and they also provided men to serve in the Yushenko's very large personal security guard.

## KYRGYZIA AND KAZAKHSTAN PROTEST AGAINST WESTERN CLANDENSTINE OPERATIONS

Kyrgyz president Askar Akayev charged that: "Western powers foment public and political movements inside the country in order/organize *"velvet revolutions"*. These public movements which have emerged in this country are preparing such revolutions on the orders of the *Clandestine International*. Even now, before our elections in 2006 these organizations are saying that they will be *"falsified"*. They are already planning civil disobedience and rallies."

### ALMATY-KAZAKHSTAN

The inter-district economic court of Almaty of Kazakhstan authorized the liquidation of the Democratic Choice of Kazakhstan opposition party. This was done because of the political statement that was adopted

by this Western set-up party last December 11, 2004. as a copy of the *"velvet revolution"* movements. This statement called for *"resolute public actions, including civil disobedience campaigns, and that the present authorities are illegitimate."* This Western oriented party is chaired by Galymzhan Zhakiyanov, who in 2002 was sentenced to seven years in custody for abuse of office and head of the Pavlodar administration.

## PRESIDIUM OF SUPREME SOVIET OF USSR STATEMENT

ABOUT THE TREACHERY OF THE RUSSIAN STATE AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF SOVIET PEOPLE



The Soviet people shall never give in, no matter how much time has passed since the Gorbachev-Yeltsin treacherous clique on March 17, 1991 during the referendum, when over 76% of the country voted for the preservation of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Since that time close to 90% of the population are doomed to hardships and poverty. The Russian Federation since that time, without any war has lost nearly 50% of its population and 33% of its former territory.

The US imperialism, together with its puppet states in ex-USSR are now after the economic and military potential of the former Soviet Union, created by the working class. US military has now utilized Russia and other former Soviet republics as the

dumping ground and storage of nuclear and plutonium wastes.

The Russian State Duma has ratified the agreement in which Russia cannot have its troops on its own territory - the Kalinigrad Region, while NATO has its military and many bases in Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania - danger not only to Russia, but Byelorussia, Moldavia and Ukraine.

On October 22, 2004, the Russian Duma ratified an additional agreement between the Russian Federation and China about the Russian-Chinese border on its eastern territory, and Putin has pushed through the transferring of the territory of the island Tarabarov and part of the Great Usurriskiy.

On October 29, 2004 the Russian Duma has also ratified an agreement with Germany (a member of NATO) that allows German troops to travel through Russia, bordering Afghanistan and Iran. This agreement also forbids our Border Guards to carry weapons to defend the sovereignty of Russia.

Putin has finally mastered the new type of commerce - trade in territories. Putin has also put on the agenda for the Russian Duma - the agreement to transfer to Japan the Kurile Islands

The Presidium has adopted a 7-point program of action in order to struggle and defeat the above treacherous acts of President Putin, but also to struggle for unity of action in the fight for the restoration of the USSR and of Socialism.

The Statement was signed by -

A.G.KOZLOBAEV, Chairman  
T.F. IZMESTIEVA, Secretary

### TRouBLING ECONOMIC INDICATORS EMERGE

According to Russia's Central Bank, illegal flight of money overseas more than tripled in 2004 over 2003, while the money that left the country illegally via shadowy business transactions jumped by over 50%. The Associated Press reported that the Central Bank estimates that the money going abroad jumped from \$15.4 billion to \$23.5 billion

FROM NEWSPAPER, DOCKER-Leningrad

## ALL RUSSIAN PORTS WERE CLOSED BY UNIFIED STRIKE ACTIONS

Last December 14, 2004, all ports on the territory of Russia were closed by a strike action of the Russian Dockers. The complete shutdown of any traffic, or loading and unloading of goods was complete. Slogans, placards and meetings proclaimed the following in all of the ports that were closed: "Russian Cargo through Russian Ports". The strike was called by the Russian Union of Dockers.

There was complete unity of the Dockers and also great support from the population. The Dockers Union made representation to the government and to the ports and collective bargaining is now a fact.



## UKRAINE IN THE PLANS FOR U.S. GLOBALIZATION

Dear readers:

In the last few issues of NSC, much has been written and analyzed about the events that transpired in Ukraine in the month of December 2004. Below we publish a condensed article as the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks analyzed this serious event, that will have great consequences for Russia and former Soviet republics. Translated by the Editor of NSC.

After stating the sequence of the first, second and third round of elections for the presidency of Ukraine, the AUCPB starts their analyses with the heading -

### CAUSES AND RESULTS IN UKRAINE OF THE "ORANGE REVOLUTION!"

The "Orange Revolution" was being organized for many years. It was being planned to perfection by the top brains in the USA and in other Western countries, the same scenario was used in the "revolutions" that transpired in Serbia and in Georgia.

Already in 2001 there was action organized, called "Ukraine without Kuchma!" This was done by the Socialist Party, headed by A. Moroz and BYT- headed by Timoshenko. In this action there took part a coalition of rightwing forces and nationalists. This action was not successful. But, by the autumn of 2001- A. Moroz passed with flying colours the research done by the right-wing nationalists as to his loyalty in the cause of getting rid of Kuchma

In autumn of 2002, another action



took place, called "Arise Ukraine!" in which there took part 4 opposition forces – Communist Party of Ukraine, Socialist Party of Ukraine, Block of Yushenko-Timoshenko and Our Ukraine.

These 4 groups as a coalition, were able to muster unto the streets about one million protestors, that was not hard to do. The terrible situation of the poor people as opposed to that of the new rich class, the people came out to demonstrate against Kuchma, thinking that if they got rid of Kuchma, things would become easier for the majority of the people. The situation developed that could have led to a social upheaval. The idea was to get rid of Kuchma and thus save the bourgeois state from the wrath of the people. This was the signal for Yushchenko to head this outpouring of hate against the economic hardships – but Yushchenko stayed in the background, awaiting his chance to come out. This action was the dress rehearsal for the Orange Revolution, which was to come later.

The hands of the Pentagon of USA and NATO were clearly seen – utilizing their know how and success in Serbia and in Georgia.

In this "orange revolution" there were objective reasons that could not have been able to be stopped. The cardinal fact was that the people were fed up with their terrible economic situation, their hatred towards the Kuchma regime, wallowing in corruption and robbing of the Ukrainian people. These foreign supported and inspired "orange revolutionaries" channeled the entire hatred towards Kuchma himself, and against his candidate who was part of Kuchma's cabinet for the Presidency V. Yanukovich, but hiding the cardinal fact that the Yushchenko forces were and are part and parcel of the bourgeois state and, that the calamity that was brought unto the Ukrainian people is due to the dismemberment of the Soviet Union.

This scenario was overseen by the US-CIA forces, plus hundreds of million dollars was given, while the government that was in Ukraine and its capitalist regime remains. The new leadership is pro-American and robbing their own people in all of its vile policies.

The objective factor of this

revolutionary situation: crisis at the top, crisis at the bottom and a start of revolutionary activity. The fact is that it is now that the dedicated revolutionary parties must take advantage of this situation and organize to struggle against the present capitalist regime. The crisis at the workers level showed that they no longer wish to live under these conditions, and the activity and readiness to organize and demonstrate was shown there – a beginning for a possibility of revolutionary upsurge, channeled towards the overthrow of the present capitalist regime.

The present regime of Ukraine is dependent solely on the internal and external bourgeoisie, but this hatred was channeled towards the promise that the "orange revolution" will bring the necessary changes - but like in Serbia and Georgia – the main idea was to bring a more pro-American leadership into power. The masses did accomplish only one thing – **they changed their noose around their neck.**

We know, that the workers will soon understand as to what had really happened, that they were hoodwinked and wound around the fingers of the bourgeois.

Our task, the task of the Bolsheviks, is to speed up the revolutionary process and turn the complete energy of the masses against their class enemy, the bourgeoisie – which means that we must help the working class to cleanse their ranks of opportunists, anti-communists and anti-Stalinists – and rise up into a force that is capable of staging a proletarian revolution, a socialist revolution – the only revolution that is capable to liberate the working class from exploitation and oppression.

#### A. MAEVSKIJ

Secretary of the CC of the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks

### CHAUVISIM IS GROWING IN ESTONIA

FROM GAZETA-RU

The elected Deputy of the City of Tallinn, capital of Estonia, Dmitry Klenskij, has declared that chauvinism and hate against the

Russian language and against the Russian people living in Estonia is on the rise in spite of the dual language laws that were passed.

He declared that starting on January 20, 2005 he will speak in the city council sessions in Russian. This anti-Russian-ism is being promoted by the elite of Estonia, including the mayor of Tallinn, who spoke over the TV network very viciously against Russia and the Russian people.

There was an attack by another Estonian city deputy Maret Maripuu, charging that the air raid against Germans during the liberation of Estonia by the Soviet forces in World War II, "was *barbaric*", since the Germans were nowhere to be seen and they were very friendly in Tallinn". This of course is a historical lie by these Estonian fascist elements, whose fathers fought against the Red Army, instead of fascist German forces. ■

### POVERTY IN UKRAINE

\*About one quarter of the population of Ukraine live below the poverty line of about \$33 per month. In the poorest areas near the Carpathian Mountains, the poverty encompasses over 50% of the population.

\*Ukraine is among the 65 poorest countries in the world.

\*Labor migration is one of the reasons for empty houses around Ukraine. According to statistics, over 5,000,000 people - one tenth of Ukraine's total population - are working abroad.

In Western Ukraine, it is estimated that at least one member of each family is working either in Portugal, Italy, Czech Republic or Russia.

As one professor said: *"This society now needs a mental revolution in order to change the situation as we had it before the break-up of the Soviet Union"*.

ISN'T CAPITALISM GRAND? ■

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ABOUT NSC? WRITE!**

# SOCIAL STORMS IN RUSSIA

GRIGORY ATOMOV



## YOUNG BOLSHEVIKS IN ACTION!

Russia was covered by social storms of protests against the trampling down by the present regime of the rights and benefits of the people. These actions of protests took place in Moscow region, Peterburg, Samara, Togliatti, Ufa, Kaliningrad, Stavropol, Penze, Tomsk, Izhevsk, Barnaule, Krasnodar, Kazan, Kursk, Perm, Nizhny Novgorod, Pskov and in many other cities and towns across Russia.

**ALTAY:** The pensioners here joined the protests against the drastic cut in their social services. All over the city, and then in front of the administrative building. They demanded - as was in the USSR - free transport in the city and the elimination of the 100% hike in the cost of rent and all social services.

**BASHKARIN:** Here on January 9<sup>th</sup> was a protest, dedicated to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Sunday Massacre by the Czars police. The protesters demanded a change in the policies of the Putin Government, guaranteed social services, more money towards pensions, free transportation for the pensioners and the elimination of all tariffs.

On January 11<sup>th</sup> the pensioners, workers were joined by the war veterans, over 7,000 protestors and, demanded social benefits as were during Soviet times.

**BELOGORODSKAYA REGION:** On January 10<sup>th</sup> the protestors stopped all traffic in the city, all transport to make their demands known to the

administration.

**IZHEVSK:** Hundreds of pensioners, workers and other people, with placards demanding the social service costs not be raised. Police tried to stop the protestors but they broke through their lines. The militia

social security cuts, demanding resignation of the government. They started to storm the administration buildings and the police reinforcements had a hard time containing the people. The city administration was forced to promise



were not able to stop the protests. They arrested a youth and then the pensioners encircled the wagon and started to rock it back and forth. After 20 minutes the young protestor was freed to the cheers of the people. The meeting of protest was attended by over 5,000 people strong.

**KRASNODAR:** The meeting of protest against rising prices and curtailing of social services was effective and there were demands for the resignation of the Putin government.

**MOSCOWSKAYA OBLAST:** There took place many protests with thousands of workers and pensioners demanding social services be reinstated as before. Streets and squares were blocked to traffic. Police were on hand but the people did not move. The authorities used police, security forces, fire hoses were trained on the protestors, but to no avail, People stood firm.

**PENZE:** Over 1000 people marched and closed the streets in protests and would not budge when told by the police to move.

**TOMSK:**

On January 15<sup>th</sup> over 5,000 people gathered for a demonstration against

the people what they demanded.

The main results of all these demonstrations across Russia was the fact that at last the government of Putin came face to face with the reality of people taking their anger to the streets and not willing any longer to believe the promises and lies. We must take special care to make sure that these demonstrations are turned around into the demands of a return to socialism and to the resurrection of the Soviet Union.

I know that NSC has published and is publishing much about the counterrevolution through the "orange revolution" in Ukraine. I would just like to add the following:

The contemporary form of the bourgeois "democracy" has taken on a new twist, different from historic struggles against globalization. The whole effort of imperialism now is the hoodwinking and buying-off the young people with promises of a glorious future in capitalism, as seen by the corporate power in its support for American dream of the New World Order.

The national bourgeoisie is not capable to control their economic or political processes inside it's "own



country" More and more elections in these so-called "independent countries" become the battleground between imperialist powers. It is the multinational power and finances that control the mass media and thus the influence.

This new struggle is called "bringing democracy" and it is not the high financiers in each country that control these elections, it is the imperialist powers, vying for influence and raw resources plus cheap labour, that do the controlling. This brings forward, as Marxist terminology states - "Peoples Revolution"!

## OSTROVSKY MONUMENT DEMOLISHED

In Boyarka, Ukraine, a monument to not only a famous Soviet literary figure, but a world renowned writer, Nikolai Ostrovsky, the author "*How the Steel was Tempered*" has now been demolished by the present Ukrainian nationalists of the "Orange Revolution".

COMMENT:

*Is book burning coming next in Ukraine?*

## MOST RUSSIANS ARE SORRY THAT USSR IS GONE

**MOSCOW-** Pollsters stated that over 67% of Russia's population regret the collapse of the Soviet Union and that 58% of the people feel that relations between Russia and other former Soviet Republics is normal, friendly and neighborly.

The Yury Levada Analytical Center said that less than 26% of Russians are glad that the USSR has fallen apart.

