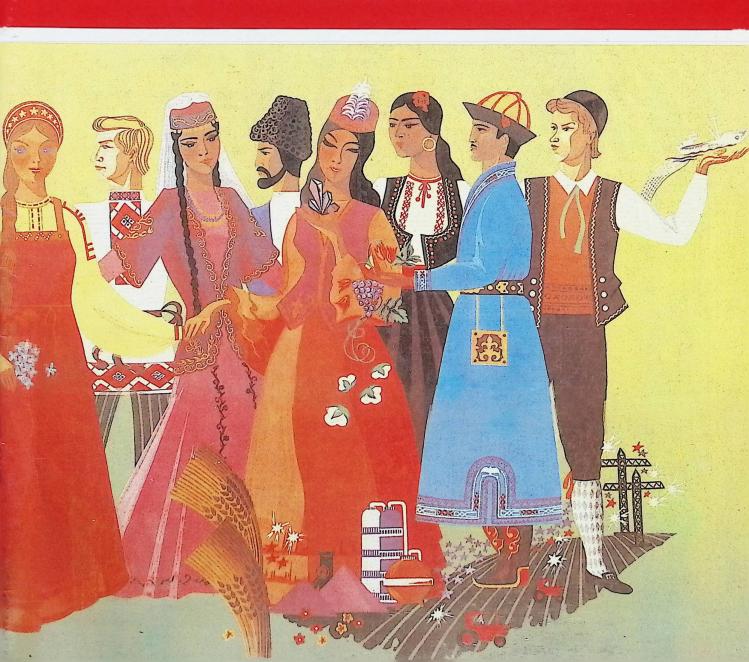
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# MICHAEL LUGAS - Editor



The following copy and terrible and tragic photographs show what US imperialism is responsible for in Afghanistan and other countries in its mad dash towards its new world order which in fact is fascism in its ugliest, that will affect generations to come.

We shortened this article for space reasons only. It was written and photographs taken by Mohammed Daud Miraski, MA, PhD. His e-mail address is: Mdmiraki@ameitech.net

Due to the use of massive amount of uranium in munitions used by the US forces in the initial bombing and subsequently there are massive amount of congenital deformities in newly born children all over Afghanistan. The rate of various cancers, leukemia and esophageal cancers are in epidemic proportions in newly born children. This is according to specialists and doctors in Kabul hospitals. In fact, the magnitude of man-made isotopes was established by the USA's Uranium Medical Research Centre itself, after their investigators made many trips to Afghanistan and collected urine and soil samples.

These doctors and scientists established that the rate of US made isotopes has gone up over 2,000 times in some people located near bombed out areas. Since the use of depleted uranium by the US armed forces in bombing Afghanistan and used in weapons as they are doing now in Iraq, have a life span of 4-5 billon years, US imperialism has ensured that generations of Afghans will suffer from cancers deformities. This is the biggest war crime ever committed by anyone in the history of humanity!

# DEATH MADE IN ANTERICA

The crimes of the US forces are being exposed slowly and they are beyond description in their brutality, sadism and outright inhumanity of man to man.

Here is just one case of this sadism and the "democracy" that US imperialism has already brought to Afghanistan and now to Iraq!

In the Bagrami area of Kabul, the US forces assaulted a small enclave of Nomads. The US helicopters flew over this Nomad (Gypsy) enclave and saw the Nomad women near their tents. They landed the helicopters and kidnapped these women at gunpoint. They flew away

with these women to some location, where these women were gangraped. After these women were gang-raped and some died in this brutal process, the US soldiers flew these women back to the community from where they were kidnapped. However, the US helicopters did not land this time, the women were thrown down on the ground.

This is not unique for US soldiers since they committed similar crimes in Vietnam. US forces in this respect were cowards, because if they landed, they know that the men would open fire on them in revenge!

HOW WOULD YOU FEEL IF YOUR CHILD OR YOUR GRANDCHILD WOULD BE BORN LIKE THIS?

I hope that you can eat tonight and look at your children or grandchildren and say that it's okay to remain indifferent. Of course it's not your fault! And of course you cannot do anything about it! Leave it to the Almighty - he will take care of it!

No my friends! We are all to blame if we don't raise our voices to do away with Imperialism and struggle for Socialism!



Why doesn't the UN Security Council try the US leadership for war crimes against humanity? Where are the so - called Christian Churches, Mosques or Synagogues who wallow in untold wealth and directly or indirectly support Imperialism?

Look at these pictures and think how would you feel if your child or your children's child was born like this, due to American depleted uranium weapons? Bush or Blair or other despots of course will go to worship with a bible under the arm and as usual, the so-called Almighty will forgive the sins, and the death and destruction can begin anew!

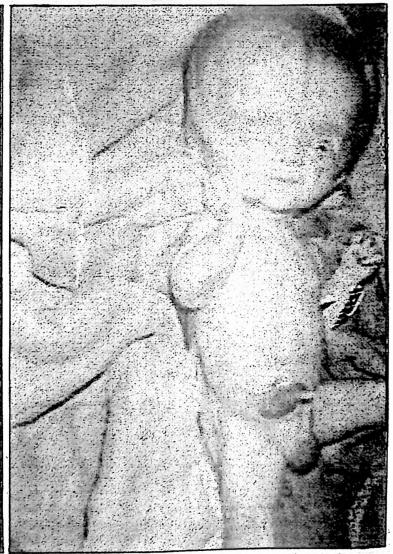
Yes, dear readers, the old saying is so correct:

There is absolutely no one more righteous than a prostitute after confession!

# THIS IS WHAT WESTERN "DEMOCRACY" BROUGHT TO AFGRANISTAN AND IRAQ!







# SPECTRE OF MEXICAN IMMIGRANTS IS NOW HAUNTING WASHINGTON

Based on article in "Turning The Tide" by Mubia Abu-Jamal

Now that the US polls show complete disenchantment with both the Republicans and the Democrats, the issue of immigration is once raised and fanned, as politicians again stir the pot of social resentment. Voices are raised, frayed, tempers are different proposals are launched, while the destiny of many millions, are now held in limbo. But in numbers not seen here in the US for generations, Mexican born (or related) families pound the US cities pavements in protests, demanding amnesty for the millions who live and work in the most thankless jobs, .... in the USA.

The ruling class in the United States of America dread the approaching dawn when those who number the nation's majority are brown not white. The forces that urged the US to invade Irag among other countries, now again are fanning the war of hatred for their political gain. The perpetual fear in this "democratic USA" of the foreign OTHER, the fear of the Spanishspeaking people, who are called "criminals", and who dared to cross the Rio Grande River, to inhabit the lands that US imperialism had stolen from their ancestors!

It is very unlikely that the US government will force the return of 11,000,000 men, women and children back to Mexico! The ruling class know that if this happened the agriculture, where most of these workers are working and are paid slave labour wages, will virtually go out of business. Guess who is doing most of the work to rebuild New Orleans? In case you guessed wrong that it is Washington's FEMA - no it is the Native Americans, the Latinos and Afro-Americans!

History has shown that the US ruling class and imperialism had always made certain that in its history that the American courts and legislature will always (with some exceptions of sell-out artists who



Millions of Latinos marched all over the US against the present policies of President Bush's White House!

bucked under) consistently denied entry to the US and if they did, they classified all of them as white when they applied for citizenship. Through its history the US ruling class made this distinction.

This ugly American history, maybe again reborn, in the latest "battle" over Mexican immigration. Political storms have a way of giving way to political hurricanes, that even

those who planned them cannot always control them.

Bush Administration is in a crisis. Perhaps the recent millions of people who demonstrated last is a great cause for concern.

This political force will eventually transform into a powerful social force, but let not the Republicans or the Democrats expect this powerful social force to join them.

#### **NEW MOVEMENT IN**

#### "NEW EUROPE"

According to the American Foreign Policy Council Report #200 in Washington, DC - a number of former Socialist states in Europe are gearing up their cooperation for missile defence cooperation with the United States. A spokesman for the Czech Foreign Ministry confirmed to the "Prague Post" (April 5) that, after already two years of quiet talks with Washington, negotiations with the US: "now are proceeding on the subject of an American anti-missile base in the Czech Republic."

A top Polish official has disclosed that consultations between Warsaw and Washington on the future role of Poland in the USA missile defence talks are beginning very soon, according to the Polish Deputy Foreign Minister W. Waszczykowski.

Romania is also tellina Washington that it wants to be part of this US global missile shield as the Pentagon. proposed by Romania is ready to grant US as a base for location of the American Romania's interceptors. Defence Minister Teodor Atanasu stated the following: "We are one of NATO's

border countries and we will be one of EU's borders as well. It is of very great importance to have all the surveillance elements that could assure the Euro-Atlantic and European protection."

#### COMMENT:

Guess where all of these missiles will be pointing at, Mr. Putin?

It is also good to remember what Lieutenant-General Kevin Chilton, the Space and Global Strike Commander of the US Strategic Command told a US Senate subcommittee last April 6, 2006:

"US must maintain battlefield dominance in space, to protect all of our space assets and our complete freedom of action in space around the globel"

US fascism is becoming a reality!

#### TO ALL NSC READERS!

This is the May-June combined issue of NSC in order that we may save \$\$\$ in our drive now to campaign for funds for the upcoming Third World Congress in Moscow in 2007. We resume monthly with July NSC issue.

#### **FRIENDSHIP NEWS**

## FROM PRAGUE CZECH REPUBLIC

Greetings our dear comrades!

From the bottom of my heart I greet you dear friends and comrades of the International Council and of the Northstar Compass journal on this May Day and on May 9<sup>th</sup> the Day of Victory of the heroic Soviet people over fascist Germany! I wish you future successes in the struggle for a better world, peace and optimism for the future.

I am very honoured that at the last Second World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People in 2005 I was elected to the International Council. For me it is a noble cause to help the Soviet people who gave the world the first Socialist Revolution and started the process for the liberation struggles of mankind all over the world. The honour bestowed upon me is also the honour that is bestowed on our newspaper "Dialog" which has been publishing already 16 years in Socialism, against defence of revisionism and in defence of the glorious Soviet people and for the resurrection of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Our struggle is for the victory over capitalismimperialism by Marxism-Leninism!

Today, after the temporary defeat in Europe, of socialism reactionary, anti-peoples' forces are holding the people in their grasp in order to utilize them in their criminal activity. It is an absolute truth that the present regime in the US is a form of fascism. Helping to lead this attack against communists are the forces of the Catholic Church, the exploiter of people. Our present Czech regime has allowed physical attacks against many Communists and progressives. and the Czech regime's press even promotes and supports the slogan "Kill a Communist – make peace stronger!" This slogan is promoted on T-shirts and other media not only here at home, but in Austria, Germany and many other European countries. Our main task now is to struggle against this present contemporary fascism that is aimed at the communists and other progressive forces in the world.

We are very happy that leading this struggle is also Northstar Compass, headed by you Michael Lucas. I am very proud that I have the opportunity to work with you and your collective in this noble struggle!

Once again, please accept my sincere thanks and well wishes in your life and in our common cause!

With deep respect -

Zdenek Novotny Member of the International Council Editorial Board of newspaper "Dialog"

### FROM MOSCOW RUSSIA

Dear comrades!

We greet the International Council and the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass with May Day, day of international labour solidarity and with the Victory Day against German fascism – DEN POBEDY!

We wish you good health, success in our common struggles and for the fulfillment of the decisions made by the international delegates at the last Second World Congress for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People.

#### **I.TIKHONOV**

Chairman of the Society "Soyuz" V.N. CHECHENTSEV
Chairman of the Soviet Society for

Friendship with Foreign Countries

To Comrade Michael Lucas Editor of NORTHSTAR COMPASS

Dear Comrade Michael Lucas,

On the occasion of the historical and glorious event **Day 9 of May 1945** we wish to express our entirely consideration and appreciation for the brave Soviet Army.

The Soviet heroes brought their contribution, with many sacrifices, for the victory against fascist domination, for the freedom of the European countries, on that crucial May 1945.

We also express our gratitude and bring a sincere homage to the great Soviet leader, comrade Joseph Visssrionovich Stalin – who did lead

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to victory the most powerful army in the world ever – Soviet Army.

I consider, as a leader of the Communist Party of Romania, that those who launch nowadays, new aggressions should learn from the past, from the history lessons.

Long live Soviet Union, our friend and neighbor country and people, the symbol of the struggle against imperialism. Together we can build up and strengthen Socialism for a better world and happy people.

Comradely,

Alexandru Pantazi General Secretary of Central Committee Communist Party of Romania

### FROM SOFIA

Dear friends:

I was very happy to have received the last February NSC. I feel that I have some materials ready that will really suit the ideas of your friend Michael Moore. It's a very good initiative indeed.

Regarding the Third World Congress in Moscow in 2007 and the news that the Russian Academy of Sciences is willing to host it, is really good news! For me it is really surprising that at this time the present regime still allows the existence of the Academy of Sciences and that they also have the Centre of Marxist Studies as well...

Their proposals are tempting and it would be difficult to say "no" to their proposal. Obviously they have the potential, with your help, to organize such an event. The list of the prominent people that they suggest is impressive. No doubt that they will see to it that all foreign delegates and you in particular get visas.

There could be some problems,

seeing that most of the delegates they suggest are well established. while many delegates from outside do not have a professorship. Such a situation may be criticized, but if you at the International Council are in charge, I cannot be too worried.

I would like to suggest that within the Congress Agenda there should be held a wide scale discussion by all delegates around a topic like: "Reasons and factors for the temporary demise and the future revival of the USSR."

I believe that if this is done, we shall see a wide representation of delegates from all over the world. A kind of wide-platform of unity will appear - this will make the rest of

the Third World Congress a great success!

I read about the birthday of Michael Lucas. Congratulations to you on behalf of al the comrades in the Civic Protest Group in Bulgaria.

You see, in my younger years I was extremely interested in things that related to the Spanish Civil War - to go to such a romantic place, to fight for a just cause, seemed to me as a supreme realization of the highest ideal. I read all that I could find about this struggle, listened to all the music de las Brigadas Internacionales and was singing to myself, as I do even now.

Although the people I saw on the photographs looked ordinary, their

deeds were really historic and heroicl

I also read of General Lucas front-line (Lukach) and saw photographs of him. Never did I think however that one day, after so many years. I'll be in touch with a direct relative of his!

Unknown are the ways of destiny, aren't they?

So, let us try to go - as far as we can!

Yours faithfully

Professor Ivan Angelov

#### FROM KIEV UKRAINE

Dear comrade Lucas:

I am very pleased that in the last issue of NSC you saw fit to include my two articles. My greetings to you on your birthday, although late, I assure you that every word is from the bottom of my heart.

In the April issue I was pleased to read your "Open Letter" to Mr. Putin. I must tell you that I agree with every word that you wrote to him.

Oh yes, the scared people and some friends already told you, and are telling me also, that with the upcoming Third World Congress in 2007 in Moscow, President Putin should not be offended since he might take steps to stop the Congress from taking place, since he is a master in putting spokes into the wheel when he feels it will be advantageous.

