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### MAIN REPORT

By CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL  
COUNCIL AND EDITOR OF NSC



## FOR INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP AND SOLIDARITY WITH PEOPLES OF TEMPORARILY DISMANTLED SOVIET UNION AND AGAINST US IMPERIALISM'S NEW WORLD ORDER!

Dear comrades and friends:

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass, and on behalf of our host, the Canadian Friends of Soviet People, I would like to welcome all of the delegates to this Second World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People.

Permit me also to welcome you on behalf an organization that over these many years has helped us to function, by providing us free of rent this Friendship House and, in no small way has helped to support our activities financially. Please, let us show our thanks to the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians for their unstinting help as true internationalists – represented here by Helen Lucas, Financial Secretary!

Much has transpired in this world of ours since our First World Congress, which was held in September of 2001, at the same time as the events of September 11<sup>th</sup> in New York and Washington, whose aftermath has brought the world closer to US-inspired world terror and the very real danger of the growth of neo-fascism in the ruling

echelons in Washington and London. US imperialism with its intervention and murderous occupation of Iraq and Afghanistan, is aiming to enforce imperialism's goal of controlling the vast oil resources of the Middle East and its quest to dominate the whole world militarily, politically and economically.

In this regard the dismantling of the USSR by counter-revolutionary forces within the Soviet Union in full cooperation in overt and covert activities by hostile foreign political forces and financial capital, has created a situation inside the former Soviet Union of deprivation, privatization, robbery, extreme poverty, dwindling population, economic hardships and the erosion of the achievements of more than 70 years of struggle and toil by the Soviet people – thus giving free reign to foreign multinational corporations and US imperialism to plunder and go on a rampage towards their New World Order!

I am certain that the reports of the delegates and discussion that will follow will dwell on this danger in more detail and in more analytical manner than it is possible for me in the time allotted for my presentation.

As most of you are aware, there

was a devastating fire that was set by arson, which caused extensive damage by smoke and water to the Friendship House, and since April 21<sup>st</sup> when the fire was started, it was only two weeks ago that we were able to put the building into order so that we can hold this Second World Congress as planned. There was much damage and very high costs for the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians. I equate the Insurance companies with the workings of the Mafiosi. So, my friends - welcome to our newly renovated Friendship House!

In this regard, I would like to thank all of you who heeded OUR APPEAL for financial help after the fire and generously contributed about \$10,000 to help us overcome this tragedy. I must say that one donation touched our hearts – a reader of NSC in Moscow, Russia, sent in this message: "I know that this \$1 donation is not much, but I cannot let this tragedy pass by without giving this only dollar that I have!"

Therefore permit me to dwell in more detail about the work that was done since the last Congress, the work that was achieved, the plans that were decided upon but due to many reasons were not able to be



fulfilled; the problems that must be solved by this Congress and, last but not least – proposed future plans for the International Council and its published organ – Northstar Compass.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS SINCE OUR FIRST CONGRESS IN 1991:**

- We published Northstar Compass each month regularly, plus many interesting supplements.
- We started publishing regularly a French edition of NSC – Edited and published by Dr. Adelard Paquin in Montreal, Canada.
- Our Web Page on Internet is always up-to date and the readership is growing. It is ably edited by George Gruenthal in New York, USA.
- Our mailing list has grown with contacts in many more countries around the world.
- Our video films about the USSR are being bought in an ever-wider circle of people, plus the new Soviet feature film videos on DVD and Soviet revolutionary music on CD's that we get generously supplied with, by Irina Malenko from N. Ireland, our translator and a subscriber of NSC.
- In your delegate's portfolio you will find a catalogue of Soviet Videos, Soviet Books in English and Soviet Books in Russian

**Before this World Congress, one of the accomplishments was the establishment in Moscow of the Russian Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries – and this was not easy as there are still birth-pangs felt now. In this respect, the delegates from the Russian Friendship Society and those other delegates who have other opinion on this important question – Certainly there'll be a serious discussion on this topic, which is on our Congress Agenda.**

- There was regular correspondence with the members of the Executive Committee of the International Council as well as with the members of the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass and International Council was open every day with daily - emails, telephone calls and correspondence being answered

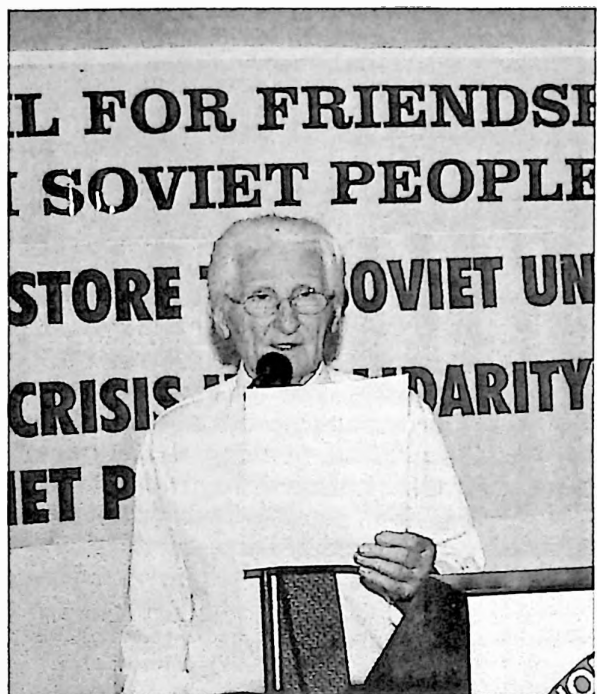
**WEAKNESSES IN OUR WORK SINCE THE FIRST CONGRESS IN 1991:**

- Due to many reasons encountered by our comrades in former Soviet Union, the establishment of the Russian Society for Friendship and Solidarity with Foreign Countries was very slow in getting set up to function. Thus was due in no small

part to the internal problems and disagreements amongst the Soviet organizations and parties that were approached to set this necessary organization functioning, as was the main decision by all the delegates at the First Congress. I am certain that the Soviet delegates will touch on this serious problem during the discussion when this topic is discussed on our agenda.

This question is of outmost importance and I would ask all the delegates to understand that in discussing this question, we must keep in mind that there is **no unified position on this question** by the Soviet delegates – as I understand through correspondence, letters, e-mails and telephone conversations with comrades there as plans were being finalized for this Congress.

-Unfortunately we have found that since the First Congress there is a definite trend by some Communist Parties to completely shun us in cooperation and there is campaign to have a "whispering campaign" against us, plus the question that we are labeled as "Stalinists" and therefore this situation prevails on non-co-operation. But, what we have noticed that in some parties a definite Anti-Sovietism is growing and a tendency to "take the centrist position". This is prevalent not only in



**Left photograph** shows just some of the 54 delegates that attended the Second World Congress that was held at the Friendship House in Toronto, Canada.

**Middle photo** shows Michael Lucas, Chairman of the International Council and Editor of Northstar Compass during questions and answers session. **Right photograph** shows a section of the Congress session, and speaking at the podium is comrade Khalequzzaman from Bangladesh giving his very informative report.

the West but even by some parties in former USSR.

-The new Executive Committee of the International Council that will be elected must show more concern and show more help to the Executive in order to advance our cause.

-There could be more done in each country where possible to promote the sale of Northstar Compass as is being done Australia by the Australian-Soviet Friendship Society for an example.

-There are constant requests from our readers in former Soviet Union that we start to publish Northstar Compass in a Russian edition and if possible, to start a Spanish edition also.

Dear comrades:

There are certain proposals and requests that we receive which are meant for our discussion on how to improve our work after this Congress takes place. Some of them are practical, others are not practical, but all of them are meant to do everything possible to help the Soviet people to resurrect the USSR and Socialism and thus help the whole of humanity to struggle for a better life and against the growing danger of US imperialism which is trying to achieve what Hitler's fascism was not able to.

When discussing this Report, and when presenting your reports and ideas, please keep in mind some of the following suggestions – proposals that were submitted by friends of the Soviet people and readers of Northstar Compass-

(1) A suggestion by many that the name of the International Council should be changed to read :

*"International Council For Socialism, Friendship, Solidarity with Soviet People."*

(2) Since there is no *"Communist International"* existing now, in spite of dozens and dozens of International Conferences by the Communist and Workers Parties and Seminars having been held, and, since we are the only world-wide friendship society dedicated to socialism as Lenin and Stalin planned, and since we are for the resurrection of the USSR, that we become the *"spark"* to start the process of trying to set up the *"Communist International"*.

(3) There are many suggestions that although we are a Friendship Society, that we become much more active politically, since there is no question of our friendship for the USSR and its founding fathers, Lenin and Stalin.

(4) There are constant demands that although we are a Friendship Society in essence, that we try to in our work and publications to impress upon the Soviet Communist comrades the absolute need for *"UNITY"* in their ranks for common struggles against the growing threat of growing neo-fascism by the present leaders of Russia and to also struggle against growing nationalism being promoted by the present regime

(5) The decision of the First Congress was that there should be established in former USSR Friendship Societies with Foreign Countries in all former Soviet Republics as a partner to the International Council. Some comrades do not understand as to why the present Society, with its delegation here now, is called *"Russian Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries"* and not *"Soviet Society for Friendship with Foreign Countries"*? After all, we want to be friends with **ALL SOVIET** people and not just with the Russians!

Otherwise we would have to establish 15 different friendship societies!

This question is of utmost importance, since we maintain that there are Soviet People, while our partner organization in Russia

maintains that there is only the Russian Friendship Society!

(6) Many comrades in Europe and other countries suggested that the forthcoming International Council should be located in Europe in order to be closer for contacts and visits in the future.

(7) The question of the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass should be resolved as to where it should be published and how it should be financially sustained.

(8) The question of a Russian Edition of NSC and a Spanish Edition of NSC should be discussed and, if possible, to be resolved.

#### YOUR PORTFOLIO:

You will find all the presentations for those who speak English, Russian, French and Spanish, plus other materials that I hope you will find useful and interesting – such as The Agenda for the Congress, the Travel Lodge Hotel Rooming List, drawing of the Friendship House, your History of the Canadian Friends of Soviet People, Pennant of the Canada-USSR Association, a magazine of Toronto, your card of the Travel Lodge Hotel, plus catalogue of the English and Russian books at the Friendship House and the catalogue if the Videos available also.

Dear comrades:

This Second Congress is extremely important not only for us, but for the whole of mankind in that we are meeting at a crucial of time in the world full of hostility, wars, demagogy, falsehoods about the history of the Soviet Union, growing terror, growing fascist threat and the extreme danger of war with all of its horrific consequences.

The imperialists and their lackeys both outside and inside the former Soviet Union are spreading even more falsehoods, lies, performing treacherous acts against their own people. The Putin regime is cleverly splitting the progressive movements, supporting some, financing others, curtailing the rest – banking himself on the disunity in the Communist movements there.

We are criticized by some leaders of the communist parties that we are

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mixing into "their domain" and since we are not a political party we should just be neutral! Well, if our grandfathers in 1918 when they established the "Hands Off Russia Committee" and during World War II the "Aid To USSR Committees" thought like that, history certainly proved that they were certainly politically correct when they supported the Soviet Union and that is **POLITICAL SUPPORT!** What else would you call it?

As we all know, there are so many modern day "Marxists and Communists" now in the world that if they all were truly revolutionaries and joined together, we certainly would have another **1917 now in 2005!**

Dear comrades:

In conclusion I would like to propose that we discuss during this Congress the following proposals, meant to take us another step closer to what was decided by the founding First Congress.

(a) That there should be organized in former USSR the "Soviet Society of Friendship and Solidarity with Foreign Countries". Seeing that the USSR is split into 15 separate regions, the suggestion is that in each of these former Republics a Friendship Society should be set up and a Coordinating Council be set up in Moscow to coordinate the activities

(b) In each country that is a signatory to the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, there should be established a Friendship Society with Soviet People and cooperate with the International Council in fulfilling the tasks that might be decided upon for the betterment of our common goals.

Recognizing that there are today and will continue to be wide

variations and divergent views within each nation. and in these cases for all understanding of activities to be effective, the strategy should be to remove antagonisms and hostility wherever possible and aim at a consensus to promote this friendship and understanding.

(c) We call upon the Soviet Friendship Societies to inform us in which way we can be of outmost and effective assistance in their quest for the resurrection of the Soviet Union and of Socialism.

(d) We affirm that within each country that the Friendship Society with Soviet People will be established and chapters formed, these Societies and Chapters who support the International Council will be given support and encouragement to strengthen their work. We also hope that means shall be found to help with financial assistance to the International Council.

(e) We affirm that the newly elected International Council, wherever it shall be located, will continue to publish Northstar Compass, as its official organ.

(f) The incoming International Council and its Executive Committee should undertake to formulate a Constitution based on its previous Aims and Purposes and in this way have this Constitution printed and distributed all over the world where Friendship Societies will exist.

Dear comrades:

The above are just some of the pressing ideas and proposals that this Congress should address, discuss and come to a conclusion for their fulfillment.

Again I would very sincerely welcome all of the delegates

gathered for this Second World Congress. Coming to Canada, the expenses of travel prevented some delegates from countries to come this distance. Others were refused visas for unknown reasons. Your presence here shows your determination, dedication, sincerity to the cause of Lenin and Stalin, whose ideas shall never, ever die. They are immortal.

You will all agree that there is now a growth of the propaganda as during the cold war in its most vile form, both inside former USSR and in the West. The influx of hate films against Stalin sees no bounds and the unfortunate thing is that many Communist parties and its members are taken in by this vile propaganda and they try to take the "middle road"

and by doing this, they are doing exactly what Imperialism and all revisionists want them to do.

Anti Stalinism is anti Sovietism and anti-Socialism! That is the bitter truth!

Dear Comrades!

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foundation of the Russian Friendship Society, was initiated by the First World Congress in 2001. It was there that the representatives of the seventeen countries present decided that it was necessary to set up a Soviet partner for the International Council on the territory of former USSR.

To follow that recommendation, representatives from a number of Soviet movements and political parties had come together and established the Society on March 11, 2003. The affiliated organizations, movements, parties to the Friendship Society are: The "Sojuz, the All Russia socio-political movement", "Communists", the Working People's Russia or the Soviet Union," "All Soviet movement Lenin and the Fatherland", "Movement in Defence of Childhood," "Mysl" newspaper, "For USSR" newspaper, "The Russian Communist Workers Party - Russian Party of Communists" (RCWP-RPC), the "RCP-CPSU", the "CPSU." We then agreed on the name, The Russian Society for Friendship and Solidarity with the Peoples of Foreign Countries, adopted its Charter and elected the leadership, comprised of the Central Coordinating Council and the Central Control Commission.

Georgii Tikhonov, the leader of the "Soyuz" movement, was initially elected as the Chairman. The Editor of "Mysl" newspaper Anatoli Kruchkov was actively participating in the work of the Central Coordinating Council until his death in May of this year.