## SOROS-KAZAKHSTAN MAY CEASE ACTIVITY

From KAZIMFORM

**ALMATY-** Last December 26<sup>th</sup>, the Almaty Department on prevention of economic and corruption crimes informed the public that it is instituting a criminal case against the George Soros-Kazakhstan Fund.

The representatives of the Soros Fund replied that their activities are

legal according to Kazakhstan's tax legislation. But the tax department charged that the criminal case against the Soros Fund is due to nonpayment of taxes of more than \$81 million KZT.

The Kazakhstan government's pressure on Soros Fund is ongoing and it looks that Soros has to close his Fund offices there. The government does not want another "Orange Revolution" as it was in Ukraine, where George Soros Fund and many others, were lavishly distributed.

## RUSSIA'S COMMUNISTS MOUNT CAMPAIGN TO OUST GOVERNMENT

Agence France-Presse

Russian Communist Party mounted a campaign to oust the government in a direct challenge to President Putin, following weeks of nationwide protests by drastic cuts in the social welfare benefits.

The Russian State Duma's lower house left-wing caucus said that they would collect 90 signatures of members of parliament as is required in the 450-seat chamber, to hold a confidence vote on the year-long government of Prime Minister Mikhail Fradkov.

The demonstrators, despite the bitter cold weather demonstrated all across Russia and closed many streets with their demonstrations. There is speculation that these spontaneous protests - the first since the tumultuous days of Yeltsin in the 1990's - may force the humiliated president to fire either his government or the top ministers over the affair.

If successful, the Communists in the Duma will have to have the support from remaining liberals, who also oppose those drastic measures.

Even the pro-government newspaper "Izvestia" wrote that the frightened Fradko told his cabinet before the meeting with Putin: "So, what are we going to tell the president?" Izvestia reported that there was "a grave silence fell" on the meeting.

**NSC NEEDS FINANCIAL HELP!**

## IS FASCISM ON THE WAY?

*These two items were taken from the "Russia Reform Monitor" with our comments.*

The Russian State Duma has given first reading to an "Anti Terrorism Bill" which states the following: "this bill gives the Russian government the right to impose a 60-day state of emergency in any part of the country. It also authorizes the government to ban meetings and demonstrations, tap telephones, conduct spot checks on all the streets and restrict the movement of people and traffic even if there is no emergency.

COMMENT:

*This is right from German fascist laws during the 1930's. Even the US Patriot Act does not go so far.*

## RUSSIAN TAX MINISTRY AND THE ALPHA GROUP

Deputy Finance Minister Sergei Shatalov had put a \$157 million law suit for non payment of taxes against the VimpelCom - Russia's second-largest mobile telephone corporation. But the Information Technology Minister Leonid Reiman said that the amount is exaggerated. But the VimpelCom's biggest shareholder is non other than Leonid Fridman, head of the Alpha Group.

COMMENT:

*It's very interesting that the people mentioned above were all top financial contributors to Putin's presidential election fund. As the saying goes: Birds of a feather flock together!*

## RIGHT FROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH!

"Were the Soviet Union to sink tomorrow under the waters of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, our mighty American military-industrial establishment would have to go on, substantially unchanged, until some other enemy or adversary could be invented. Anything else would be an unacceptable shock to the American economy."

George F. Kennan, 1987

*Influential member of US Cabinet in the White House Administration*

# PUTIN- THE LIQUIDATOR

FROM NEWSPAPER "MOLNIYA"

In an extensive article about "Restoration and Liquidation", we are publishing just an excerpt here

"What can we expect from this President, who just yesterday was talking about the safe entity of all the Russian territories, and sending to the other world the establishing of constitutional democracy in Chechnya which has already cost thousands of lives.

It is fully possible that in this year Putin will assign a contingent of Russian soldiers to go into Iraq, in order to help Uncle Sam. Mr. Putin, you must realize that there will be less and less volunteers to serve in your army, since we are not for the blood of our young people to be mixed together with the "black oil".



You are already giving away the Sakhalin Islands, Kamchatka, Kaliningrad region, allowing NATO German army to have a free reign on the territory of Russia, selling off the oil riches of Russia to foreigners, forming joint companies and exploiting the people.

You, Mr. Putin have welcomed NATO to the borders of Russia itself. You have allowed without any kind of protest to have these former Soviet Republics be absorbed into NATO".

**COMMENT:**  
*Remember, Mr. Putin, when US Imperialism has no more use for your services, you will be thrown unto a heap of trash as has happened to many former "friends" of US Imperialism!*

## RUSSIAN PENSIONERS TAKE TO THE STREETS IN PROTEST AT BENEFIT CUTS

By ANDREW OSBORN  
THE INDEPENDENT - UK

Thousands of Russian pensioners staged massive protests across the country last month against the abolition of generous Soviet Socialist era social benefits. Although the protests were peaceful, analysts said that this was the most serious demonstration since 1998, when the Russian coal miners blocked all railway tracks in protest against unpaid wages.

For three days the protestors demonstrated, and these demonstrations had stretched from Russia's Far East to Moscow itself, and at times brought to a standstill the transport arteries.

They protested the law that was brought into effect last January 1, 2005, 14 years after the collapse of the Soviet Union. The adopted legislation by the Russian Duma replaced the existing Socialist-style social benefits with small monthly cash payments.

People before enjoyed free public transport and medicine and heavily subsidized living accommodations, plus many other services - have now realized how good the old days were. This new regulation is supposedly to save the Putin government billions of rubles - but this affects over 34,000,000 Russians - just over a quarter of the total population. These pensioners have watched in horror as their decades-old Socialist government help has been swept away at a stroke.

The Russian TV had shown pictures of elderly men and women physically squaring off against Putin's police. This certainly showed the onlookers as to who is who.

Many demonstrators brandished banners criticizing President Putin and demanding full restoration of their rights. In interviews with the news media, this comment expressed the anger of the demonstrators: "Somebody in the government just thinks that he hasn't enough money to buy a villa in the Canary Islands, so they decided to buy it anyway at the expense of the pensioners. These people never have enough.!"

The Russian parliament (the

Duma) is controlled by Mr. Putin's "United Russia Party" - did not approve the motion by the Communists and the Motherland Party to review this drastic legislature.

In a poll conducted right after the demonstrations by the Ekho Moskvy Radio station, over 97% of the people blamed Putin for this crisis.

## YELTSIN KILLED A MAN IN "DRUNKEN HIT-AND-RUN"- HIS BIOGRAPHER CLAIMS

BY ANDREW OSBORN IN  
MOSCOW

Boris Yeltsin, former president, has been accused of killing a man in a drunken hit-and-run accident when he was in power and ordering his aides to cover it up. When Putin was appointed by Boris Yeltsin as his successor, Yeltsin was absolved of this crime and of selling out the USSR, but also of all his other



crimes and stealing of billions of dollars.

This hit-and-run took place near Moscow in early 1990's, is now detailed in an updated biography, written by his former top aide and senior bodyguard, Alexander Korzhakov. His book "*Boris Yeltsin-From Dawn to Dusk*" was published in 1997, but a new chapter was added recently.

Alexander Korzhakov is now a deputy in the Russian parliament, and he enjoyed unrivaled access to Mr. Yeltsin and his secrets during his rocky 1991-1999 presidency, acting as his closest advisor for much of that time. Mr. Korzhakov was fired from his position as head of Yeltsin's personal body retinue. Since then, he had no qualms in revealing the inner secrets, the alcohol problem etc.

Yeltsin, after drinking heavily in a bathhouse, wanted and demanded that he will drive the car himself. Mr.



Korzhakov said that Yeltsin mixed up in his drunken stupor, of what was the break and which was the accelerator pedal, and the motorcyclist was seriously hurt and after that died. We changed doctors for him often, and after six months he died and we buried him in an unmarked grave. Mr. Yeltsin never asked as to what happened to the motorcyclist.

The accident was never reported to the police, and the bodyguard had the car expertly repaired on the sly, and nobody ever found as to what had happened.

Of course Mr. Yeltsin is denying this, but Mr. Korzhakov, now 73 and retired, was a former KGB employee for 11 years. Insiders claim that he was the power behind the throne. ■

**WHEN WILL A GENERAL STRIKE TAKE PLACE TO TOPPLE PUTIN?**

## STOLEN VICTORY

**Alexander Zinoviev**

November 15, 2004

(Original at <http://ru-vklad.kroupnov.ru/archives/2004/11/000075.html>)

The following short article is by Alexander Zinoviev. On Jan. 22, 2005, it was translated and posted on the Stalin list by Prof. Grover Furr of Montclair State University. According to Prof. Furr "Zinoviev was a well-known Soviet dissident, and hated Stalin when the latter was alive, [Zinoviev] even claims he plotted to kill Stalin. He returned to Russia after the USSR ended (or just before), having gone into exile in France in the '70s. But now he is a kind of pro-Soviet nationalist, and says communism has to be the wave of the future. An interesting guy, very embarrassing for the anti-communists, since he was such a ferocious exile dissident and anti-communist himself for so long. He is a real admirer of Stalin."

The article, as Prof. Furr points out "is not Marxist at all, but interesting. 'The worm is beginning to turn' in Russia and the post-Soviet countries, and this is only one of many signs." As he says,

Zinoviev "is very far from Marxism (he's a sociologist). So that means he is a kind of mix of a cosmopolitan (not pro-working class, but with an international outlook) and nationalist. But he is pro-communist."

**The Day of Victory of the Soviet Union over Germany** in the war of 1941-1945 is officially declared to be the most important national holiday of Russia. At first glance, this should be welcomed. But how is this victory interpreted, and how concretely is this recognition and celebration carried out? For from this war and from our victory the most important things are, as it were, emasculated, namely — their social essence and the concrete facts of our history, which characterize them. Official circles and the mass media speak only about some abstract Russia, and not about Soviet Russia, not about the Soviet Union. And if something is said in this regard, it is spoken of as something minor or even negative. The name of the person without which this victory in the greatest war in history is

inconceivable — Stalin's name — either is not mentioned at all, or is cited as if we won despite him, as though he simply interfered, made mistakes, and committed crimes. They talk as though some abstract people won the victory.

Yes, the people conducted and prevailed in the war. But not just some kind of abstract "people", but the Soviet people. I emphasize: Soviet! The Soviet people — the people that in 1917 carried out the greatest social revolution in history of humanity. The people who became the trailblazers of a new path of social evolution, qualitatively different from all that world history knew before. The people who built a communist social structure that influenced the course of all world history. A people formed and brought up in a communist manner. A people headed by the communist party and the top leadership, with Stalin at its head. These are facts of history. To ignore them is to commit a deliberate historical falsification.

Without doubt, a complex of historical factors played a role in that victory, including the ability of the Russian people to endure the most difficult conditions of life.

patriotism, aid from the West, and so on. However the main, decisive factor of victory was the Soviet (communist) social formation and the country's leadership, including the military leadership, headed by Stalin. Whatever inadequacies they had in reality, and whatever the inadequacies that may be attributed to them by anticommunists and anti-Soviet forces, the war was won first of all by Soviet communists led by Stalin. During the war and in the post-war years even the most ferocious anticommunists and anti-Soviet forces did not dispute this historic fact. It is just as much a historic fact as the fact that the war was lost first of all by the German National Socialists led by Hitler. To ignore or distort this fact signifies a shameless ideological-propagandistic lie, an attempt to make fools of the masses of the Russian population in order to please those categories of Russians who have carried out an anticommunist revolution in our country and profit from it, and to those forces of the West which, immediately after our victory, began a new stage of war against our country — one that received the name "the Cold War".

And the West generally concedes to our country only a supporting role in the victory over Hitlerite Germany, appropriating to itself almost completely, or at least in the main, the merits of victory. Of course the countries of the West made their contribution to the victory over Germany. By doing so they helped our country withstand and crush the aggressor. But they did not do it out of love for Russian communism. They waged war against our country from first days of its existence as the country that was building communism. They made titanic efforts to incite Hitlerite expansion against the Soviet Union. Historical circumstances, including internal conflicts in the Western world, compelled them to become allies of the Soviet. But the determining factor in their opening of the "second front" against Germany were the victories of the Soviet army, which left no hope in the West for a Soviet defeat. Moreover the fear that the Soviet army, even without the participation of the Western allies, would finish

Germany and seize all Western Europe, also played a role. By opening the second front the Allies rescued themselves from the threat of the victory of communism throughout all of Europe. And it must be admitted that such fears had a serious basis in those years. In a word, victory in the greatest war in human history was stolen from those who actually took on themselves all the burdens of war, who suffered the greatest losses, who demonstrated the greatest patience and courage, who contributed to the business of victory the greatest and most flexible intellect.

According to the official Russian concept, the war of 1941–1945 against Germany was emancipatory and patriotic; Russians battled for their fatherland. Agreed. But the question is: for what fatherland did they fight? During the years of the war nobody in the world (with rare exceptions) had any doubt on this account: the overwhelming majority of Soviet people fought for their Soviet — I emphasize: Soviet! — homeland. By the time the war began the Soviet (communist) social formation had become a habitual way of life for the majority of citizens of the Soviet Union. And to separate it from the masses of the population was practically impossible. Whether people liked it or not, all defence by them of self and country meant defence of the new social formation. Russia and communism existed not side by side with each other, but in unity. The overwhelming majority of actively working citizens identified themselves first of all as Soviet people. For them, defeat of communism in Russia was equivalent to a defeat of Russia herself. In the course of the war this consciousness became stronger as one of the fundamental components of practically working mass ideology. Even those who understood the inadequacies of the Soviet social formation and were critical — at times, even hostile — to it, appreciated its achievements and understood that the aggressors threatened the loss of those achievements. So the word "patriotism" here does not adequately reflect the mental attitude of the Soviet people.

