

## Editorial

# What cracked the alliance?

Since the Giscard/Brezhnev summit in Warsaw and France's refusal to go along with the U.S. olympic boycott, much hysteria has been generated about the problem of "the allies." Secretary of State Muskie railed against the French, and the press bemoaned the "cracked alliance."

"Without support of allied dollars, armaments and men, the French nation would have long ago been eradicated as a geographical entity if not altogether from the memory of man," howled the *Atlanta Journal and Constitution*.

Emotions run high on this issue. After all, the allies, particularly France, "owe us something."

That they do. But what the allies owe us, they owe to the American nation-state, to the national interest. They owe nothing to the Carter administration, madly on a drive toward war that could mean the end of civilization as we know it.

Giscard met with Brezhnev "to stop otherwise inevitable war," reported the French media. The American population, because of the hideous distortion of reality painted by the U.S. media, has yet to understand that fact.

The French have demanded a war-avoidance strategy based on trade and cooperation with the Soviet Union and a development strategy for the Third World. The allies want to negotiate a lasting peace in the Middle East. They know this is the only way to ensure that their oil supplies are not cut by Brzezinski's arc of cirsis provocations.

Not unreasonable demands. Nor do they conflict with the real national interest of the United States. In fact they constitute the only potential we have for national survival. They do conflict, however, with the present interest of the administration—a Trilateral Commission entity—and its policy of war provocation and economic collapse.

If one is to usefully question the nature and future of the alliance, one must "think European"

for a moment. Your U.S. ally is rushing into confrontation with the Soviets, has buried detente and is simultaneously plunging the West into a "controlled disintegration" collapse.

Can you count on your ally to assure that you are not "eradicated as a geographical entity if not altogether from the memory of man?"

What have the allies to depend on?

According to a confidential memorandum released recently by Defense Secretary Harold Brown in London, American youth do not need to be trained in science and mathematics in order to use high technology weaponry since it will be scrapped in favor of "more practical weapons that we can buy in greater quantities."

Brown seems oblivious to reports of Soviet breakthroughs in electronic beam weaponry that may soon have the ability to knock out U.S. missiles in their ascending stage.

Two subcommittees of the House Appropriations Committee recently slashed the budgets of the magnetic fusion program and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the two most scientifically advanced programs left in this austerity wracked nation.

The Solar Polar Mission was cancelled, terminating a joint project of NASA and the European Space Agency (ESA), thereby abrogating a treaty.

The allies invested \$30 million and designed one of the spacecraft for the cancelled solar mission. Roy Gibson, the ESA director, concluded last week that NASA is now considered "an unreliable partner in international cooperation."

As an ally, the Carter administration has not done well. As a maker of policy for the future of the nation and the world, it has done even worse. As one NASA official complained, "they want us to pull in our tentacles and become a Dark Age society." Such a nation is not a dependable ally.