According to our Charter, the aims and objectives of the Society are "to establish friendship links between the people of Russia and abroad by means of mutual visits and information exchange, while learning traditions, culture from other countries." This versatile activity is subordinated to the task of re-establishing the USSR and defending the class interests

In this connection I would like to express our gratitude to comrades of the Executive Committee of the International Council. In the present conditions of all sorts of distortions concerning communist ideas imposed by the bourgeois propaganda, by the decline of the labour movements as a result of revisionism and opportunistic

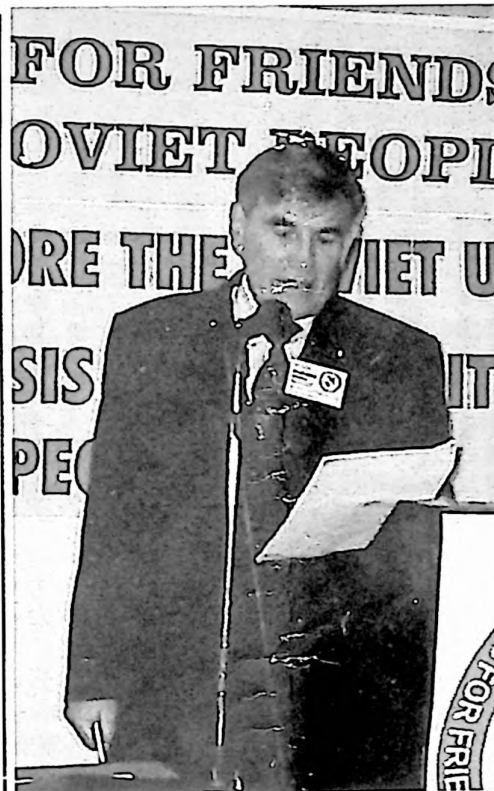
## FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY IN RUSSIA. THE OUTSET

BY VLADIMIR CHECHENTSEV  
Chairman

Comrade Chairman, dear Comrades and Friends:

On behalf of the delegation from the Russian Society for Friendship and Solidarity with the Peoples of Foreign Countries, let me express my gratitude to the Executive Committee of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People for the warm reception and support you have given to all the delegates at this Congress. For us it is a great honour to address this gathering, which has attracted many prominent representatives of the world community, the fighters for peace, democracy and socialism and all the true friends of the citizens of the former Soviet Union.

This year the people of the world have marked the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Victory over Fascism, attained by the anti-Hitler coalition countries over Nazi Germany and militarist Japan. Progressive humanity recognizes that this victory would have been impossible without the decisive contribution of the Soviet Union and of its glorious Red Army, headed by J.V. Stalin. The Central Coordinating



Council of our Friendship Society and all of its members extend their greetings to all of you on this Anniversary, wish all of you good health and success in our common struggles.

There is not much point in elaborating on the international situation for this audience. Overall we agree with the position outlined in "Ours Task ahead for the Second World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People" that was sent to all of us by Chairman, Michael Lucas.

It may be worth recalling that the

influence, you comrades are holding high the banner of Marxism-Leninism, of anti-imperialist struggle and of the cause of re-establishing the Soviet Union.

For many years the USSR was the stronghold for the workers of the world. It provided genuine assistance, without imposing any obligations to the international working class and to the national liberation movements. It was the vanguard that paved the way for all humanity to the heights of peace and progress.

Great American writer Theodore Dreiser in his telegram to Soviet Writers' Union in July of 1941 said: "I consider Hitler's invasion as a crime against the great superpower. It is a cold-blooded and criminal attempt to destroy the freedom of humanity and - what's more important - to destroy spiritual and social justice in the family of the peoples, the justice which had been achieved nowhere apart from the USSR and which no nation and no race have ever and anywhere thought about. We have to put an end to this crime. Its initiator and performer has to be publicly executed. We see how England is making moves to help Russia for the sake of its own survival. As far as America is concerned, I would alongside millions of other Americans call upon our government no just to think of self-defence by helping USSR in various ways, but to attain a better comprehension of this great democracy which is now giving its multi-million population more than America has ever done for its own people!"

These words are still relevant today. They inspire every socially conscious person in USSR for concrete and tireless work to bring back what has been lost. It is in this difficult and honourable work that we can and should rely on the solidarity and support by all conscious humanity, above all, the working class.

We must not forget that the experience of struggle led by the progressive movements, by the international labour movement is our common heritage. We have to study it and to bring it about in practice, in the activity of our Society and the vector, which we should adhere too in order to see the desired kind of

# ONAL COUNCIL FOR FRIENDSHIP WITH SOVIET PEOPLE THE FUTURE! RESTORATION OF THE SOVIET IMPERIALIST CONGRESS WITH SOVIET



*Rick Esguera of Canada opened up the Second Congress.  
Michael Opperskalski of Germany chaired 3 important Sessions.*

organization, should be the work to systematically inform the public on international events, on the routine work and activities carried out by the progressive movements and parties. To this end, we publish articles, reviews and some translated materials in affiliated press, also offering it for publication elsewhere. Our articles have been printed in ZA SSSR, Mysl, Trudovaya Rossia, Golos Komunista, Ekonomicheskaya Gazeta, ZA SSSR newspaper, with its network of correspondents throughout the former Soviet Union - are our main printed organs.

Our Society members have started translating books and pamphlets by foreign authors into the Russian language. The Lies Concerning the History of the Soviet Union, by Mario Sousa (KPML 1995, with more than 10,000 copies printed, focused a lot of public attention. In 2004 we translated and printed the booklet by Northstar Compass, The Lie of the Lenin Testament (1977)

One of the inherent parts of our work are meetings with progressive activists and delegates from abroad in their visits to Russia. We met with our colleagues from France, Belgium, Great Britain, Holland, Australia, Cuba, Greece, Turkey,

Ukraine and Belarus. Due to our limited resources, we are not always able to send our members abroad. In particular, we could not send a representative to the 16<sup>th</sup> World Festival of Youth and Students, hosted by Venezuela last August 7-14, 2005.

The regular work of comrade Georgii Tikhonov to consolidate and develop co-ordination and co-operation between the republics of former USSR is a complement to the work of our Society.

We have organized a number of actions in support of Cuba against the US embargo, including two evenings of Cuban-Russian friendship. We were quite pleased to learn that the Atlanta Appeal Court concluded the case of Miami Five, has to be reconsidered.

A substantial contribution to building friendship links is made by the SOYUZ Studio directed by the Coordinating Council member, Boris Gunko. Bi-weekly concerts held by the studio are aimed to popularize the works of world art, literature and music.

There are weaknesses in our activities, too. Perhaps the most essential drawback is that our activity so far has been carried out by the activists of Moscow only. As far as



other regions are concerned, the other branches are slow in setting themselves up.

Another important aspect of our work is to popularize Northstar Compass journal. We are currently investigating the possibilities of starting a Russian Edition of NSC or at least, a digest.

We are still organizing, but our Conference which took place last May has shown that our members are willing to strengthen Society's ties with the public and has approved the work of the Central Coordinating Committee.

We hope that this Second World Congress will take our work to new heights. We are confident that the participation of our delegation at this Congress will help in building relations with our friends from abroad and, in particular, will contribute to the cause of strengthening friendship links between the people of Russia and Canada.

#### COMMENT:

*The Second World Congress decided unanimously to accept the Russian delegation agreement that their Society will now be named "The Soviet Society for Friendship and Solidarity with Countries Abroad."*

*The Congress also agreed that the Third World Congress will be held at the Lomonosov University in Moscow, sponsored by the Russian Academy of Sciences, Philosophic Faculty.*

*The delegates of the Second World Congress agreed with tremendous applause the proposal by the Russian delegation that they will publish and distribute a Russian language Edition of Northstar Compass by the end of 2005.* ■

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## APPEAL TO SOVIET DELEGATES FOR UNITY AND TO ESTABLISH FRIENDSHIP SOCIETIES WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES

BY MANIK MUKHERJEE, Deputy International Affairs  
 Socialist Unity Centre of India

Comrade Chairman, Executive  
 Committee of the International  
 Council and comrades present!

Thank you all for offering us, SUCI  
 the revolutionary party of India, the  
 opportunity to place our views at this  
 Second World Congress. I come  
 directly to our topic.

Here we sit together to express  
 our fraternal solidarity with people  
 struggling to build up an anti-  
 capitalist and an anti-imperialist  
 movements within the erstwhile

Soviet Union. I need not spend many  
 words in reminding you that it was a  
 country that once stood as the  
 beacon of revolutionary movement-  
 anywhere and everywhere in the  
 world. Now we are holding this World  
 Congress to stand by them.

One may ask as to how could this  
 first mighty socialist state in the  
 world, a unique development in  
 human history, meet such a tragic  
 end? We must have the answer! We  
 know that the toiling Soviet people  
 under the leadership of their working

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class will strive again to build up that  
 kind of socialist state. But we must  
 also have an answer as to: why did  
 they have to face the ordeal of  
 seeing their beloved socialist  
 state destroyed and to be rebuilt  
 again.

You must all be aware that since  
 the end of World War II, warmonger  
 imperialists, headed by US  
 imperialism, have carried out  
 incessant attacks all over the world,  
 particularly on the Soviet Union, the  
 Socialist camp and against  
 communism. Notwithstanding all of  
 these intrigues and attacks, the  
 Socialist camp existed with all of its  
 glory and might, so long as it was led  
 by able leadership of the great  
 proletarian leader, Comrade Stalin,  
 the worthy successor of Comrade  
 Lenin, the architect of the Great  
 October Revolution. But it was the  
 emergence of modern revisionism in  
 USSR that destroyed the first  
 socialist state in the world from  
 within. Intrigues and attacks of  
 imperialism from outside could find  
 success only when they met with this  
 internal condition that had itself been  
 prepared and brought about the  
 change, which was this capitalist  
 counterrevolution. Revisionism has  
 also brought about disunity in the  
 international communist movement  
 and thus weakened it as well, both  
 ideologically and organizationally.  
 Finally capitalist counterrevolution  
 swept across the countries of the  
 socialist camp, leaving us in front of  
 the big question: how could it have  
 happened?

Right in 1956, when Khrushchevite revisionism made its appearance in the 20<sup>th</sup> Congress of the CPSU and finally usurped power, Comrade Shibdas Ghosh, the founding General Secretary of our party, SUCI, and one of the leading Marxist-Leninist thinkers, raised caution. He said *"In the name of fighting the cult of the individual, we are afraid, they (the CPSU leadership) are in reality directing their fight against an individual and not the cult itself. Stalin's understanding of Leninism is the correct understanding of Marxism-Leninism. This understanding by comrade Stalin has brought the communist movement worldwide to its present stature... to black out Stalin will have the inevitable result of disowning his authority and consequently rejecting the teachings of Lenin ...it would mean an open invitation to all sorts of counterrevolutionary ideas to pass off as Marxism-Leninism and the ideological foundation of the communist movement would suffer a setback. In effect it would also uncrown Lenin himself."*

People of former Soviet Union - even sections of young people - are coming out with fresh hopes and resolves in demonstrations and processions in support of socialism, with banners and portraits of Lenin and Stalin, as it was shown during the observance of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the defeat of Nazism this year. This means that in spite of all efforts by the ruling capitalist class in Russia now and its masters, foreign imperialists, prospects and possibilities of the anti-capitalist struggle are brightening fast in Russia and in other former Soviet republics.

However experience in the last years, has now convincingly demonstrated to the Soviets and to the world, that no amount of emotion, nor mere adherence to Marxism-Leninism will help avert the danger of pseudo-democrats, or of the pseudo-communists, revisionists and such others to extend their influence within the movements. Thus it is imperative that in spite of some differences amongst us, we need to build up a united front on the minimum common agreed programme of democratic and anti-imperialist movements on the basis of the dialectical principle

**of unity-struggle-unity.**

We must stand united in order to extend our hands of friendship to the Soviet people. The world scenario is tilting towards this end. People of even traditionally powerful and advanced imperialist countries are coming out into the streets to demonstrate. Grounds for a united anti-imperialist struggle, with communists at the core to grow and spread over the globe, is being prepared with every passing day. It awaits a correct revolutionary leadership to emerge and take the lead over these struggles. Only such a movement, in tune with struggles for the emancipation of different countries, will lead mankind to real peace and freedom. This remains true for the world as well as for the people of former Soviet Union, as part of a worldwide anti-imperialist-capitalist forces.

We must fight on truly united to this cherished end!

**Long Live the Revolution!  
Long Live Friendship with the  
Soviet People!** ■

## ZASCHITA TRADE UNION OF RUSSIA

BY VLADIMIR NIKIFOROV

First of all, let me thank the organizers for the invitation to participate in the congress. We truly appreciate the activity of the Executive Committee of the "International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People" as an expression of international solidarity of left organizations with the struggle of the oppressed masses in the former Soviet Union.

Your Executive Committee has the goal of helping the Soviet Peoples to restore the USSR. What kind of USSR do we need to restore and how? I will try to convey to you the opinion of our Marxist-Leninist organization.

What USSR do we want to restore: the USSR of Lenin-Stalin or



the USSR of Khrushchev-Brezhnev? The period in which our country moved towards the construction of communism is linked to the names of Lenin-Stalin and the period of regression towards the restoration of capitalism is linked to the names of Khrushchev-Brezhnev. It is not relevant that Khrushchev-Brezhnev made use of Marxist-Leninist rhetoric and that they regarded themselves as communists. They were revisionists and they represented the interests of the petty and large bourgeoisie and acted according to their interests. Some organizations, which call themselves communist, still believe that the main reason for the defeat of socialism and the collapse of the USSR was the treason of Gorbachev and the hostile activity of Western secret services during the 1980s. All this actually took place, but they are not the main reason. We believe that socialism was defeated after 1953, when the working class lost power in the course of a concealed class struggle.

The regular Soviet citizen during the Khrushchev-Brezhnev period was relatively well off and enjoyed stable social benefits. The ruling bourgeois elite concealed themselves under the Marxist-Leninist rhetoric in order to provide social stability. In the USSR during the 1970s the system of state capitalism was strengthened and the USSR transformed itself into a

social-imperialist country, which actively exploited its working class, the various nationalities, dominated other former socialist countries and other underdeveloped countries and actively participated in dividing the world into spheres of influence. According to the latest estimates, Canada enjoys the fourth best standard of living in the world. Nobody believes that countries like Canada, Australia or Norway have socialism. Massive nostalgia about the USSR among the petty-bourgeois masses occurs as a result of the fact that they lost the standard of living they enjoyed during the revisionist period, which was a result of the revolutionary class struggle led by our grandparents and was not a result of a conscious struggle for socialism by the petty-bourgeois masses of that time. The defeat of the working class after 1953 led initially to an unstable situation. The victory of petty-bourgeois forces unavoidably led to the liquidation of the socialist development and to the restoration of capitalism. Gorbachev's "Perestroika" was only a natural concluding stage, a logical continuation of the evolution of the revisionist society, which led to the final liquidation of any formal attributes of socialism. "Perestroika" was an inevitable result of the correlation of class forces.

The collapse of the USSR did not lead to serious social conflict among the exploited masses because the petty-bourgeois masses had the illusion of making profit from the privatization of state property, which had been created as a result of the labor of past generations.

What prevents the organization of the class struggle and the communist movement is the lack of Marxist-Leninist understanding of the genuine reason for the counterrevolution and the establishment of the social-imperialist character of the USSR.

We have to admit that the former republics of the USSR have become independent bourgeois states, although they are still linked to each other economically. We are not in favor of strengthening the Russian bourgeoisie by encouraging the adherence of new territories. The political independence of these new states does not prevent the establishment of relations of

economic dependence on foreign capital, including Russian capital. It is important to note that the interests of the national and foreign capital are closely interrelated. Therefore the people of each country are bound to fight against their own bourgeoisie and to uphold internationalist positions. This applies fully to Russia. If the bourgeoisie of the former republics of the USSR decide to unite, this will not prevent the proletariat from uniting its forces in the class struggle.

Today society in the countries of the former USSR, as in any other capitalist country, is divided into the proletariat, and petty, medium and large bourgeoisie. In the present state of affairs the concept of Soviet people no longer holds. The people of a nation are not united under capitalism, since they are divided by antagonistic class contradictions. The call to restore the CPSU as the "party of the Soviet people" is equivalent to creating a political classless organization in a class society, where the bourgeoisie is ruling; hence the restoration of the CPSU will be a pro-bourgeois party, which will not differ substantially from the CPRF, "Rodina" and others.