Victory of the Stalinist — yes,

Stalinist — Soviet Union against Hitlerite — yes, Hitlerite — Germany in 1945 meant the victory of the communist line of human social evolution over capitalist or "Western" line. It sealed the first stage of the epoch-making social (!) war of the West against communism. Immediately after it began the second stage, which is called the Cold War. It ended at the conclusion of the twentieth century with the capitulation of the Soviet Union before the West. In the complex of the factors that have defined this defeat, the main role has been played by the defeat of the Soviet (communist) social formation. The West has taken revenge for its defeat in 1945. The winners in the "cold" war have undertaken a total falsification of Soviet history, having stolen from those who in the Great Patriotic War of 1941–1945 won the greatest victory in the history of "hot" wars. ■

## SOVIET WAR VETERANS ARRIVE IN VOLGOGRAD FOR 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF BATTLE OF STALINGRAD

From ITAR-TASS

Passengers, all war veterans of this historic battle, came from Moscow on a train named "Train of Memory" - all 500 of them, the remaining veterans who fought this mammoth battle that turned the tide of World War II.

Volgograd residents welcomed these war veterans to sounds of music, performed by a military band. The veterans were overjoyed and in tears at this welcome. Sixty-two years have passed since this tremendous battle and the defeat of the Nazis on the Volga.

These veterans of the Battle on the Volga will visit the Mamayev Kurgan Memorial and lay wreaths and flowers at the graves of soldiers that were killed in the battle.

### COMMENT:

*We hope that these heroes of the Battle of Stalingrad will demand that the city be renamed Stalingrad on this 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Their comrades did not die a heroic death for Volgograd — they died with the battle cry, "For Motherland and for Stalin"!* ■

# FRIENDSHIP NEWS

## FROM SOCIALIST PARTY OF BANGLADESH –SPB

Dear comrade Michael Lucas:

Thank you very much for the invitation to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congress of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People. We are very glad to inform you that the Convener of our Party, the Socialist Party of Bangladesh, comrade Khalequzzaman will be the official delegate to the Second World Congress this year.

Our proposed submission to the Congress will be sent within time as you mentioned in your letter. We hope that this World Congress will be a success and fruitful and help to elevate the struggle of Soviet people for the resurrection of the USSR and Socialism.

With revolutionary greetings!

Comradely yours  
Mobinul Hayder Chowdhury  
Member of the Central Committee  
Socialist Party of Bangladesh-SPB ■

## FROM CHILEAN COMMUNIST PARTY (Proletarian Action)

Dear comrades:

We would first like to extend our fraternal greetings and also congratulate you for the important work that you are engaged in, through the pages of Northstar Compass, since under the new circumstances - we Communists find ourselves in - it is of significant importance and relevance to express our views as Communists, and bring it forth to the workers and all the people.

Comrades, we are getting close to the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the defeat of Nazi-fascism. We as Communists are organizing events in order to give this important date the visibility and publicity it requires.

It is due to the preparations of events regarding the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary that we ask our comrades and friends to support us in sending materials regarding this date - be it books, flags, articles, documents, videos, posters, etc.

Through your NSC and Friendship Society with the Soviet People, we hope to bring this message to as many comrades as possible.

Please send the materials to:

EDUARDO ARTES  
Casilla 51530  
Correo Central, Santiago, CHILE

*We wish you comrades success!* ■

## To the Executive Committee of the International Council and to Northstar Compass

Dear comrade Lucas:

The All-Union Movement for the Soviet Union and the Supreme Soviet of the USSR are sending you a list of members of the delegation that were elected to attend the Second World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, which is to take place on September 23-24-25, 2005 in the city of Toronto, Canada.

From the All-Union Movement for the Soviet Union, the following six delegates were elected:

\*Kozlobaev A.G., Chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, leader of the All-Union Movement for the Soviet Union and Editor of newspaper Sovinformbureau.

\*Frolovich R.F., Vice Chairman of the Presidium of Supreme Soviet, leader of the Fatherland Society of Byelorussia and Editor of Patriotic Herald.

\*Saveliev S.G., Vice Chairman of the Presidium of Supreme Soviet, leader of the Ukrainian Movement for the Soviet Union, Editor of the journal Communist Herald

\*Korjakin V.S., General Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, Deputy of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR, Editor of the newspaper Renovation.

\*Biche-ool V.M., Leader of the Republican Movement for the Soviet Union (*the Tula ASSR*) Deputy of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR.

\*Leonov V.P., Leader of the Kuibyshev regional organization of the All-Union Movement for the Soviet Union, Deputy of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR.

Coming from the Communist

United Party of Azerbaijan are:  
\*Tukanov Musa David ogli, First Secretary of the Communist United Party of Azerbaijan.

\*Musabekov Jashar Bakhran ogli, Second Secretary of the Central Committee.

\*Bairamov Chingis David ogli, First Secretary of the Binagadinsk District Committee in Baku.

We also have sent your correspondence and invitation to other organizations, parties and movements. This is done in order to send as large a delegation as possible and also as representative as possible to this very important Second World Congress.

We ask you comrades to send the invitations to the above as quickly as possible, so that we can start the proceedings to apply for visas to Canada.

Comradely yours  
A.G. Kozlobaev, Chairman of the Presidium, of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR ■

## FROM BENDERY MOLDAVIA

Dear comrades:

I have become familiar with the Call by the International Council of the forthcoming Second World Congress that will be held in September of this year in Toronto, Canada. All the friends and comrades here said: "*You must go!*" It is easier said than done, since there is a problem of unity amongst the left parties here regarding the question of socialism and of the resurrection of the Soviet Union. Of course we should be represented at this very important Second World Congress!

But there is the problem of a passport. My passport is of the USSR, which I shall never-ever give up, since I consider myself Soviet, and therefore I cannot get a passport to go overseas.

There is also the question of finances.

I am asking you comrades to help me get a passport that will allow me to go abroad and attend this Congress. Can you help me in this? Can you also help me with finances?

I asked you before to publish in NSC the story and documentation of my struggles against the authorities



regarding the worker S. Borisova and the struggle to get her job back. I sent the materials to you before which you did not publish.

Comradely yours  
N.N.GARMASH

*We are unfortunately not able to devote more space to problems either of individual character or others, since we are swamped with requests to publish all sorts of materials. Regarding your passport, we unfortunately cannot help you in this. Regarding help financially for you to attend the Congress – that is also a problem for us –since we are all volunteers in the organization and in producing the publication.*

FROM BRUSSELS  
BELGIUM



Dear comrades:

On behalf of the Workers' Party of Belgium, we wish you a Happy New Year, and a very successful one for the International Council. We hope that the Second World Congress will continue the utmost important work of supporting the active forces that strive for the rebuilding of the Soviet Union.

Last December 18-19, 2004 I attended in Moscow a scientific conference that was held by the Institute of Philosophy of the Russian Academy of Sciences in order to commemorate the 125<sup>th</sup> birthday of Joseph V. Stalin. These important reports will be published soon.

On this occasion I met with comrades of the Russian Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries, Chechentsev & Bourenkov, who are performing a most valuable work for the development of the Soviet idea and practice. Taking into account the lack of material means and the difficult circumstances of our Russian comrades, I think that we should

esteem their efforts and activities.

Wishing the best of 2005 to all of you. Yours truly

Jeff Bossuyt  
Member of the International Council  
for Friendship and Solidarity with  
Soviet People

*P.S. The 78 page Book that NSC published in English, "The Lie of the Lenin Testament" is now translated into Russian by Chechentsev and being published in Russia.*

### KOREAN COMMITTEE FOR SOLIDARITY WITH WORLD PEOPLE

Dear friends:

In recent times, the Japanese Government fabricated the "results of the examination" of the remains of the Japanese woman, Megumi Yokota that we sent with consideration of humanism, while the Japanese government is taking advantage of this for anti-DPRK maneuvers. We are forwarding the Memorandum regarding this case and ask you to publish it in your esteemed journal.

This Memorandum discloses the truth of the examination of the remains of the Japanese woman Megumi Yokota as they were analyzed by the Ministry of People's Security and by our forensic pathologists.

Ultra-right wing forces of Japan are fanning up an atmosphere of confrontation with DPRK, demanding in introducing a "Bill on human rights in DPRK" The Japanese government has totally ignored the sincere efforts made by DPRK to confirm these remains. Japanese authorities are accusing us of not giving them the "objective results"

The Japanese authorities question the DNA tests performed by DPRK scientists and all other matters pertaining the identification of the bones. They question the methods that we use. The Deikyo College where the tests were made are being criticized by people who have no idea how forensic scientists work. The Japanese claim that the tests are not on one body but the remains of two bodies or more.

In the DPRK the bodies are burnt at 1,200 degrees C. This storm that is brewing is conclusive proof that

this is a deliberate move to put the credibility of the examination performed in DPRK that the bones were put in of other persons, not that of Megumi Yokota.

After we sent Japan the remains, the Japanese government took the remains and displayed them in a hall in Minsato ward, before starting and launching a smear campaign against the DPRK, asserting that the DPRK unearthed and deliberately cremated the remains in a bid to make it impossible to test them.

Japanese government faked the results of their examination and took the DNA and fingerprints of her husband, trying to substitute the results.

Japan refused to recognize that the issue of the abduction that was already settled. No matter how hard Japan will try to attain its political purpose by resulting to despicable methods of making profound and confusing of right and wrong, it can never evade the responsibility for having faked the results of the examination of the remains of Megumi Yokota. Japan should bear this in mind.

Now, that the Japanese insist that the remains are not that of Yokota, it should return them to DPRK, in their original state and start a thorough probe for the truth of their faked results and punish those responsible for it.

We express our firm belief that your organization will read this Memorandum and publish it in your journal.

With regards,

The Korean Committee for Solidarity  
with the Worlds People

### SECOND WORLD CONGRESS

As of this month, judging by the interest shown, there will be about 37 countries represented with delegates at this 3-day gathering of Friends of Soviet People, Sept. 23-24-25, 2005.

Delegates are coming from as far as Bangladesh, Nepal, Japan and others. From ex-USSR there will be about 11 delegates present.

We're appealing for financial help, dear friends!

## BETRAYED – THE VIDEO YOU SHOULD SEE!

This story appeared in the Vancouver Courier, Canada. This film was refused to be aired by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC). Lloyd Redstone, member of the Editorial Board of NSC and of CFSP, was a Merchant Seaman and is featured in this video.

This video can be purchased at \$40.00 from: **ELAINE BRIERE**,  
202-1374 Grant St., Vancouver, B.C. V5L 2X5

### IT'S ABOUT TIME!

Last month on January 12, 2005, sixteen US Democrats in the House of Representatives sent a letter demanding that President Bush begin the immediate withdrawal of the US troops from Iraq.

Even the New York Times (January 10, 2005) wrote that "discussions in US Congress are bubbling up there and also in the Pentagon, and one of these days it will also in the White House." Every day brings more and more defections from, Bush's "stay the course" policy.

The Americans dropped at least 44,000 bombs on the sleeping citizens of Iraq, in the Shock and Awe disaster. And that was just the start. The number killed by the Americans since, is now over 130,000 that are accounted for. What about the wounded, the missing, the homeless?

### THIS JUST IN!

Georgian Prime Minister Zhvania who led the revolution against Shevernadze was found dead in his apartment, supposedly by a gas leak from a heater. Georgia now is a dangerous place to be in. Georgia needs a Stalin to appear!

## OPEN FORUM

## TSUNAMI, ACEH UNDER MILITARY OCCUPATION

BY C. FERNANDEZ- C.A.W.R.

The most disturbing side of the Tsunami disaster that hit the Asian region has been a constant and unstoppable and grotesque festival of images and devastation by the media. It is as if the bodies drifting out to sea, the battered carcasses strewn along the beaches and bloated babies lying in rows are aspects of suffering, that should be scrutinized with every microscopic intensity; it is however, the morbid intent of the media to celebrate the atmosphere of human catastrophe. The media has indeed excelled, the Tsunami was turned into a 24-hour media frenzy of carnage and ruin; exploring every facet of human

misery in agonizing detail. The festival of bloodshed is going ahead at full-throttle and it's bumping up TV ratings in the process.

However, where was this "free press" in Iraq, when the death toll was skyrocketing towards the 100,000 mark? So far, we have seen nothing of the devastation and human carnage perpetrated by the occupation forces on a daily basis. Is death less photogenic in Iraq? Clearly, there are political motives behind all of this coverage. The Boardroom bosses and the Corporations that they represent are only focused on the bottom line. Simply put, tragedy is good for business. The manipulation of the calamity is particularly disturbing, especially when disaster is translated into revenue windfall.

But, what of Aceh, the Indonesian province on the northern part of the island of Sumatra? People are more familiar in Southeast Asia with places



like Sri Lanka, India and Thailand. Tens of thousands of homeless are facing the prospect of killer diseases. The disaster has been compounded by the chaotic mismanagement by the Indonesian authorities and legacy of decades of violent conflicts. A war has been raging in the territory since 1970s between The GAM (Free Aceh Movement). Aceh was born in 1976 and it was met with brutal military crackdowns. The more the locals disrupted Exxon and Mobil operations, the more soldiers were sent in. In 2003 when the Peace Talks failed, President Megawati Sukarnoputro imposed martial law and dispatched another 50,000 more troops. Overall, up to 20,000 people have died in the last 30 years, out of a population of 4 million. The Acehese people have been denied an audience in the political theaters of the Western world powers and the European Union.

Another important fact purposely forgotten by the media has been the issue of Warning Systems. The US administration, which knew of the potential for the Tsunami from its bases in the Pacific, only warned its own military base at Diego Garcia, but did not take immediate action to sound a wider alarm in the region – it is **criminal negligence!** Clearly, it seems that Asian lives as Iraqi lives are dispensable.

**MANIK MUKHERJEE**



## **SOCIALIST UNITY CENTRE OF INDIA**

Dear comrades.

The Year 2004 ended with great distress for all of us.

The fury of the Tsunami has devastated large areas of South Asia, including India and shattered the lives of millions of common people. Soon after the devastation struck the southern and eastern coast of India, our Party organization in South India plunged into relief and rescue operation, bringing succor to the afflicted people. We have organized collection among the people for the affected region for money, medicine and other relief materials.

We also are campaigning among the people in the regions, not affected by the disaster, making them aware and appealing to them to come to the aid of the distressed people. We are not waiting for the Indian government's relief measures. We do not expect much from a capitalist Government, as you know, very often whatever aid the Government sanctions, it does not reach the right people at the right time. The Indian Government can spend millions for building a nuclear arsenal and missile systems, but can't sanction money for an early warning system for natural disasters.