But you did it correctly my friend, because such outrageous events cannot be allowed to pass by without any comment. You are not speaking for yourself - you are voicing opinions that are among majority of people who can no longer stomach the wild propaganda against our history, our leaders, on everything Soviet that was. Why should we keep quite when we see the daily lies in our media; the demolishing of monuments to our glorious leaders, the renaming cities; renaming streets that nobody knows anything about the people that they are named after!

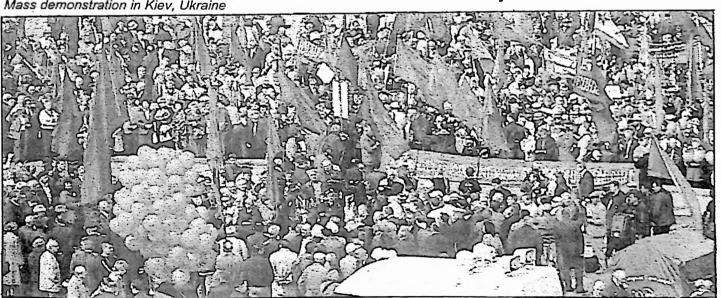
But worse of all, is the crying reason given that: " When we take over again, we shall correct all of these mistakes." I and we have to explain to these "believers" that if we follow this advice we shall not be able to regain what we have lost!

Am sending you couple of photographs of the successful May Day celebration we held in Kiev.

The best to you and your comrades and, I am certain that you will agree with me that the worst of Communist struggles practically over, because Imperialism was not able to do all that they planned in Iraq, Afghanistan, and in spite of the temporary collapse of socialism. Besides this, in their dash for maximum profits and exploitation of the working class, the class consciousness is awakening the workers all over the world and the dedication to struggle for their rights.

By V. PRONIN

Mass demonstration in Kiev, Ukraine



## GREETNGS GIVEN TO 5™ INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE - MAY 2006 - TURKEY



Given by Larisa Scherba, delegate from the International Council and Northstar Compass

Dear delegates and friends of the 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on War and Occupation: Human Rights Abuses, Torture and Disappearances Under Detention.

On behalf of the International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People and its journal Northstar Compass I would like to offer our greetings and solidarity to the International Committee Against Disappearances and, particularly, to the YAKAY-DER organization — Aiding and Solidarity Association with the Families who lost their relatives.

As imperialism and neoliberalism tightens its grip on the world. as corporate dependence on super-profits grows. so does the war on the people of the world. The war on working peoples in all nations grows. The war on the organizations of the working people grows. And, ultimately, it becomes a war against the very existence of humanity, its economic, cultural and ecological basis. All for the sake of profit. Neo-liberal profit becomes the negation of human progress.

This is the final stage of the agelong struggle of the exploiting few against the exploited many. And though the conflict is old, the methods used by neo-liberalism are relatively new. Liberalism bears in it the very name of freedom. Yet, this freedom is marked by selfishness, greed, with the use of any and all psychological means, both subtle and blatant, to convince us of their benefit. And, in an ultimate mockery of humanity, neo-liberalism cynically cloaks itself with the mantle of human rights. Consequently, when the concept of human rights is degraded, ultimately it is actual humans that are degraded. And thus we come to the topic of this conference: the surreptitious detainment and murder of political social activists for the maintenance of the economic. political and social status quo.

The International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People exists to spread information about and develop support for parties and organizations seeking to restore the socialist union of the fraternal peoples, which history: united in the Union of Soviet Socialist: Republics. And as an internationalist organization, which coordinates its efforts with many movements and individuals throughout the world, it also participates in the antiimperialist struggle worldwide. Among its many duties, the International Council disseminates information on political prisoners held, in many cases without trial, in the nations of the former Soviet Union.

Political disappearances per se are not as common in nations such as Russia, Ukraine, Moldova and other former Soviet republics as they are in some other countries. Yet. acts of political detention and repression are quite common. And as in most nations with advanced juridical systems, these detentions are shrouded in legality. Often these prisoners "disappear" within the legal system, as they are held endlessly with the judicial process deliberately stalled. And, as usual, the state uses torture and physical abuse, in some cases resulting in death. With exceptional brutality bourgeois governments of Russia and Ukraine persecute young fighters

liberation of their nations from the capitalist voke imposed on them in the last 15+ years. The passionate hearts of the members of the Young Communist League (Komsomol), the Vanquard of Communist Youth (AKM) and members of communist. parties refuse to put up with the injustice of capitalist existence, with the destruction of their native country, with abject poverty and lawlessness, which fell upon working To silence these youth people. governments and the police of both Russia and Ukraine have been turning to drastic measures. They disregard their own laws in many instances during imprisonment, as in the cases of Larissa Romanova. Nadezhda Raks and Andrev Yakovenko: they young put communists into psychiatric hospitals to cure them from revolutionary ideas, as in the cases of Alexander Birukov, Ilia Romanov, Vyacheslav Lunev and Igor Fedorovich; they torture young revolutionaries with the Medieval professionalism of executioners and with the delight of Nazi invaders, as in the case of Igor Danilov; the servants of the newly founded "democracy" bestially beat and rape the underage, as in the case of the 17 year old Young Communist League member Nina Polskaya; some of these tortures cause death, as in the case of the Young Communist League member Sergei Berdugin who was only 20 years old when he died from liver rupture after being tormented by the butchers of the so called "free" and "democratic" post-Soviet regimes.

The use by the state of means such as kidnapping, abductions, tortures and other extra-legal means of coercion and control are amongst the most hideous means of the neoliberal and neo-colonial state to maintain its power. The struggle against state use of disappearances is an essential part of the struggle for national and social liberation. The International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People wishes success to the conference and offers its solidarity in this struggle.

For there to be a future — It must be Red !

# MAY DAY & VICTORY DAY CELEBRATED IN TORONTO

On April 30<sup>th</sup> the Toronto Branch of CFSP and NSC held a celebration of the working class that is so dear to all workers from around the world, because we are all Internationalists.

We had an excellent panel chairman, Michael Lucas, brother Willie Lambert, a trade union leader, war veteran Llyod Redstone, war veteran Michael Ukas and war veteran Anton Kulchin.

We heard personal stories of growing up in a capitalist society where we were told that we are all equal - then finding out that some are more equal than other. (The 1% rich have more wealth than the bottom 99%.) We also found out that not only should we learn history, but, we should un-learn history, then relearn history again. War veteran Professor Michael Ukas told us that it is a historical fact that Winston Churchill wanted to rearm the Nazis at the end of WW II in order to destroy the Soviet Union. What a way to repay the people of the

A Canadian anti-Soviet journalist, Eric Margolis admitted that: " The Soviet Union inflicted the most German casualties in WW II. In fact it was the USSR under Stalin, not the other Western democracies that played the most decisive role in defeating Nazi Germany. The losses of Britain, US and Canada amounted to about 500,000 casualties, while the Soviet lost about 28,000,000 people! Besides the loss of their best sons and daughters, the Nazi Germany destroyed 1,700 towns. 70,000 villages were razed to the ground. Six million buildings were destroyed, 84,000 schools, 43,000 libraries, 31,000 factories, 1,300 bridges, 100,000 farms, 49,000 combines, 137,900 tractors, 17 million cattle were killed, 20 million hogs, millions of sheep and goats, 7 million horses were butchered in order to starve the Soviet people into submission.'

Reinhard Gehlen who was Hitler's chief of Soviet Eastern Front Intelligence, after the defeat of Nazi Germany in 1945, plus his death squad officers, were all given jobs by the US to work in West Germany in order to undermine the Soviet Union.

After that, this whole Intelligence Nazi apparatus was whisked to the USA and given the job to organize the CIA. United States General Patton proposed that the US should immediately rearm Germany in order to destroy the Soviet Union right after the end of World War II. (Faragon Patton pp. 765-77).

Our May Day and Victory Day celebration was not huge, but it was the quality of people that attended that made this event memorable! With truth on our side we know that others will break free from this pervasive capitalist North American propaganda that permeates the airways and the daily printed news. The news media is owned and directed by these multinational corporations, who not only make bombs, but they also manufacture vile propaganda.

These multinational corporations not only wage wars, destroying the environment, and then they fabricate news in order to cover up their crimes and, then they find scapegoats in order to reverse the blame!

So much destruction, acid rain upon helpless people of the world such as in Afghanistan, Iraq, Yugoslavia and maybe soon to come the bombing of Iran. This month in Nevada, USA a bunker-buster bomb will, be tested, called "Divine Strike".

Near the end of the May Day celebration, we watched the film of the Victory Parade on the Red Square in Moscow, in 1945, in front of the Lenin Mausoleum and saw the fascist banners being thrown at the foot of the Lenin Mausoleum.

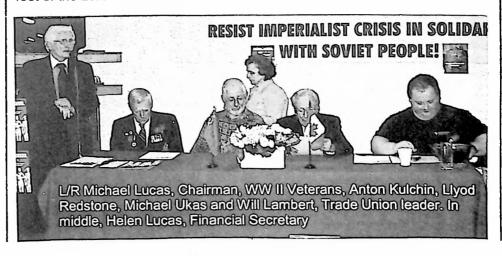
What would the world have been like now if German fascism won? Workers probably would be paid minimum wage in labour camps all around the world. But hold on, thanks now to the generosity of US multinational corporations, they now pay the Chinese workers 19 cents per hour. This is \$2 per day, working at a back-breaking job for the giant corporation multinational WatMart. WalMart cannot pay higher wages to these Chinese workers, because they only have accumulated \$356 billions in revenue last year alone !!!

Now Jordan and eight other nations have signed a free trade agreement with the US. Even the UN has condemned this exploitation and inhuman working conditions in these countries, which are in the hands of the multinational corporations.

Now, we at the Canadian Friends of Soviet People and NSC at the Friendship House, will do all that we can to struggle for justice and equality for the working class, but we need everyone to join us. We shall have one drop at a time until we have barrels full of economic justice and real peace all over the world. Democracy should mean that the people must rule, not kings, plutocrats. oligarchs, despots, autocrats, tyrants - or empires that claim that their leader hears and talks to god!

#### Workers of the Word Unite!

With great humility-Jesse Papas



#### **NEWS FROM FORMER USSR**

### UKRAINE: ORANGE SUNSET

By JEFF BOSSUYT

TAMILA YABROVA, Chairperson of the Union of Ukrainian Communistsspeaking about the results of the last elections in Ukraine.

Q: President Yukashenko, who was such a "hero of the Orange Revolution" just last year, suffers a crushing defeat. Why?

A: The peoples' life has become worse day by day, the economy is collapsing, all production figures are going down. His support of NATO also played an important part.

Q: Why did the people vote for the opposition candidate Yanukovich?

A: They hoped that he will manage to improve the economy again, that the industrial regions will move forward, that the country will experience stable development, among other things, and keeping good connections with Russia.

**Q:** Why did the ex-Prime Minister Timoshenko receive more votes than the President?

A: She so-called "criticized" the President's economic policy. She was presented as the opposition leader, but this was nothing but a fake "struggle". This was a smart Western tactic, especially of the EU, to fight this struggle on two fronts, they knew that Yushchenko alone would have just lost.

**Q:** For whom did the working class vote?

A: They were divided. Some voted for Natalia Vitrenko, spokesperson for the Ukrainian middle class, who has campaigned very bravely against NATO. Others voted, "against all", because in reality all the parties support capitalism. The Communist Party just about managed to get into Parliament, but it is in urgent need of restructuring and of very serious self-analysis of its own tactics.

#### **ELECTION RESULTS: '**

YANUKOVICH 32.0% - 186 seats TIMOSHENKO 22.2% - 129 seats YUSCHCHENKO 13.9% - 81 seats Socialist Party 5.7% - 33 seats Communist Party 3.7% - 21 seats

#### AZERBAIJAN'S UNCERTAIN STAND REGARDING IRAN

From Regnum - Russia

Hikmet Gajizade, member of the Azerbaijan's Musavat Party stated that: "We have been a member of the anti-Iranian coalition, although unofficially. Shall we endure pressure from US imperialism or not is a very difficult question? Another thing is, if we try to consider the issue from another angle: whether we should agree with the terms that Americans propose to us or not?

He continued to state: "Can we remain neutral under this pressure? I think that it is possible at the present time. By the way, how can Iran treat Azerbaijan as a neutral country and a neighbouring state, if our airports receive five NATO planes landing each day?"

"In other words, Azerbaijan has been long, although unofficially, a member of the anti-Iranian coalition. We should demand to know all the details of the plans of the US government and determine the possible damage to Azerbaijan."

# TRANSDNIESTER REGION GETS \$10.2 MILLION HELP

**TIRASPOL:** The first financial help to this Russian-speaking region that was part of Moldavia before it broke away because the present regime in Moldova wants to join Romania.

Due to the armed conflict in March of 1992, the present regime of Ukraine has imposed trade sanctions against the Transdniester Republic. These sanctions by Ukraine means that all goods being produced in the Transdniester Republic must have an official Moldova stamp on it.

These regulations were signed by the authorities of Ukraine and Moldova last year.

The Russian-speaking population of the Transdniester Republic wants to join Russia in order to save themselves from forced assimilation and the prospect of being annexed by Romania.

#### FORMER BREADBASKET OF EUROPE, NOW EXPORTS PROSTITUTES!

Ukraine is now the leading country exporting prostitutes all over the world, due to these girls and women forced to feed their families back home, due to this "democratic-orange revolution country."



Another pillar of "democracy" in Europe, Germany, has now officially established, trained and paid for, Ukrainian speaking tour guides and supplied them with transport, to guide these women into Germany's official bordellos!

With the forthcoming world championship Soccer Tournament, Ministry of Tourism expects 500,000 prostitutes coming to Berlin – most of them from Ukraine.

Now Ukraine maybe is importing wheat, but in return it's exporting prostitutes!

# MONUMENT TO STALIN ERECTED ABOVE THE ARCTIC CIRCLE

This monument was erected in the village of Kureika, located above the Arctic Circle in Krasnoyarsk Krai. The news media notes that this is in spite of the present government of Russia which is trying to bury under this movement, it had to admit that the people, including more and more young people "have been showing an ever greater interest in Stalin." Stalin was sentenced to a longterm exile by the Tsar regime to Kureika.