We stand for the resurrection of the Soviet Union, but as a voluntary union of socialist republics after socialist revolutions triumph. The response of the working class to class oppression by both the national

and international bourgeoisies is the class struggle, the proletarian revolution, the dictatorship of the proletariat, the union of socialist states on a voluntary basis. The working class, which is now divided by frontiers, is bound to fight mainly against its "own" bourgeoisie and at the same time has to support the struggle of the working class of the former republics of the USSR and other countries.

In order for the socialist revolution to occur, and not the replacement of one bourgeois group by another, as in ~~Georgia~~ Georgia, the Ukraine and Kirghizia, it is necessary that the working class enter the class struggle in an organized way while being led by its political vanguard. A lower stage of the organization of the working class is the trade union. Today there exists in Russia an organized workers movement. However, this movement is still under the influence of anarcho-sindicalist unionism. For instance, in the Leningrad port the trade union of dockers has been fighting for almost a year to sign a collective contract proposed by them. But they are fighting solely for their own interests and therefore they are alone. Other unions show almost no support for their struggle.

It is the real practical work and the enhancement of political consciousness that forces the unions to unite at an inter-industrial level. This creates the conditions for a conscious class struggle against the bourgeois system, i.e. political struggle. We have to remember that the union is not a political organization, but that real struggle against the exploiting classes reinforces the political character of the struggle of the unions. The activity and agitation of various political forces within the union is not forbidden by the status of our union. Therefore various tendencies ranging from petty-bourgeois to proletarian are fighting for political influence within our union. In our union there exists a genuine proletarian nucleus, which is considerably authoritative. "Proletarskaya Gazeta" is the organ of the proletarian positions within the union.

These days, parallel to this congress, the Interregional Association of workers unions of

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Russia "Zaschita Truda" is holding a congress in the city of Arzamas. The membership of our union is not very big, about 15 thousand workers, but it became one of the organizers of the all-Russian workers struggle against the adoption of the reactionary Labor code, which has seriously affected the interests of the working masses. Many of the leading and rank-and-file members of our union have been subject to criminal attacks by the security services hired by factory owners and some of our comrades have died in this struggle. The state exerts all kinds of pressure on the union via the judicial system. This makes clear the fact that the Russian bourgeoisie considers "Zaschita Truda" a threat to its interests.

One major characteristic of our union is the fact that the union statutes categorically deny membership to employers or their representatives.

**Long live Proletarian Internationalism!**

**Long live the Proletarian Revolution!**

## **SOCIALIST PARTY OF BANGLADESH**

BY KHALEQUZZAMAN

Comrade chairman, distinguished delegates and guests:

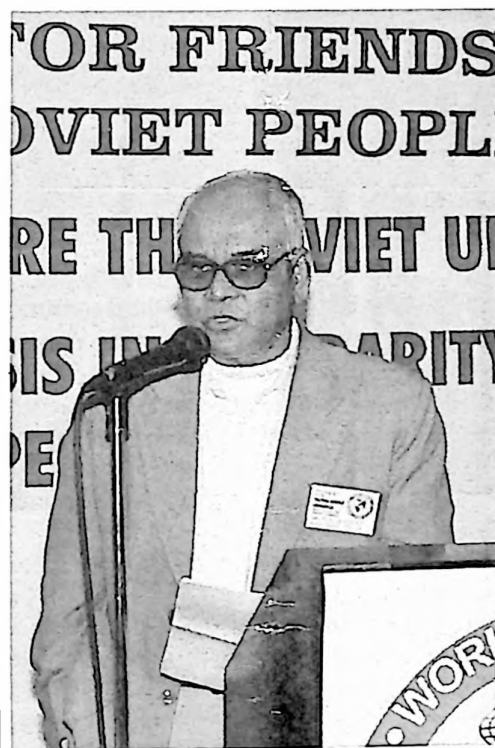
I would like to express my thanks and gratitude, on behalf of the Socialist Party of Bangladesh to the organizers of this Second World Congress. As we are aware, few months ago there was an arson fire at the Friendship House and the Editor of NSC also suffered injuries. We were shocked and got very anxious due to that incident. But despite all of that, you have managed to prepare everything for this grand congress. So you really deserve heartiest congratulations.

As we know, after the death of Stalin, revisionism crept into the CPSU of the USSR. The comrades there are facing a hard challenge. Their struggle can provide all of us a unique and valuable education. On the other hand, the revolutionaries all over the world can help them with

their knowledge and experiences. In this respect, the International Council is playing a very important role. So, I appreciate highly the endeavours to have organized this Second World Congress.

Comrades!

We are passing through a critical phase in the history of civilization. The world has turned into a battlefield of two opposing forces, one with an aggressive design to dominate the whole world with economic and military might, and the other standing for justice, equality, freedom and peace. But now, without the USSR, the US is facing little hindrance to impose its savage domination on this world. US Imperialism, headed by George W. Bush is hell bent to impose control over global markets. He is promoting fascist type of aggression and control.



My own country, Bangladesh has also become prey to this US imperialist grab and it is greatly endangered. US has its eyes on the rich hydrocarbon resources in the country and wants to establish control over it. These US demands are bringing to the fore contradictions between China and India, who also have hegemonic aspirations in South Asia. This is threatening peace and stability in the region. Many of the comrades at this World Congress spoke at great length about US imperialism, the economic crisis and the dangers we are all facing. I would

like to touch on some questions and problems that was sent to all of us by comrade Michael Lucas - and we will make the following proposals:

(1) The name of the International Council could be: International Council for Socialist Unity and Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People.

(2) The importance of establishing the "Communist International" is unquestionable to us and me. But it's a crude reality that there are many shades of thinking on different issues in the communist and workers parties around the world. We have to minimize these problems through continuous discussions and also exchange of views amongst ourselves. I do really think that the International Council can play an active role with this end in view.

(3) It's a reality that the USSR does not exist now. But the Communists are very much active in their respective countries that were once part of the Soviet Union. Our suggestion is that the International Council can help them to sit down together and share all of their experiences. Through these activities there might grow a common struggle against creeping fascism in that region.

(4) Maybe some communist parties are still in the dark about International Council's activities, so they are keeping themselves away from you. I think that drawing them into free discussions and telling them about your activities, more and more of them might solve this problem.

(5) Considering the convenience of easy communication and the availability of all kinds of logistic support, the International Council could be located in either Europe or North America.

(6) Northstar Compass can certainly have a Russian and a Spanish edition, if the concerned comrades think so and are willing to help out. Regarding finances, a discussion should take place among the delegates present here.

### **SOME PROPOSALS!**

First - we should try to establish an anti-imperialist forum in order to coordinate the worldwide struggles against imperialism. It can have different regional branches too.

Second - with a view to creating a

Communist International, we should have a platform to conduct discussions among the communist and workers parties who have different shades of opinion on different issues.

**Third** – due to the capitalist globalization, the struggle of the workers and peasants is becoming globalized too. So, we should take an immediate step to create a platform that will coordinate the struggle of workers and peasants all over the world.

Thank you comrades!

**Long Live the Revolution!**

### **DR. ADELARD PAQUIN** Editor of French Edition of Northstar Compass

Dear comrades and friends of the Congress

Please allow me first of all at this Second World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People to greet you from the bottom of my heart and from all the readers of the French Edition of NSC.

I am very happy to be amongst you, which under present circumstances is of unprecedented importance. As President Chavez of Venezuela said at the 16<sup>th</sup> Festival of Youth: *"We face an enormous challenge, it is a fight for the rescue of the planet, threatened by the greediness of American imperialism."*

This Congress marks an important evolution of our movement. It is another step towards more unity and practical cooperation. By the experience, the force of our ideas and experiments, we can share these experiences here, agree upon the coordination of the struggle and on various forms of co-operation. Thanks to this kind of approach and its success, we constantly advance in unison, efficiency and unprecedented meaning and devotion.

Already four years ago at the First World Congress we united and agreed to set up the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People. This hard task was well carried out, and the holding of this Second Congress is proof of that. We must discuss, analyse with vigour at this Congress as to what

we can do to move ahead to fulfill some of the tasks that we did not fulfill since that first congress. It is the only way to ensure the future successes and to set up even a stronger organization to help our Soviet friends in the resurrection of the USSR – to work in order to unite all the citizens in their struggle for the construction of socialism, such as existed up to 1953.



Since the First Congress enormous progress was carried out but there are still debatable positions that we must try to resolve here. If there are erroneous positions, let us indicate them, let us fully analyze them, let us have opinions and suggestions. Let us not fall into provocations.

As regards the work carried out by the International Council, I consider that the work here in Canada was immense. It goes without saying that the biggest part of the work was done by Michael Lucas and Helen Lucas, who in spite of immense difficulties always persisted in the pursuit of their activities. We congratulate them and thank them for the success and all those others who helped.

The Soviet friends in their turn started to fulfill some of the tasks that were agreed upon during the First World Congress. And this was due to the fact that the International Council was elected at this First World Congress. The Soviet comrades organized the Friendship Society and proceeded to spread the idea of this Society far and wide.

There were and still are many

questions about the unity in the Communist movement. Since the First World Congress there were many splits in the communist parties in former Soviet Union and also much recrimination and misunderstanding, which also shows itself in other communist forums that are held in many countries of the world.

There are over 50 parties in Russia alone that call themselves Communist and even Bolshevik. This is one of the serious problems which the present regime of President Putin utilizes to **"divide and rule"**.

In view of the situation in former USSR, only Marxists-Leninists that follow the teachings of Lenin and Stalin will be able to take the correct steps to resurrect the Soviet Union. In order to clarify as to the situation in former USSR and explain the dialectics in Northstar Compass, it is very important that the International Council exists and gets stronger. It is evident that there are more and more references, quotations, speeches of Stalin are quoted not only in the former Soviet Union, but all over the world.

We must inform our readers of this truth, in order for them to understand better the necessity of the resurrection of the Soviet Union, and to show the present reality as to what is happening to the people there.

Our work asks us for total objectivity as regards the events that took place in the USSR. Our two journals and our Web Page which is very effective, thanks to George Gruenthal in New York as its Editor.

We believe in the correctness of our cause and of our struggles, and, that is why we shall not deviate under any circumstances from the road that we have chosen!

Thank you comrades for your attention.



## STATEMENT BY THE NEW INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL

# SOLIDARITY WITH SOVIET PEOPLE! RESTORE THE SOVIET UNION!

Fifty four delegates from former Soviet Union, Europe, the America's, Asia and Africa have gathered in Toronto, from September 23 to 25, 2005 at the Second World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, in the renewed Friendship House in Toronto, Canada. The other 15 delegates that registered from other countries, most of them from the former Soviet Union, were refused visas by Canadian authorities in their countries, even though they applied in time and some had booked their airline flights to come to the Second World Congress.

This year, the peoples of the world have marked the 60th Anniversary of Victory, attained by the anti-Hitler coalition countries over Nazi Germany and the militarist Japan, and of the end of the Second World War. Progressive humanity recognizes that in that victory, the decisive contribution of the Soviet Union and of its glorious Red Army, headed by J.V. Stalin was decisive to this world historic victory.

The International Council was founded at the First World Congress in 2001. It's aim was to establish friendship links between the Soviet people and the people all over the world, by means of mutual visits, information exchange and learning culture from other countries. This versatile activity is embedded in the perspective of the re-establishment of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR), in the spirit of its founding fathers, Lenin and Stalin, and defending the class interests of the working people in all countries.

The Second World Congress voted and passed the following resolutions:

-against US-imperialism, the new world order and the US-led wars around the world  
-in defence of political prisoners in

the CIS-states and the Baltic States  
-in defence of president Milosevic against imperialist terror  
-for the establishment of Friendship Societies with Foreign Countries in every former Soviet republic and to hold the Third World Congress in 2007 in Moscow, Russia  
-to protest to the Canadian government for refusing visas to many delegates coming to the Congress  
-to protest the lynching of the Kurdish people in Turkey  
-in defence of the struggle of the Cuban and Venezuelans revolutions  
-in defence of the struggle of the Nepalese people

The Second World Congress approved the tremendous achievements of the Northstar Compass journal, informing monthly, already for 14 years, readers in most countries of the world about the situation and realisations of the Soviet Union, and the struggle to restore it. The journal is printed in English and French language and it appears on the Web Page — [www.northstarcompass.org](http://www.northstarcompass.org). This Congress also decided to publish NSC also in Russian. The Congress participants appealed to all progressive people of the world to subscribe to the journal, and to make financial donations to its support, in order to guarantee the continuation of the NSC journal and the International Council.

An important step forward has been realized by the decision to found, as the partner of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, in the former Soviet Union, the "*Soviet Society for Friendship and Solidarity with Foreign Countries*".

This Society will be presided over by Georgi I. Tikhonov and its Chairman will be Vladimir Chechentsev and, its base will be in Moscow, plus having

representatives in all of the former republics of the Soviet Union.

Michael Lucas of Canada has been re-elected unanimously as the Chairman of the International Council and also Editor of Northstar Compass journal. □

### THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE DELEGATES AT THE SECOND WORLD CONGRESS

#### Resolution on Denial of Visas by Canadian Authorities

Whereas the Canadian government has denied visas to delegates to our Second World Congress from several countries, including Russia, Ukraine, Byelorussia, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Brazil and other countries,

Whereas one of the reasons claimed for this denial, that the delegates did not have any means of support for their stay in Canada is demonstrably false, since it was made clear that all expenses of their stay were being covered by the International Council,

Whereas the First World Congress also saw last minute refusals of visas, but as it was held barely two weeks after the attacks in the United States on September 11, 2001, this could be attributable to the general fear of foreign visitors at that time by the Canadian government,

Whereas at this time the denial of visas can only be seen as an attempt to undermine and sabotage the holding of our Congress, in an attempt to undermine solidarity and friendship between the progressive peoples of the world and the peoples

of the former Soviet Union,

We declare that this attempt to undermine and sabotage our Congress is an attack on the fundamental democratic rights of the delegates denied visas to fully participate in the discussions at our Congress,

We declare that this attempt is an attack on the democratic rights of the progressive peoples of Canada and other countries to hear reports from and take part in the discussion with those delegates,

We declare that such denial of democratic rights is only in the interest of those in Canada, the United States and other countries who are deathly opposed to the rebirth of socialism in the former republics of the Soviet Union and the restoration of the Soviet Union,

We resolve to protest in the strongest possible terms the denial of visas to the authorities in Ottawa, and

***We resolve to protest in the strongest possible terms the denial of visas to the consular representatives of the Canadian government in all countries whose delegates have been denied visas.***

**Resolution of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, Toronto, Canada, 25 September 2005**

The Second World Congress of the International Council agrees to accept the offer of Professor David Jokhadze from the Institute of Philosophy of the Russian Academy of Sciences to organize the Third World Congress in 2007 in Moscow.

The Second World Congress proposes to execute the decision of the First Congress by organising in the countries of the CIS and the Baltic States sections of the Soviet Society for Friendship and Solidarity with Foreign Countries

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### **SOLIDARITY WITH THE KURDISH PEOPLE**

We strongly condemn the lynch attempts that have been organised and carried out against the Kurdish people in Turkey/N. Kurdistan by the fascist Turkish state; the army and the AKP (Justice and Development Party) government.

While it accelerates its attacks on the workers and labourers by neo-liberal attacks; privatization of state-owned factories and industrial places, introducing new slavery laws in the work life and by demolishing the shanty-houses in the suburbs of big cities, the fascist Turkish regime, at the same time, restarted to use the methods of dirty war, which it has implemented for more than 15 years against the Kurdish people and caused the death of more than 30 thousand people. Together with conducting military operations in the mountains and valleys of Northern Kurdistan, they are now organising lynchings on the streets of different cities and towns of Turkey against the Kurdish people.