Even after this disaster, the Science and Technology Minister of the Central Government of India declared very brazenly that it is not worth spending so much on Tsunami Warning System, because it is so rare.

Even human misery is to be judged on the basis of profit and loss! We are exposing this hypocritical stand of the Government to the people, at the same time sharing their misery and bringing them all possible relief. It is inspiring

that the common people, all over the world, have come forward, providing help for the affected people, materially and morally.

With greetings

Manik Mukherjee  
Deputy, International Affairs  
Socialist Unity Center of India (SUC)  
and  
Vice President of the  
All India Anti-Imperialist Forum ■

## **QUOTES**

"Never think that war, no matter how necessary, nor how justified they say it is by capitalist countries, is not a crime.

**ERNEST HEMINGWAY**

"There have been periods in history in which episodes of terrible violence occurred, but for which the word violence was never ever used...Violence is shrouded in justifying myths that lend it moral legitimacy, and these myths for the most part kept people from recognizing the violence for what it was. The people who burnt witches at the stake never for one moment thought of their act as violence, rather they thought of it as an act divinely mandated by God."

**GIL BAILIE**

"Give the money that has been spent on war and I will clothe every man, women and child in an attire of which kings and queens would be proud. I will build schools in every valley of the earth and I will feed everyone in this world. I will crown every hillside with a place of worship that is concentrated only to peace."

**CHARLES SUMMER** ■

## **HUNDREDS OF TITLES OF SOVIET BOOKS AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH!**

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## **CHUCKLE CORNER**

Five surgeons are discussing who has the best patients to operate on. The first surgeon said: "*I like to see accountants on my operating table, because, when you open them up everything is numbered.*"

The second responded, "*Yeah, but you should try electricians! Everything inside of them is color coded.*"

The third surgeon says: "*No, I really think that librarians are the best, everything inside of them is in alphabetical order.*"

The fourth surgeon chimes in: "*You know, I like to operate on construction workers. Those guys always understand when you have a few parts left over at the end, and, when the job takes longer than you said it would.*"

But the fifth surgeon shut them all up when he observed: "*You are all wrong. Politicians are the easiest to operate on. There's no guts, no heart, no balls, no brains and no spine, and the head and the ass are interchangeable.*"

Police in Germany are hunting pranksters who have been sticking US flags into piles of dog poo in public parks. Josef Oetti, the parks administrator for Bayreuth, said: "*This has been going on for about a year now, and there must be 2,000 to 3,000 piles of excrement that have been claimed during that time.*" The series of incidents was originally thought to be some sort of protest against President Bush's campaign for re-election. German legal experts say that there is no law against using dog feces as a flag stand, while German Federal constitution is very vague about this. Meanwhile, the US fags are flying over dog poo! The message is there, but Bush still does not see it ■

## **WORDS OF WISDOM**

"Free enterprise is a term that refers, in practice, to a system of public subsidy and private profit, with massive government intervention in the economy to maintain a welfare state for the rich." ■



**A GROWING RESISTANCE TO THE IRAQ WAR**

By **SUSAN ELAN**  
The Journal News

A New York Bronx sailor who refused to board his ship bound for the Persian Gulf, has shone a spotlight on the small but growing resistance within the US military to the war in Iraq.

Petty Officer 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Pablo Paredes, 23, could have set out the remaining 20 months of his six-year enlistment in the air-conditioned comfort aboard a ship. Instead Paredes sat on the pier at Naval Station San Diego on December 6, as the amphibious assault ship he was assigned to, the USS Bonhomme Richard, pulled out for the Middle East.

*"I don't want to be part of a ship that's taking 3,000 Marines over there, knowing that a hundred or more of them won't come back,"* said the surface-to-air missile technician, who enlisted in the Navy at the age of 17. *"I can't sleep at night knowing that this is what I do for a living."*

Opposition within the US military to the war in Iraq has taken a variety of forms, including over 5,500 desertions reported by the Pentagon, lawsuits filed by reservists fighting prolonged tours of duty, and the refusal of an Army Reserve Platoon in Iraq to deliver fuel because their vehicles are not safe. There is a growing number of US soldiers seeking refugee status in Canada, or deliberately injuring themselves to avoid returning to duty again.

San Diego attorney Warren, representing Paredes, said: *"The US military may be concerned that he is just the tip of a developing iceberg."*

*They may make an example of him."*

In a statement made as he surrendered to the Navy authorities, Paredes said: *"I wanted the US people to hear a voice from within, that is willing to say, that this war is criminal, this is injustice, this is murder."* ■

**IRAQI MINISTER RESIGNS IN PROTEST**

A Minister in the Interim Government of Iraq has resigned in protest at the behavior of US forces in the capital of Baghdad.

The Minister of State, Adnan Janabi, said that he had been detained for more than an hour under guard at a checkpoint controlling access to the so-called green zone, where many diplomatic, military and governmental offices are located.

The Iraqi Primer Minister's office confirmed this resignation, but no action is being taken against the US forces.

Oh yes, he US marionettes are cutting the strings. ■

**BIN LADEN SHOULD STAY FREE, SAYS THE CIA**

By **TONY ALLEN MILLS**  
The Times - UK

*"The world may be better off if Osama bin Laden remains at large",* according to the CIA's recently departed Executive Director, said "Buzzy" Krongard, who stepped down six weeks ago as the CIA's third most senior executive.

*"Bin Laden is turning into a more charismatic leader than a terrorist mastermind. Some of his lieutenants we should worry about",* Krongard, 68, said. *"I view bin Laden not as a chief executive, but more like a*

*venture capitalist. I don't see him as keeping his finger on everything, because the lines of communications are just too difficult."*

Several very senior CIA officials privately also admitted that it might be better to keep bin Laden alive and existing, not capture him or put him on trial. They acknowledged that his capture might prove very counter productive.

**COMMENT:**

*But the world was told that bin Laden was the MASTERMIND behind 9/11, behind all terrorism etc. Is this just a trial balloon to judge what the American people will say after they find out that they were duped by George Bush, or, the truth is that it certainly would be*



embarrassing to US Imperialism if bin Laden was put on trial and spilled the beans that he was the **CREATION** of US Imperialism. Then, better leave bin Laden alone, George – time is coming when both of you will be tried as terrorists!

## SLEAZE IN THE CAPITAL

*The New York Times, Jan. 2, 2005*

One of the sorriest chapters of American history, the gulling of native Indian tribes, is now continuing apace in Washington, where two Capital Hill insiders close to the USA House Majority Leader, Tom DeLay, are being investigated for fleecing six Indian Tribes of more than \$80 millions. The shameful dealings of Jack Abramoff, a Republican power lobbyist, and Michael Scanlon, are coming to light as Senate and Justice Departments investigators follow leads from the newly-rich tribes, whose casino profits spurred a new category of lucre and greed in the hyperkinetic world of Washington lobbying.

These fast-talking political brokers, as their private-gleeful messages said, mocking the Native tribal leaders as “morons”, “troglydtes”, and “monkeys”. “I want all their money!” Mr. Scanlon exuberantly emailed the partner in the middle of one deal.

While the US Senate Indian Affairs Committee is continuing its inquiry, the Republican House leadership remains mute. The gulling of the Native Casino tribes is a blot on the US Congress and the lobbying industry that cries out for a thorough public inquiry. But no one here is taking any bets, particularly at Indian Tribal Casinos, that Capital Hill politicians can fully face the task. ■

## ISRAELI CAUGHT SMUGGLING GUNS INTO UK

*From THE SCOTSMAN – UK*

An Israeli, claiming to be a tourist had been caught by the British police smuggling guns into UK. The gun

was very skillfully hidden, and the Israeli authorities let it through as he was going onboard for the United Kingdom.

This pistol was made from advanced plastic material, which is invisible to the x-ray machine metal detectors used by the airport security. This type of gun is highly specialized and very expensive for ordinary people. It is a weapon of choice for secret service agents and assassins. For the sake of accuracy, the correct term to describe someone who travels to foreign countries to kill people is not a tourist, but a “terrorist”. ■

## POLES OPPOSE TRANSFER OF US MILITARY BASES TO THEIR COUNTRY

*Xinhua News Agency*

**WARSAW.** More than half of the Polish people oppose the transfer of large US military bases from Germany to Poland, according to a recent opinion poll issued last month.

According to the Poll, 54% of Poles are against the transfer and also 50% oppose establishing air bases for the deployment of US air force personnel. They fear that Poland will become the target of terrorist attacks.

The US is determined to transfer part of its military forces in Germany to Eastern Europe, which has caused great concern in Poland. ■

## “WE ARE COMMITTING GENOCIDE IN IRAQ” - US MARINE VETERAN

*FROM HEIKKI SIPILA*

Former Staff Sergeant Jimmy Massey is a 12-year Marine veteran who returned from Iraq, airing some very disparaging views of his country's role in the Middle East region. He was in Iraq since 2003 and took part in the killing of innocent lives. He stated that in one 48-hour period he witnessed the killing of over 30 innocent civilians at highway checkpoints.

What changed his outlook in Iraq

was the sheer brutality of the American military's actions. He was horrified in seeing this and began to speak to his superiors. He was immediately bundled out of Iraq and “**diagnosed**” with depression and post-traumatic stress disorder. He saw that most of the kids that joined the US Army were from “barrios” and “hoods” or the poor parts – so they're swept them up.

He also charged that due to the economic hardships in the US, there exists what can be called an “*economic draft*” of young Americans into the military.

Massey believes that the hostility the Iraqi people have against the American presence has grown to the brutality against the entire Iraqi population.

An independent study said that due to the brutal methods used by US forces, the number of Iraqi casualties at over 100,000, but this does not include the number of those who died due to sanctions against Iraq, lack of medical supplies, clean water or proper sanitation.

**“We are committing genocide in Iraq, and that is the intention of US leadership.”** ■

## IMPERIALIST AGRESSION AND THE MUSLIM PEOPLES

*We publish part of the statement by the Marxist-Leninist Communist*

Today, US imperialism is repeating the capitalist barbarity and savageness, and providing her numerous recidivists, which are full of dirty crimes against humanity – once again through the occupation of Iraq and the massacres in Fallujah. In this manner they do not comply with any international agreements, settlements or war rules. They did not consider or comply with any international organizations or institutions or be bound by them all. Despite all this, they cannot suppress Iraqi resistance. They sank into a bog.

Although they have intensified their tactics and diplomatic moves to make other imperialist countries, regional and local powers as partners in this occupation, this is not helping. Even the proposed Iraqi

elections are not going to solve the problems.

The plunder of Iraq, the seizure of its oil resources, the killing of children and the wounded, promoting the national and religious conflicts, the Abu Ghraibs, the rapes and degrading treatments, these are realities under the Yankee occupied Iraq.

Therefore, on the face of these facts, their castles, their walls, their curtains, their demagogies have to collapse at last.

**Long live the peoples'  
brotherhood and freedom!** ■

## US HITS SERBIA WITH NEW SANCTIONS

By HEIKKI SIPILA

Washington has suspended aid to Serbia for 2005 and besides other sanctions, has refused landing rights to JAT Airways in the US.

The US ambassador to Belgrade, Michael Poly, had told the journalists that these new sanctions were a direct consequence of the Serbian Government's lack of cooperation with the Hague Tribunal against Slobodan Milosevic.

Meanwhile the Belgrade Government, (*which is itself the child and product of US Imperialism-Editor*) said that it was not surprised, saying that the US has been threatening such a move for a long time. ■

## FARC COMMANDER KIDNAPPED IN VENEZUELA

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Venezuelan authorities last month confirmed that the high-ranking leader of the main guerrilla organization FARC of Colombia was captured in downtown Caracas, Venezuela by Colombian secret services and with the of the Venezuelan police.

Commander Rodrigo Granda, better known as "*Ricardo*" was captured in the middle of the day on December 13, 2004, a few days after attending a conference of Latin American supporters of the Bolivarian project.

The FARC communiqué that was issued stated: "*Comrade Ricardo was fulfilling tasks of the International Commission, by trying to seek diplomatic relations with governments and political popular organizations that are interested in contributing to the reconciliation and peace between Colombians.*"

*In face of what has happened in Caracas with the abduction of Ricardo, we are requesting that the Bolivarian government of Venezuela adopt a clear position with respect to the guarantees for the other Bolivarian organizations that may visit there to participate in future events that are programmed by the Bolivarians of Venezuela. What happened to Ricardo is a deplorable precedent that needs to be clarified as rapidly as possible for clearing up doubts and suspicions inherit in this inexplicable event, and because it constitutes a grave offense to the Bolivarian movement of the three fraternal countries fathered by the Liberator."*

Secretary of the Central General Staff of the FARC-EP Mountains of Colombia. Dec. 30. 2004 ■

## Is Al Qaeda just a Bush Boogeyman?

Los Angeles Times-Jan. 11,2005

Is it conceivable that Al Qaeda, as defined by President Bush as the center of a vast and well-organized international terrorist conspiracy, does not exist? There is a new film that was aired by the BBC "*The Power of Nightmares: The Rise and Politics of Fear*" by Adam Curtis asked just a few of pertinent questions, such as:

\*If Osama bin Laden does, in fact, is head of a vast international terrorist organization, with trained operatives in more than 40 countries, as claimed by Bush himself, why, in spite of the admitted torture of prisoners captured by the US forces and CIA, has this US administration failed to produce hard evidence of it?

\*How can it be that in Britain since 9/11, 664 people have been detained on suspicion of terrorism, and also tortured to confess – none of them

were members of Al Qaeda?

\*Why have we heard so much frightening talk about "*dirty bombs*", when experts say that it is panic rather than radioactivity that would kill people?

\*Why did US Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld claim on "*Meet The Press*" in 2001 that Al Qaeda controlled massive underground caves in Afghanistan as high-tech complexes, when the US and British military later found out that there was no such thing? ■

## NEW US SECRETARY NAMES SIX TARGETS

Radio Netherlands, Jan. 18, 2005

Condoleezza Rice named the following countries for future US attacks as "*outposts of tyranny*". She wants to bring freedom to the oppressed peoples in Belarus, Cuba, Iran, Burma, North Korea and Zimbabwe.