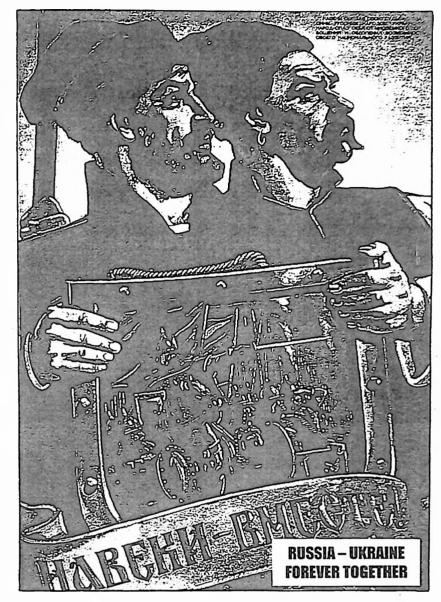
# To Draw A Proper Lesson from the Defeat

By VLADIMIR PRONIN

Parliamentary elections Ukraine have ended with a quite expected outcome and, compared to the recent Presidential elections, they created an impression of almost being a model of bourgeois democracy. The absence of any type of threat to the modern masters of post-socialist Ukraine from left forces, first of all communists, led to the result that the main clans of oligarchs could act this time not as a forced united front, but as several political blocs, which fought this time for domination in the future Parliament. These were "Regions of Ukraine", presenting the might clan of Donetsk, also, representing "orange" forces of the bloc of Yulia Timoshenko and the so-called people's union "Our Ukraine", which Victor Yushchenko supported almost openly. During the "orange" coup "Our Ukraine" stepped out as a united front, however, after Yushchenko's victory they fought viciously over their kill.

It must be noted, that all at least moderately serious and relatively objective observers reviewed as the worst and the least desirable option unconditional victory of either the regionalists ("Regions of Ukraine") or of Timoshenko (even the most devoted fans of Yushchenko did not hope for his victory this time, since all of his practical actions as the President of Ukraine demonstrated his complete professional incapability and by the beginning of the Parliamentary elections his was sitting on the ashes of his recent popularity).

As for the results of the elections per se, the winner of the elections, as was expected, but not receiving the majority of seats in the Parliament, was "Regions of Ukraine" who according to the final results received 186 seats (for the simple majority, at least, in the Ukrainian Parliament a party of a bloc must have 226 seats and for the constitutional majority 300). The



runner up with 129 seats is Yulia Timoshenko's bloc. The third is bloc "Our Ukraine" with 81 seats.

As to the left parties, among those who won the necessary minimum of 3% were the socialists who have completely slid on the social-democrat tack – they got 33 seats and communists who came only fifth and had to be satisfied with only 21 seats, while after the last election communist group consisted of over 50 seats.

The result of today's elections, during which none of the main right-reactionary forces achieved success, which one could foresee anyway, made many in Ukraine sigh with relief. Should the result be different, a pretty sad future would await the country because each of the three main, at this moment, political forces anticipated unconcealed longing

upcoming three without years elections (the next presidential election will take place in 2009 and the next Parliamentary elections in 2011). They counted on destroying any remnants of socialism in the country through unpopular methods (this means without taking the electorate into consideration) and by this to try and prevent any "communist revanchism", and to gain something or make some profit at the same time, including at the expense of their competitors. Instead, any coalition, no matter who it will consist of, will have to face the presence of serious opposition in the Parliament. Right now very cynical bargaining is taking place, the key of which is the fact that all the "orange" forces (BYT - Yulia Timoshenko Bloc; NSNU -"Our Ukraine" and the socialists), in principle, gained sufficient minimum of votes (243 seats), which is enough

to form their "orange" government. However, the Yushchenkites under no circumstances want to see Yulia. Timoshenko as Prime Minister because those who know her, do not doubt that should she become Prime. Minister, she will try to grab into her clutches maximum, if not all, power in the country. As for BYT, they do not compromise and demand the position of Prime Minister for Yulia Timoshenko as the only and exceptional condition for participating in the joint project with Yushchenko. BYT also understand that without this condition being met they will be merely second-rate assistants to the more lucky colleagues of theirs within the coalition to be formed.

Socialists are leaning towards supporting Timoshenko because only with her they can count on not preserving their already humongous slice of the powerpie, which is much larger than their real power, and, which they received as a compensation for the support of "orange" coalition, but they also count on getting one of the three highest positions in the state.

In the occasion that the negotiations within the "orange" group will get into a dead end, an option of union with regionalists is possible. "Regions of Ukraine", not without cynicism, have hastily declared their readiness not to insist on implementing their loudest and most appealing pre-electoral promises: to strive to achieve Ukraine's joining not NATO, but United Economic Territory; to conduct not pro-NATO and pro-American policy, but a policy, which is friendly towards Russia; to insist on recognizing the Russian language as the second official language in Ukraine.

Extremely expensive electoral campaign, which cost poverty-ridden Ukraine between one and five billion dollars (depending on a source of estimate) allowed to maintain the image of democratic choice, by which the today's "orange" power pleased its double-faced masters in the USA and NATO who, in their turn, like to achieve their darkest and most miserable goals while preserving the democratic entourage. Of course, the ones who lost, and that's 40 out of 45 members of the electoral marathon, are shedding tears about the colossal

distortions of the electoral results, which, undoubtedly, were there, but where and in which bourgeois country have honest elections ever happened?

As for the falsifications during the recent elections, the communists suffered from them the most. Even more so, in the territory of the regionalists in Donetsk during the elections was killed first secretary of one of the district committees of the Communist Party of Ukraine. In the same area, as in all of Ukraine, were registered cases of beatings of communists and their supporters. Only a lazy person would not mention the theft of votes from the communists, this also relates to those deputes who lost in the previous election and do not belong to the left camp. Groaning and lamentations are not going to help because the elections, in the course of which bourgeoisie will passively observe the transition of power to communists with all consequences of such transition for the bourgeoisie and for its property, will not happen and cannot even be anticipated in the foreseeable future.

This is why, even though it may sound as a paradox, we can make bourgeoisie follow the electoral law in case there is a threat of the election results unfavorable to it, only by applying force. And the communists of the post-socialist countries must become such force because there is absolutely no alternative way. The alternative simply does not exist in nature!

Certainly, second in a row twofold decrease of the number of people's deputies-communists after the recent elections cannot be seen in any other way than a serious failure. However, should we really see this result as a tragedy? The real tragedy happened in 1991 when the system of state socialism was liquidated, the USSR was liquidated and the CPSU was first destroyed from within and than dismissed without the slightest resistance on the part of the majority of communists. In another scenario. we could talk about much smaller tragedy, if the communists did not get into Parliament at all, and, consequently, lost the opportunities the Parliamentary group presents for the party's work. Luckily, this did not happen and now the problem is only by a single force, by a single

one: will all the communists and the leadership of the Communist Party understand where lie the true reasons of this chain of failures and where to look for solution? All these reasons are obvious. Among the overly reasons are: excited involvement with Parliamentary activity, which became almost a foundation in the party's work and absence of ties with the working class, labouring peasants, youth and trade unions. All of this has been caused, to a large degree, by literally scandalous negligence of the Marxist-Leninist theory and not paying heed to the priceless experience of the struggle of the glorious Bolshevik period of our party.

Today many tirelessly repeat great Lenin's words: defeated armies learn well. This is true, however, one condition is a must: the defeated learn well, if they are able to learn from their mistakes and draw correct lessons from their failures, which were caused by these mistakes. Otherwise, even more smashing failures are awaiting us in the near future!

#### A SOVIET DISSIDENT WHO AT LAST SAW THE TRUTH

This veteran rabid anti-Sovieteer, who just died at the age of 83, after living in exile in Germany for 20 years, upon his return back to Russia, he gave an interview in which he said the following:

"The fall of Communism has been transformed into the fall of the USSR and Russia in particular. This catastrophe was deliberately planned in the West. I say this, because I was once heavily involved in these plans which, under the pretext of fighting a communist ideology, in fact prepared the death of the USSR.

Contrary to a widely held view, Socialism did not collapse solely because of internal reasons. Its collapse is the greatest possible victory for Imperialist West. This colossal victory has created in the world a US Planetary Power. The end of Socialism is also the end of democracy: our era is not only postcommunist, it is post-democratic.

Now we live in a world dominated

reactionary ideology and by a single party of the New World Order! Although the West is dominant at the moment, they are also dominated by this supranational imperialist structure. This present New World Order is trying to crush pluralism and democracy in the world. They are having success but, also the storm is brewing against this New World Order!"

# RUSSIA NEEDS A STRONG ARMY!

Russian Information Agency

MOSCOW: The Russian Chief of General Staff, General Yury Baluyevsky stated that Russia needs a strong army capable of meeting current challenges, or it could end up paying a high price for neglecting its security.

"Global developments require Russia to maintain high levels of technical backup to ensure the combat readiness of its Armed Forces", the General told World War Il veterans on the eve of the Great Patriotic War Victory Day!

"Loud campaigns that are launched by some of our own Russian research institutions are disorientating our society. Neglect of our country's security was paid for at an enormously high price."

#### COMMENT:

Although late, this statement is about time, the General should have remembered what Lenin and Stalin said - the need to be ready to repel the enemy – both inside and outside!

## RUSSIAN LEGISLATIVE RESISTANCE TO PUTIN

The speakers of both chambers of the Russian Parliament will not support the proposal to amend the Constitution in order to allow a Third Term for President Putin.

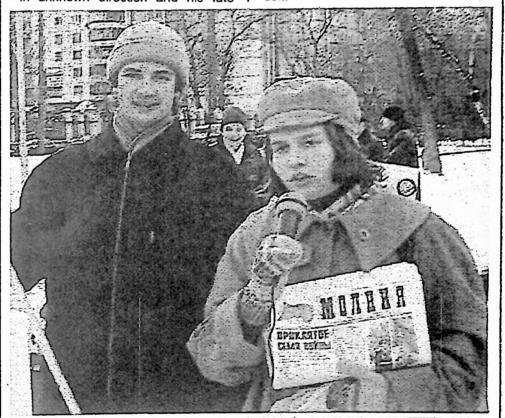
The Russian State Duma speaker Boris Gryzlov, who heads a pro-Kremlin United Russia party, said that his party's Duma majority would also oppose amending the Russian constitution.

# URGENT INFORMATION

A number of events has taken place for recent 2 days (April, 27-28) which has turned into a huge provocation against VRY(LR) militants. As soon as its purposes and forces who back it are not still quite clear I will give the facts as a direct participant of all the events but their development and evaluation as I hope comes very soon.

Even in the morning of April, 27 near 7.00 a.m. the Organized Crime Department officers came to several militants and offered to talk about coming May Day. And VRY(LR) militant Vyacheslav Karagodin who lives in Pushkino was taken by them in unknown direction and his fate

officers who had been quarding near the entrance and inside have left and I succeeded to get inside the entrance and L. Romanova's flat. A decision was taken to leave but as it came out we have underestimated our enemy. When Larisa went out from the entrance to catch a taxi two unknown men ran out from the same entrance and broke into a run in the direction of Kashirskoe Highway which is the main road from Orekhovo-Borisovo district downtown. But Igor and I went by taxi in the opposite direction to the Lublino bridge. And we haven't immediately noticed the car following



was unknown for almost 2 days.

On April, 27, near 23.00 p.m. our comrade, former political prisoner Igor Fedorovich and several more comrades appeared to be blocked at the former political prisoner Larisa Romanova's flat. I managed to count 8 policemen near the entrance into her house, it is impossible to say how many were inside. A car with civil numbers with officers in civic clothes was guarding near her windows at the other side of the house. As we found later V. Karagodin detained almost a day before was kept in the same car.

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# THIS IS A CORRECT UNDERSTANDING OF MARXISM

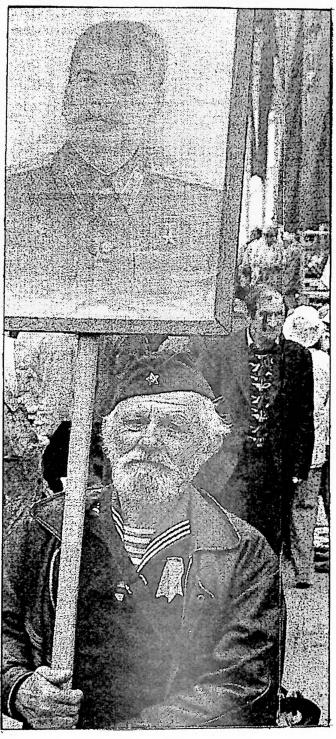
**LENIN SAID:** 

"Without a revolutionary theory, there cannot be a revolutionary party!"

STALIN SAID:
"Theory without practice is sterile
and practice without theory is
blind!"

# VICTORY DAY CELEBRATIONS IN MOSCOW





### GLORY TO THE HEROIC SOVIET RED ARMY!

On the Anniversary of the defeat of Nazi Germany in 1945, we salute and give our thanks to these Red Army soldiers, sailors and airmen for their internationalism in liberating mankind from the scourge of fascism! The May Day and Victory Day all over the former USSR saw hundreds of thousands demonstrators, with more and more young people taking part against the present regimes that have usurped power and which are supported by US imperialism.

#### **SPECIAL FOR NSC FROM OUR COMRADES IN ITALY**

# LONG LIVE SOCIALISM! VIVA ITALIA!

Italy is a very special country and a very unique form of socialist struggle is going on there. As usual, things in Italy are done with a passion that comes from the heart.

Among other things the country is known for fractured political scene and a passion for soccer. What few people outside of Italy know, that soccer in Italy is highly political and there are only two forces: Socialist and Fascist. Millions of people, young and old struggle for socialism with soccer and come in force to defeat the fascist evil in their country.

Entire teams see themselves belonging to one or the other camp and dedicated socialist forces come out to the soccer fields to witness the triumph of socialism. The symbols, the banners and emblems they carry tell the story of their hearts: Socialism has lived, Socialism lives and Socialism will live! There are portraits of Lenin, Stalin, Castro, Che, flags of the German Democratic Republic, Red flags with hammer and Sickle - plus flags of other former socialist countries that were imperialism betraved Gorbachev and other former and present.

Most people in Italy do not recognize these acts of treason as the end of Socialism. They recognize the Soviet Union as it was and as it will be. The flags of Socialism have been removed from the capitals of former socialist countries, but they fly in Italy, which knows what NATIO is and how murderous and evil American imperialism is.

We salute our Italian comrades for showing the way! We salute Italians for removing the capitalist-imperialist servant Berlusconi and bringing Italian soldiers home from Iraq! Let other countries follow their example!

You can see all photos on their website: www.curva-massilia.com





#### Urgent Information continued

Two cars block us sharply from left and right at the crossroad (one of them is already "familiar" which was standing behind the window and sitting in it Vyacheslav becomes one more witness of the detainment). The doors swing open, the torchlight in the face, papers at the nose.... "Police! Everybody to the ground! Hands on your head!" Having risen I see Igor, he is kept pressed down to the car with his arms screwed behind his back... "Maria Anatolievna, we are the Organized Crime Department officers whom you dislike so much". We spent near 1.5 hours in the police district department "Zyablikovo" situated at the same crossroad while Igor's personal effects were examined. Then we were taken to the district police department "Northern Orekhovo-Borisovo", Igor was taken inside and I was liberated after serviced with a citation. Here I learnt that Igor Fedorovich had been detained as a suspect on an episode when an "unknown person" had shot at a woman in my house on December. 31, 2005 (4 months ago!).

I managed to get inside the police department near 9.00 a.m., together with Igor's mother. In the afternoon, there appeared to be two episodes already, the accusation against our comrade was growing as a snowball. It is clear there is no coincidence that law-enforcement authorities detained him so loudly for an old and insignificant episode — evidently, an "order from above" has come to neutralize a "dangerous red extremist"...