We are very well aware that their main aim is to break the ties and destroy the bridge of brotherhood between the Turkish and Kurdish people. But we are also aware that the nation who oppresses other nation or nations will not be free too. The ones suffer the most from Kurdish people not having freedom is the Turkish workers and labourers. While billions are spent for the war, on the other hand, the Turkish people are being imprisoned to poverty. Workers' and labourers' democratic rights, the freedom of action and assemble is seized. When they take to the streets for their rights, they are stamped with being "separatist" and "terrorist". Therefore the Turkish people should also fight and resist the fascist dictatorship's denial and annihilation policy against the Kurdish people. Through their actions, demonstrations, support and solidarity, they should lend the hand of brotherhood to the Kurdish people.

-End the military operations!  
-Stop raining bullets and bombs on to the people!  
-Down with fascism and colonialism!  
-Long live the peoples' brotherhood!

### **Solidarity with the Iraqi people and its legitimate resistance!**

The Iraqi people are daily the victim of the so-called "new world order" which is characterized by the increasing aggressiveness of imperialism. The competition between the main imperialist nations is aggravating; they are fighting more and more aggressively about a new division of the world, its markets and resources. The reactionary formation up to the fascist development of its societies and its state structures is correspondingly progressing and any resistance against this so-called "new world order" is to be eradicated by all means.

Particularly in the resourceful regions of the Near and Middle East US imperialism strives to maintain and extend its absolute dominance against all competitors. In this sense the region should be newly "ordered".

For the Iraqi people this means: the cruelest occupation after a war of aggression against international law, destruction of the country and its resources, torture, murder, and terror by the occupying forces.

The Iraqi people have been practising resistance since the occupation of their country which is against international law from the beginning. This resistance has developed dynamically and on all levels including legitimate armed resistance which agrees with Article 51 of the Charta of the United Nations among other things.

In order to break the increasing resistance of the Iraqi people the occupying forces led by the USA are using more and more brutal methods: arbitrary mass arrests and torture, setting-up of concentration camps, warfare against the resistance which aims at bombing Iraq to rubble, deployment of internationally proscribed weapons of mass extermination including poison gas like in Falludscha or the elimination of the political leaders of the Iraqi resistance like the arrest of the leader of the "Iraqi Patriot Alliance", Abduljabbar al-Kubaysi, on September 2nd 2004. Meanwhile thousands of political prisoners are languishing in the torture chambers of the occupying forces.

Another element of the suppression of the increasing resistance of the Iraqi people is a purposeful defamatory campaign aiming at



branding its resistance as "terrorist" and "Islamist" and isolating it internationally. These campaigns supported by disinformation of the CIA, the Israeli MOSSAD and other western secret services are not only led by mass media and political forces that are openly supporting the occupation of the Iraq, but partly also under "left-wing" flag in order to influence negatively especially those people willing to engage sincerely against the occupation of Iraq and for the solidarity with the resistance of the Iraqi people.

In this context the so-called "Iraqi Communist Party" (just like its front-organizations) plays a special role. It places a minister in the so-called "transitional government" set up by the USA and being completely dependent on it - as well as infiltrated by CIA agents - and is involved in all terrorist measures of the occupation forces and their puppets against the Iraqi people.

Especially after the massacre of Falludscha the undersigned declare their solidarity with the Iraqi people and its legitimate resistance and demand:

\* Immediate and unconditional release of all political prisoners and prisoners of war in Iraq!

\* Ending of any German participation in the neo-colonial oppression and exploitation of the Iraqi people! Stop to the use of military bases in Germany for the war of the occupying forces against the Iraqi people! No recognition of the marionette government set up and controlled by the USA in Baghdad!

\* Political and material solidarity with the Iraqi people and its legitimate resistance!

\* Immediate withdrawal of all occupying troops in the Iraq!

\* Reparations of the damage caused by the aggressors in Iraq in two wars of aggression, during the UN-Embargo lasting for 12 years and brutal occupation! ■

### **SUPPORT THE REVOLUTION IN CUBA AND VENEZUELA**

The International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, at its 2<sup>nd</sup> World Congress, fully supports the Cuban revolution under the leadership of Fidel Castro, the struggle of the Cuban people for its independence against the US plots to destabilize Cuba and attack it militarily. We demand the

immediate lifting of the US-blockade off Cuba and liberation of the five Cuban political prisoners in the US.

The International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, at its Second World Congress, expresses its solidarity with the actual national-democratic Bolivarian revolution in Venezuela, under the leadership of president Hugo Chavez. We fully support the struggle of the Venezuelan people for its independence against the interference of US imperialism.

We send our deepest respect and warm greetings to President Fidel Castro and President Hugo Chavez. ■

### **RESOLUTION IN DEFENSE OF THE STRUGGLE OF THE NEPALESE PEOPLE**

Whereas the Nepalese people, under the leadership of the Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist), have been waging successfully protracted people's war over the last five years for a democratic republic and have now reached the stage of strategic offensive with control over the major part of the countryside,

Whereas US and British imperialism have poured increasing amounts of arms and other material resources to the Gyanendra regime to defeat the Nepalese revolution,

Whereas Indian expansionism has increasingly provided support to the Gyanendra regime, including armed actions against units of the Nepalese people's liberation army,

Whereas the absolutist king Gyanendra has declared a state of emergency, thereby driving the parliamentary parties into discussion for a united front with the CPN(M),

We, the delegates from continents around the world, at the 2<sup>nd</sup> World Congress of the International Council for Friendship with the Soviet People, call on all peoples, organisations and parties to extend whatever material and political support they can to the Nepalese people in their struggle to overthrow the Gyanendra regime and establish a free and independent Nepal. ■

### **Resolution of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People,**

The Second World Congress of the International Council agrees to accept the offer of Professor David Jokhadze from the Institute of Philosophy of the Russian Academy of Sciences to organize the Third World Congress in 2007 in Moscow.

The Second World Congress proposes to execute the decision of the First Congress by organising in the countries of the CIS and the Baltic States sections of the Soviet Society for Friendship and Solidarity with Foreign Countries. ■

### **FROM THE RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**

**Professor David Victorovich Johadze, Ph.D.**

## **To the Great Victory of the Soviet People - Great Continuation 1945-2005**

**Moscow State University of Lomonosov**

**To Comrade Michael Lucas - Chairman of the International Council of Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People, to the members of the Council and to the participants of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Congress of Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People**

Dear comrades,

On behalf of organizing committee and participants of the continuously functioning at the Institute of Philosophy of the Russian Academy of Sciences monthly academic theoretical seminar "Marxist Readings", as well as the organizing committee and participating members of the colloquium "Marxism: the Past, the

Present and the Future" of the IV Russian International Philosophical Congress – "Philosophy and Future of the Civilization", and from myself personally I wholeheartedly greet the participants of the international forum and wish you great success in your work.

Post-soviet history demonstrated that the treacherous and treasonous demolition of the Soviet Union takes revenge not only on the peoples of the former Soviet Union, but also on the entire humanity. As a result of the New World Order enforced by USA and NATO the unipolar world became more fragile and in many ways dangerously more unpredictable. Under the pretence of fighting "international terrorism", but in reality with the purpose of geopolitical and geostrategic re-division of the world the USA and NATO started, contrary to the UN Statute, unprecedented state-terrorist wars against less developed sovereign countries, members of the United Nations. 78% of the world population today lives at or below poverty line, ecological situation is becoming worse everywhere, contradictions between labour and capital are getting worse, rich countries become richer and poor poorer. As a result, the modern world "is pregnant" with the socialist revolution in the very broad sense of this concept. Objective logic of the socio-economic and political development of the world community proves that, overall, the modern world develops according to Marx: it inexorably approaches the end of human prehistory and socialism became a critical imperative of the modern times. No doubt, formational reintegration of the people of former USSR can speed up the world's movement towards socialism and communism. In the year of the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the victory of the good will over fascism we have the right to proclaim: To the Great Victory of the Soviet People – great continuation! Long live socialism, great victorious Soviet People and friendship between the people of the whole world. Neo-imperialism and its child "Bushism" will not succeed!

**PASS NSC TO A FRIEND  
AFTER YOU READ IT!**

Highly respected friends of the Soviet People, we wish you to have your next Congress at the Institute of Philosophy in Moscow. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Organizational Committee of the colloquium "Marxism: the Past, the Present and the Future":  
Professor Johadze, Ph. D.,  
(chairman),  
A.V. Dmitriev, member-  
correspondent of the Russian  
Academy of Sciences  
Professor F. N. Koltzov, Ph.D.  
Economics (co-chairman),  
Professor M. N. Parfilev, Ph.D.  
Professor V.A. Saprikin, Ph.D. (co-  
chairman)  
Professor E. F. Solopov, Ph.D.  
Dotsent V. A. Chechenev, Ph. D.  
candidate (scientific secretary)

## ARGUMENT

BY AUBREY BOWMAN – England



This submission is based on the validity of three premises.

Dear readers: We have foreshortened this excellent presentation that Aubrey made at the Congress for space reasons only.

### (1) IDENTITY OF STRUGGLE IN BOTH THE USSR AND CAPITALIST COUNTRIES

The fight for the re-installation of workers' power in the lands of the former Soviet Union and the struggle

of workers and their allies in other countries against exploitation and for the working peoples' power, allowing for the diversity of form which these struggles take, are nevertheless one and all fundamentally part of the same struggle. The struggle against exploitation, capitalism and for the establishment of Socialism.

### (2) THE RESATORATION OF THE SOVIET UNION TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE WORKING PEOPLE OF THOSE LANDS TOGETHER WITH THEIR ALLIES

The principle force for the reestablishment of Soviet power must inevitably come from the workers and allies of the former Soviet lands.

Furthermore, that the setting up of such Congresses as this one on the initiative of the International Council and Northstar Compass, provide us with a platform which cannot be other than of unbelievable help and encouragement to those working inside the former republics of the Soviet Union.

### (3) IDENTITY OF PROBLEMS BOTH INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION AND THE CAPITALIST WORLD

There are problems which are common between the workers' parties and groupings in capitalist countries and those in the lands of the previous USSR and other former socialist countries.

The problems concern the question of political activity and its relation with the written word. There has been a tendency in post world war times to confine political work more and more to the written word. There has developed a weakening of the roots between the workers' parties and the masses. This has left the way open for the development of fragmentation of workers' parties, feelings of isolation, then to disillusionment and possibly to inertia and dependency.

We know that these processes have taken place. They are serious and have affected the work of all workers' parties and groups, both in the capitalist world and in the lands of the former Soviet Union.

The concept of the unity of theory and practice is a thread that runs throughout this submission.

There has taken place in our movement, a decreasing role of

leadership, with even leading figures themselves castigating the very concept itself of leadership as being "undemocratic", thus the way has been left open for various forms of revisionism and opportunism. These results had frequently been confusion, leading to disillusionment. Many fine and determined comrades, however, have taken alternative routes and they have willingly ploughed in with enthusiasm, and found their abilities and sense of solidarity exceptionally vital in campaigns which are calling for helpers. Here again we have a "single issue", the all-consuming energies, sometimes 24 hours per day to achieve a positive outcome. But that leaves also no energy to spare for discussion with others regarding the necessity for some form of organization, which can have as centralizing function.

This is the hurdle to surmount. It is a difficult one and it is high, but surmount it we must. The work of Karl Marx gave us dialectical materialism, the most potent weapon possessed by the working class. Using it, this submission confidently asserts, proverbial mountains can be moved, and, though the going be tough, in fact very tough, we can win!

**AGITATION!  
EDUCATION!  
ORGANIZATION!**

**MARCH ON IN UNITY OF  
PURPOSE TO THAT SOCIALIST  
GOAL!** □

## **EITHER NARROW- MINDEDNESS OR TREASON OF THE "SCIENTISTS" THAT RUINED SOCIALISM IN THE USSR**

**Misinformation – a tool for  
destroying the USSR**

Misinformation is also a tool used to artificially preserve a regime of poverty in the Russian Federation and genocide of its population. One

could suppose that today's government of the Russian Federation, as well as the government of the USSR, uses some powerful "fifth column" to stay ignorant about history and the reasons of unnatural poverty in the USSR and in the Russian Federation. The same tools create the illusionary truth of the myth about socialism not being able to function in the world, as well as about Russia's peoples' incapability and unsuitability of its climate.



**DR. VLADIMIR M. PISAREV**  
Master of Economics  
**LARISA SCHERBA, Canada –**  
an excellent interpreter from  
Russian into English

The author of this report is a former member of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union (1950-1991). He is proud about his joining the Communist Party when it was still called the All-Union Communist Party (Bolsheviks), about starting his military service during the time when Chief Commander was Stalin. It is a shame that since the 1950s in the USSR, that with the help of deceptive economic theories and disinformation extreme poverty is supported artificially, which compromises the ideas of socialism, as well as the Soviet peoples. This is happening at the time since the 1950s that Soviet Russia could have become the world leader in terms of level of salaries and pensions.

Psychologists, psychiatrists and philosophers unfortunately have not managed to explain the paradox and the absurdity of the "plans of reconstruction", which were used to justify at first the necessity of increased tempo of industrialization, and after 1950, when the USSR "secretly" became the most powerful state in the world (according to kilobytes of power used by various production equipment). Those same plans were used to justify the robbery and destruction of the state. Another peculiar feature of these plans is that they were planted into the "economic neo-sphere" of the USSR supposedly in the name of Marx and Lenin, strangely enough only after their deaths. You can read the details in the attached brochure "Stalin Deceived" (M., 1996), in the article "About the Unspoken Reasons of Impoverishment of the USSR – Russian Federation" (newspaper "Iskra" #2/02) and in other not much advertised small circulation publications, including several articles of "Economic and Philosophical Newspaper", where the author of this report is a member of the editorial team.

Both the government and the opposition in the Russian Federation, including all communist parties, seem to have an unspoken agreement to "keep secret" the history and reasons of the poverty and extreme poverty in the USSR and Russian Federation. The government does not, probably because its foreign leadership tells them to do so. The opposition likely maintains this agreement because they are embarrassed for the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, which with the help of the domestic and foreign "scientists"-economists and electrical technicians- led to poverty and destroyed the USSR. They are also embarrassed by the fact that since 1993 the Communist Party of the Russian Federation plays elections with the government, as in checkers, and constantly concedes defeat.

**Real Data and Conclusions based  
on Lenin's statements.**

Miserable consequences of  
Gorbachev's reforms –  
impoverishment and collapse of the  
state – happened because legal

authorities of the USSR for some reason did not dismiss nonsensical economic theories and misinformation.

The numbers in table 1 show that by the early 1980s the USSR was "ahead of the entire planet" in the main criteria of industrial development, industrial electrification and productive forces in total. The hideously destructive leadership of the USSR, the data about which are highlighted in the table, was hidden and confused not only in the Soviet, but also in the statistical annual publications of the UN. These numbers are kept obscured up until now.

No matter what they say today about Lenin, he managed to formulate two brilliant and fruitful maxims: "Socialism is accounting!" and "Communism is soviet power plus electrification of the whole country!" The "fifth column" in the USSR interpreted these statements in their own way. They confused accounting completely, and accounting of the electric industry especially. They drove industrialization to destructive absurdity. By speeding-up the destruction during Gorbachev's *uskorenije* (speeded up economic development), the conspirators managed to organize the long-awaited-for collapse of the country only in 1991, although they had been planning it since the 1960s).

Alarming signals about unprecedented destruction of the country started showing up in the 1950's and continued arriving after 1979 to the Central Committee of the Communist Party, Council of Ministers (*Sovet Ministrov*), KGB, *Genprocuratura* of the USSR and in 1981 appeared in the newspaper "Pravda". However, no one responded to them. It seems that some mighty forces wanted to artificially preserve the cruelly created extreme poverty of the working and retired people, and all the budgets of USSR-Commonwealth of Independent States-Russian Federation.