In her talks with members of her committee, the National Security Advisor discussed the situation in these countries. She also demanded that Russia must not curb democracy (?!). She had succeeded Colin Powell last month.

COMMENT:

*Maybe she should try and bring real freedom and opportunities for all the Blacks in the ghettos first. Not all Blacks in the US support her and her fabulous acquired wealth.* ■

## West backed Nazism and Fundamentalism in Yugoslavia – MILOSEVIC

Tanjug (Serbia and Montenegro)

**THE HAGUE** - The International Criminal Tribunal for former President of Yugoslavia, Slobodan Milosevic, according to a testimony of defense witness French military physician Patrick Barriot, who presented a document issued by the French Intelligence Services, that Mohamed Allat, pilot of one of the planes hitting the World Trade



Center in New York, last September 11, 2001, had been active in Bosnia-Herzegovina on many occasions between 1994 and 1998.

Milosevic and the witness charged that this proves that Islamic terrorism is deeply rooted in Bosnia-Herzegovina and was supported by US Imperialism – which was one of the major causes of ethnic clashes in the former Yugoslavia.

The witness also denied the report made by the Republika Srpska Commission of the Srebrenica victims in 1995, by charging that that Report was “*dictated*” by the high representative of the international community in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Paddy Ashdown, and that the number of victims were grossly exaggerated. ■

## US MEDIA WHITES OUT VOTE FRAUD

By DAVID SWANSON

There is very strong evidence of a huge vote fraud in Ohio in the last presidential election.

When forced to talk about ethics, the US media big shots often insist that they draw no conclusions. They endlessly reported Dick Cheney’s claims that Saddam Hussien was behind the attacks of September 11, 2001, but it would not have been their place to label that a “*conspiracy theory*”. When it came to the election fraud in Ohio and other US states – on the other hand – the US media has jumped straight to reporting that it’s all a “*conspiracy theory*”, before even reporting the facts. The Bush administration has recently presented the US media with a nutty theory that our Social Security system is broken, which the media in turn has presented to us as an established fact. But, to anyone who reads more than just the news that’s fit to print, it’s our US election system that has broken down.

The New York Times, to its credit, on December 15, 2005, did print a short article on a particular allegation of fraud in the Ohio recount that was made by US Congressman Conyers – but it avoided the whole story.

Sadly, so have most of the labor media and some progressive newspapers. You would think that the AFL-CIO, after spending over

\$200 millions on that election would want to make sure that they got their moneys worth on the vote count. Unfortunately, like its candidate, John Kerry, most of the labor movement has so far dropped the ball on this one.

US media that is dedicated to the truth has a duty to get this well documented fraud exposed and have further investigation done.

There are many things to be investigated, like:

\*Phone calls from Texas to Ohio voters to scare them off to vote.

\*Election workers that were hired by Republican Blackwell, charged that many polling stations failed to open; managers of some polling stations directed people into wrong polling stations, thus losing hundreds of votes; denied scores of voters ballots; shut observers out of the polling stations on the ground of “*homeland security*”.

\*Voters were intimidated outside the polling stations, were given leaflets how to vote and even telling some voters that the election was postponed and sent them away. ■

## A CIA REPORT PREDICTS THAT AMERICAN GLOBAL DOMINANCE COULD END BY YEAR 2020!

By FRED KAPLAN

Who will be the first US politician brave enough to declare publicly that the United States is a declining power and that the American leaders must urgently discuss what to do about it? This decline predictions come not only from the left sector, but from the US National Intelligence Council, the “*Center for strategic thinking*” inside the US intelligence community.

The NIC’s conclusions are presented starkly in a new 119-page document, “*Mapping the Global Future: Report of the National Intelligence Council 2020 Project*.” It is unclassified and available on the CIA’s Web site. Only a few media outlets gave it any publicity.

The likely emergence of China and India as the major players on the world scene, will transform the geopolitical landscape with impacts

potentially as dramatic as those in the previous two centuries. The new powers that will join these two giants are most likely Brazil and Indonesia.

The US will be the strongest militarily, but everything will depend as to how US presents itself to these new powers and whether it can offer them “*protection*” as a military force, with world-wide bases and arms. CIA says that the US must be “*a model of global and regional governance*.”

This report worries about the near bankruptcy of USA. The US is mortgaging its future to the central banks in China and Japan. The US budget deficit is approaching a whopping a half-trillion dollars, is financed by their purchase of “*Treasury Notes*”. The US purchase of mostly cheap labour Chinese made goods, now exceeds \$3 trillions. The Chinese so-called “*socialism*” is replacing other manufacturers in the Latin American markets also.

The Euro is making inroads and the dollar value is sliding drastically, while the currency investors have been unloading their dollars in favour of the Euros.

This very important report got no press coverage, because it was released just before Bush’s inaugural address. This report dumps cold water on America delivering freedom to people everywhere.

This CIA report ends up with these words: “*If the president really wanted to spread freedom and democracy around the planet, he would – among other things – need to present the USA as that “model of governance and democracy” worth emulating.*”

Yet, this CIA report paints a world where fewer and fewer people of the world look to America as a model of anything worth emulating!

This report ends with these words: “*We can’t sell freedom to the whole world if we can’t sell ourselves.*”

Could not say it better myself –  
Editor of NSC.

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## CANADA DEVELOPONG A SPYING DEVICE THAT SEES THROUGH WALLS

From *GLOBE & MAIL* newspaper

Canadian military researchers together with US Time Domain, a war contractor, are preparing to equip soldiers with the ultimate spy gadget: a device that lets them watch enemies through solid walls. This is known as the "ultrawideband array radar."

This allows this spy weapon to see through 20 centimeters of concrete or brick, monitoring movements of enemies up to 10 meters on the other side. This will revolutionize military operations.

COMMENT: Civil rights activists are opposing this "spy technique" because they see it being used on civilians and those who protest the drive for war and the US sponsored New World Order. ■

## ALARMING DEVELOPMENTS IN RECONSTRUCTION PROCESS IN SRI LANKA

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So, neo-liberalism and the "war on terror" are rapidly converging to turn the "reconstruction" process in Sri Lanka into a neoliberal dream come true! US Marines in Sri Lanka, fisher people displaced from the coast "for security and their own safety" and the coast being taken by luxury hotels and commercial fishing operations.

A message from the Movement for National Land and Agriculture Reform (MONLAR) in Sri Lanka follows.

"Rapid increase in the US commitment first listed at \$12.5, then raised to \$35 and now to \$350 million has been announced. US ambassador Jeffrey Lunstead told a news conference that 1,400 US Marines are assigned to Sri Lanka. Sri Lanka was visited by Colyn Powell, and George Bush has asked his father George Bush Sr. and Bill Clinton to go also to Sri Lanka.

US government issued a

statement that the situation in Sri Lanka is considered a "SECURITY RISK FOR THE USA." The Sri Lanka refugees might be recruited as terrorists. The government of Sri Lanka, under pressure from US has given complete control of all the refugee camps to the US military. Therefore US sees this as a security issue.

Since the important US air and naval base in Diego Garcia is to be removed within the next few years, US is looking for **A SAFER ROUTE FOR ITS OIL TRANSPORTATION**. And this is a safe and cheaper route that includes the Tricomalee harbor is in Sri Lanka.

Even now it has already been announced that the Sri Lanka fishermen will not be allowed to settle where they were for generations. The government has already announced that it has agreements with the World Bank, EU and Japan to build luxury hotels on this part of Sri Lanka.

On the whole, this rebuilding could turn out to be a much greater disaster than the Tsunami for the poor and working people. Besides, the presence in Sri Lanka of practically the whole US Sixth Fleet and Marines - it's not for reconstruction purposes only! ■

## AFL-CIO SILENCE ON WAR ON IRAQ DID HURT KERRY?

By **HARRY KELBER**

<http://laborrducator.org/aflsil.htm>

Long before the 2004 US presidential election, the AFL-CIO decided on a strategic gamble: to devote its presidential campaign exclusively on the domestic issues and to avoid at all costs making any mention or comment of the war in Iraq, terrorism or homeland security.

Their assumption was that the election shall be won on strictly domestic issues, treating the war in Iraq as a non issue. They failed to see the obvious connection between Bush's domestic policies, which they strongly criticized, and his foreign policies, for which they gave him a free pass.

But the AFL-CIO boasted that "2004 was the largest mobilization by

US in history, with 5,000 union staff members full time plus distribution of over 32 million leaflets across the USA - and 225,000 union volunteers talking one-on-one to workers."

What did these AFL-CIO trade unionists talk to workers about? The job issue in Ohio was crucial, with over 382,000 people unemployed while the US corporations are outsourcing to low paying wage countries.

So how come that Bush won in Ohio? How do the AFL-CIO leaders explain this, that one third of their union members voted for Bush?

If the AFL-CIO attacked Bush on his policy of invasions of Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere, the workers would have voted another way, because the majority of them knew that the war in Iraq was a terrible mistake.

Now that the election is over, let the AFL-CIO leadership tell us as to how they justified their silence on Bush's conduct of the nation's foreign affairs. And whether AFL-CIO leadership will keep on being tight-lipped about Iraq? ■

## 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT PATRIOTIC WAR CELEBRATED IN CUBA

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A joint concert, dedicated to the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Victory in the Soviet Great Patriotic War, was held in the Cuban capital of Havana last month, by people who came from the former USSR republics, as well as Cuban artists who took part in this concert. This concert was organized by the Ethnographic Russian-Speaking Center "Rodniki". This was the first in a series of memorable events, devoted to the event, which are planned to be held in Cuba.

The Russian choir named "Kalinka", which was created in Cuba with the support of the Russian Embassy, performed several songs in concert, whose motto was "Against fascism, for the smiles of our children". The children affected by the Chernobyl accident, who are undergoing medical treatment in Cuban sanatoria, also took part in

the concert. The Cuban public enthusiastically greeted the "Ulubka" music group, made up of Cuban children. They performed several songs in Russian and Ukrainian.

The program of the concert included songs dating back to the times of the Great Patriotic War and the Soviet Union. The people which came to one of Havana's theatres to see the concert, paid a minute silence to the memory of the war's victims.

Natalia Balashova, the organizer of the Rodniki Center, told the Itar-Tass news agency that the activities, devoted to the 60th Anniversary of the Great Patriotic War, would be held until May 9<sup>th</sup> of 2005. These will include art and photo exhibits, meetings with Cuban scientists studying the Second World War, plus the showing of films about the exploits of the Soviet people.

#### **IF YOU READ THIS, YOU COULD BE CALLED ANTI-SEMITIC!**

**JERUSALEM (REUTERS)** – Female members of the Israeli Knesset have seen red after a leading Israeli Rabbi compared women who wear the colour red as prostitutes.

Protesting against the ritual ruling by Rabbi Eliyahi Abergil, head of the Rabbinical Court in the city of Beersheba, banning Jewish women from dressing in red – but many woman lawmakers started a protest.

*"It's not up to the rabbi to tell us whether to wear black or red or any other colour,"* said Erela Golan, an Israeli legislator from the Shinui party who organized this protest. *"Just because we wear red does not mean that we are prostitutes!"*

The future of such a policy, if allowed to get hold of the life in Israel, could mean the following:

You will not be able to by beer or wine on Sunday, and then there would be prohibition of alcohol altogether. Women would be forced to wear ankle length skirts, dancing would be forbidden and gay people would be stoned in public squares. People who weren't Christians would be forced to wear their religious symbols. All children would be

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educated only in religious schools. People would be forced to go to pray every Sunday. Atheists and agnostics would be sentenced to

prison for heresy. Then the religious wars with other nations would start. Iraq will be just a warm up for things that could follow

## **Evidence of American War Crimes Continues to Mount**

WASHINGTON POST, DEC.23-2004

Thanks to the law suit by the American Civil Liberties Union and other US human rights groups, thousands of pages of US governments documents released this month have confirmed some of the painful truths about the abuse of foreign detainees by the US military and the CIA. This truth the Bush administration implacably has refused to acknowledge. Since the photos and news of the abuse hit the press about the Abu Ghraib in 2003, the US government has denied that this was unrelated and that no torture had occurred at the Guantanamo Bay prison where hundreds of terrorist suspects are held. The new documents establish beyond a shadow of a doubt that every part of this story is true.

It is now admitted, according to the released FBI agents internal e-mails that there were and are systematic abuses by US military interrogators, including beatings, chokings, prolonged sleep deprivation and humiliation as is the case of these prisoners being wrapped in an Israeli flag and forced to kiss it(?). One internal e-mail by the FBI agent said: *"On a couple of occasions I entered the interview rooms to find a detainee chained hand and foot in a fetal position to the floor, with no chair or food or water (this FBI agent wrote this on August 2, 2004) "Most of the times these prisoners urinated or defecated on themselves, and had been left like that for 18-24 hours or more."*

Other documents that were released now show and detail the abuses by US Marines in Iraq, including mock executions and torture of detainees by burning and electric shock. Many detainees have died in custody. It now is evident that the US officials somehow "lost" documents, or no autopsies of how

the prisoners have died. Soldiers doing these deeds were excused with non-criminal record or punishments.

It is now a known fact that the US interrogators in Iraq and in Guantanamo said that they were only following orders from Mr. Rumsfeld.

The Bush administration refused to release these records to the human rights groups under the Freedom of Information Act, until it was ordered to do so by a US judge. The records show that the US administration will not hold any senior official accountable nor change its policies that did produce this shameful record, that is now labeled as war crimes.