Igor was kept in 'the police department "Northern Orekhovo-Borisovo" until 17.00 p.m., then he was taken to the Main police department of Moscow (Petrovka, 38). We know that Igor is charged on the article 213 - part 1 of the Criminal Code of RF "Hooliganism". The questions of measure of restrained will be solved tomorrow (I am writing this late at night), the information will be provided later. Unfortunately the "order" character of the case doesn't leave us hopes and doubts in the tomorrow result.

Maria Donchenko, 28.04.2006

Readers in former USSR who want to receive a Russian edition of NSC, please write us your request.

# LATVIA CONVICTED WW2 RED PARTISAN FOR FIGHTING THE GERMAN FASCISTS !

MosNews

Russia is joining as a third party in hearings being held by the European Court of Human Rights over an appeal filed by a Soviet veteran of the Great Patriotic War.

Vassily Kononov, a Soviet World War II partisan was convicted by the Latvian authorities of war crimes for ordering the killing of several Latvian Nazi collaborators in 1944 when Latvia was occupied by German troops. He had already served years in prison and trial.

Russia's envoy to the European Court of Human Rights, Pavel Laptev sent a memorandum to the effect, saying that Russia was joining the Kononov versus Latvia case as a third party. This Russian envoy urged the court to examine the case again without delay considering Kononov's age. He was born in 1923.

#### COMMENT:

It's really hard to believe that the present Russian regime is taking this stance, instead of using the UN Security Council to censure the present Nationalistic regime of Latvia which defends the Nazis for their crimes. Does not the present Putin regime know how many thousands of Soviet Red Army soldiers were killed liberating Latvia? How many of the Red Army men were shot in the back while liberating Latvia by those Nazi loving Latvian fascists?

History will not only judge these preset Latvian Nazi lover leaders, but, it will also judge harshly these present Russian leaders who allow this injustice to take place, without taking steps to stop this present fascism in Latvia to take its course!

A READER ASKED NSC – Why doesn't the CPRF in the Russian Duma make a motion to impeach Yeltsin and Gorbachev as traitors? Hope that CPRF makes a comment!

#### RUSSIA'S RICHEST GET RICHER

Regnum news reported that Roman Abramovich, Putin's appointment of the Chukotka region and owner of the top Britain's Chelsea soccer team, has now topped the list of the 100 richest Russians (?!) published annually by Forbes magazine, Russian edition. He is worth over \$18.3 billion US. The Lukoil president Vagit Alekperov (?!) is worth \$12.7 billion US, came in second. According to Wall Street Forbes Magazine, the top 100 richest people there are worth over \$248 billion US. Forbes also discloses that Russia now has 44 billionaires.



#### INTERNATIONAL NEWS

#### CANADA ACCUSSED OF COVERING UP NEWS OF WAR DEAD IN AFGHANISTAN

From the Associated Press-April

The families of 15 soldiers who were killed in Afghanistan after Canada took over from the Americans in Kandahar region of Afghanistan, are perturbed by the action in Ottawa.

The new Canadian Conservative government has barred the Canadian media from showing the coffins coming back, or lowering the flag, following in the footsteps of President Bush.

Canadians – the majority of whom applauded their government for declining to join the US-led invasion and occupation of Iraq – are increasingly alarmed about the rising human toll in Afghanistan.

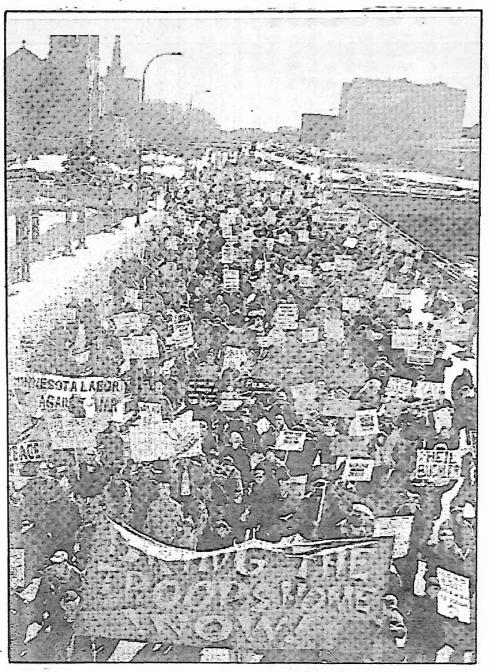
#### LET'S UNITE THE STRUGGLE AGAIN ST CAPITALIST AND

IMPERIALIST BARBARITY
STATEMENT BY THE MARXIST
LENINIST COMMUNIST PARTY OF
TURKEY/ NORTHERN KURDISTAN

Because the problems have not changed, the agenda of all these social forums also remained the same. As it happened in previous vears, the European Social Forum is again dealing with the question of globalization. war and peace, poverty, unemployment, EU, the future of social movements, racism etc. The question of "another Europe" will be analyzed in with different the accordance ideologies of all currents.

Everyone will put forward proposals for the solutions. There will be antagonistic views and ideologies presented as in previous Forums.

There shouldn't be any obstacles before all the progressive, revolutionary and communist forcers act together against the neo-liberal attacks all over the world, against the war and occupation threats of the imperialists, against existing occupations and against militarism



# THOUSANDS MARCHED ACROSS USA ON THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF IRAQ WAR

FROM NEWSPAPER FIGHT BACK!

To the mark the Third Anniversary of the war, and now, the occupation of Iraq, people around the globe marched, calling for US troops to withdraw immediately. In Ashville NC, USA, students marched through rain and sleet to demand US pull out of Iraq. Above, the photo shows over 4,000 marchers in Minneapolis, MN last March 18, 2006.

\* According to a recent survey, 72% of American troops serving in Iraq think that the US should exit the country within the next year.

\* 29% of the US troops serving in various branches of the US various braches stated that the US should leave Iraq immediately.

which is being developed very carefully as a whole, in the fight for democracy and freedom in general.

The main imperialist countries are in tough rivalry in order to get the biggest share in the world markets, in the struggle to achieve strong positions in the struggle for world hegemony amongst themselves. The EU's prominent countries — such as Germany and France - although they might state that they are against US imperialist war in Iraq, does not mean that these countries are on the side of peace.

The EU is developing its militarism by feverishly trying to form a EU Army. The EU is trying to turn its "borders" into a fortress. This is the Europe that instigates racism, discrimination and is introducing laws that will bar any other nationalities from coming there.

Here we can say that "another Europe" is possible. This means the rejection of what the present EU means. This means that it can only be realized by the struggle against exploitation, plunder, imperialist wars and occupation of other countries.

Therefore it means that the new Europe must be a Socialist Europe. Socialism is the only alternative The political organizations of the working class must coordinate their struggles. The Communist, the Socialist parties and progressive movements must unite their struggles against reaction, imperialist aggression and outright domination.

It is good to hear now that there are demands much stronger than in previous forums (Florence, Paris and London) and it is good to hear that we "must struggle for another Europe."

"Yes, we can change the Europe". Not only Europe, we can also change the whole world. The political organizations of the working class must have opportunities in EEU's environment to express their point of view on how to realize this. We can neither change Europe nor the world by saying "yes" to social movements but "no" to political parties!

Shortened for space reasons only.

IRAQ: White House admits that 1-person is killed in Basra every minute, and one quarter of Iraqi children suffer from malnutrition.

#### On this 61" Anniversary of World War II, who played the key role in establishing the CIA?

The key role in establishing the CIA, the intelligence corps of the USA, was played by the German SS General, leader of the German Secret Nazi Police who was spirited out of Germany so that he would not be captured by the Soviet Red Army and tried as a war criminal, he was Richard Gehlen.

He handed over to the US complete documents pertaining to the spy network of the Hitler's German intelligence corps with list of agents throughout the world, including details about SS penetration in all countries of Eastern Europe.

President Truman was the architect to completely cooperate with Fascist Germany. He also made sure that the whole Gehlen apparatus was spirited out and given cushy paying jobs in the newly formed CIA. This whole plan was known to the top leaders of the Catholic Church and, they helped in these arrangements and gave their

So, was there or is there a difference between German SS Agents of Hitler and the CIA agents of Bush?

blessing.

**NOT MUCH!** 

Jessie Jackson, US Democratic Party Black Congressman charges that Bush is starting a police state, since now the US government can search or seize Americans at will

#### **EXODUS FROM IRAQ**

There are over 5,000 Iraqis leaving Iraq daily in order to escape the US occupation. Over a million of Iraqis of all classes and sects have fled over the borders into Jordan and into Egypt.

All of these displaced Iraqi masses have no use for the US or its sponsorship of the present US-government that is being imposed on them, under the guise of the so-called "democratic elections."

Corruption under US occupation is so terrible that most people would prefer to have Saddam Hussein back in power. The people foresee that it will take 12-15 years and three to four so-called US-sponsored governments, before Iraqis will be able to get on their feet again.

#### IRAN'S LEADING CLERIC WARNS USA

The Supreme Leader of the Islamic Revolution, Ayatollah Sayed Ali Khemenei said last that Iran; will retaliate twice as hard if US dares and attempts to invade Iran.

He charged that US has been threatening Iran for the past 27 years since the victory of the Islamic Revolution.

"The Iranian nation and government advocates world peace and security and, we will never attack anyone in the future."

## DESERTIONS FROM US ARMED FORCES IS GROWING

News reaching NSC from many sources show very clearly that the desertions from US armed forces in Iraq, Afghanistan and the US itself, are growing steadily.

This was also the case during 1960's and 1970's during the war in Vietnam where thousands of soldiers deserted. At that time there were close to 50,000 GI's who destroyed their draft papers and took refuge in Canada.

Now, because the war on Iraq is getting more and more unpopular in the USA itself - there are over 9,000 US soldiers who have deserted since the invasion.

In interviews with these soldiers who saw what was happening in Iraq, the frequent answer as to why they enlisted was this: "To pay for my university education, since my family could not afford it - when I and others made the decision to enlist, we thought that we'll get a university education for a better job, never realizing that we would be sent to invade another country!"

In the training before the US soldiers are sent off to Iraq, they had to yell out during exercises: "We want to kill!" and "Blood, blood, blood!"

According to US Army doctors, there is setting in among US Army there, low morale and that one out of every six US soldiers are showing symptoms of deep depression, anxiety and post-traumatic stress.

US experts predict that unless the conflict is ended soon, the desertion rate will soon reach one in three, as was the case during the Vietnam War.

# SUCI DEMONSTRATES SOLIDARITY WTH FIGHTING PEOPLE OF NEPAL

CALCUTTA 29/04/06 – In support of the fighting people of Nepal and in the denouncement of the shady deal with the autocratic Nepal King by the quarters with vested interests to backstab the people's movement, a protest rally was held in West Bengal State, organized by the Committee of the Socialist Unity Centre of India (SUCI)

The rally adopted a resolution and observed a minute of silence for the martyrs of Nepal who fell in this struggle.

#### RESOLUTION

This meeting of the students, teachers, professors, professionals, intellectuals, women employees, workers and all other sections of the toiling masses, organized by SUCI is hailing the heroic struggle of the Nepalese people for the total abolition of the despotic autocratic rule of the King and the Palace and demands an establishment of a full-

fledged democratic republic with a new Constituent Assembly, based on a new constitution, minus the King, even as a titular head.

This meeting also expresses severe indignation at the way US imperialism, Indian expansionism, CPI (M) revisionism and aspirant Nepalese bourgeoisie and its servitors have worked in tandem to strike a shameful deal with the Nepalese monarch to backstab the historic movement, just when it was poised to achieve total victory.

This meeting believes that with the announcement of a 7 party interim government and retention of the King as the constitutional head, there is, under the pretext of the restoration of Parliament, virtually there is no change in the status of the Monarch who continues to be in command of the army and thus at the helm of the state power.

This meeting believes that it is a great betrayal to the cause of the people of Nepal and a clever ploy of the part of the interested quarters to save the interest of the King and divide the people.

This meeting also notes that there is opposition within the 7-party alliance as well as over the deal and a section is in favour of continuing the struggle, This meeting expresses total solidarity with the brave patriotic people of Nepal and hopes that they will reject this so-called truce worked out by the compromising forces and vested interest and continue their glorious battle util accomplishment of total victory and !until there is complete overthrow of the entire edifice of the Monarchy and realization of a democratic republic.

# **OPPOSITION IN NEPAL CELEBRATES VICTORY**

Prensa Latina - Cuba

The Nepal's opposition are celebrating their victory last April for restoring democracy after 19 days of protests against King Gyanendra, who was forced to announce the revival of the national parliament. The Nepal's legislative power was suspended in 2002 by the King's royal decree.

Right after that speech by the King of Nepal, the seven-party opposition alliance called off the general strike

and demonstrations and designated Girija Prasad Koirala, the Congress president and former Nepalese Premier, as the candidate for the new prime minister.

The opposition also decided to organize the process to call for the elections for the new Constituent Assembly.

# TRAPPED IN THE CLAWS OF THE TAMIL TIGERS IN NORWAY

By Thavam Kandiah

Outside his home in Oslo, he was confronted and threatened with a pistol late one evening. The message was crystal clear: "If you don't stop criticizing the Tamil Tigers, your days are over." While Norway is negotiating in Sri Lanka's conflict, the Tamil Tigers are using Norway as a power base to collect the "Revolution Tax."

Norway over the years has attempted through the UN to end the Sri Lanka civil conflict, which has led to the loss of over 60,000 lives. At the same time in Oslo, the Sri Lankan Rajasingam Sivarajak sits in fear of a death sentence from the reputed leader of the Tamil Tigers: Velupillai Prabhakaran.

Interpol has a warrant for his arrest, for the killing of India's Rajiv Gandhi. Over the last few months the violence in Sri Lanka has escalated. The Tamil Tigers from northern Sri Lanka are listed as a terrorist organization by many countries of the world. Last year the EU had imposed travel restrictions against the Tamil Tigers leaders. It looks as if Norway is a sanctuary for this guerrilla group.

Even Amnesty International suggests that this is the case. They also launched a campaign against the use of child soldiers by the Tamil Tigers.

"I have given up. Now, nothing matters anymore. It is only a question of time before they decide to kill me!" said Sivarajah.

He is among a few in Norway that dares criticize the Tamil Tigers in the open.

Despite some success by Norway in leading parties to agree upon a ceasefire in February 2002, the

violence has increased on both sides. According to Norway and the ceasefire team, the Tamil Tigers are responsible for over 90 per cent of the violations of the ceasefire agreement. These include political killings of many Tamil dissidents, kidnappings of children who are then forced to become soldiers for the guerrilla organization. All of the Tamils who live in many countries of the world are scared because they share a common fear as to what would happen to them or their families living back home in Sri Lanka.

The most common problem is that the Tamil Tigers force the Sri Lankans living abroad to pay a "revolution tax". They travel in all countries where Tamils live and collect this "tax" for what they call "The Final War". This is a monthly tax of \$74 US. Those who refuse to pay this monthly tax are threatened and sometimes killed.