Unfortunately, Lenin's prediction came true both during the State Planning (*Gosplan*) and during the market economy: "We will be fools if we form enterprises na hoziyastvennom rasshete and will not manage to serve our interests in

a businesslike manner." (volume 54, page 151 Russian edition). This happened because the reforms of Kosygin, Gorbachev, Yeltsin and Putin have been and are still conducted by people who do not know the history and causes of the illnesses of the economy of the USSR- The Russian Federation, therefore, their prescriptions for cure only make the illness worse...

You can read more on the subject in this author's article "To Be Able to See and to Correct or Explanation of the Possibility of Establishing in Russia Western-European Salaries, Pensions and Benefits" (EFG #42/04) and in other publications, listed at the bottom of this article, including the brochure "Stalin Deceived", M. 1996. In these publications the author presents concise texts of legal drafts, which could heal the economy in 2-3 years and assure world leadership of the Russian Federation in real GNP per person, as well as in salaries and pensions per person.

As to the absurd economic theories, which have been helping the government of the USSR-Russian Federation to make us broke, these theories "ready" for dismissal are hard to hide, just like "what is written cannot be erased" and even more so what is printed in quantities of thousands and more. These theories are in all Soviet textbooks of political economy, in statistical publications of the USSR, Russian Federation, USA, UN, in the articles "Vosproizvodstvo" ("Back to Production"), "Dvigatel" ("Engine"), all three editions of the Great Soviet Encyclopedia and in other publications. A good example is the book of Mason Gaffny and others. "Behind the Curtains of Establishing Economic Theories. From Theory to Corruption", SPb, 2000.

#### **.Stalin's Forecast and Actual Data**

Impressive data about the level of economic development of the USSR before Gorbachev's "perestroika" inspire us to recall the conditions under which, according to Stalin "our Motherland with be guaranteed from any accidents". These conditions included annual production of 60 million tons of steel (in 1913 it was 4 million tons, in 1940 it was 18, in 1945 - 12) and pumping of 60 million tons of oil (in the past

10, 31, and 19 respectively). As Stalin believed, "it would take tree five-year plans, if not more" (to achieve these results). In reality, in 15 years the USSR produced not 60, but 65 million tons of steel and not 60, but 148 tons of oil. Such grand success gave the Communist Party of the Soviet Union all reasons to promise the peoples of the USSR to build material and technical basis for communism by 1980 and even beyond, saying that "even today's generation will live under communism."

The data from Table 1 testify about the USSR being significantly ahead of the USA by the 1980s in the main economic criteria. As to oil production, the USSR in some years overachieved the "guaranteed", as Stalin called it, level of production 10 times, i.e. it was 600 million tons. It seems there was everything necessary for creating conditions for distribution of material wealth according to one's needs, which should be limited only by ethical and ecological considerations. In reality, the USA, lagging behind the USSR by that time had annually over one ton of grain, over 100 kilograms of meat per person, over 1.5 rooms per person and over 1.5 automobile per family. Trumpeters of communism could not even dream about such degree of material well-being. The basic material and technical foundation of the USSR was at least not worse.

It was the horrific distortion of the Soviet economy "in favour" of the so called "heavy" industry, which (the distortion) is characterized by the numbers the author highlighted, which up until today are kept secret, led to the peoples of the USSR being worn out by on-going shortages of consumer goods and in social services, including housing. This is what created a favourable background for the liquidation of socialism in the USSR and the country itself.

I must add the important fact that the extreme distortion of the economy of the USSR was achieved as early as in the 1960s, when the portion of means of production in all heavy and other commercial industries reached 75%, at the same time as the portion of consumer goods fell to 25%, while this proportion should be approximately

the opposite. This is why "quiet Americans" awaited the crash of socialism in the USSR already in the 1960s. To their disappointment production of oil in the USSR grew significantly faster than Stalin forecasted in 1946. This is why Stalin's successors managed to keep power for another 20 years. This was possible due to oil dollars, which were used to plug all the holes in the consumer goods market. And only when "quite - Americans" talked Reagan into talking the king of Saudi Arabia to suddenly lower world oil prices, then oil-dollar support of the senseless economy of the USSR itself collapsed. This happened also because long term economic challenges and failures demoralized the Party, Komsomol (*Young Communist League*), military, MVD (Ministry of Internal Affairs), KGB, and certainly the people of the USSR.

Today, despite the increase of world prices for oil, one of the main conditions of normalization of the economy of the Russian Federation and the whole life within it, including overcoming of the demographic catastrophe, our country went from oil exporter to importer, just like the USA, Japan and Germany. Let the "egghead" USA, Germany, Japan; China, and other countries wrack their brains over what to replace gasoline and diesel for automobiles and tractors with - biogas, carbon, rice, corn, or wood alcohol or some other new fuel. We are right - cheated and self sufficient as no one before in the history of humanity, we can "calmly" wait for the solution of the fuel problem. Meanwhile we can recommend to subjects of the Russian Federation to intensely restructure its construction and industry to their normal structure according to already existing "blueprints" and patterns of the economy of the USA and other countries of the "golden billion" of humanity. This restructuring cannot but assure our prosperity and might...

We received the decision of the Congress to elect Khalequzzaman to the Board of NSC. This will strengthen our cooperation.

Mubinul Hayder Chowdhury -CC  
Socialist Party of Bangladesh



**HELEN LUCAS**, Financial Secretary of the International Council and of Northstar Compass gave an extensive Financial Report since the First World Congress in 2001 - which was adopted unanimously with great thanks and concurred to by the two Financial Controllers of the Council and NSC.

### REPORT ON THE 14<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST SEMINAR IN BRUSSELS, MAY 2005

By JEFF BOSSUYT



For the fourteenth consecutive year, the International Communist Seminar (ICS) took place in Brussels, from May 2 to 4, 2005. This year's theme was "Internationalist Experiences and Tasks of Communists in the Struggle against Imperialism", with as sub-theme "The experience of the Communist

International and its meaning for our current struggle".

64 communist and workers' parties and organizations from 44 countries were present in Brussels, either as participant or observer. An additional 56 parties and organizations sent a message to the Seminar or were unable to attend, mostly due to visa problems or financial constraints.

41 delegations took the floor, and the reports they presented were discussed. An additional 7 parties that were absent in Brussels did send in a paper. All reports will be made available on [www.wpb.be/icm.htm](http://www.wpb.be/icm.htm), the web page of the ICS.

In the months before the Seminar, a General Resolution was drafted, based on the Declaration of the 2003 and 2004 Seminars and including several amendments submitted beforehand. The resolution, entitled "Workers and peoples of the world, let us mobilize against imperialism, in particular against US imperialism, its policies of aggression and its preparations for war on a world scale!" - was then discussed and enriched at the Seminar itself, before being adopted by an almost unanimous vote. Resolutions on solidarity with Cuba and with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea were also submitted and signed by scores of delegations.

More than during previous Seminars, time was set aside to discuss potential joint research projects and common campaigns and action. A practical method was proposed to realize this, namely to group together parties that want to cooperate on a specific project or campaign, with for each of them one specific party volunteering to do the coordination. Fields for joint research and issues for common campaigns and action were proposed, according to their feasibility and their potential to gather a broad interest. For research, these are: the general economic crisis of world capitalism; the increasing danger of war on a world scale; China's domestic situation and international role; the petty bourgeois ideologies in the Left movement (e.g. Negri & Hardt); and the European Union. For solidarity campaigns, Cuba was singled out, particularly the Free the Five campaign and a campaign to defend Cuba's human rights record against all lies and slander. Solidarity with the Iraqi people's resistance against occupation was also named as a

major issue. The Social Forums were identified as important occasions for joint action of communists, while the Seminar also promoted the World Festival of Youth and Students in Venezuela and the activities and campaigns of the World Peace Council.

It was agreed upon that the 2006 International Communist Seminar will tackle two themes: the impact of the Communist International on the founding and the development of the communist parties in particular countries; and the exchange of concrete experiences of Party work in the working class and among the youth.

The Seminar was followed by an evening meeting of Communist and Workers' Parties in solidarity with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, which was attended by 26 parties.

On the initiative of the Workers' Party of Belgium, on May 6, communist delegates from Russia, Ukraine, Tajikistan, Cuba, Colombia and Chile, joined by comrades of the Belgian section of the Communist Party of Greece, went to visit the Belgian Nazi concentration camp of Breendonk. There they took part in the commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the victory over fascism, while also honoring the great Belgian communist leader, trade union leader and member of Parliament Julien Lahaut, who survived the infamous Mauthausen concentration camp but was assassinated in 1950.

Dear readers:

In this issue we tried to print all of the speeches, articles and greetings that we had received for the Second World Congress. Alas, it is impossible. Therefore in the next issue of NSC we shall try to include all others that are not in this issue. We had to shorten some speeches for space reasons only.

The Editor

**TOP PRIORITY DECISION AT THE SECOND CONGRESS!**  
Organize Friendship Society with Soviet People in each country where possible!



**GEORGII IVANOVICH TIKHONOV** - Chairman of the "All Russia Peoples Society SOYUZ", which has branches in all of the former Soviet Republics. Comrade Tikhonov was a long-time Deputy member of the Russian Duma, and is also Vice Chairman of the "Association of Deputies". He is an active member and promoter of activities of the "Soviet Society for Friendship and Solidarity with Foreign Countries". He is also instrumental in having the 3<sup>rd</sup> Congress in Moscow, hosted by the Russian Academy of Sciences, Philosophical Faculty in 2007.



**DOMINICO SAVIO** - General Secretary of the "PARTITO COMUNISTA ITALIANO (ML)" is shown here with translator Francisca Martinetto of Canada during a very lively, energetic presentation by comrade Savio, on behalf of his party. Unfortunately due to space reasons we did not publish his and some other delegates speeches, but it shall be in the November issue of NSC.

**UNBELIVABLE BUT TRUE!** Putin agreed to have the butcher White Guard General Anton Denikin, who murdered thousands of Russian people during the Civil War, following the October Revolution of 1917, to be reburied together with his family and staff at the Donskoi Monastery in Russia. Some 2,500 dignitaries of Russia, including Putin's staff was on hand. This was of course was blessed by the Russian Orthodox Patriarch Alexei II. Denikin was buried in France, where he ran away with his fascist entourage. **If there is anyone who still believes in President Putin, should have his head examined.**

# GREETINGS RECEIVED BY THE SECOND WORLD CONGRESS

## All-union Movement for Defense of Political Prisoners – Fighters for Socialism Committee for Defence of Political Prisoners

Dear Friends!

We wholeheartedly greet all the comrades who gathered for this Congress to express their support to the Soviet People in difficult times of their history when the time turned backwards and the state of the future – the state of the dictatorship of the proletariat temporarily yielded its positions to the capitalist past.

We, true Soviet communists, know it is our duty to return our country to the main road of history, the road of socialism and communism. We are very thankful to all of you for your support in difficult times.

In fear of anticipating its defeat, bourgeois regime unfolds repressions onto fighters for socialism. You know this well because you live in the conditions of capitalist rule and you lead constant struggle against it. In the Soviet Union where our grandfathers established Soviet state and our fathers fought it back from Hitler's fascism, we have never experienced repressions of the bourgeois system because we lived in socialist society. In the same way as the communists of Spain, Turkey and like Cuban heroes who are held behind the bars in the USA, our comrades – political prisoners, communists and Komsomol members, need support of the worldwide communist movement.

Since 1999 Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners Fighters for Socialism functions on the territory of the USSR. It consists of representatives of many communist organizations. The conference, which took place in September 2004, constituted the All-Union Movement for Defense of

Political Prisoners Fighters for Socialism, which functions on the territory of the USSR. Up until recently, the Founder and Chairman of this Movement was devoted communist, brave fighter with the regime and with opportunism in the communist ranks, Anatoly Viktorovich Kriuchkov. His logo regarding political prisoners was always: "Rescue your comrade, even if you have to die". In May 2005 the entire communist movement, the party – Revolutionary Party of Communists, of which A.V. Kriuchkov was secretary of the Central Committee, and the Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners Fighters for Socialism suffered a great loss. The heart of this devoted revolutionary stopped beating, he passed away.

However, the committee continues its work defending political prisoners on the territory of the USSR and by showing international solidarity. It expresses its political support to many communists in the world who are being repressed by capitalist regimes in their countries.

Now the committee is struggling for liberation for the Komsomol members locked up in prisons of Russia and Ukraine. These are Komsomol members: Nedezhda Raks, Larissa Romanova and Olga Nevskaya – in Russia. In Ukraine – Andrei Yakovenko, Igor Danilov, Illia Romanov, Bogdan Zinchenko and Alexander Smirnov. We will be thankful to all communists, including the delegates of this Congress, for any support of these courageous young people, against whom not only the accusations are falsified, but who underwent horrific tortures. Especially this relates to people involved in the so-called Odessa case. For examples, the authorities hung Igor Danilov up by his twisted arms, sent electric current through his handcuffs, pushed needles under his fingernails, choked him with the oxygen mask, jumped on him and crushed his chest, broke seven ribs and one of the pieces of the rib cut his lung. Another convict in the same case, twenty-year old Sergey Berdiugin, died in prison, chained to

his bed. The court of Ukraine convicted all the young people for very long terms of imprisonment – from 8 to 14 years.

This is why we appeal to all friends of the Soviet people to support these political prisoners. You can offer them political help by writing and proclaiming declarations, moral help by writing them letters and, if possible, material help which will provide them with parcels and necessary legal assistance.

We wish your Congress successful work. We wish all delegates to have excellent and respectful understanding of each other, which will help in future word and struggle.

With respect and gratitude for you help,

Chairwoman of the Committee for Defence of Political Prisoners – Fighters for Socialism

N. O. Glagoleva

Dear comrades,

We greet the delegates of the 2<sup>nd</sup> World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with the Soviet People. We wish you fruitful work. We hope that this Congress will become a significant milestone in consolidation of all forces speaking up for rebirth of the USSR.

Together we shall conquer!