### **THE HANDMAIDEN OF WORLD WAR III**

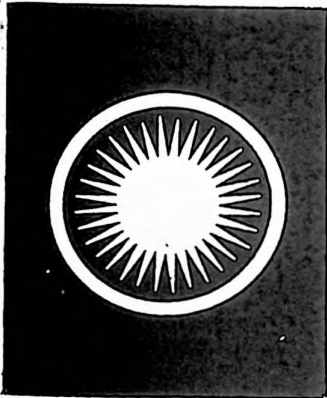
US Secretary of State C. Rice seems to be the handmaiden of World War III. While in Europe she thanked Turkey, Poland and England for their part in the illegal Iraq war. Then she told the Russians (*in Russian – she speaks the language*)- that they better get their act together and stop cooperating with Iran. Then she commands Germany and France to send their troops to Iraq, to replace the US troops, because Bush wants his army available for its next important distribution of "Freedom and Democracy".

Is she trying to compete with Mrs Thatcher of England who earned the hatred even of the British people themselves.

No, Condoleezza Rice, your promotion of war and the death of the American soldiers will not earn you a historical presence at all. You will be condemned and vilified by future generations for serving Imperialism. Oh yes, you might wind up being thrown out on your ass as was Colin Powell!



**RAY OF LIGHT**



*From the Belly of the Beast*

## **ELECTION IN UKRAINE**

Following the initial November 21, 2004 vote for President of the Ukraine, the Central Election Commission declared Prime Minister Yanukovich the election winner, but there were serious charges of voter fraud by both Yushchenko forces and international observers. Following mass protests largely financed and orchestrated by US imperialism, the Ukrainian Parliament declared the vote invalid and the Ukrainian Supreme Court ruled in favor of a new election.

An indication of the depth of the US involvement in the Ukrainian election is the following quote from the lead editorial in the 12/28/04 *Wall Street Journal*: "Those Western nations, with the U.S. in the lead, have every right to work against any tendencies in the former Soviet republics toward restoring the dead hand of autocracy."

On December 26, 2004, the "Orange Revolution" claimed victory in the Ukraine as the pro-Western, pro-European Union, US imperialist-backed Viktor Yushchenko won the election for President with 52% of the vote compared to 44% for Russia-backed Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovich. What does this election victory represent for the working people of the Ukraine?

Yushchenko has called for closer ties with the European Union, joining NATO and the World Trade Organization, "re-privatization" of industry (transferring former

Ukrainian state industries from one private owner to another), encouraging foreign investment and has pledged to "fight corruption." Yanukovich, who was outgoing President Kuchma's Prime Minister, represented closer ties to Russia, opposed joining NATO and supported higher pensions and paying back the people for savings lost because of high inflation in the early 1990's. Neither presented a comprehensive program to meet the needs of the working masses of the Ukraine.

The average monthly wage in the Ukraine today (with a population of 48 million people) is the equivalent of \$75. Unemployment is officially 3.3%, but international analysts estimated it to be 9% for the second quarter of 2004. A Ukrainian driver from the industrial eastern part of the Ukraine was quoted in the December 2, 2004 *Christian Science Monitor* as saying "I am afraid this peaceful revolution is going to hit working people very hard. There is Viktor Yushchenko, Viktor Yanukovich, and I am Viktor the workingman. I do not like what I see. We are facing an economic disaster, like Russia in '98."

The Ukraine was formerly a vital part of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR). Many years ago when the Soviet Union was a socialist state under the leadership of Joseph Stalin and the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the working class held state power. The Ukrainian people had their own republic. The Ukrainian people, like the rest of the Soviet people, had no unemployment; there were no taxes; health care was provided for all at no charge; workers had the right to fire their bosses; Ukrainian culture flourished; the children and the elderly were honored and cared for members of the society.

The real solution for the problems of the Ukrainian masses today lies neither in support of the Bush-backed Yushchenko or Putin-backed Yanukovich. It lies in the

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organization and unity of the Ukrainian workers, in the fight to "go back to the future" of socialism in unity with the other working people of the former Soviet Union. ■

**JERRY MORSE**



## **AS I SEE IT!**

The massive disaster in South East Asia would expect and get much more help from the citizens of the USA. Year 2004 has recorded more than \$2.4 billion from American's charitable attitudes that are spread worldwide. But, this disaster has now been grabbed by President Bush and his war-mongering advisors in the inner "Circle of Friends". They see this disaster as an opportunity to grasp political control of the Pacific and Indian Oceans, Bay of Bengal, and Indonesia in order to support the demands of the Military, Industrial, and Financial Complex.

American people would do well to recognize the treacherous direction of the Bush Administration and its media coverage, that understand very well the profits that can and will be made from this tragedy, poverty, destruction, wars and disasters. The huge reconstruction contracts are just waiting to be grabbed, the raw materials of these devastated countries will be their for the taking at bargain basement prices...the hard currencies will be growing for their shareholders!

## **IS UNCLE SAM FEELING CORNERED?**

According to the Los Angeles Times newspaper, the Pentagon which is plagued by mission fatigue, casualties and US public starting to

ask as just how long US plans to keep its soldiers in Iraq, the US Army may have come up with a solution; **robots!**

From March to April of this year, the Pentagon plans to deploy 18 of these robots to Iraq to fight the "war on terror." These robots are named "Swords" and look something out of the Robot Wars on TV. With machine guns mounted on them they can fire between 300-350 rounds per minute. Some of these robots were used in Northern Ireland by British forces against the Catholics and the IRA opposition.

They are cheap to manufacture, require no food or drink or uniforms, can be taken apart between campaigns and are a better shot than the average GI.

**And this is not TERROR?**

**ISRAEL:** It's obvious that Natan Sharansky's book "The Case For Democracy" keyed the Bush's second term speech-writers in his inaugural address. However, V.P. Dick Cheney's statement that Israel's foreign policy, especially counteracting Iran's wishes, would lead to "go it alone" military strike by Israel. Cheney feels that England, France and Germany will support such policy if Iran doesn't stop its atomic energy project.

Israel is biting at the bit to attack and thus get US billions for their effort, but Israel knows that the very large Soviet Jewish immigrants in Israel are opposed to this adventurism.

Most of them agree with President Lukashenko of Byelorussia comment about Bush's speech: "Suppose someone or others didn't want such freedom that US is offering, soaked in blood and smelling of oil!"

**VIENNA, AUSTRIA:** What's new in the **Damage Control 2005?** The top executives in the US government, realize very clearly that the people of the world are defining, naming and calling for international justice and to bring to task the war criminals of the Military Industrial and Financial Complex. Like rats, they try to defend themselves in their corners. One comer is Iraq. Two thousand inspectors found no WMD. US is trying everything, by replacing the top brass in this venture, with junior

inspectors, maybe more gullible to threats.

President Bush, in an interview with a US TV personality, Barbara Walters said: "Barbara, we need to find out what went wrong with our intelligence gathering, and proof that our invasion is absolutely worth it, even if there were no weapons of mass destruction."

Barbara looked at him with her experienced journalistic feminist eye, measured his head, and, under her breath said: "**proof begins with the measurement!**"

At the same time, another form of damage control came from Casteau, Belgium. General J. Jones, the top brass NATO's re-sole shoemaker said: "Setting up, right now, five or so military facilities in Bulgaria, Romania, is part and parcel of the transformation of our **Footprint in Europe**, which had been in need of some surgery for some time."

Another **damage control** is to transfer some 70,000 US troops and their families from Germany and South Korea, to occupy the new military bases in Bulgaria and Romania. Of course this plan is to pressure countries not wanting to be used and to secure position for the US oil conglomerates on the Black Sea and then the Caspian oil region.

Let our NSC also point out the damage control spots of US imperialism! ■

## ACCORDING TO MISHKA

**MOSCOW** – A recent poll by the Levada Center has found that over 67 per cent of Russians polled regret the break up of the Soviet Union. According to this respected and independent polling agency's website, 26% respondents said that they were unhappy to see the Soviet Union split up. 58% consider that Russia's relations with former Soviet republics are friendly, 22% described relations as cool, while 12% said they were tense, while 2% said that they were hostile.

**PUTIN'S NEW YEAR WISH** – President Putin had sent a New Year's message to President George W. Bush - RIA Novosti reported – Putin said in the message that Russia and the USA "Face large

scale work to deepen bilateral multifaceted cooperation in the interests of maintaining international security and stability and combating the global terrorist threat, and to widen links and contacts."

**PUTIN'S HOPELESS YEAR** – A leading Russian political analyst, Lila Shevtsova, of the Moscow Carnegie Center (not left-wing Center at all – Editor) said that 2004 was the first year in which President Putin ceased to be a "president of hope" and became "a president of hopelessness", because people now support him only because they see no alternative.

**WITH ARAFAT GONE, WHAT IS THE WEST UP TO?** There is ongoing furious diplomatic activity going in the Near and Far East, by US Imperialism's hatchet-men. Turkish Prime Minister visiting Israel, making deals and overtures and trying to be the "peace maker" on behalf of USA.

Saudi Arabia Kingdom is ramping up its foreign policy overtures, with visits between Azerbaijan Foreign Minister and Turkey's support of Azerbaijan's claims to Armenian territory. Then there was a meeting of these country's oil ministers in New Delhi, India to talk contracts.

Iran's Vice-President visiting Uzbekistan and the discussion was oil and pipelines.

Palestinian new president is already starting to debunk the aims of the Palestinian liberation movement – while making overtures to Israel and kowtowing to Uncle Sam in its relations with Israel.

**Will these new leaders buckle under pressure and sell out the struggle against Imperialism and Zionism?** ■

## BOOK REVIEWS

**PURSuing THE DOVE**  
By JOHN HANLY MORGAN

Now that we can look back in retrospect on the Soviet Union, who better to tell us stories about peace than John Hanly Morgan and his wife Jeannette, that over four decades lived in the belly of the beast. What I mean by the "beast" is the Democratic and the Republican

parties in the USA. Their presidents and yes men have starved their own American citizens and the rest of the world's people by spending the equivalent of one million dollars per day sine Jesus Christ was born over 2,000 year ago.



Imagine if you can, what good this enormous amount of money that was spent on death and destruction - could have done for peace and love in this world. So, follow the famous artist and Communist Pablo Picasso as his Dove of Peace comes to life through the eyes of the Morgan family - and all of the peoples in the world that they have met in order to try to build a counterforce to wars, which is peace.

This book shows that John Hanly Morgan was a Unitarian Minister, was unique in working with Communists in North America and around the world, and anyone and everyone in the world that would work for peace.

There are serious points in the book - like the subject of Czechoslovakia's Vaclav Havel - who said that he was fighting for the rights of its citizens. Then it turns out that he became very rich, owning hotels and restaurants. What a pseudo-humanist Vaclav Havel is. The book also dwells about the Soviet Embassy in Nepal which was so luxurious it could have fed many starving people in Nepal. This was during 1970's. This was not the real Soviet Union but its opportunist leadership that already were going into the market economy. This was before the Gorbachev period. Of course Lenin and Stalin would have

turned in their graves. The question of the Soviet dissidents who said they wanted "freedom" of not having to share all the wealth equally which they did not like to do. Capitalism was already making inroads into the USSR at that time, and the present terrible situation confirms that.

**This book is a must reading for everyone.** JESSY PAPAVOLOU

You can purchase this book at NSC by sending in \$10.00 plus shipping ■

**DID YOU  
KNOW?**

### BELIEVE IT-IT'S THE TRUTH

The new American regime in Iraq had to pay journalists to attend its press conference, the new Prime Minister was forced to admit last month. This puppet government gave journalists envelopes stuffed with hundred-dollar bills to make the press conferences look busy. This government wants to look credible to the outside world - but it is nothing but an illusion. ■

**SPECIAL  
FOR NSC**

## AN OPEN LETTER TO PRESIDENT BUSH!

By ANWAAR HUSSAIN  
*The Baltimore Chronicle-USA*

Happy New Year, Mr. President!

Mr. President, Sir:

I am one of the teeming millions of Muslims. Unlike most of them, I am one of the few thankful ones. Happy New Year to a great nation for having ensconced you again back into the White House. Otherwise the unthankful ones would have us believe that you, sir, belonged more to the International Criminal Court, where you should have been taken kicking, screaming and biting all the way. Ah, the whining of the naïve, we

few know.

The ungrateful ones have a long list of charges against you sir. For starters, they accuse you of perverting the American Constitution through the so-called Patriot Act and the World Constitution by breaking all international laws and treaties, lying not only to the US Congress, but to the whole world, by advocating a pre-emptive war against a non-existent Iraqi WMD's, crimes against humanity in Iraq and Afghanistan and the secret US prisons around the world.

From Iraq we hear stories coming out. For example, that your GI Joes are now deserting in hordes...that they are paying the Kurds thousands of US dollars to get them smuggled into Turkey, from there they are disappearing into thin air, only to reappear in cooler times. These ungrateful people are telling us that the Iraqi people are in arms against your benign occupation. Of course the bombings and attacks in Iraq against US forces is not your fault, it is the Shias and Sunnis that are to blame.

These ungrateful ones are saying that the US troops are so jumpy to the extent that in broad daylight the US GIs cannot tell the difference between a five-year old boy toting a school bag and a full grown adult wielding a Bazooka. They also say that due to the deteriorating aim of your nervy warriors, the hospitals in Iraq are now overflowing with mis-shot dead and dying Iraqis who otherwise you said, are sympathizing with your occupation of their country. They make charges that there is a growing industry in trade in human parts, what with the rich harvest of dead Iraqis lying all over the place. They also charge, these ungrateful ones, that the only reconstruction in Iraq is in a few oil wells for the express purpose of providing this stuff to the needy Israelis.

Of course this is not believable. It's only the ravings of the ungrateful ones. What these unbelievers, these fools do not understand, this is something only a few of us understand. For instance - how can reconstruction begin when we haven't yet destroyed everything? The deserting of your soldiers - we are sure that in some double-pincer attack that your Generals, sitting in their austere command post in

Florida have plans, to envelope the Iraqi resistance from both north and south. And what if your poor Israeli friends get a few drops of Iraqi oil? They do after all, they consume a lot of this stuff keeping those tanks, aircraft and armored personnel carriers going out to snuff out those cursed Palestinian terrorists and those damn stone-throwing children! And to kill these hooligans with their brethren's oil is a pleasure known only to you and a few others.