Those that pay this "tax" are then given an ID-card by the Tamil Tigers as a receipt. If they have this card and travel to Sri Lanka to see their relatives they get in — those that do not have this card are not let in at all to that part of Sri Lanka that is controlled by the Tamil Tigers. Most pay the "tax" because they are afraid of reprisals on their families.

# 4TH EUROPEAN SOCIAL FORUM IS REVISIONIST!

Revolutionary
Communist Youth
League (Bolshevik)
on the Fourth European
Social Forum

In reply to the invitation to take part in the 4<sup>th</sup> European Social Forum (May 2006, Athens) that we have received from the ESF 2006 Co-ordinating Committee, the Central Committee Bureau of the Revolutionary Communist Youth League (*Bolshevik*) declares that:

The World Social Forum (and its derivative, the European Social Forum) is closely linked to the

imperialists, social-democrats, conservatives, the Vatican, and they are the forces that determine Forum's political line, as seen in many examples. Let us quote just several facts on the WSF and the ESF. Mr. Henrique Meirelles, former executive for FleetBoston, the governor of the Brazilian Central Bank and Forum's main sponsor has publicly declared that he wanted a quick and cheap war in Iraq that would not affect oil prices. The unjust character of that war, the human victims, the destruction of cultural heritage, the violation of the elementary rights to selfdetermination were not a concern for Forum's organisers and participants. In particular, the World Social Forum in Porto Alegre only had six sessions on the Iraq war. But it was famous for the disputes over the bribes in the arrangements of power supply.

The European Social Forum, just as the World Social Forum, does not spring from a popular movement, but has emerged in the bourgeois reaction to the growth of mass protest mood and to the concern in capitalist circles in relation to the increasing radicalisation. unleashed itself in Seattle. The WMF summit in 2000, in addition to official events, hosted so-called discussion sessions where NGO's and WMF representatives participated together. That had become the prototype for the WSF, which later developed partner relationships with the imperialist forum in Davos. The essence of WSF is simple - its leaders advocate that the participants should not wage struggle against capitalism, but, rather, should put forward "alternatives" within this system's framework. It is coincidence that bourgeois experts refer to the Forum as to something that "shows usefulness of globalisation" and rejoice that the World Social Forum and the World



Economic Forum converge in their Agendas.

The European Social Forum has copied the ideological line of the WSF. Not does it only stand for EU expansion, it effectively supports the Maastricht Treaty while failing to support the Turkish people who had their say against the inclusion of Turkey into the EU. The ESF has completely ignored the repressions against communists in Latvia. Estonia and Slovenia. The position of the last ESF held in London (which was run by a private company) on the European Constitution is quite symbolic. Far from taking a principal stand on the question of imperialist integration in Europe, the ESF declared that the EU Constitution Draft has to be improved. The basis for ESF's political position is in apologising social-democrats and the left centrists like the Spanish government which demonstartively retired troops from Iraq only to send them to Haïti.

We believe that confronting imperialism is only possible from clear class standpoints, without delegating political leadership to the reformist forces, which aim to divert the popular protest into Communists collaborationism. must not conceal their aims, they have to propagate them as widely as possible. As the practice shows, that is impossible within the European Social Forum. The opportunists are scared to death of those who are ready to tell truth. It is sufficient to mention that the President of Venezuela Hugo Chavez was not accepted by WSF in 2002, at a critical time when the Bolivarian republic needed broad public support. The WSF International Council opted not to invite Fidel Castro. It is apparent that any communists participating in the Forum would be destined to fill up the ranks of the wordless background.

Thus the Forum's organisers and its true masters have opportunist views and work for international imperialism's interests. They only wish to make cosmetic changes to the capitalist system and give public illusion that it were allegedly possible to go back to the pre-imperialist stage of capitalism, which makes up a significant divergence with the aim of overthrowing capitalism and building in its place a truly free society, a society without exploitation, communism.

#### CIA AGAIN LANDS SECRETLY IN SPAIN

From GRANMA NTERNATIONAL

These CIA secret flights land not only in Spain. The scandal over stopovers in Spanish airports by planes used by the CIA to transport prisoners and engage in torture is barely subsiding, and once again they are landing in Madrid. This time they are transferring a group of Cuban-born mercenaries and Latin Americans who are travelling to Spain in order to backstab the Spanish investors who are doing business in Cuba. They are men of the Group for Corporate Social Responsibility in Cuba, a type of pro-Helms-Burton Act legionnaires.

This group, as well as others, are generously financed by the CIA through National Endowment for Democracy (George Soros) and, this group now in Spain is promoted by the Miami-based Federation of Electrical Plant Workers (AFL-CIO).

The only thing left to ask the Spanish government is, if in the interest of improving relations with the Bush government, will it allow, once again, a gang of self-confessed terrorists to land with impunity in Madrid, with the express purpose of dynamiting the interests of Spanish business people and businesses?

# CHAVEZ DOUBLES TAX FOR FOREIGN OIL FIRMS



The tax paid by all foreign oil companies extracting oil in Venezuela will be almost double, said President Hugo Chavez. The tax will be hiked from 17% to 33%. This levy will raise at least \$885 million per year, some of which will be used to fund a housing building programme, which was neglected by the previous regimes.

Chavez said on his TV appearance that: "Foreign oil companies are

pumping oil out of Venezuela are making a lot of money."

President Hugo Chavez also praised Bolivia's move to bring its gas industry under state control. Record oil and gas prices has allowed Venezuela to fund much needed social programmes at home, and also give aid to foreign countries that need it.

US imperialism has accused President Hugo Chavez of pursuing political objectives through these internal programmes, but Hugo Chavez replied that: "This is a step on the way to a greater unity, Latin American independence and closer integration."

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<u>Declaration of the Political</u> <u>Secretariat</u>

# The Country Has Been Taken Hostage

Our country is living through dark hours. For two weeks, the threat of lack of fuel (oil, gas, diesel...) has disrupted its distribution, creating a sense of panic. In Dakar, lines of cars have formed at gas stations. Electricity has seen disruptions in supply by Senelec [national electric Senegal\*]. company of services have slowed; others have come to a halt. Households have problems keeping perishable goods; high school and college students have trouble studying.

Despite all this, the government has stuck to its duplicitous attitude of denial and affirmation. It is a posture of escape dictated by a political and electoral concern: to not lose face

and to give the impression of controling the situation. This is not even counting the contradictions and paradoxes in speeches by ministerial and presidential authorities in the country.

# But why does Senelec not provide more electricity?

In its communiqué of excuses to its customers published in the press, Senelec has given two reasons for these untimely power outages:

- 1. The accidental stoppage, since December 26, 2005, of an electric power station has led to a loss of 50 megawatts (MW) of power;
- 2. The halt in the deliveries of diesel oil by the oil companies has caused a halt of production in the power stations of 74 MW of power: the oil turbine of Bel Air (30 MW), Aggreko Station (40 MW), Diesel Station of Bel Air (4 MW). All this has caused, according to the communique, a loss of power of 124 MW, leading to a production deficit of 80 MW. Here in the main are the reasons stated for the situation experienced by the people, with the cuts in electricity.

But seen up close, one must understand that the essential reason lies in the halt in supply by the oil companies the products of necessary for the turbines to function. This is the reason for 74 MW of the total deficit in production (80 MW); the stoppage of the private only station (GTI) responsible for 6 MW of the total deficit.

That clearly means that if it had not been for the halt by SAR [African Refinery Company] in the distribution of the necessary products, Senelec would not have such a deficit leading to such untimely and prolonged blackouts. Such a situation of dependency by

Senelec on Sar is both dangerous and impermissible for such a vital sector, which is so strategic for a country's economy, for the security, health and life of its people.

The whole question is that Sar does not respond to any logic other than that of making the maximum profit, whatever the cost to the economy of Senegal, to the security and health its people. This situation puts SAR in a position in which it holds the whole country hostage. This is scandalous and revolting!

SAR has stopped supplying Senelec with oil products;

SAR has stopped supplying the ICS [Chemical Manufacturer of Senegal] with oil products;

Senelec has cut electricity to the ICS, to the City Halls, to the rural communities that cannot pay, but also to the people that do pay.

Here is the spectacle afflicting the country under the rule of the multinational corporations.

#### The looting of Senegal by SAR

Specialized in importing, refining and marketing of oil products. SAR is in the front ranks of the national corporations, with sales between 260 to 274 billion, employing 260 permanent workers. paradoxically, SAR is only national in name; the majority of its capital (91.4%) is held by foreign multinational corporations: Total [French] (54.6%), Shell [British-Dutch] (25%), Mobil [U.S.] (11.8%). The other 8.6% belongs to the state Petrosen represented by [Senegalese Oil Company]. This has been the reality since 1963; SAR has held the strategic energy products in its hands and is holding Senegal by multinational the throat. The corporations that make it up are systematically looting the Senegalese people and destroying

their economic efforts, while repatriating the bulk of their profits derived from this exploitation.

But SAR does not stop here. The agreements with the state of Senegal provide that in case of loss from its commercial operations of importation and refining of products and of importation of butane gas, the state of Senegal will pay for those losses. This is on top of the 36 billion that Sar claims from the state and that, according to it, are the cause of these halts in imports and supply of fuel; 17 billion represents so-called commercial losses (4 billion for importation and distribution of butane gas and 13 billion for importation and distribution of other oil products). The other 19 billion are due to the subsidy of butane gas. Thus, not only do the multinational corporations make huge profits from the trade in oil products, but they do not run any risk, because all their losses are borne by the state.

Here is how those who rule us, from L.S. SENGHOR and A. DIOUF to A. WADE, have given foreign corporations one-sided contracts for an appalling exploitation of the national resources.

These regimes and the men who lead them have given these multinational corporations the means for this exploitation, but also the weapons allow them to put pressure on the state and a disgusting blackmail to return their funds, whether justified or not. This is exactly the relation between SAR and the state of Senegal today, to the point of compromising the economy of the country, the security and health of the people.

Such a corporation cannot be in private hands, much less in the hands of foreigners totally indifferent to the fate of the people. Such a corporation

dealing with such strategic products as oil and gas must be public property, national patrimony, in the domain of national sovereignty.

And each time the governments kneel down before these multinational corporations and pay on the nail, despite their verbal protests. Thus SAR has just collected 19 billion, while waiting to be paid the rest.

This is the same pressure, the same scandalous blackmail that the international institutions, the IMF and the World Bank, are exerting on the rulers in all spheres. It is the same threats of the World Bank against the state regarding the law on the special tax on refined imported cooking oil. This is a tax created to protect Sonacos [National Trading Company in Oily Products1. It is the same when Senelec succeeded in providing a new power station, with its own means; the World Bank threatened to stop its programs in the country, if the state did not accede to its demand to have the new station managed by a foreign agency. This the state, despite its complaints, has largely accepted.

Senegal is under the iron rule of the multinational corporations and the international institutions which are carrying out an organized, systematic looting, in all spheres, to make profit. From this logic proceeds the politics of privatization of our most profitable corporations: Sonatel [telephone company], Sncs [public transportation], Sonacos, Sde [water company], Sodéfitex [cotton company], etc.

And our rulers accept this and bow their heads, when they do not simply sing the praises of these neoliberal policies that are impoverishing and killing the popular masses. In exchange for their docility, our rulers receive crumbs from the looting by

the corporations and from the state coffers, transferring the money abroad into the banks of the multinational corporations which are charged with protecting them in their turn. This is THE UNSPOKEN CONTRACT BETWEEN THE FOREIGN AND THE NATIONAL LOOTERS. This is how the politics of imperialist domination works.

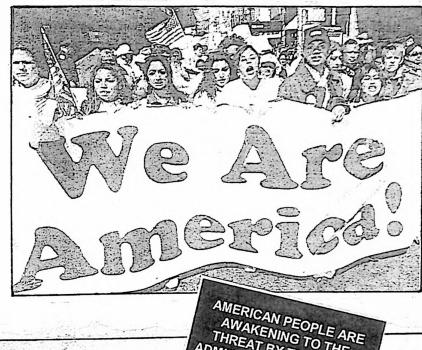
The RTA-S is launching a stirring appeal to all patriots, to all democrats to take up the campaign of information to make the truth known to the popular masses, to organize, mobilize and fight against these disastrous policies that are full of dangers. The shortages will continue and will provoke outages, the closing of corporations, the layoff of workers, the increase in the cost of living, as long as Senegal remains

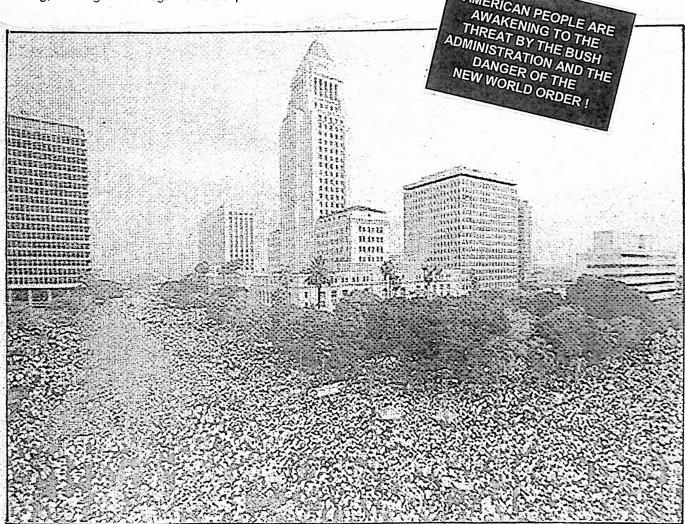
hostage to the multinational corporations and international institutions. More than ever, we must link the campaign against

the government personnel expenses to the campaign against the looting of our country.

Political Secretariat

Latino protesters state: We Are America!





Recent protests in US streets have been the most resounding since the 1960's. This is in Los Angeles, USA

#### HERE'S HOW "WESTERN AID" WORKS IN LIBERIA

By IRINA MALENKO



Young girls are the most vulnerable

Young girls in Liberia are being sexually exploited by the UN aid workers and peace keepers, despite pledges by the United Nations Organization, says Save the Children Fund.

Girls as young as eight are being forced to have sex in exchange for food by workers of local and UN international agencies, according to a recent report. The UN of course said that it will investigate and put safeguards in place after UN agencies sexual abuse in refugee camps in West Africa was first revealed already four years ago!

But a recent study by the Save the Children Fund, which involved speaking to more than 300 people in camps for people displaced by the war, found that the abuse is still wide spread.

Report states emphatically that girls from between the age of eight and 18 years were being sold for sex commonly referred there as "man business". One girl stated to the BBC that she was forced to have sex with an official of the World Food Programme (WFP). Children (girls) that are hungry are promised food by these workers if they agree to have sex.

Government officials and school teachers that are employed by the food agencies, also are contributing to the abuse, charged the Save the Children. The abuse also involves the UN peacekeepers in West Africa.

The above news item is beyond any comment.