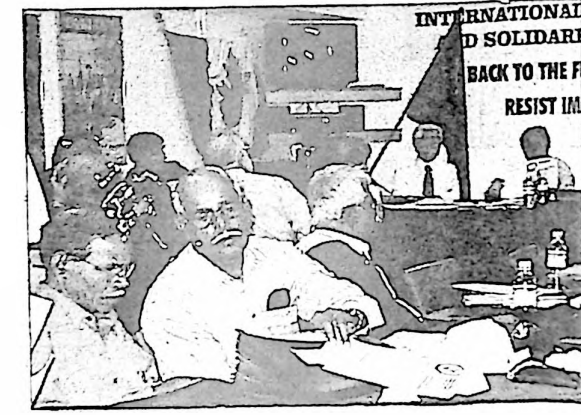
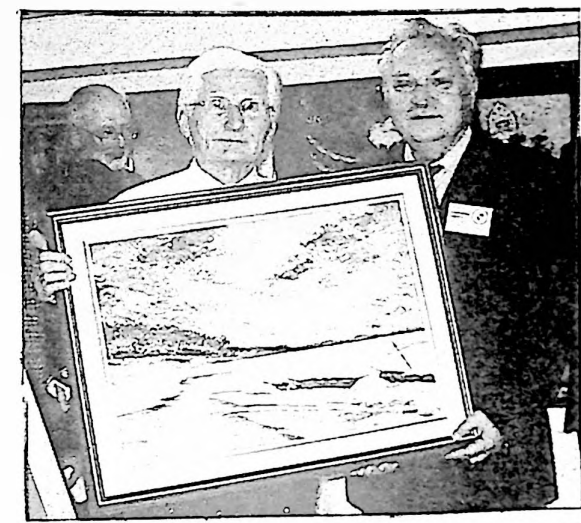
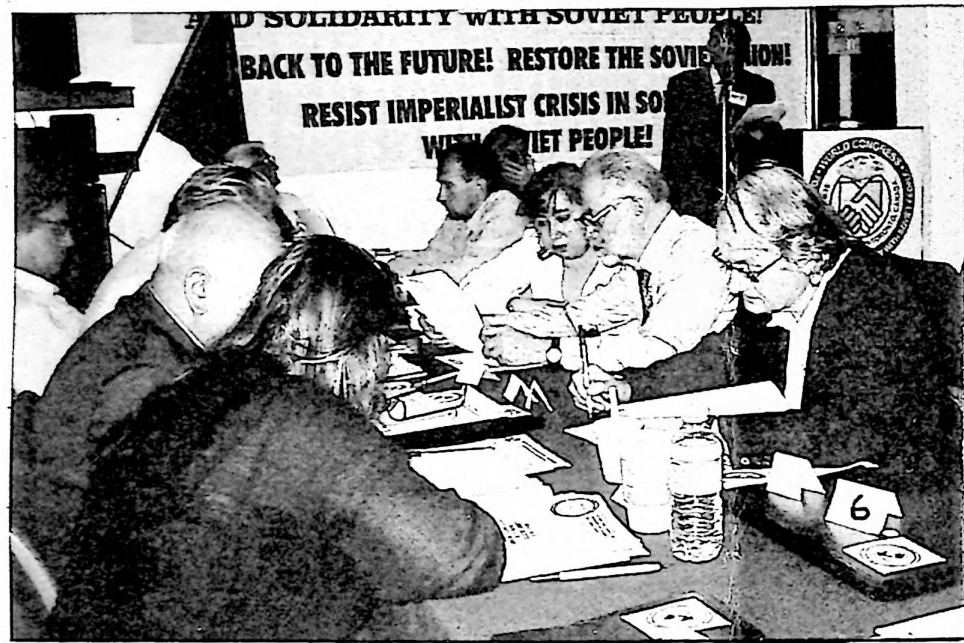
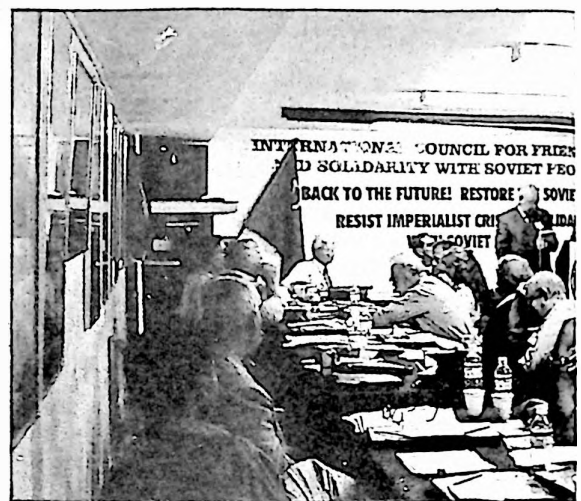
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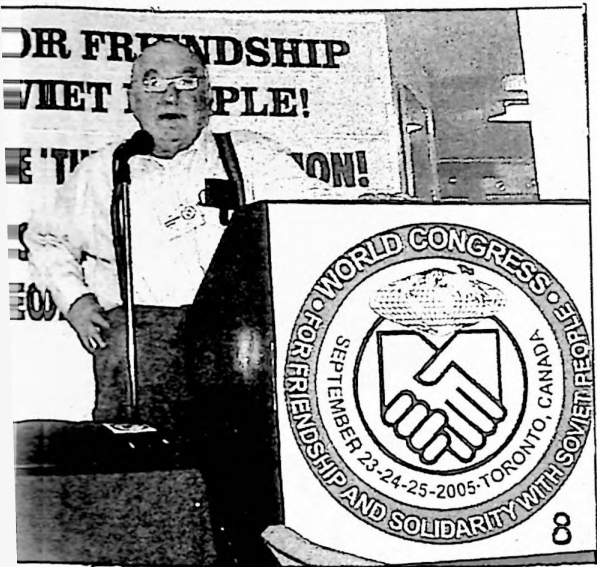
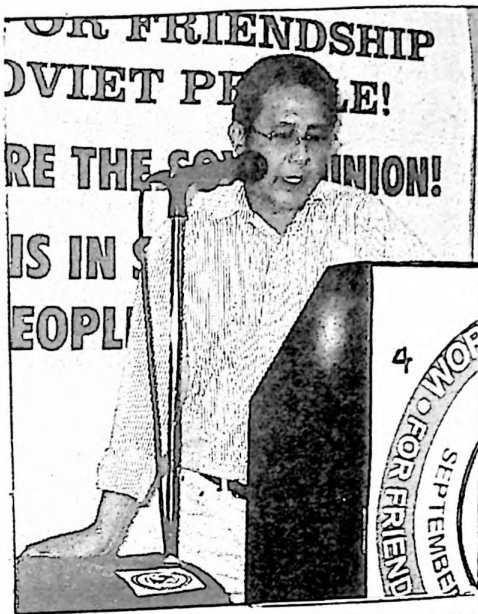
## GREETINGS FROM A POLITICAL PRISONER!

Dear comrades and organizers of the Second World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People. I send you my sincere best wishes from my jail cell in Odessa, Ukraine, where I am sentenced by the reactionary government of present day Ukraine. I am a citizen of Russia, born in the Soviet Union. I and my comrades did not wish to accept the break-up and elimination of the USSR, the multi national Soviet Union. We decided to take an active part in the struggles to

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**WORLD CONGRESS IN PHOTOGRAPHS:** Photos taken by Steve Sajban and Michael Celik.  
 (1) Sonia Boshko, USA (2) Lloyd Knutsen, Canada-session Chairman (3) Overall of view of delegates (4) Manny Sayo, Philippines (5) Kosta Parousis, Canada, entertaining the delegates (6) Delegates hard at work reading a presentation (7) Redmond Guerreo, session Chairman, Canada (8) Hazzim Yousif, USA (9) Final photograph of the delegates (10) George Gruenthal as Chair from USA with Momar Sambe, Senegal (11) Michael Lucas, as the delegates (12) George Gruenthal as Chair from USA with Momar Sambe, Senegal (13) Another painting by Lucas presented to Georgii Tikhonov, Russia (14) Some of the 6 delegates from Sri Lanka

The Editorial Board of NSC would like to thank the Canadian Friends of Soviet People, the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians and all those that helped to make this Second World Congress a great success!

resurrect the Soviet Union, together with our Ukrainian comrades.

We were caught and arrested by the secret services of the Ukrainian nationalist regime. They sentenced us to many years in jail and I received a sentence of 14 years!

But I was and am and will remain forever a Soviet person and patriot. I want to thank the International Council and the journal Northstar Compass for your friendship and solidarity with us.

With Communist greetings!

Igor Danilov, political prisoner in the Odessa jail.

My address is:

DANILOVY IGORU

Liustdorsakaya doroga 11, OSI-21  
Odessa, Ukraine 65059

If possible, write in Russian

## FROM MOSCOW RUSSIA

Dear comrade Lucas:

On October 29-30, 2005 there will take place the 4<sup>th</sup> Congress of Citizens of USSR. There shall be delegates from Ukraine, Russia, Byelorussia, Moldavia, Predneister Republic, Kazakhstan and maybe from other former Soviet republics.

On behalf of the Presidium of Supreme Soviet of USSR and the Union Movement "For the Soviet Union", we are inviting you and other members of the International Council to take part in the workings of this Congress as observers and our honoured guests.

Please keep in mind that there cannot be any official invitation. You must arrive in Moscow as tourists. Upon arrival please let me know.

Now it is easier to come to Moscow and to Russia than to overcome the draconian laws as I found out when I applied to get a visa at the Canadian Embassy to come to the Second World Congress!

Comradely yours  
Chairman A. G. Kozlobaev

*We thank you for your invitation, but I cannot come since I am barred from entering Russia. I have passed this to other members of the Council and we are sending greetings to your important Fourth Congress!*

## FROM NOVOSIBIRSK RUSSIA

Drear comrades:

I cannot be a participant at the Second World Congress, but I would appreciate if the enclosed document would be available to the delegates, "Democracy and for a Peoples Government". I am also a member of "Union of Struggle for Peoples' Soberness".

Vladimir I. Soratnik  
Russian Academy of Sciences

*The material was available to all of the delegates.*



Organisation of Iranian People Fadaei Guerrillas

Dear Comrades,

We would like to take this opportunity to inform you that until today (September 20, 2005) we were not able to obtain visa to participate in the 2nd International Congress.

Therefore, we would like to take a moment to announce our unity with all the participants and wish you the best.

Yours and other participants' solid determination at the historic assembly would be our pride. These days without a doubt strengthening and international unity are so important. Therefore, we praise yours and other participants' afford in this.

With the Warmest Regards,  
Organisation of Iranian People's Fadaei Guerillas

CONGRESS OF THE CITIZENS OF  
THE USSR  
Executive committee

Moscow  
September 19, 2005

Dear Colleagues,

Our delegate did not receive visa to Canada and judging from the interview that took place at the Canadian Embassy it was due to the

political reasons.

Nonetheless, we expect the Congress to read, discuss and hopefully accept the draft of our Address to the Congress, which we have submitted on time.

We wish the Congress successful work.

Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Congress of the Citizens of the USSR  
T. Khabarova

Dear comrades and friends:

We planned to come to the Second World Congress as friends of Soviet People from former Yugoslavia. We wanted to come as a coalition of Marxists-Leninists from Serbia, Croatia and Macedonia – to show our support to the Second World Congress and to keep the memory of Comrade Stalin alive.

Out visas were refused and we were threatened with arrest. Therefore we are not signing our names to this message.

**WE WILL ALWAYS BE FRIENDS  
OF THE SOVIET PEOPLE!**

## GREETINGS FROM THE CARPATHIANS

Dear brothers and sisters:

Having found out the tragedy caused by fire set by arson to the Friendship House, the pride and joy of the Alexander Duchnovich Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians, where you're meeting now, we as your brothers and sisters living in the Carpathian Mountains in Slovakia, Ukraine and Poland are very proud that you are helping the progressive movement and since your inception in 1929, are dedicated to Socialism and to the glorious history of the Soviet Union.

We know that you are helping and supporting the Canadian Friends of Soviet People and helping financially to cover the costs of publishing Northstar Compass that we receive here regularly. We congratulate you brothers and sisters for your devotion.

As our grandparents and parents always taught us – "Look to the East, over our mountains, that is where our salvation will come from!"

We wish the Second World Congress success and we hope that the Society of Carpatho-Russian Canadians will keep on supporting friendship with Soviet People.

We wanted to send two delegates to the Congress but the economic situation here in capitalist Slovakia prevented us from doing so. We hope that the materials of the Second World Congress will be sent to us.

With comradely greetings

MICHAEL RICALKA  
Central Committee  
Society of Alexander Duchnovich

FROM A SOVIET DELEGATE  
WHOSE VISA WAS REFUSED  
BY CANADIAN AUTHORITIES IN  
MOSCOW

Dear comrade delegates:

This is the second time in my attempt to get a Canadian visa to attend the Second Congress that it was refused. They told me not to apply again, even after you comrades sent a fax to the Canadian Embassy in Moscow guaranteeing my visit, health insurance and all meals and hotel for 7 days.

I am well known to the Putin's present Secret Service, which keeps an eye on me. It is apparent that the Canadian Embassy consulted Putin's service, and that is the result. Another example is that my comrades in Ukraine, to where I was invited to speak at the All Ukrainian Movement "For the Soviet Union" last July 30<sup>th</sup> warned me not to come or I will be arrested.

I just have this opportunity to wish the Congress the best of success. I really wanted to meet you personally comrade Lucas.

On behalf of the All Union Movement "For the Soviet Union" and the "Supreme Soviet of the USSR" (which is existing already 10 years) we have sent you our materials and our thoughts, which I hope the delegates will have the opportunity to get acquainted with.

What I want to wish you comrades and you Michael Lucas in particular?

(1) That you should remain at the position that was adopted by the First World Congress. That

there should remain and expand the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, and that you should not just embrace "Internationalism".

(2) You know that our Movement for the Soviet Union is a collective member of the International Council and a collective member of the Soviet Friendship Society with Foreign Countries.

(3) We will in the future period cooperate with you comrades and will make certain that we'll get more Soviet people to join our ranks and thus help you in your work.

(4) We will in future keep tight contacts with the International Council and with Michael Lucas in particular, because we need all the solidarity and friendship possible, in our struggle against the occupiers- the pseudo-

democrats and Zionists.

(5) On behalf of our Movement "For Soviet Union" we ask you to accept our representatives as collective members of the International Council. They are : A.G. Kozbolaev (Russia) Chairman of the movement "For the Soviet Union", S.G. Saveliev (Ukraine) R.F. Frolovich (Byelorussia - Fatherland Movement)

Permit us to wish you all good health, success during this important Second World Congress and to lead further this international organization.

With deep respect to all the delegates!

A.G. KOZLOBAEV  
Chairman of the Presidium of  
Supreme Soviet - USSR

P.S. These materials are all in each of the Congress delegate's portfolios.



Thank you very much for letting us know that our contribution to our common cause reached its destination. I am guided by Lenin's advice: "Worker's newspapers and journals are maintained by funds collected by the workers."

I am sending you my small contribution into the struggle for the rebirth of the USSR and the victory of socialism in the whole world.

With respect,  
M. G. Goroshkova  
Moscow, Russia

# NEWS FROM FORMER USSR



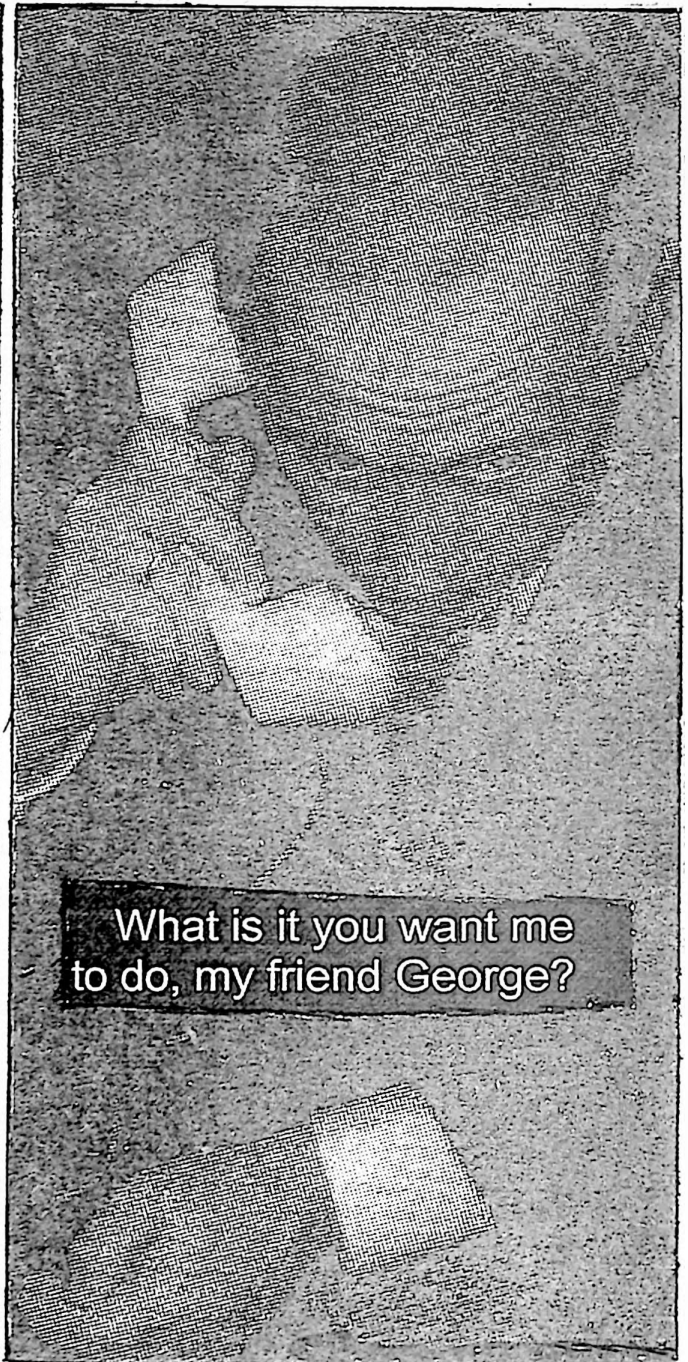
ACCORDING TO  
**MISHKA**

*Faces mirror the inner thinking of a person! No matter what diplomatic training you have received, now and then your face tells what is hidden under that mask!*