But, to our utter frustration, these ungrateful ones don't stop there. They get ever wilder in their accusations. They refer to your famous **"we will smoke them out of their holes"** speech and want to know as to how did you know in advance that Saddam would be recovered out of the hole in the ground? They claim that you either put him there in order to make your words prophetic, or Saddam already knew the role that he had to play in this drama, and just crept in there to please your grace. Here the few of us find ourselves at a total loss for words.

Do you Mr. President, at least get some time for quiet contemplation? Or, won't Rummy, Dickey, Condi and Wolfi gang allow you that, for fear of you finding out the truth? Do you sometimes suspect that this gang took you for a ride?

These ungrateful ones do not give up at all! They ask where Saddam's Weapons of Mass Destruction are? And where is Osama? Has he disappeared into another hole? But, he did appear just in time for your election, but only just. We hope that he is enjoying some poolside dinners in your august company, together with Saddam's WMD tucked safely away in the White House basement. That of course would put us, all of the grateful devotees, in a quandary, though we would continue to understand.

That is all for now, sir. I will keep writing to you as when and when further accusations appear to reaffirm our gratitude. I can see Iran and Syria emerging on the horizons. We are awaiting the actions with a gleeful anticipation. Hope that you do not blink, sir.

I remain,  
A nameless, faceless Muslim. ■

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### Press Release

Prachanda  
Chairman  
Central Committee  
Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist)

A brutal stupidity of plunging the country and the people into darkness and terrorism is being exhibited by fratricidal artificial king Gyanendra Shahi, as the final writhing of the feudal autocracy. There is no alternative before the great Nepalese people who are fighting for Democratic Republic of Nepal by standing on the achievements of the historical movement of 1990, except to overthrow the feudal autocracy through its root. On this crucial turning point of decisive battle between autocracy and republic, it is a historical necessity for the all the pro-people political forces, civil society, intellectual community and all the level and sphere of people to advance united on this direction. With full responsibility and keeping to this historic necessity, our party has already called for the united front against the feudal autocracy. In order to make the broad united front effective, our Party appeals through this statement to the entire parliamentarian Parties to form united fronts both in the central and local level and advance the movement ahead. Our party heartily appeals to all those pro-people's forces through this statement, to come forward to forge the united front both in the local and central level, as wherever and whatever becomes possible. Committed to the kin interest of the country and people, our Party humbly appeals to all pro-people forces, to come forward by all means by forging united front above and below wherever and whatever is possible, by casting away their mutual misunderstandings, to create storms of movement against autocracy. We would also like to clarify to all those concerned that we are utterly ready for necessary sacrifice and flexibility from our side for this purpose.

We heartily thank to all the masses of people for supporting to



making the three days countrywide general strike (Nepal Bandha) from 2nd-4th February successful, called by our Party as an initial remarks against the retrogressive coup by Gyanendra.

In this very context, our Party challenges to Gyanendra Shahi to withdraw his retrogressive steps immediately. If he fails to withdraw his autocratic steps, our Party will be compelled to come out for countrywide blockade and traffic strike for uncertain time, from the historic day of the 10th anniversary of Great People's War, 13 February.

**The 21<sup>st</sup> Century will be the people's century and it is sure that Nepal's feudal autocracy will be defeated.**

## **US KNEW ABOUT THE TSUNAMI - BUT KEPT QUIET**

By PATRICK MARTIN \* WSWs

There is already evidence that the US government had ample warning of the earthquake-driven tsunami, but did not communicate this information to the countries that were devastated. US press reports indicate that the Pacific Warning Center in Hawaii, a facility of the National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration had detected the earthquake when it occurred and immediately warned of the likelihood of tidal waves generated by one of the largest temblors ever recorded.

Charles McCreery, Director of the center, confirmed that his team had transmitted warnings to the US Navy, the US State Department and the Government of Australia. The US State Department said that it notified India, but the Indian government absolutely denied that it had received any such warning in the two hours that elapsed between the quake in Sumatra, Indonesia and the tidal wave that hit the Indian coastline in the southern province of Tamil Nadu. Nor did Sri Lanka government receive any warning from the USA.

**But it's interesting that one**

ocean island was promptly warned - it was the US military base on the British-controlled island of Diego Garcia, the site from which US bombing raids have been staged on both Afghanistan and Iraq. This US base, about 1,000 miles south of India.

The statement by Bush said: "This has been a terrible disaster. It is beyond our comprehension."

The speechwriter for Bush who crafted these words, revealed more about Bush than he perhaps intended. This failure by Bush to grasp the dimensions of the South Asian disaster and anticipate the public reaction to a display of indifference is, a moral and intellectual cretinism of Bush and his cohorts.

The US administration's callous and barely concealed indifference to the deaths and sufferings of millions of people, says a great deal about the corrupt US oligarchy, whose interests it serves. The Bush administration and the occupant of the White House, himself, are body and soul the creatures of a ruling elite that had descended into criminality and unbridled greed.

The New York Times, for example, found nothing untoward in publishing on the front page of its December 28, 2004 issue articles and photographs on the death and destruction in South Asia, alongside a lighthearted report on the multi-million Christmas bonuses awarded by Wall Street firms to their top executives (*That Line at the Ferrari Dealer? It's Bonus Season on Wall Street.*)

If great events take the true measure of men, the enormous tragedy on the shores of the Indian Ocean has provided yet another yardstick of the vicious and small-minded man that occupies the White House. President Bush personifies the ignorant and reactionary character of American imperialism. ■

### **LATVIAN PRESIDENT INSULTED PEOPLE WHO FOUGHT FASCISM!**

Moscow is now organizing protests and demanding that she not be allowed to come to Moscow to attend the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary he end of World II.

## **The Struggle to Defeat the Enemies of the Revolution**

From EN MARCHA, official newspaper of the Communist Party of Ecuador-ML

Among the many different ways utilized by imperialists and the dominant classes to assert their class domination on the workers and peoples' of the world, is through direct ideological control of the masses through the media. This is nothing new, but it is a fact that today, it takes on a particular connotation, which makes it distinct.

When imperialism came up with the Santa Fe Plan, it already stated that the "low intensity warfare" which meant a great offensive of the ideologically oriented propaganda, in order to counteract the work that was done by the popular organizations and the left. This anti-communist propaganda was such, that in Ecuador, even some sections of the church started to contemplate the "threat from the left" revolutionaries and communists alike.

Now that we read the Yankee strategy to combat "terrorism", again we see the same initial objective, the ideological control, the "battle of ideas" which, under the cover of confronting the terrorist organizations, in reality is designed to counteract the influence of the revolutionary organizations of the left inside the workers' movements and in society in general.

This goal, as set by the Yanks, in practical terms is an admission and acknowledgement of the influence by the left wing ideas talking hold in the popular movements in Ecuador and around the globe. The fear of Communism is being demonstrated over and over again by imperialism, and this surely is no surprise. In fact, there is an energizing in the revolutionary development in the world, development in which the dedicated Communist Marxist-Leninist members make all efforts to orient towards a positive outcome.

The struggle between workers' parties, imperialism and the bourgeoisies to gain terrain in the conscience of the workers and all the peoples', is becoming daily much

more aggressive. It is a mortal combat, in which those that are able to affirm their points of view, their objectives, achieves the perpetration of the current system or its substitution by a revolutionary system.

Such is the importance of this ideological struggle between the bourgeoisie and the proletariat. It's the fundamental element of the class struggle. This is why our party pays special attention in employing all of our energies in the political education among the masses, utilizing our revolutionary propaganda and media, in order to impart our ideological message.

One of the most important mediums of expression and political education is our publication of EN MARCHA. Our newspaper recently celebrated its 28 years of existence. Our 28 years of waging the ideological struggle in educating the workers and the Ecuadorian people.

It is the direct responsibility of the members of the party to distribute the newspaper, to guarantee its exposure in the broadest sense. Our newspaper is one of the most essential mediums in the life of the party, and indeed, in the life of any organization of the left!

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Translated by C. Fernandez ■

## SPECIAL FOR NSC

### QUESTIONS TO ASK ABOUT TSUNAMI TRAGEDY ?

According to Tsunami Society President, Prof. Tad Murty of the University of Manitoba, Canada: "there's no reason for a single individual to get killed in Tsunami, since most areas had anywhere from 25 minutes to 4 hours before a wave hit. So, once again, because of the indifference and corruption of powers that be, thousands of innocent people have died needlessly."

(Calgary-Canada-Sunday, December 28, 2004)

While the above quote is an overstatement, given the nature and the magnitude of the catastrophe, it should nevertheless be taken seriously.

#### KEY QUESTIONS

(1) Why were all of the Indian Ocean countries' governments not informed?

Were there "guidelines" from the US military or the US State Department regarding the release of an advanced warning?

According to the statement of the Hawaii based PTWC, advanced warning was released, but on a selective basis. Indonesia was already hit, before the warning came, so the warning was in any event redundant and Australia was several thousand miles away from the epicenter on the earthquake and was in no immediate danger – but – it did get a warning!

(2) Why is the US military calling the shots on Humanitarian Relief?

Why is it that in the wake of this disaster, it is the US Military (*rather than the civilian/humanitarian/aid organizations operating under the UN auspices*) taking a leading role?

The US Pacific Command has been designated to coordinate the channeling of aid, under the direction of Lieutenant General Blackman, who previously was Chief of Staff for Coalition Forces Land Component Command responsible for leading the US Marines into Baghdad during the "Operation Iraqi Freedom." This was done without consultation with the United Nations.

The US military aircraft are conducting observation missions. Why is it necessary for the US to mobilize so much military equipment? This pattern is unprecedented:

US said that the Lincoln air carrier strike group has 12 helicopters embarked that "could be extremely valuable".

Why has a senior commander who was involved in the invasion of Iraq been assigned to lead the US emergency relief program? ■

### AFTER THE TSUNAMI: STOP THE FLOW OF THE US EMPIRE

By [campt@antiimperialista.org](mailto:campt@antiimperialista.org)

At the same time as the Tsunami has ravaged societies and whole nations, the imperialist powers are utilizing this situation to spread their war armaments over South and South-East Asia. The warmonger Colin Powell sees this situation as a moment to "Win the Muslim World". As soon as the US Empire marched its forces to be deployed in the Indian Ocean, where it already has many bases and troops to support the despotic and cruel governments, like the Indonesian terrorist regime and the Arroyo regime of the Philippines, that was and is responsible for the numerous massacres on workers, peasants and political activists in recent years.

The so-called "International Community (the UN)" has done nothing to stop the Indonesian Army from carrying out brutalities; it also remains silent even over the fact that the GAM has instructed its popular forces not to fire against enemy troops, unless its fired upon. The task of providing solidarity with the ravaged patriotic masses of South and East Asia should be adopted as an immediate task for all the progressives.

Lars Akerhaug  
International Officer, Red Electoral  
Alliance, Norway ■

## LETTERS

### INTERNATIONALISM AND COSMOPOLITAN CAPITALISM

By CHARLES DENTON –UK

Dear Editor:

I wrote this article for the New Communist Party of Britain when I was active in this party until 1997. It was turned down for the reason that is stated in my Preamble. I think that the developments since that time have proved my point.

Best wishes to all at NSC for 2005! ■

## PREAMBLE

When involved in a debate on the National Question, I used the word "Cosmopolitan" to describe the British Government and its policies.

I was surprised to find that this word is considered by some comrades to be a "taboo" in lexis of Communists.

In the course of the debate, I was informed: "We have other words which are more appropriate." This presumed that, those that objected had a better grasp of transferring ideas than the writer, a better political vocabulary or are more astute in this language. The only reason that I was given for the censorship of this word was, "it was used by Hitler to describe Jews."

Words are tools to describe ideas. If we are afraid of using a word, to the extent that we expunge it from our vocabulary, we are on a very

slippery slope of creating verbal heretics. The entire English language belongs to the people, it is an international language. **It cannot be hijacked by the class enemy, unless we permit it!**

If we, the Communists and Socialists, do not lift the banner of "National Unity" - For a Socialist Britain", to combat Cosmopolitan Imperialism, these bellicose national chauvinists will be given opportunities they should not have. Misleading the workers, seeking leadership with racist ideology.

We are an island rich in history, diverse in culture, and with great economic wealth, and a skilled working force. The times demand leadership. Marxists have ideological clarity - but will they produce the leaders?

**Cosmopolitanism** is defined in the Oxford dictionary as:

"A group of people belonging to many or all parts of the world, free from national attachments or prejudices."

**Directory of Philosophy** (Progress Publishers, Moscow, 1967) has a more class-based definition:

"Cosmopolitanism is a reactionary theory calling for the repudiation of patriotic sentiments, national culture and tradition in the name of "Unity of Mankind". It reflects the ambition of Imperialists to achieve world supremacy, it impedes peoples struggle for national independence and sovereignty. It is incompatible with Proletarian Internationalism, which contains no contradiction between the common interests of the peoples, on the one hand, and love of country, national patriotism, on the other."

In Britain, disciples of parasitical Cosmopolitan Capitalism, (free

*In Havana, Cuba, Chavez and Fidel signed a joint declaration and agreement to apply the Bolivarian Alternative for the Americas.*

*\*Both countries eliminate mutual import tariffs \*Profits from Cuban investments in Venezuela and vice-versa tax-exempt \* Cuba offers Venezuela the guaranteed price of \$27 per barrel of oil \* 2,000 scholarships per year for Venezuelans \* Facilities for establishment of joint ventures \* Transfer of Venezuelan technology to the Cuban energy sector.*



market Imperialism) climbed to Government office, using the "old boy" public school system and the parliamentary parties as their vehicle to Westminster and control of state power. In Government, with a very compliant "Opposition", they destroyed the national industrial infrastructure, public control of social services, working class organizations and other structure of the welfare state.

Since the function of any government is to protect the nation, its people and its national assets, it showed that these people have committed treason against the people who inhabit these islands.

The European national states are an obstacle for now to achieve the super state of Europe as part of US Imperialisms' New World Order.

Since the British government repudiates national loyalty, they have no compunction in selling the national assets. Their cosmopolitan social strata will be the purchasers, and ensure that they share in the profits.