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### BULGARIANS ARE AGAINST US MILITARY BASES IN THE COUNTRY

By Professor Ivan Angelo Civic Protest Group / Bulgaria

Since February until May of this year, the Spring Campaign against US Military Bases in Bulgaria and the neo-colonial regimes that came to power in Eastern Europe, as well as in the former Soviet Union, who are now so eager to have on their territories US bases. Bulgaria in this respect is no exception.

The deal between all of these countries and their US masters was confirmed when US State Secretary C. Rice was visiting these countries.

In Bulgaria there was a mass rally organized against her visit by a broad coalition of peace movements, Youth and Senior citizens groups, various Academic and Research groups, Communist and Nationalist parties, Green Party and individual citizens.

Former US Attorney General Ramsay Clark and other foreign guests from Greece, Serbia and Macedonia attended the Conference and Rally.

Last March 3, which is the National Day of Bulgaria's Liberation, the parliamentary group of "Ataka" organized a massive All National Rally on the streets of Sofia, but, it

was criticized, both from the "left" and the "right" spectrum. This "Ataka" is the only group that has officially submitted a draft, demanding that Bulgaria withdraw its troops from Iraq and also to revise the admission of Bulgaria into the European Union. (this is not known to the general public in Bulgaria.)

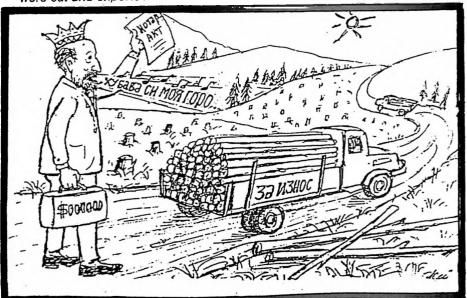
The agreement to allow US bases in Bulgaria is so "top secret" that even the Bulgarian MP's or the Bulgarian people do not know this. The "Ataka" charges that the objective of US bases in Bulgaria is because it is the nearest spot to serve the future attack against Russia.

There were patriotic rallies held all over Bulgaria, coinciding with Rice's visit here, coinciding also with the 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1876 National Revolt against Turkish domination.

The "Ataka" coalition was formed in 2005, the last General Election and it has 17 MP's out of 270 in the Parliament, but, in spite of its small representation in the parliament, it enjoys rating second only to the Socialist Party, whose polices have absolutely nothing to do now with the ones of the former Bulgarian Communist Party.

Unfortunately, due to various ideological differences amongst various patriotic, humanitarian and peace groups so far, prevents a more substantial coordination among their protest activities.

THE KING AND GOD – of the Bulgarian forests. After capitalism was restored, the forest hills were given back to the King and all trees were cut and exported. Disaster and floods was the result in 2005.



It is encouraging however, that while many of the leaders are quarrelling or criticizing one another, the majority of the rank and file members of the various groups coordinate and cooperate in all of the protests, and it does not matter as to who is organizing the protest!

This gives hope for the future, even while the present Bulgarian servile "elite" of the country promote their personal deals with US imperialism and its "big brass".

# PAGES FROM THE PAST

# CRIMES OF IMPERIALISM

By MICHAEL LUCAS, EDITOR

Who doesn't remember the horrors of the break-up of the USSR, Yugoslavia, and the question of Kosovo, the world-wide US sponsored and paid for campaign to publicize the KLA as freedom-loving Albanians who just wanted freedom for their people.

Much has been written about this tragedy and the mountains of lies have been piling up high, to cover-up the fascist hand of US imperialism, as well as German ambitions in the Balkans.

Let our minds just go back to the 1970s-1980s.

Remember Oliver North and the Contras? The pattern that happened in Kosovo is similar to other CIA covert operations in Central America, Haiti, Afghanistan, Iraq, Cuba, etc. Where fighters" were "freedom financed through US sponsored laundering of drug money. Western intelligence agencies, have really developed a complex relationship to the illegal narcotics trade as part of US imperialism narcotics plans. In every case this drug money was laundered international in the banking system has financed all US covert operations.

This pattern of narcotic-politics by US imperialism had been used also in Vietnam. And, it is confirmed now,

that the rising curve of cocaine imports followed exactly the flow of US arms and military advisors.

Remember the terrible civil war in Afghanistan against the Soviet Union, instigated by US and Pakistan governments, which wanted stinger missiles and other military hardware? By 1980's due to the trafficking of narcotics, the CIA operation in Islamabad was one of the largest US operations in the world. The heroin trafficking now through Afghanistan is the largest in the world.

The task to create and to finance the KLA terroreists in Kosovo was the responsibility of German imperialism. The KLA used German uniforms, East Germany's weapons and were financed by Germany and also by drug money. Germany then and now is pushing for its "Lebensraum" on to the Balkans. German government forced the West to split Yugoslavia and to recognize the breakaway Croatia and Slovenia.

Mercenaries financed by Saudi Arabia and Kuwait had been fighting in Bosnia and some are now still stationed there.

A fact to remember is that 75% of all heroin entering Western Europe is from Turkey. It is estimated that over 4-6 metric tons of heroin leaves each month from Turkey, going though the Balkans to Europe and to the USA.

It is also needed to remember that in this new US global financial environment, there are powerful political lobbies that are connected to organized crime, that cultivate links with powerful political leaders in the capitalist-imperialist countries and including also with the intelligence agencies and top military brass.

In conclusion, the Western banks turn a blind eye to all this dirty money and the havoc that the narcotics trade brings, because they collect very fat commissions in this multibillion-dollar money laundering operation.

It is just criminal negligence and outright fascist ideology of the imperialist countries and their leaders, and, also those that support them or close their eyes, that, under the pretence of building and supporting "democracy", they are the real bandits-criminals who hide with their bibles in hand and fool the people, as millions of people are dying, are killed or are maimed – all

in the name of the almighty dollar!

Therefore, for all of humanity to overcome this evil and eradicate it forever, the world must overthrow imperialism and start on the glorious road to Socialism-Communism!

#### **BELIEVE IT OR NOT!**

#### **RELIGIOUS FASCISM COMING**

Across the United States, religious activists and evangelical fanatics -lavishly supported by the corporations and given go-ahead by the White House, are now organizing themselves to establish a outright reactionary American Theocracy Government. This is a frightening movement that is sweeping the US.

#### SECRET PAPERS

Britain and USA since 1960's helped Israel to manufacture atomic bombs, hydrogen bombs, intercontinental ballistic missiles, and all assortment of Weapons of Mass Destruction. Obviously the US observers could not read the map of Middle East and instead of landing in Israel, they went to Iraq and are STILL looking for these WMD – meanwhile a few scores of miles away, they are piled high in Israel.

#### **NSC NEEDS FINANCIAL HELP!**

# STOP THE PRESS NEWS

Another US ally in Iraq distanced itself from US-led effort in May of this year. Romano Prodi, Italy's new Prime Minister will withdraw its troops from Iraq. He called the invasion and the occupation a "very grave error"!

Dear readers:
In the next issue of NSC we shall publish two very important documents from the 15th International Communist Seminar that was held in Brussels,
Belgium, May, 2006

#### **OPEN FORUM**

# IS VENEZUELA NEXT FOR AN INVASION ?

Via NY Transfer News Collective

The following is based on the Associated Press by Fabiola Sanchez

President Hugo Chavez warned the people that US invasion is imminent.

There is now being trained a civilian militia as well as the regular army to resist against the US betterequipped force, and if necessary to go into the hills as a guerrilla force.

President Chavez said that Venezuela will have 1 million trained armed force and Venezuelans are organizing also their neighbourhood-based militia units. Chavez said that we must look to what Cuba was able to do in the mountains as a guerrilla force.

The Venezuelan Army reservists are being supplied now by 100,000 new Kalashnikov rifles. Venezuelans were reminded of the real danger by Chavez, when he said that the US had invaded Grenada and Panama and, because the resistance was not organized quickly, the resistance crumbled. Cuba's defeat of the CIAtrained invasion force at the Bay of Pigs in 1961-clearly shows that all Venezuelans must follow their example.

Chavez also charged last month that they had detected a US aircraft carrier and submarines off their coast and also US planes and helicopters invaded the Venezuelan space. He also criticized the US naval exercises in the Caribbean last month as another sign of a threat to Venezuela and Cuba.

Chavez also said that the Venezuelan National Guard had enlisted 500 Indian volunteers to defend their country with poisoned-tipped arrows if need be. He added: "If they had to take a good shot at any invader, you'd be done for in 30 seconds, my dear Gringo!"

From NYC Working People's Voice

# IMMIGRANTS BRING BACK MAY DAY TO

THE U.S.! BY DANIEL VILA

The massive of wave spontaneous demonstrations and work stoppages that have shaken the United States recently, organized by immigrants workers, have been the biggest labor actions in this country since the 1930s. In that period. millions of workers participated in marches, strikes and occupied factories to organize unions and support programs such as Social Security and unemployment insurance.

Although some consider the fight of the immigrant workers the reemergence of the Civil Rights movement, actually these events are a deepening of the class struggle in the U.S.

Why the Work Stoppage?

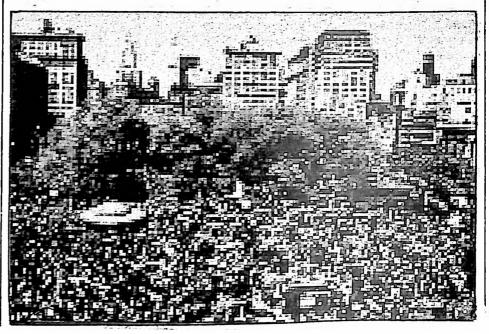
The objective of the Great Work Stoppage of May 1 is to defeat the proposed bill HR 4437, which is trying to criminalize all undocumented immigrants and those who help them. We also oppose the Kennedy-McCain bill that calls for militarizing the border and converting

military bases into detention camps for immigrants and its proposal for a "guest worker" program. This would turn immigrants into indentured servants to the bosses because they could be fired and deported at any time. This would force immigrants to suffer increased humiliation and exploitation. Our demand is: ¡Right to citizenship for all, now!

Solidarity The call for a day without working, buying, selling or attending school began in California. But it has been supported by hundreds of immigrant organizations throughout the country. In New York, the May First Coalition was formed at Teamsters Local 808, with the participation of Latin American, South Asian, Asian, African, Haitian and other immigrant groups, unions and community organizations. This coalition recognizes that not all workers can stay away from work on May 1, but that we should all participate in whatever actions we

Who is opposed to the Work Stoppage?

Some groups have opposed the call to not work, buy, sell or go to school. This opposition comes from the more comfortable and well-off immigrant aroups among the organizations and some union These sectors are bureaucrats. afraid that the immigrants will unite in a true powerful movement that no longer needs these powerful union wealthy bureaucrats and businessmen. The spokespersons



for this conservative sector among the unions do not represent the rank and file and are afraid of calling for a consultation meeting. Therefore it is the duty of all workers in unions such as 32BJ and 1199 to demand union democracy and that the rank and file be consulted. The unions belong to those who pay their dues and not to those who earn huge salaries to control them for the benefit of the owners.

## Are the Immigrants Being Politicized?

Immigrants want to work and lead a full life. But the anti-immigrant laws and racist government officials have led to the mobilization of millions of immigrants. In the process of organizing marches and proposing solutions the immigrant workers are discovering the real nature of this society and who are their allies and who are opportunists. Inevitably, hundreds of thousands of people have been politicized.

Javier Rodriguez, a Mexican journalist in Los Angeles and one of the organizers of the May 1 Work Stoppage, said that "these laws are designed to enslave the immigrant class living in this country and to hold them and their families back in the past, in the back of the bus.... With polls showing the rejection of the president and his manufactured war against Iraq, the Republicans are seeking refuge in their most conservative base, agitating against illegal immigration."

As Javier states, one cannot separate the war, politics and racism from the fight of the immigrant workers. This country is ruled for a business elite and politics that have to be overturned to win true justice. We must fully join the fight for total change and forge the greatest unity with U.S.-born workers, the African-American community, unions and community groups to form the broadest possible front to win these goals.

The PENTAGON has secretly shipped tens of thousands of small arms from Bosnia to Iraq in the last two years — using a web of private companies, one of which is even blacklisted by Washington and even the United Nations.

#### THIS IS HOW CANADA TREATS DISABLED TOURISTS



A Parkinson's sufferer, who had all the necessary documents on him, confirming his condition, was held overnight in prison in Canada last month, because he was mistaken as drug addict.

Trevor Hamilton, who tried to come to Canada on a holiday, was sent back to Northern Ireland the very following day. Mr. Hamilton, who is 42, said that he was subjected to humiliating and degrading treatment.

His clothes were taken off and he was made to put on an orange cloak as a prisoner. He was put into a cold shower - it was so cold that it was ice-cold. Then I was put into a cell the following day

I tried to tell them, to look at my documentation, get a doctor to verify my condition, but I was treated as a criminal.

It seems that the US terrorsickness has come to Canada with the new Conservative Government now in Ottawa- Editor

# BIG BROTHER BUSH IS WATCHING YOU!

US Congressional Republicans and Democrats have demanded clear answers about a top secret Bush's government spy agency that is secretly collecting records of all ordinary American citizens, of all their personal telephone calls, all their computer messages sent and received, in order to build a data base of every call and message made within the country for this secret US spy agency.

## MAY DAY RALLY IN BANGLADASH

On May Day there were a great number of rallies and processions around the country, including Dhaka, capital of Bangladesh. One of the rallies was organized in Dhaka, capital city by the Socialist Party of Bangladesh. At these rallies, all speakers made a clarion call to the toiling people to escalate the struggle for socialism in the country.

The speakers stated that when the USSR existed and the world socialist movement was strong, the working people in different capitalist countries were safe. The capitalist class had to agree to some rights of the working class which was endorsed by the International Labour Organization (ILO).

### GATHERING OF CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS

From May 11, to May 16 in New York City, and in Washington DC, US conscientious objectors gathered for a week of conferences debates, actions and protests, in celebrating the International Conscientious Objectors Day, May 15, 2006.

This "Operation Refuse" was an opportunity for war resisters, anti-war activists, and military to come together and share strategies and build a solid community. Participants came from South Korea, Eritrea, Peru, El Salvador, Canada, Britain, Israel, Macedonia, Bosnia, Germany and all across the USA.

The many sponsoring organizations included: The War Resisters League, The War Resisters International, American Friendship Committee Youth and Militarism Program, the Centre on Conscience & War, National Youth and Student Peace Coalition, National Lawyers Guild, Fellowship of Reconciliation Program, Conscientious Objectors (CCCO), Student Peace Action Network and many others.

Previous meetings were held in the Balkans in 2002, Israel in 2003, Chile in 2004 and Greece in 2005.

AFTER READING NSC -PASS IT ON TO A FRIEND!

#### FEATURE ANALYSIS

# CHINA'S QUICK TRANSITION TO CAPITALISM

News items from the world media

There is a growing mass struggle in China against the present conditions there and also growing severe criticism of the pro-capitalist line being followed by the present leadership of the Communist Party of China.

There was a news item that in October of 2004 a group of veteran Communist Party of China members, cadres, military personnel and intellectuals have co-authored a document, which they sent to the General Secretary of the CPC.