*There are many faces to President Putin, in his attempt to present himself and his bourgeois government as "democratic and patriotic". The reality is unquestionable that Russia now is a satellite of US imperialism!*

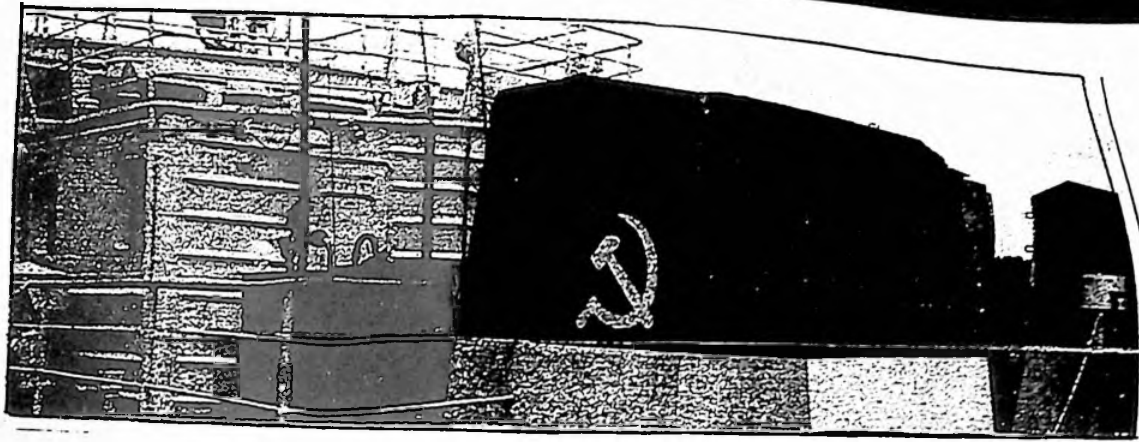


Again these Pensioners,  
Communists, Veterans and Social  
Services demonstrators!



What is it you want me  
to do, my friend George?

Many Russian ships and cargo vessels carry the Hammer and Sickle insignia! **BRAVO!**



# A TRIP TO NIZHNY NOVGOROD

## PUTIN'S NEW OMON "SS" GOONS AT WORK

By MARIA DONCHENKO

At the last week-end the federal stage of the march "Anticapitalism-2005" organized by AKM(TR) [Vanguard of Red Youth (Labour Russia)], RKSM(b) [Revolutionary Communist Youth League (bolsheviks)] and SKM [Youth Communist League] took place in Nizhniy Novgorod region. On Saturday red youth had marches and meetings in the cities of Dzerzhinsk and Bor, an action in the centre of Nizhniy Novgorod was planned for Sunday. However, let's tell everything step by step.

We didn't face any obstacles in Dzerzhinsk and Bor in spite of that the march in Dzerzhinsk had been forbidden. The only surprising thing was the amount of policemen. There were several thousands of them from

all over the region and maybe even some nearest regions – for less than a hundred of participants. Till the end of the meeting in Dzerzhinsk their amount decreased considerably. In both cities we succeeded to march in a column with red banners by a rather long route and to hold meetings attracting local people. That's in spite that the citizens had been frightened by a "fascist march" that would be taking place in the city, all the shops and schools were closed on the day of the action. But for a small city a youth communist march is a remarkable event. Especially I'd like to mention children of 12-13 in Bor who were vividly interested in us and our literature. Well, in a few years they will grow up and I hope this meeting will not come



for nothing.

Our adventures have begun after the meeting in Bor. A regular bus had been brought for us to go to Nizhny Novgorod night. There was a conductress in the bus who began taking 14 roubles per person for travel. There also were policemen in the bus, however, they backed those participants of the march who refused to pay for travel. At the entrance to Nizhny Novgorod (Kanavino district) the bus was stopped and an attempt was made to make a list of our names and passport numbers under pretence of the hepatitis quarantine since no quarantine was proclaimed in the city and in the morning nobody put obstacles on our way to the city by different transport. We had to squabble near an hour and a half. Afterwards, names of several comrades were written down from spoken words without papers, and we were allowed to go.

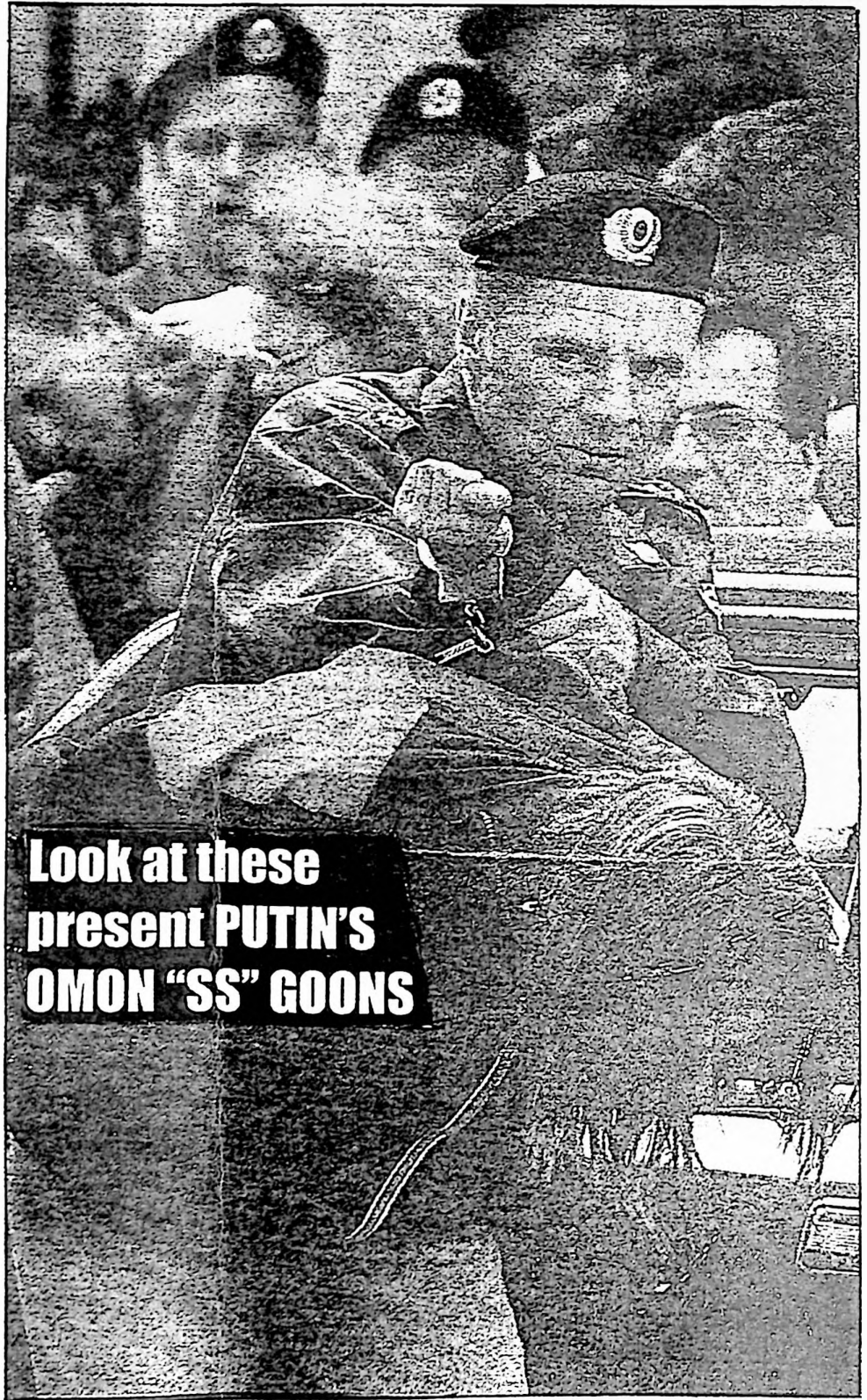
On Sunday morning we were follow closely from the RKR, the Russian Communist Worker's Party headquarters, an attempt to detain us was taken at Sverdlov square (on our way to destination) but we succeeded in two groups to reach Gorky square where our meeting had



been proclaimed. The square was encircled by police, later we were let inside, and the first secretary of the RKR city committee comrade Tipakov started negotiations in order to hold a meeting. In 10 minutes OMON appeared and began to push everybody in the buses with their truncheons. P.M. Tipakov was injured seriously, his arm was broken. The majority of us was brought to the police department of Nizhegorodsky district. Some comrades were brought to other police departments.

We were detained at 12 a.m. At the police department all of us have undergone drawing up police reports, listing of our names, taking fingerprints, photo and video shooting and afterwards they drove us to a police bus where we spend 2 hours. At the same time the State Duma deputies comrades Tyulkin and Benediktov arrived and assisted in our liberation.

At 17-30 most of us were brought to Moscow railway station, we were not allowed to take our



**Look at these  
present PUTIN'S  
OMON "SS" GOONS**

luggage from the RKRП headquarters. Comrades from Nizhniy Novgorod were liberated. Comrades from other cities were delivered up to transport police and driven to the waiting-room at the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the railway station. Those who had tickets to Moscow or Leningrad for the 18-20 train were driven to the train, their comrades hardly managed to bring their luggage which they had had to throw from the windows of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor because the only person who had had a key of the headquarters had been detained, comrade Tipakov. At the same time a group of 15-20 young people, perhaps skinheads, attacked the RKRП headquarters. They were throwing stones, several communists were injured. We learned it from comrades who called us by cell phones while we were sitting in the police bus. We applied to policemen but they ignored it. They were busy with more important things – they were guarding terrible extremists! So we had to call 02 [central police number in Russia] being inside the police bus! It is also interesting to notice that before turning young communists out from the city by force the police had taken from them obligations to appear at the police department on the next day at 10.00 a.m.

The other comrades who had tickets for later trains were liberated at 19-30 p.m. The policemen offered several comrades to go to a cafe at the same floor, they followed the advice, and when they returned to the waiting-hall there were no policemen. So it was a trip to the hospitable city of Nizhniy Novgorod. If the authorities are breaking up peaceful demonstrations with OMON – they are afraid. But it won't help when not dozens but thousands come into streets. It will happen once, the people's patience is not endless. The revolution is coming! ■

IN DEFENSE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS IN THE CIS STATES AND THE BALTIC STATES

## FREE THE POLITICAL PRISONERS – FIGHTERS FOR SOCIALISM!

The Soviet Union has fought German fascism and other kinds of world fascism during the Second World War. In this way, the people of the Soviet Union were also freed

from the repression of the bourgeois repression and enjoyed their fundamental rights.

After the dissolution of the Soviet Union and the formation of bourgeois nationalist states on the territory of the Union republics, a new wave of unlimited repression by these regimes against their citizens has begun. Fighters for Socialism have been arrested, condemned in court and put in jail with sentences of many years.

Since 1999 the "Committee for the Defence of Political Prisoners – Fighters for Socialism" is active in former Soviet Union for the liberation of these young people. They are Nadeshda Raks, Larisa Romanova, Olga Nevskaya and Igor Gubkin in Russia. Andrei Yakovenko, Igor Danilov, Ilya Romanov, Bogdan Zinchenko, Alexander Smirnov in Ukraine, and many, many others.

The Second World Congress of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People supports these youth, who have been falsely accused and very often denied the most essential rights of defence. Some of them have been tortured during the interrogation, especially in the so-called Odessa affair. Igor Danilov was submitted to electric shocks, and nearly suffocated in a gas mask. Sergei Berdiugin died in his cell, handcuffed to the bed. The Ukrainian Court pronounced verdicts from 8 to 14 years of imprisonment.

The International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People supports also the cause of all other progressive, democratic and revolutionary political prisoners, all over the world, in the jails of fascism and imperialism. We support the heroic five Cuban prisoners in the USA - we support the resistance in Turkish prisons and among the detained Palestinian fighters. We condemn the shameless and inhuman practices in Guantanamo, and we sustain Mumia Abu Jamal, the prisoners in India, Spain and the so-called International Court of Justice in The Hague.

**We demand immediate and unconditional release for all democratic, progressive and revolutionary prisoners!**

We ask that all readers send letters to the prisoners and a copy to the

committee address:  
**"Committee to Defend Political Prisoners Fighting for Socialism"**  
 105062 Moscow  
 B.Kharitovskiy per. Kv. 10  
 Russia

Send letters to the authorities of the concerned former USSR republics. Send letters of protest to President Putin and to the Chief Prosecutor of the Russian Federation, Moscow, Russia ■

## THE PRO-MOSCOW YOUTH MOVEMENT TO SHOCK UKRAINE'S YUSHENKO

From MOSNEWS

Members of the newly-formed EURASIAN YOUTH UNION – a radical organization founded in Moscow to oppose the so-called "colour revolutions" in post Soviet republics, have promised to "shock President Yushenko of Ukraine" with their next protest actions.

The leader of Kharkov's department Alexander Medinsky said: "We shall now sabotage Yushenko's economic privatization plans. We shall be more active and radical in our actions, up to blocking airports and international highways."

Although this movement is still very young, it has already 60 regional departments in Russia and branches in Ukraine, Belarus, Great Britain, Turkey and Poland.

This Youth movement demands Yushenko's resignation together with his government, banning all foreign organizations and also foreign religious organizations in the country and deporting all US nationals. ■



# RED BANNER OVER CARACAS

The 16<sup>th</sup> World Festival of Youth and Students was taking place in Caracas from August, 7 till August, 15, 2005. The slogan of the festival was "For peace and solidarity, we fight against war and imperialism". In spite of essential difficulties, including financial ones, we succeeded to form the delegation of the "Labour Russia" and the Vanguard of Red Youth and to send it to Caracas.

The festival movement has almost 60-year-history. The first festival of youth and students took place in Prague in 1947. Moscow was the festival capital twice – in 1957 and 1985. As soon as the Soviet Union had been destroyed and counter-revolution had won its victory in the majority of socialist countries the geography of world festivals was reduced – not many states were willing to gather thousands of young people from all over the world acting openly against imperialism aspiring to world supremacy. One of such countries is Venezuela which is building socialism of the 21<sup>st</sup> century under leading of the President Hugo Chavez.