Once they have privatized (*stolen* is the word) all of Britain's natural resources, the economy of the nation will be at the mercy of a class who have no concern in preserving social standards, culture, welfare or national integrity of the British people, or any other people in their pursuit of maximum profits.

*A euphemism for Cosmopolitanism is "NeoLiberalism".*

Fidel Castro in his concluding address to the Latin American Forum on July 24, 1993 said: *"Neoliberalism is the doctrine of stripping our nations of their national resources and losing control over the public services...."*

Alas, in Britain we are well on the road of being stripped of any national control of our national resources, public utilities and economic affairs. The same Cosmopolitan gangsters are guilty on both sides of the Atlantic. The disastrous breakdown of our

economy, manipulated by this strata of "market gamblers", was graphically underlined by the so-called "Black Wednesday" when Chancellor Lamont had to eat his words and devalue the English pound, after losing **eleven billion pounds trying to prop it up.**

One of the Cosmopolitani, who made an estimated **two billion dollars** on that very day, was non-other than **George Soros.**

He came to Britain in 1947, took advantage of British schooling, then went to America to practice gambling with other peoples money. He then put \$250 million from his gains into a company for buying up property in Britain. If he had remained in Britain and joined a political party, he could have wound up at 11 Downing St. instead of others.

The rewards for these ex-Ministers and Cosmopolitan Bankers are very high, amounting to about 100,000 pounds per year, plus cushy jobs in the corporations and titles of Lord etc. etc. These are just some of the rewards of the betrayal of the nation.

Meanwhile the pensioners who fought Fascism, rebuilt Britain after the war and created the welfare state, were impoverished, along with the rest of the underpaid and unemployed. Six months after this "Black Wednesday" of September 1992, the value of the English pound depreciated by over 20%.

**National liberation should be now the top of the agenda for the British workers.**

This must be a united activity. We need a united and determined movement to break the grip of the bandits in the government.

There will be no call for direct action by the compliant and well-paid members of parliament. There is no shortage of will power, but there is no national leadership

Cosmopolitan Capitalism has undermined the unity and effectiveness of the working class in the developing socialist countries since 1917, and, any weaknesses

that was shown was seized upon to attack any socialist advance.

Stalin warned of this danger in 1952 at the 12<sup>th</sup> CPSU Congress in Moscow. He could not then foresee that the infiltration of this ruthless market place ideology would infect and temporarily destroy the CPSU, Soviet power and all the new Socialist democracies. A defeat on one front, even on a massive scale as the USSR, does not bring to an end the international class confrontations or change the nature of the confrontation.

There are mighty working class confrontations developing outside the ideological control of Euro-American and other Imperialist groups. The international working class is confronted with the need to regroup and rebuild the vanguard of the revolutionary movement.

Here in Britain we need to heighten the understanding of the national betrayal by these Cosmopolitan moles in the British government. This requires active participation in the movement for national independence from the capitalist controlled Euro state. There must be an active campaign against Euro-Federalism.

The fascists are already moving into the political struggle with their policy of ethnic division. The working class must be shown their class enemy - that it is the Multinational Cosmopolitan Capitalism.

I conclude by quoting the much maligned J.V. Stalin -

*"The bourgeoisie will sell the rights and independence of their nations for dollars. The banner of national independence and of the national sovereignty has been thrown overboard.*

*It falls upon you, representatives of Communist and other Democratic parties, to pick it up and carry it forward, if you do wish to be Patriots and Leaders of your Nations. There us no one else to raise it!"*

Address to the fraternal delegates at the 19<sup>th</sup> CPSU Congress, October 1952. ■

FROM BC-CANADA

Dear comrades:

I did not read my NSC for December until well into January of this year. As I turned to the first page I saw the smiling face of Vic Ratsma.

I cannot figure out how criminals like President Bush, etc. have such a wide following? It must be genetic, in that people seem to think that they will all perish if a dominant male drove away all the males and females!

Jonathan Corlett - USA



I wondered where Vic was since the heading said that he will be missed. But to my great disbelief and sadness I learned that he had passed away. What a great loss for all of us!

I always read his valuable information without fail. His work will live on. But I am sorry that I will not see his smiling face anymore on the pages of our Northstar Compass. It is most regrettable, but, let us march on!

Enclosed is a donation in his memory!

Olga Knowlson

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#### FROM NORTH CAROLINA USA

Dear Northstar Compass:

I am writing in response to Ana Lucia Gelabert's "*The Bankruptcy of the American Left*". She exaggerates and does not offer any ideas on what we could do differently while contemptuously dismissing all of our efforts.

The Million Worker March unfortunately had much less than the a million participants (*estimates are between 5000 and 15,000 people*) and it ended up being more of a rally. Among other problems, but I think that it was a worthwhile event. This was the first national event for the working class demands organized by the rank-and-file unionists (*and it was workers in California who first proposed the March in Washington*) and it linked unions and anti-war activists nationally for the first time.

The March went forward despite sabotage by the national leadership of the AFL-CIO, their activists being focused on electing Kerry, and police interference. I think that the awareness and the organizing experience that came out of the March is useful. If the organizers are able to build on the March by organizing a national conference this year, or if it helps to create a militant labor party in the USA, it will have been very worthwhile. Compare this to the AFL-CIO's march in DC against Bush's attack on overtime rules that had only a few hundred participants. To find out more, check out an article in the next issue of "*Alliance!*" ([www.allianceml.com](http://www.allianceml.com)) probably, it is just another "*tabloid*

*newspaper*" to comrade Gelabert: [www.millionworkersmarch.org](http://www.millionworkersmarch.org)

The March was against the reactionary policies of Bush and Kerry and, it was organized in part, because the leaders of progressive movements supported Kerry without demanding that he give us his support. For these reasons, I think that it was wrong for progressives to have worked hard for Kerry and that effort failed, in part, because the Democratic Party is bourgeois and not a progressive party. It is bad that Bush, supposedly won the election, and thus we face another deadly four years, but I do not think that the country will be fascist by 2008.

Would Kerry have been so much better? What can we do to go forward? The American revolutionary left has done poorly, but I hope that we can learn from our mistakes, combat revisionism, unify, and reach out – since there is fertile ground in the USA for revolutionary politics.

Sincerely  
Michael Pollock

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#### FROM TASHKENT UZBEKISTAN

Dear friends:

I enjoyed the last issue of NSC - especially the passionate letters and the wonderful article by Israel Shamir. Please let the NSC readers know about his web side – [www.israelshamir.net](http://www.israelshamir.net), and his best selling book "*Flowers of Galilee*", available - [www.dandeliombooks.net](http://www.dandeliombooks.net) or from Amazon. Unfortunately the Zionist thought police prevent it (*and hundreds of other truthful books*) from being sold in bookstores in North America and Europe, so we must rely on the word of mouth and snail mail.

Cristina Fernandez letter about Mothers of May Square vs the mothers of US troops in Iraq was very enlightening. Probably it will take a radicalization of the US mothers, wives and children to finally bring the warmongers to their senses.

I was sorry to see Sid Resnick protest your expose of "*The tail wagging the dog*" i.e. Israel controlling US foreign policy. Sid is thinking 1960's. A colleague of mine has written a very convincing

analysis of how the "*tail*" came to "wag the dog".

[http://www.dissidentvoive.org/Articles/5/Lones\\_K-Proxy.htm](http://www.dissidentvoive.org/Articles/5/Lones_K-Proxy.htm). I do hope that Sid will read it before canceling his sub to NSC.

Ironically the last US president to try and force Israel to come to its senses, was Tricky Dick, whose swan song was to issue an order to cut off all military shipments to Israel immediately, until they agreed to a comprehensive peace and withdraw from all the territories occupied since 1967 – regretting not doing it earlier. Of course Kissinger refused to cooperate. Nixon resigned two days later on August 8 and President Ford quietly reversed the order on August 10. But even then, the tail was wagging the dog. Read the full story!

I am very glad that you are expanding your library of Soviet films-videos. I watch 8-10 each week here on Russian and Uzbek TV. I have a more positive opinion about Krushchev's reforms than Shamir, but you have to admit that the golden years for the Soviet Union were 1955-1975 – the best films and culture in the world were produced then. They remain a great heritage for the future generations. I think that on that we all agree.

Keep up the good work!

Eric Wallberg

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#### FROM SAN GABRIEL, CA. USA

Dear Editor and friends:

Enclosed please find my subscription and a donation to your excellent magazine. You friends are excellent fighters for all progressives- since you are exposing the reactionary war policies of Bush and the Pentagon. This policy is getting the US soldiers killed in Afghanistan and Iraq for nothing, but the profits of the US multinational corporations.

The US should stop interfering in other countries on behalf of US imperialism. These people have the right to choose the government themselves, not impose on them what is beneficial for US imperialism!

Happy New Year to all the readers of NSC. Justice and equality for all the peoples of the world!

Pero Nikov

FROM NORFOLK, UK

Dear friends:

Enclosed please find a \$50 donation and many thanks for the stimulating and very optimistic perspective of NSC. We look forward to each issue.

Howard Kelsey

FROM, VANTAA, FINLAND

Dear comrades:

I am always writing that Stalin was a Marxist-Leninist and he was like Tolstoy, General Kutuzof, Pugachev, Dostoevsky – he was the spirit of the struggle in the Soviet Union at his time... he was a real and dedicated Bolshevik!

He knew world history, he had organizational skills, he knew his Marxism-Leninism, he knew how capitalist economy works and how to replace it with a socialist economy – he was a leader that this world sees very rarely.

Stalin was on top of events and took steps to safeguard the USSR and Socialism. He was not like some of the present people that call themselves Bolsheviks.

A. SAIYAR

FROM WINFORD-CHESHIRE, GB

Dear friends:

With my deepest sorrow on the passing of our excellent columnist, Vic Ratsma.

How ironic, that in my previous letter to NSC I was expressing also my sadness on the death of Ray Stevenson and I mentioned how lucky we are to have other excellent contributors to NSC, including Vic Ratsma. I'm enclosing a check in memory of Vic Ratsma. Please accept this calendar from England and wishing all the people at Northstar Compass best of health and wishes for 2005.

Clifford F. Roe

### ANALYSES OF ECONOMY NEEDED BY THE WORKERS

Dear comrades!

Sincere thanks for the letter informing us that the analytical researched material that we sent, regarding the Socialist Economic Development of the USSR in the 1960-1970s will be brought up on the agenda at the forthcoming Second Word Congress this year. The author of this work unfortunately cannot attend the Congress due to ill health.

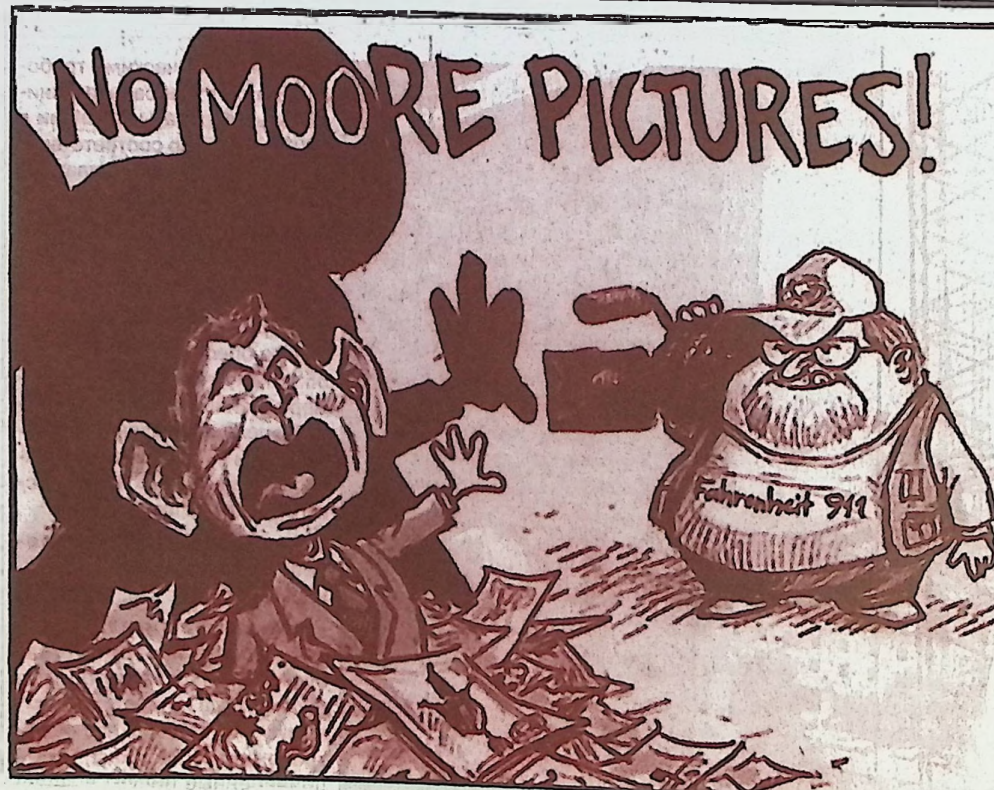
We are sorry that your situation in Canada is the same as is here in our country, that you haven't the opportunity and the finances to bring this very analytical economic work to the leaders of the trade unions, and also to the workers themselves, so that they would understand what the USSR was doing in its economic development and how the prices, the wages are undertaken and how they are resolved. It is unlikely, even though it would be extremely beneficial if this work were translated from Russian into English so that it would benefit an ever-wider audience of understanding.

Lenin called the economists the "yes-men" of the capitalist class. Stalin pointed out also that amongst economists there will be attempts to hush over the truth, these are economists who only see private enterprise and capitalism as the only answer to the future of mankind. Stalin warned, over and over again, that, "without theory we are going to be dead, dead". The shrinking away from discussions and analyses of the economics leads to social-fascism!

With deep respect, your friends

Elena Ulitina N.

Margarita Goroshkova G.



### FARENHEIT 9/11

The world was amazed, dumbfounded and had their eyes open by the brilliant documentary film by Director Michael Moore. By the way, he has received many death threats from Bush supporters. He is going to make another film that seems to be even more revealing.

We suggest you see this film. On the left is a cartoon from the Russian newspaper "Trudovaya Rossia" which pictures the situation as it is.