In spite of thousands of protests by workers and peasants, plus simmering criticism from the left intellectuals, which do not get mass publicity and which is not allowed to be published in the mass media — until now, these CPC cadres and military personnel haven't been as vocal as they should have been in recent years – in criticizing the procapitalist process that is steam-rolling over China.

In this letter to the General Secretary Hu (Jintao), there are listed deep analytical reports of the flaws, the dangers, the charges of mass corruption, the danger of a complete departure from any semblance of socialist construction.

We have not the space to outline in full the document that was sent to the CC of CPC, but we quote some excerpts:

\*Even though there are economic gains in China, the price of all these gains have been enormous for the majority of the working class and peasants. The privatization of state enterprises and the new ruling class violation of the rights of the masses is a frequent method of outright exploitation. Overwhelming number of the masses cannot even afford to see a doctor, access to education or to get a job. The unemployment is staggering. The CPC credibility has

sunk to a dangerous new low.

\* This letter charges that the CPC line now is outright revisionist, since in the name of socialism, its representatives actually practice capitalism. To put it down to earth, these newly baked capitalists claim that they have a Marxist Lamb to offer the people in front of the shop, but they are actually marketing a Revisionist Dog Meat under the table.

\*We propose a systematic and people supported mass movement against this corruption that has swept. China. When masses are involved, most of the problems are solved.

\*Get back into Marxism-Leninism and involve the working masses and peasants to block the evil gale of privatization that is sweeping China.

\*There must be a return to collectivization as we had before.

\*Restore the leading position of Marxism-Leninism into the workings of the Communist Party of China. The present phenomena that the writings of Marx-Lenin and Stalin weren't being studied in China must be corrected.

\*We must establish that it is the workers and peasants who must be masters of the state and state enterprises must be restored

\*There must be a cleansing of the Communist Party of China and criticism and self-criticism must be followed to the letter.

We, as veteran party members, cadres, military personnel and the intellectuals who feel deeply for the party and the people, have for a long time have been deeply concerned where the party is going and where it is heading. There fore we feel that we have the responsibility to present to you some of our views.

The US Government has fallen so completely under the outright dictatorship of the US multinational corporations that it is virtually indistinguishable from them. The American people have been completely shut out of the process and are left to fend for themselves.

# HUGO CHAVEZ PROPOSES "NATION OF REPUBLICS"

From Prensa Latina

After Venezuela withdrew from the Andean Community of Nations, Venezuela now is stepping up its proposal for the formation of a South American Union.

Venezuela said that CAN is ineffective since it had signed a number of free trade agreements with the US. In Chavez's opinion, instead of looking at asymmetrical relations with the US, the current situation in South America demands a very increased awareness of the importance of a "nation of republics" assumed by their indigenous ancestors.

The proposal is to support the Bolivarian Alternative for the Americas (ALBA).

Over 250,000 Iraqi civilians killed by US and allies in the Iraqi War to date.
US acknowledged that over 2,392 soldiers got killed. This does not include thousands wounded and missing or deserting.

#### SPECIAL FOR NSC

The USA's Department of Defence estimated that the monthly expenses in Iraq which cannot be accounted for are \$6.4 billions in Iraq and over \$1.3 billions in Afghanistan. These billions are the US taxpayers money.

A Palestinian State of the West Bank and Gaza is no longer on the cards, irrespective of the make-up of the incoming Israeli Government. Israeli instead has created the strategic conditions, including a near Israeli consensus, for the expulsion of the Palestinians from the West Bank, and the construction of the "Great Wall of Israel".

To settle this question peacefully and to live in peace, maybe a Greater Palestine State should be now established

# US TORTURES DETAINEES CONFIRMED

Knight Ridder Newspapers

BERLIN: Torture and other cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment of detainees by US forces is very widespread and, in many cases, is sanctioned by top US government officials — charged Amnesty International last month.

These charges are contained in a 32,000-word report that was released in London and New York and posted on their Web site. The statement charges that: "The US government is not only failing to take steps to ban torture, it is actually creating a climate in which torture and other ill-treatment actually will flourish!"

Amnesty International condemns the US government for giving those few convicted of abuse, very light sentences.

The spokesperson for Amnesty International charged that those few that were convicted of torture, received only about 5 months jail sentence, that is as much as anyone in the US gets that steals a bicycle. This 5-month sentence for the US officer was for assaulting a 22-year old detained taxi driver in Iraq, who was then hooded, chained to a ceiling while being kicked and beaten until he died!

#### COMMENT:

Of course his confessor Priest told him to recite 100 times Holy Mary, read the bible and God will forgive him! But, he was told also to carry his bible under his arm as President Bush does when going to Church. And, since Bush speaks to God directly, all will be forgiven.

YOU NEED A LAUGH? A man and wife sit quietly in a living room. He says to her: "I never want to live in vegetative state, to dependent on some machine. If that happens, just pull the plug." Wife immediately gets up ad unplugs the TV!

# THE NEED TO BAN THE TAMIL TIGERS MAFIA IN CANADA

BY Thavapalan Kathiravelu

Please let us listen to the voice of the Human Right Watch, J. Becker in favour of helping the Canadian Tamil families from the financial clutches of these Tamil Tigers. Mr. Becker wrote: "The culture of fear is so strong that even Tamils in Canada who do not support the Tamil Tigers, feel that they have to give them money. They know that they are funding political killings and the child recruitment of children as soldiers in Sri Lanka."

I will give you my own experience of this Mafia's fund collection within the Canadian Tamil people. Recently I met a family in Toronto and the husband is the only bread earner in the family with three children. He was asked to pay \$2000 by these LTTE collectors. He paid them only \$500 because he was afraid for his family in Sri Lanka.

But after one week passed, the same LTTE came to collect the rest, and under threat he had to pay the \$1,500 that they demanded. He had to borrow immediately this money from a friend, since he was scared for his family. After that he chased them out of his home. He also found out that his friends living in Montreal were demanded to pay the same amount, but they refused to pay.

This is the routine of the LTTE fund raising by this Mafia for a long time amongst the Tamil people living in Canada.

But for many long years the Canadian Liberal Government denied the request by the Tamil community to ban this mafia collection of money for the Tamil Tigers (LTTE).

"We have reasons to believe that the Tamil Tigers have established connections with certain Mafia groupings in Europe."

(1) Mrs. Henrich, European Union Ambassador for South East Asia, February 1996.

Former Prime Minister Chretien even attended a fund raising dinner

organized by the Canadian Sikh organization. This front organization belongs to the Khalistan separatist movement.

Sri Lanka, Nigerian and Somali criminals all enter Canada with ease, as refugees. Once they are in Canada, these groups operate joint heroin and terrorist rings, with most of the profits being shipped back to their home countries and activities. Police in Metropolitan Toronto went against these Sri Lanka heroin cells operating in the early 1990's. During the investigation the police confirmed that there were members of the Tamil Tigers organization, a terrorist group. These Tamil Tigers are also involved in smuggling heroin into Canada.

(2) From the book- Global Mafia: the New World Order of organized crime. By Antonio Nicaso and Lee Lamonthe (page 25)

After the failure of the Liberal Party and the lack of leadership by the New Democratic Party, the incoming Conservative government banned the LTTE Mafia on April 10, 2006 and it is now illegal for Canadians to support the LTTE.

Although the Tamil Tigers organization was banned in the United Kingdom, they established front organizations in order to continue their financial collections. In Canada the LTTE is running small businesses. Will these front businesses be now banned as money revenues and will they continue to exploit the Tamil people in Canada?

It is also needed to know that the leadership of the LTTE front organizations are represented by the high cast Tamils. We hope that the European Union will follow Canada's policy in this regard.

There are many groups in Sri Lanka and in other countries of the world where Tamils are now living. But as the proletarian forces in the world are not yet strong enough, more and more of such movements will be born, but they are likely to be led by the petti-bourgeoisie or other classes. Yes, these movements will have their limitations, but their struggles are just and against the oppression, and they must be supported.

In such cases, it is the duty of

Communists to whole-heartedly support these movements, pointing out their weaknesses and limitations and, trying to give them a correct orientation towards a consistent anti-imperialist and anti-feudal standpoint!

What stands out more and more vividly is that the LTTE (*Tamil Tigers*) are operating also according to the formula used by the KLA of Kosovo, which was supported and financed both by US and Germany!

JERRY MORSE



# AS I SEE IT!

**FROM AUSTRIA** 

VIENNA: This is written on May 12, 2006 with flags unfurled and over 1,500 plus Austrian Security personnel in the city; dark window vehicles attending the EU, Latin American Caribbean Conference. Police have dogs sniffing all over the city for bombs, drugs, chemicals etc.

With 60 nations having their top officials in attendance, these dogs should be sniffing as to where the millions of dollars are disappearing from the workers' pockets, as privatization is running rampant.

All of these delegates will return back home all fattened up on Austrian pastries, wines, songs and entertainment since this the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Mozart and 150th Anniversary of Freud. Of course Chavez of Venezuela who is here and bringing up the question of US domination of South American economy, oil, gas and other subjects not to the liking of US imperialism. US representatives boasted that it was the US that stopped the Nazi war machine in Europe (even though history has proven that US capitalism was building up, supporting and cooperating with Nazi Germany).

US delegates demanded that the European countries should use

pressure on countries of South America to change their attitude towards the US. It's a fact that China, India, Japan, Indonesia seek partnerships in South America as well as in African countries with large investments and they are slowly displacing the US influence there. On top of that, Russia is promising to give more oil and gas to Europe. These international problems cannot be solved with US arm-twisting and demands. US now is sensing that EU is rebelling as is South America.

The future of US hegemony is in peril and Imperialism is being looked upon as a dead-end and that it cannot solve the problems.

Women in Austria on the Mother's Day were marching, protesting in front of Embassies, denouncing the exploitation of women in most of the 60 countries that are attending this conference.

The Austrian women protestors demanded to stop all the influence of these are mongers. Capitalism is not the answer and the sooner it is replaced by Socialism the better it shall be for the whole human race.

MICHAEL OPPERSKALSKI



I have seen men march to the wars, and then I have seen their homeward tread. And they brought back bodies of living men. But their eyes were cold and dead.

Edmund Vance Cooke

It's odd how those who dismiss the peace movement as utopian, don't hesitate to profess the most absurdly dreamy reasons for going to war - to stamp out terrorism, install democracy, eliminate fascism, and most entertainingly, to "rid the world of evil doers".

Friedtich Nietzche

If the US Democrats – and, for that matter, US Republicans – let a US President with a Nixonesque low approval rating install yet another second-rate sycophant at yet another

Security Agency, even one as diminished as the CIA, someone should charge those US Senators with treason, too.

The American dream has ripened into a menacing delirium, teeming with torture, violence and murder. US had become everything it professes to hate.

What did the Italian Government, under former Prime Minister Berlusconi get in return for providing Bush with a false smoking gun in order to attack Iraq?

Israel High Court upheld a law denying all Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza that are married to Israeli Jewish citizens, the right to live in the country with their spouses.

No one can deny this statement made by one of the founders and former Minister of Education of Israel Professor Ben-Zion Dinur in 1954: "In our country of Israel, there is room only for Jews. We shall say to the Arabs — Get out! If they don't agree, if they resist, we shall drive them out by force".

President Hugo Chavez of Venezuela, when he was in England in May, said the following: "We need a new socialist world and those nations are cowards for not standing up to the American Empire!

If Attacked by USA, we will cut off all oil!"

The World Christian Aid Charity has warned the world that 184,000,000 in Africa alone could die as a result of climate change, because of pollution which affects the crops, water, vegetation and climate, before the end of this century.

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# CHUCKLE

### \$1000 OFFERING GOT HER 3 HYMNS

One Sunday a pastor of the church told his congregation that the church needed some extra money and, asked the people to pray-fully consider giving a littler extra in the offering plate. The pastor said that whoever gave the most would be able to pick out three hymns.

After the offering plates were passed, the pastor glanced down and noticed that someone had placed a \$1000 bill in the offering. He was so very much excited that he immediately shared his joy with his congregation and said that he'd like to personally thank the person who placed the money in the plate.

A very quiet elderly saintly lady all the way back in the back shyly raised her hand. The pastor asked her to come to the front. She slowly made her way to the pastor.

He told her how wonderful it was that she gave so much and in thanking her, he asked her to pick out the three hymns.

Her eyes brightened as she looked over the congregation in the church, then pointed to the three handsomest men in the church and said: "I'll take him and him and him!"

#### QUOTES

"Since World War II the USA has managed to create history's first truly global empire. This has been accomplished by corporatocracy, which are a few men and women at the top, who run the USA's major corporations and in doing so, they also in fact run the US government and many other government around the world."

John Perkins, 2005, author of book "Confessions of an Economic Hit Man."

MORE THAN 2.5 BILLION PEOPLE IN THE WORLD STILL LIVE IN POVERTY!

#### ASISEEIT

The real reason that Iran has been unfairly singled out is because they've committed the inexcusable crime of controlling their own resources. This makes them a potential threat to Israel's ever expanding territorial ambitions and America's insatiable thirst for oil. The nuclear issue is just a **red herring** with no merit whatsoever.

We have been conned again. The Israeli elections, we are told, that the dream of "Greater Israel" has finally been abandoned, that the West Bank settlements will be closed down and other promises. No way will Israel, with US backing, back down in their plans for "Greater Israel"!

Three years into the attack and occupation of Iraq, the silence of all the Church clergy is deafening, despite the US abuse of prisoners at Abu Ghraib and the US policy of shipping detainees to top-secret prisons abroad where they are tortured.

Yes, American "democracy" is so great that the US is blocking a plan in the UN to resume direct financial aid to the Palestinians.

We could not have said it better ourselves at NSC!

We the people of the United States, in order to secure a more perfect union, need to vociferously and with everything we have to stand up to the present traitors in Washington and redefine, if not reclaim, what it means to be Americans.

Cindy Sheehan

#### **ISRAEL'S TACTICS**

Against a UN resolution regarding Palestinian agreement, Israel has cut off all gas to the Palestinian territory and thus all the gas stations in Palestine have shut down, deepening the humanitarian crisis following Hamas' election victory.

Where is the Security Council and Russian and Chinese censure against Israel?

# DID YOU

USA is no longer a government of the people by the people and for the people! It is a government of corporations by corporations and for corporations!

The so-called "civilized world" has created the wretched, quite coldly and deliberately, and do not intend to change this status quo. They are responsible for their slaughter and enslavement — they rain down bombs on defenceless children whenever and wherever they decide that their "vital interests" are menaced — and think nothing of torturing a man to death.

These people must not be taken seriously when they speak of "democracy", "sanctity" of human life, or the "conscience of the civilized world.



## Freedomfest

By Frank Ray Davis-Mexico

TELL IT LIKE IT IS: Dubya Bush has militarized the American-Mexican border, while mealy-mouthedly denying that he was doing anything of the sort. I swear that guy's more allergic to the truth than most folks are to skunk pee.

DARWIN WINS: "Man descended from apes? Considering the intelligence of apes and the unintelligence of people being conned into another war, Man sure did not AScend!