Representatives of the communist and progressive youth from more than 100 countries all over the world came to the festival, in total more than 25,000. The most numerous delegations (several hundreds each) represented Venezuela, Cuba and Colombia. The festival program included political discussions on current questions of the present time such as aggressive essence of NATO alliance, militarization of the EU, situation in the countries of Latin America, war and occupation in Iraq, international solidarity with Palestinian struggle, the right of youth for education. More special problems were discussed, too, such as situation in West Sahara and role of British Imperialism in modern world. Of course, a seminar dedicated to the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Victory over fascism took place where inestimable contribution of Soviet people to the defeat of fascism was noticed. A special topic

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was devoted to building "the socialism of the 21<sup>st</sup> century" in Venezuela. Not casually Venezuela is one of the countries whose existence on the Earth does not give rest to the American imperialism. Under the dome of Poliedro de Caracas tribunes of which contain thousands of people an improvised court over imperialism took place. During two days dozens of people spoke there exposing the crimes of the imperialism all over the world. The speech of the President Hugo Chavez became the culmination. The solemn closing of the festival took place on August, 15 where the delegation of the "Labour Russia" and the VRY raised the Red banner of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Of course, an international festival means not only official discussions but first of all communication with comrades from different countries, establishing contacts with friendly organizations, opinions and experience exchange. I can say without any exaggeration that this part of our plan was fulfilled. We established contacts with comrades from Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Panama, Chile, Argentina, Great Britain, Germany, Canada, USA – it's impossible to list everybody. Communists from Czech and Spain with whom we have strong contacts for years arrived to the festival, too. From the Soviet republics there were representatives from Ukraine, Byelorussia, Moldavia, Latvia. I'd like to mention the delegation of socialist Korea which represented a very developed and informative stand telling about achievements of that country and refutation of streams of lie poured on North Korea by bourgeois mass media.

I wished to finish my story about the festival on this joyful note but unfortunately it was not done without a fly in the ointment. This "fly" was the organization of Russian delegation and the structure of the delegation itself. Formed under CPRF aegis delegation by 70 per cent consisted of frank bourgeois and children of rich parents having no attitude to communist movement but able to pay for a journey to an exotic country. Every morning all this public left the hostel directly to the beach. One day when the organizers ordered to use allocated for delegates buses to destination because the beach hadn't been included into the festival program

those intending to go to the beach kicked up a row. But they not only visited the beach, they also prevented the others to live and work. A characteristic case took place at the festival closing when they started to demand that the bus should take them to the hostel at 19 p.m. although the action was over at 21 p.m., and later they refused to take part in it at all and left for the disco, as always, by the festival bus. Moreover, this company tried to prevent us to hanging the Red Flag above the Hostel and to raise it at the Festival closing.

Moreover, due to the organizers, we and some more comrades arrived to Caracas only on August, 10 (*all fans of beaches and discos had arrived in time*) and left only on August, 24, and all those days we had to live almost on our own expenses. I didn't want to sadden the impression by the story about unfriendly behaviour of the delegation leaders but I couldn't miss it.

I'd like to share some impressions about the life in Venezuela. As I have already written, the President of Venezuela Hugo Chavez had declared constructing of the socialism of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. And it's not an empty phrase.

MARIA DONCHENKO

## CULTURE AND LIES

By IRINA MALENKO

I saw a DVD lately that showed a Georgian dance group show, called "Georgian Legend", very beautiful, lovely music and dancing, etc. But when I heard what these Georgians said about the history of their country, I first got angry – when we are told that "Georgia was invaded in 1921 by the Soviet Union" – but not a word that Georgia asked to join Russia voluntarily at the beginning of the XIX century, because they feared the Turks.

I then had to laugh to myself that these Georgians do not even know their elementary history. In 1921 the **USSR did not even exist**, because it was formed on December 30, 1922! So, how could it have invaded Georgia in 1921?

This is how these present Yankee lackeys know their own history. What a shame, since it was such as great cultural show!



# THE PEACEMAKER

By T. YAKUBOVSKAYA

Mournful news has come to Ukraine  
From US vital interest section –  
Of the bloody businessmen' will  
An innocent boy fell in action.

He, like everyone else on the Earth,  
Fell in love and cherished a hope  
To be stronger than the March wind  
And to broaden his every scope.

But by some evil twist of fate  
In his land no one needed his  
hands.

He decided to make his living  
In the distant Iraqi sands.

There are plenty of good intentions  
In our world, but not less tempting  
lie,  
And to introduce "new inventions"  
Our boys from Ukraine have to fly.

He'd been "christened" a  
peacemaker  
He'd been blessed under bells on  
the steeple  
By toadies of the foreign bosses  
To pacify intractable people.

A young officer patted his shoulder  
Before raid to rebellious glen  
But the truth of life had been  
different:  
He'd been an occupant for Iraqi  
men.

And he'd gone... and all of a sudden  
From behind of a big gray stone  
He'd been blinded with a flash of  
light –  
And felt at his chest to be blown,

Everything before him gone dark,  
Young hot heart suddenly stopped  
its function,  
Someone screamed in his  
motherland  
Into emptiness of a road junction...

Icy cold become parents' souls  
Waiting mournful news to come  
flying;  
From Ukraine bloody stooges of  
Bush  
Are sending their young sons for  
dying.

## DID YOU KNOW?

**RIGHT FROM THE HORSES MOUTH** (Toronto Sun newspaper)  
By ERIC MARGOLIS - a well known anti-Soviet journalist

## U.S. DIGS IN FOR LONG TERM IN IRAQ

The most important news from Iraq last month was not the much-ballyhooed constitutional pact by Shias and Kurds, nor the tragic stampede deaths of nearly 1,000 pilgrims in Baghdad.

It was the US Air Force's senior officer, General John Jumper, who said that the US planes would remain in Iraq to fight resistance and protect this American-installed regime *"more or less indefinitely."*

Jumper's bombshell went largely unnoticed by the media due to Hurricane Katrina.

General Jumper let the cat out of the bag. While Bush hints at eventual troop withdrawals, the Pentagon is busy building four major, permanent air bases in Iraq that will require heavy infantry protection.

US General Jumper's revelation confirms what this column has long said: The Pentagon plans to copy Imperial Britain's method of ruling oil-rich Iraq. In the 1920s, the British cobbled together Iraq from three distinct and separate Ottoman provinces to control the newly-found oil fields in Kurdistan and along the Iranian border.

London then installed a puppet King and built an army of Sepoy (*native*) troops to keep order and to put down minor uprisings. The then British Government Minister, Winston Churchill authorized even then the use of poison mustard gas against the Kurdish tribesmen in Iraq and Pushtuns in Afghanistan (*today's Taliban*).

The British Air Force crushed all revolts.

It seems that US General Jumper has this in mind. Mobile US intervention forces will remain at the four major "Fort Apache" bases, guarding Iraq's major oil fields.

These bases will be ceded to the

US by a compliant Iraqi regime. The USA Air Force will police the Pax Americana with its precision-guided munitions and armed drones.

When US ground forces come under attack or any Iraq foes are sighted, these US aircraft deliver precision-guided bombs.

This US tactic had led the Iraqi fighters to favour roadside bombs over ambushes against the US convoys.

US is also developing three major airbases in Pakistan and others in Central Asia, to support its plans to dominate the region's oil and gas reserves.

The farce of the new "government" is just that. The US has reportedly offered each of the Sunni 15 delegates, \$5 million US to vote for the US proposed constitution – but it was turned down. No mention in the world's media is made that this US guided constitution for Iraq is violating the Geneva Conventions.

Today, Iraq's new ruler, the USA is battling the Sunni *insurgents* (but the US calls them *al al Qaida terrorists*) which is the latest Pentagon doublespeak. It is also rebuilding Saddam's secret police, holding, 15,000 prisoners and torturing captives, as the Abu Ghraib outrage showed.

Much of the Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama National Guard are in Iraq, instead of at home. Meanwhile, the Kurds are *de facto* independent, the Shiites are playing footsies with Iran, and large parts of Iraq resemble the storm-ravaged US Gulf Coast – or vice versa.

## APPEAL TO ALL READERS OF NSC

We would like to receive from you your e-mail address (if you have it) in order that we can send urgent information quickly instead waiting for Norhstar Compass to send you that information when it is published. Events in the world break quickly and we want you to be informed as soon as we have that information.

WE WANT YOU TO BE THE MOST INFORMED IN THE STRUGGLE FOR SOCIALISM!

## SPECIAL FOR NSC

# FORUM ON TRADE AND WAR

14 December 2005, Hong Kong  
by the International League of Peoples' Struggle

### Junk WTO! Resist Imperialist Plunder and War!

On Dec. 11-18, 2005, the World Trade Organization (WTO) 6<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference will be held in Hong Kong (HK). Simultaneous with these meetings, various people's movements in Hong Kong will be holding protest actions.

Last February 2004, the ICN met in Hong Kong to prepare for the people's events during the time of the 6<sup>th</sup> WTO Ministerial Meeting on Dec. 13-18 in HK. Representatives of the ILPS participating organizations from Malaysia, Pakistan, India, Nepal, Taiwan, HK, Japan and the Philippines participated in said meeting convened by the HK People's Alliance on the WTO (HKPA).

Aside from organizing and/or participating in various other forums and workshops on specific WTO agreements like the Agreement on Agriculture (AOA), General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) and Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) and other major globalization issues like Non-Agricultural Market Access (NAMA), those who attended the February ICN meeting proposed to the ILPS International Coordinating Committee (ICC) to initiate a forum on *Trade and War* which aims to draw and highlight the linkage between trade, development and war.

The ICC approved the proposal, and the forum secretariat work was assigned to the ILPS Philippine Chapter.

The Forum on Trade and War will be held on December 14, 2005 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The venue, which we hope can accommodate at least a thousand people, will be announced later.

Through this activity, the ILPS can put forward and articulate the sharpest anti-imperialist line in the week-long December peoples' protest actions against the WTO and globalization. Since "trade" in the era of imperialism means inter-imperialist rivalry and collaboration in plundering the weak economies; and war is the sharpest form and expression of these inter-imperialist competition, aggression and domination of the weaker states, the *Trade and War* forum can serve as a platform for highlighting the linkage between trade and war, and for expounding on and opposing imperialist plunder and war.

In particular, the forum, which will be in the nature of a teach-in or an education venue, will:

- expose and oppose the WTO as an instrument of imperialist plunder of weaker economies;
- demolish the myths of "free-trade" and neo-liberal globalization in the era of monopoly capital;
- expose imperialism as the source of aggression, military intervention and war;
- highlight the struggles of countries and peoples against imperialist plunder and war: share analysis, tactics, forms of organization and struggle;
- and help strengthen the broad anti-imperialist front that can sustain the struggle against imperialism

The forum will be a comprehensive critique of ten years of WTO. Such a critique, bolstered with empirical data and analysis, can present both a historical and theoretical critique of the WTO and imperialist globalization.

The speakers being invited were selected for their unrelenting efforts at opposing the WTO and its specific agreements and staunch advocacy against globalization. If the invited speakers like President Fidel Castro, President Hugo Chavez and ILPS Chair Prof. Jose Maria Sison cannot make it to the forum, we will request them to speak to the forum via a video presentation.

**DID YOU DONATE TO  
SUSTAINING FUND?**

Invited are all anti-imperialist people's organizations. Interested groups can contact the forum's secretariat, composed of:

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### UN Security Council and Peacekeeping Commission are instruments of imperialist aggression and plunder

By Prof. Jose Maria Sison

The UN World Summit on September 14 to 16 has a pretentious and deceptive agenda, from supposedly solving global poverty, debt and development to reforming the UN's two major organs — the Security Council (SC) and the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). However, the real objective of US imperialism and its allies is to give United Nations (UN) imprimatur to the US invasion and occupation of Iraq and Afghanistan through the creation of a Peacebuilding Commission. This is consistent with the role that the UN has played throughout much of its sixty-year history: an instrument to window-dress the bullying by the "great powers," notably the United States, of small and weaker developing states.

The US has so wantonly violated the norms and instruments of international law and the principles and charter of the United Nations. The invasion of Iraq is only one of a long list of cumulative examples of such outlawry. The standing of the United Nations is at its lowest point in its sixty-year history. The much-hyped UN World Summit is touted as part of the attempt to rehabilitate the UN. But the Peacebuilding Commission is precisely nothing but the discredited Security Council in a more malignant and obnoxious form. It is in fact the corporate board of a Holy Crusade by the imperialist countries headed by the US in the 21st century in order to further dominate the Middle East and the rest of the world under the shibboleths of neo-liberalism and sham democracy.

## SALT 'N PEPPER ON WRY

By FRANK RAY DAVIS

**PETER TO PAUL:** The multi-billion reconstruction of the US hurricane Gulf Coast must come from "*cutting other programs*", said Dubya Bush (*excluding wars and tax give-away, of course*). So, prepare yourself you Poverty People, for more boots in the butt, from a foot already is calloused from kicking.

"The key question is to make sure that the costs are wisely spent." I've never met a cost that I could spend, but I sure hanker to.

Incidentally I haven't heard a peep out of the Bushites about bringing the US expensive troops home from a land that they had no business invading in the first place.

**JUST CALL HIM LEGION:** The Iraq war was launched on lies. The Viet Nam war also. Hitler's savage assaults on his neighbours was lies piled upon lies. World War 1 was a wasp's nest of lies. The Falklands war, the Spanish-American war, the American invasions of Mexico, Barbados, North Korea, Nicaragua etc, etc., were all based on convenient lies.

So, don't knock Dubya too hard. He's just assuring his place of honour in the Liar's War Club!

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**COLD CONNECTION:** USA's Evangelist Pat Robinson, who would have made it big in Daddy Bush's CIA, suggested assassinating Venezuela president Chavez. Too bad that this criminal "*Christian*" never connected with the teachings of Jesus whom he always quotes.

**HAWKS ARE THE NICE BIRDS:** You've heard lots of people being arrested for picketing for peace, but did you ever hear of any arrested for advocating war? No, that crime doesn't constitute disturbing the peace. ■

## Here, There and Everywhere!

By ROD BOWKER

### ANOTHER RUSSIAN ARRESTED ON UN LAUDERING CHARGES

United States authorities have arrested and indicted Vladimir Kuznetsov, Putin's appointed Russian Foreign Ministry official who served as chairman of the influential United Nations General Assembly Budget Committee – on charges that he conspired with a UN procurement officer and laundered hundred of thousands of dollars in bribes. The "Washington Post" noted that Kuznetsov is the second Russian national employed at the UN to be charged with corruption in less than a month. Another Russian, Alexander Yakovlev (*could be a relation to that infamous traitor Yakovlev? - Editor*) pleaded guilty to three counts of wire fraud and money laundering.

### US BACKED ANDIJAN UNREST

One of the 15 convicts accused of being the organizers of the bloody events that occurred last May in the Uzbek city of Andijan, confessed at his trial that the United States funded them for the uprising.

42-year old Muidin Sobirov

pleaded guilty to all charges and claimed that they had received good funding from abroad and that they had also been advised and coached by foreign operatives.

They had meetings at the Freedom House building with high US Embassy officers present just before the events. He also confessed that there were hand-picked Western journalists present at this meeting.

If their attempt had been successful in freeing their other terrorists, they would have aimed next at the Uzbek administration, Sobirov said.

### NO THIRD TERM, PUTIN INSISTS!?

Putin has said again that he will not seek a third term as President of Russia. "*Under no circumstances will I change the Russian constitution.*"

### NOSTALGIA FOR STALIN IN SIBERIA

NTV reported that the local administration in Miray in Yakutia, as well as in other localities, have erected a monument to Stalin. The Mayor of Mirninsky district, Anatoly Popov said that the "Population had demnded that a monument be erected to Joseph Stalin as a "*Great military leader, the head of state, from all of the Soviet people and our World War Two veterans and our young generation.*" Of course there are forces at work, supported by the present regime to overturn the will of the people in Yakutia.

### CINDY SHEEHAN AND 300 PROTESTORS ARRESTED

Over 370 protestors against the war in Iraq, including Cindy Sheehan, a symbol of US peace movement were arrested last month during a protest outside the White House. When Cindy was led into a police vehicle, the protestors were yelling in unison "*The whole world is watching us!*"

More than 500 demonstrators were demonstrating. This was in conjunction of a huge march that brought together over 100,000 demonstrators against the war in Iraq.

Sheehan infused fresh life into the UY anti-war movement last August by camping outside President George Bush's ranch in Texas. ■



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