#### **GETTING TO BE A ROUTINE:**

Dubya confers with God about world problems, then goes forth to bungle and blunder, and his popularity rating sinks again. Even the most pious observer has to wonder: Is poor Dubya taking the rap for God's Devilmay-care unconcern for world's tragedies?



# OPEN LETTER FROM THE OTHER WORLD

Secret communication to the White House, in care of George Bush

From newspaper "Trudovaya Rossia"

My dear friend:

I am thanking you and your friends, Ron Reagan and Bill Clinton.

All of what I dreamt about, that was beyond my grasp — you made it happen — you made the whole world kneel to you. And what you managed to do with Bolshevik Russia is amazing. Always hold Russia on a short leash. Now I can really rest in peace.

I was depending to conquer USSR on our German might and air power, but you heroes, you conquered them without firing a shot...

The main thing is how you managed to influence all your cadres inside of Russia! Stalin was correct – when he stated that "Cadres decide all." And how many millions of my soldiers I let be killed on the great expanses of Russia?!

Today I would not have enough Black Cross medals to give to these "heroes-reformers" in Russia alone. I feel now that my plan of reducing the number of people in Russia to only 40 million — will be even over fulfilled!

But first of all, the first Black Cross medal I would give to the "The best German" Gorbachev for undermining Bolshevik Russia. The next Black Cross I would give to Yeltsin, even though he would be satisfied with a bottle of Vodka.

But times are changing. I was told

MISHKA

that on the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Victory by the USSR, on the Red Square there were Russian soldiers marching, dressed in uniforms as if it was year 1941, and the flag flying over the Red Square was that of my dear war buddy and friend General Vlasov. But what really warms my heart dear George, that on the Red Square, accepting the parade were my European friends standing on the Lenin Tribune.

In the Baltic region everything is alles gut! There they even built monuments to my friends—and they even awarded these former allies of mine with medals! After 60 years they finally found my heroes. My ideals are still alive there!

From the Kremlin there is news that the population of Russia is dwindling very fast, even my own Dr. Mengel would have been proud. The pupil of my Dr. Mengele, Mr. Chubais is following in the footsteps of what we proposed and carried out, but in a different avenue and method. They really though out this method very effectively. I am proud of them.

Dear George, I suggest that you nominate all these friends of yours and mine for the Noble Peace Prize!

Please Herr, thank all of these democratic heroes, including Putin. I must admit now that my air force and army weren't capable to accomplish what you and your internal friends in Russia were able to do.

Please give my best regards dear George to the Russian Intelligencia. Lenin was not correct when he called them: "masters of abusive language." He was wrong. They did their job!

Dear George:

I follow events very closely up there, with my friends informing me of all the events.

Regarding Iran. Do not waste time on ceremony and diplomacy. Herr Putin will sell out Iran, as he did Iraq and Yugoslavia. Do not invade Byelorussia, I am familiar with their partisans

Keep agitating Russia against Ukraine, and Ukraine against Russia. This is all dear George, Goodbye.

Gett mit uns. Wishing you luck.

Your Adolph

There is an old proverb that states — HISTORY HAS A WAY OF OFTEN REPEATING ITSELF! —

Let's make certain that this shall never, ever happen again!

But you must admit that the similarity that is pictured here is very striking!



#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### FROM MOSCOW RUSSIA

Dear comrade Lucas!

Having received the Russian Edition of NSC, I just want to say thank you, but I still want to receive the English edition of NSC regularly. To this end I am sending you a small donation.

I will try to send you articles from time to time.

I want to greet the whole collective of NSC on May Day, a day of solidarity of the working class of the world. Wishing you sincere and comradely greetings, on the Day of Victory over German fascism. Wishing you health, energy and dedication and our ranks to grow for our future work in the struggle for socialism, for its victory all over the world!

With sincere wishes, Margarita Goroshkova

# FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA CANADA

A tribune to you Michael, on your 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Although I am as bit late, this \$80 is for every year of your life. It is my great pleasure knowing you, for who you are, because it brightens my life's feelings to know that indeed we have a sincere friend who is dedicated and we have our CFSP and the publication Northstar Compass.

Mary Legebokoff

# FROM S.WALES ENGLAND

Dear friends:

Ordering DVD "17 Moments of Spring" and I am in touch with young rock group musicians in Moscow to whom I sent NSC. It is interesting that they consider NSC as a beacon of light in the capitalist night. As Serg wrote from Moscow: "It's good to see and read all of the correct stuff on the Soviet Union (Russia). With such magazine people around the world have a real chance to understand the situation here.

Paul F. Barrett

## FROM FLORIDA USA

Dear friends:

Looking at the videos that you list in your NSC catalogue, a person can visualize the terrible tragedy, the imprisonment and brutality that the people had to endure until the Great October Socialist Revolution of 1917 brought freedom to the people. What went on in Russia before and now, after the temporary demise of the Soviet Union, is beyond ones ability to comprehend!

We must not let our guard down, until these capitalist animals all over the world are rendered impotent for all time!

Let us go forward, towards a brighter future of Socialism!

John Corlett

## FROM SEDDON AUSTRALIA

Dear Editor:

For a very long time I have had the urge to write for Northstar Compass. I have been brought up in the spirit of humane working class principles and, above all, in the great noble spirit of our great USSR. I had a wonderful and enjoyable childhood where I was exposed to a range of cultures here in Australia. My parents took me to see Soviet ships when they birthed in our port. We saw

beautiful Soviet films depicting the struggles and lives of ordinary people, aiming for a more meaningful life. We went to see the Moscow circuses when they arrived...Yes, I have been greatly inspired from being in contact with Soviet culture.

I regard myself as having had the great privilege of having three parents...my two parents who went through the Second World War (my mother was bom in Germany and my father was bom in Soviet Ukraine) and my "3" parent" the Soviet Union itself...a great guide, educator, mentor and tutor.

Today life has become extremely difficult. There is simply not enough time to do a fraction of what one wants. Take away personal time and we have a situation under capitalism, where we have no genuine freedoms. The long hours of work, (and preparing for the work on weekends) is the sum total of peoples lives here in today's Australia. The "uglification" of all aspects of our lives, plus the lack of time for ordinary citizens is a direct result of the actions of the ruling classes here and overseas.

What really keeps my spirits up are the monthly editions of Northstar Compass journal. I also congratulate you and all the comrades in the successful outcome of the Second World Congress in Canada last September 2005. My heart beats intensely in anticipation of the Third

### FOR YOUR VIEWING PLEASURE!

Dear readers and members:

We have now in our Video Library a fabulous collection of Soviet documentary films and full feature films available for you to enjoy. We have now –

65 DOCUMENTARY VIDEOS.
95 FEATURE FILM VIDEOS WITH ENGLISH
SUBTITLES OR VOICE OVER.

If you are interested, write, phone or e-mail us and we shall send you a free catalogue with prices.

Some of these videos are no longer available in former Soviet Union!

World Congress in 2007 in Moscow. I dearly look forward to this great event. **Bravo!** 

Accompanying this letter are two requests.

Yours sincerely Andrey Moskalenko

Unfortunately we could not fulfill the second request, as noble as it was, due to our financial restraints.

# FROM PRAGUE CZECH REPUBLIC

Dear Michael:

I am enclosing an excerpt from the newspaper "Halo Noviny" informing the readers of an anti-communist provocation in Prague last month. The victim of this physical attackwas the Deputy Chairman of the Czech Parliament and a member of the Communist Party (KSCM), Jiri Dolejs. He was seriously wounded as the photograph clearly shows.

The elections to the Czech Parliament are going to be held in June of this year and we are witnessing more and more various anti-communist and anti-democratic provocations at the present time. Individuals who are organized, try to discredit the Communist Party and also the Communist movement.

These imperialist attacks are directed at all of the left-oriented individuals. These fascist elements desire to stop and forbid the existence of the Young Communist League as well as the functioning of the Communist Party. They lie and spread terrible untruths about the number of "victims" of Communism, in the USSR and in former socialist countries, even in Cuba and North Korea. We certainly can expect more-and-more provocations that are directly or indirectly better by the present Czech government.

The danger of the growth of this fascist tendency is now more acute then ever before. This is also very significant that some of the representatives of the Czech Republic (i.e. Cyril Svoboda, Minister for Foreign Affairs, former president Vaclav Havel etc.) were and are very active in attacking Belarus, criticizing the recent elections, the so-called "violation" of human rights in Byelorussia! But, these same

people never criticize the terrible situation in other despotic countries. They are cheating and lying to the Czech people!

How hypocritical of these so-called political "celebrities", ignoring the the



attack and bombing of Yugoslavia, the bombardment of Serbia and Iraq and the terrible ongoing conflict in Afghanistan, the tragedy in Darfur-Sudan, besides the plight of Palestinian people and the planned invasion now by US imperialism of Iran!

The only solution to these conflicts is the restoration of Socialism! That's the only hope for the existence of the human beings!

Yours Doc. JUDr. Mirko Svoboda

## FROM TOKYO JAPAN

Dear friends:

We thank you very much for your monthly journal, Northstar Compass that you send to our Trade Union.

Our union. The Ali Japan Construction. Transport and General Workers' Union had held the 4th UIYBB Seminar for Asia-Pacific Construction and Wood Worker's Union in Tokyo last March 10-12 and had great success with delegates attending from 13 countries. In this Seminar we were supported from Canada by Heidi Trampus. Coordinator of the Canada-Cuba Solidarity Network.

We are planning to adopt a resolution and we held a protest day last April 28, 2006 against Canada exporting asbestos.

We thank all of the Canadian friends.

In solidarity

Kouhei Ootomo All-Japan Construction, Transport and General Workers' Union

## ADOPTED STATEMNENT BY THE 4<sup>TH</sup> SEMINAR

The Article 9 of the Japanese Constitution stipulates the non-possession of having Armed Forces and prohibits any resort to any military action.

Today, against the backdrop of the world neo-liberalism strategy and the power of the multinational corporations, the Article 9 of the Japanese Constitution, is now being placed now under growing pressure by US and Japanese governments and the business circles.

Peace-loving people of Japan by a clear majority oppose any revision to the Article 9. The international community has also expressed its growing concerns. Many Japanese people and trade unions are strengthening their solidarity to stop this perilous development.

We the construction workers who are builders are committed to peace and strand in opposition to war. We demand that the Article 9 of the Japanese Constitution be maintained and we express our solidarity with the struggles of the Japanese people and the trade unions.

### FROM ALBERTA, CANADA

Dear Northstar Compass:

Sending you my renewal and a \$25 donation, plus, my best wishes that you will continue to publish this very informative journal for many years to come.

Michael M. Verigin

From SASK. CANADA

Dear friends:

Encloses is my sub and a small donation. Sorry that I cannot give more at this time. I enjoy reading the NSC journal and the Editor is doing a great job.

With my best wishes Walter Rezansoff

## FROM VANTAA FINLAND

Dear comrades:

Yes I am sad that all the dedicated Bolsheviks who worked so hard all these years since 1917 to make Socialism work through all the hardships that humanity still has not realized and, that even the present generation of Soviet people have not realized, or appreciated or even comprehended the many decades of dedicated heroism of their parents and grandparents. The heroic period from 1917 to 1953 helped to start the process of freedom and liberation for all of the trodden mankind on this planet.

Traitors, revisionists were allowed to get into power and culminated in 1990-91-92 in the temporary liquidation of the first Socialist State in the world!

Under the guise of Imperialist "democracy", the constant media bombardment by US multinational corporate power, have unfortunately found fertile ground in the young generation of Soviets, who since 1953 were not taught their glorious history and were not ideologically brought up to withstand this constant psychological propaganda. Besides all that - US dollars were flowing like rushing water and supporting every discontent promises with "American way of life" etc.

I like to thank Irina Malenko for her last month's article and she is the Soviet Person that we should be proud of and that the young Russian and other former Soviet young people should emulate!

Much has been written in NSC regarding the death of Stalin and the demolition not only of his monuments, renaming cities and streets, but I could not find any history books about Stalin in Moscow libraries, except vicious propaganda. Why?

Although I am sad, but at the same time I am optimistic that in spite of the worldwide revisionist and imperialist propaganda against Stalin

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and Socialism, the clouds are forming, the lightning is striking and the clouds of freedom are on the horizon.

Communism is coming because COMMUNISM IS HUMANITY AT ITS FINEST!

ALI SAIYAR AKBAR

## FROM TAMPA BAY.FL USA

Dear Editor:

When Socialism takes over the USSR again, please send me the name of their video-audio Channel that shows the Soviets at work in reconstructing their society.

Here in capitalist USA I am fed up to puking with 1000 video channels and as many audio channels with nothing but capitalist drivel and lies!

John Corlett

## FROM SYDNEY AUSTRALIA

Dear friends:

I'm Rupen Savoulian, and I read Northstar Compass Web Page every month. I find it a very refreshing alternative to the pro-capitalist, monopolized, corporate controlled media in Australia.

Just a suggestion – have more articles about dialectical materialism would be very much appreciated. I find dialectical materialism is much a neglected topic, especially in bourgeois circles as well as in many world progressive newspapers and journals. And yet, one of the most outstanding achievements of the Soviet revolution was its dialectical materialist approach, particular to the sciences.

That's just a suggestion from an appreciative reader of NSC.

Keep up the great work! In solidarity

Rupen Savoulian

We agree that dialectical materialism and it's application to the sciences, is a valid topic for NSC. Maybe you could write on this for future issue of NSC and we shall also approach the Russian Academy of Sciences to send in an article also.

## FROM ALBERTA CANADA

Dear friends:

Enclosed is \$200 for subscription plus the 7 DVD's "Confronting the Evidence" and a donation. Please send me about 6 more DVD's since this shows the true face of US Imperialism and the lies of the Bush, the biggest world terrorist.

Paul Greene

#### FROM ALASKA USA

Greetings:

A year ago my dear husband who subscribed to NSC passed away and now I am renewing my subscription. I really do miss NSC. I prefer to read the hard copy (printed) instead on the web page, especially if the articles are lengthy.

Keep up the good work!

Myrna C. Hammond

# REVISIONISM IN THE U.S. COMMUNIST PARTY

Dear reader:

Below we publish a short letter from comrade Ed Drummond, member of the CC CPUSA to NSC and, we quote just a small passage of his excellent analyses titled "Revisionism in the US Communist movement". This analyses is aimed at the world many communist parties, including the CP of Canada.

To: Northstar Compass

Dear comrade Lucas:

Though we have never met, I have long admired your work in Northstar Compass. Below is the URL for a new analysis of revisionism in the US CPUSA. With warmest best wishes.

In unity Ed Drummond

You can read the complete analysis by going into:

http://mltoday.com/Pages/Debates/ Drummond-Revisionism.html RUSSIA - UKRAINE - BYELURUSSIA - UZBEKISTAN KAZAKHSTAN - GEORGIA - AZERBAIJAN - LITHUANIA MOLDAVIA - LATVIA — KIRGHIZIA - TADZHIKISTAN ARMENIA - TURKMENIA - ESTONIA

