

# International Intelligence

## Italian agencies name KGB behind terrorism

In an official report to parliament, the Italian secret services have named the Soviet KGB, for years under direction of current Soviet leader Yuri Andropov, as the primary director of terrorism in Italy since at least 1972.

The report released May 22 noted that by using mainly Russian, Albanian, Czechoslovakian, Cuban, and French conduits, Andropov's KGB had already established a broad network of terrorists in Italy by the time of the KGB-directed Red Brigades' kidnaping and murder of former Prime Minister Aldo Moro in 1978. The report was conducted as part of the continuing investigation into Moro's death.

Under KGB direction, terrorists are being trained, financed, stocked with weapons, and provided with cover to cross from East to West, the secret services' investigation showed.

What the report called the most notable example of KGB control of Italian terrorism involves the Hyperion language school in Paris, previously identified by *EIR* as a nexus of European terrorism. The official Italian investigation is the first formal public statement by a government on Hyperion's terrorist role.

As *EIR* has reported, Hyperion functions as a coordinating center for Italian terrorists (Red Brigades, Autonomia, Operaia, Prima Linea, and others) as well as German, Armenian, and Irish groups, and Palestinians under the control of Abu Nidal and Habash. Hyperion is connected to several organizations—such as the World Peace Council, the Centre International de Culture Populaire, and the Association des Amis de Henry Curriel—which serve as covers for KGB operations.

As reported in *Corriere della Sera*, the Italian investigation stated that Hyperion "is coordinated under apparent KGB control." Mario Moretti, head of the Rome segment of the Red Brigades who ran the kidnaping and murder of Moro, visited the Hyperion center to gain weapons and contacts, the report said. The Italian investigators also determined that Andropov's KGB "well knew the issues discussed" at the Hyperion-Red Brigades meetings. Following Moro's

murder, terrorists were given refuge in the Soviet client state of Angola, as well as Paris.

## Nazi International defense for Barbie

Former Gestapo leader Klaus Barbie, extradited to France from Bolivia to stand trial for his war crimes in World War II as butcher of Lyon, has received the help of a new lawyer to save his skin. The lawyer, Jacques Verges (known as Jacques Mansur since his conversion to Islam in 1964), has recently defended many terrorists of the leftwing.

After his days with the Algerian National Liberation Front in the French-Algerian war, Verges trained terrorist Regis Debray, now an adviser to French President François Mitterrand. Verges has also been the lawyer for Action Directe terrorist Bruno Breguet, arrested last February as he was about to bomb the Paris Hotel de Ville.

Verges gained his assignment to defend Barbie through his long association with Nazi International leader François Genoud, identified as the man in possession of the Swiss bankers' Nazi warchest since 1944. As has also been documented, Genoud was the controller of terrorist Breguet, and still controls the Moslem fanatic Ben Bella.

In 1969, Genoud and Verges together defended four members of the ultra-radical Palestinian group, PFLP, led by Habash, which had attacked the Israeli airline company's offices in Zurich. While Verges was the terrorists' official lawyer, Genoud was the "adviser to the defense."

## French announce plan for closer ties to NATO

The French National Assembly has issued a new five-year defense program calling for closer ties to NATO, incorporating many of the concerns voiced by Prime Minister François Mitterrand about the buildup of Soviet SS-20 missiles, the report warns that France cannot remain "indifferent" to attempts by Moscow to decouple Europe from the United States.

French Communist Party officials have protested, insisting that France hold to the Gaullist plan of a French independent nuclear deterrent aimed impartially at "all points of the compass."

Features of the National Assembly's program include creation of a rapid deployment force, built around a helicopter anti-tank unit, that could be committed to forward positions in Central Europe.

Defense Minister Charles Hernu promised that French units now stationed in West Germany will be kept at their present level, and that their firepower and mobility will be increased. Overall cuts in the armed forces will be limited to 35,000 men, or 5 percent of the total defense staff. This is considerably less than the reduction originally discussed.

France's independent nuclear capability, the *force de frappe*, will remain the centerpiece of its military strategy.

## Qaddafi calls for fascist revolution in Italy

In an interview published May 22 in Italy's *Il Messaggero*, the Muslim Brotherhood strongman of Libya called for fascist revolution in Italy.

"The solution rests in the hands of the Italians," Qaddafi said. "They must radically solve their political and economic problems to establish social and political stability. This is why I am always urging the Italians to create popular congresses, popular committees, and revolutionary committees. Power must be placed in the hands of the people. There can be stability in no other way. If this is done, there will be homogeneity between Italy and Libya as well as common interests.

"I am neither a politician nor a man of power, so I am not inviting another state to carry out a political act. I do not say these things out of concern for the self-interest of my country. I have a universal theory, and invite all peoples to seize power. I offer no weapons, or money or political propaganda against other states. What I offer are ideas, a theory. . . .

"In Italy there is no Mazzini, and the country today is in pieces and is destroying itself. I say again that if there were a Mazzini

today, and he spoke in this fashion, I would accept it. . . .”

Mazzini created Young Italy, a proto-fascist grouping often misunderstood as nationalist.

## Cuban VP endorses McNamara

Carlos Rafael Rodriguez, the vice president of Cuba, told *EIR* in Bogota May 21 that the socialist movement is in alliance with the architect of the Vietnam War, former U.S. Defense Secretary Robert McNamara, in opposing President Reagan's defense strategy.

During an interview at the Economic Commission meeting, Rodriguez said that he is opposed to Reagan's plan to develop defensive beam weapons, although he believes the Soviet Union "is going to prepare itself in this field, and it seems to me that is what they must do." Rodriguez said he supports the Soviet Union's stated position on arms control.

Rodriguez added, "Robert McNamara, who during many years elicited great repugnance for his behavior in the Vietnam War, who was one of the top people responsible for the bombing of Vietnam, has for some time now inspired in me admiration both for his position on developing countries as far as the international economy is concerned and for his position in favor of peace and the freezing of nuclear weapons. . . ."

## Mexicans mobilize against Gavin outrage

The head of the Mexico's ruling PRI, Adolfo Lugo Verduzco, denounced U.S. ambassador John Gavin May 25 for the ambassador's defense the day before of clandestine subversive plotting among the PAN party, the U.S. embassy in Mexico, and the archbishop of Sonora. The PAN, as has been reported in *EIR*, controls terrorist operations, opposes the Mexican government's efforts to stop the drug trade, and advocates Sonora seceding from Mexico.

Lugo Verduzco reaffirmed that Mexico "rejects the intervention of church figures

and foreigners in our political affairs."

Gavin, in his May 24 speech to the Los Angeles World Affairs Council, had stated that Mexico had to end its "scurrilous" attacks on the April PAN-U.S. embassy meeting or face a cut-off of U.S. economic assistance.

The semi-official newspaper *El Nacional* attacked Gavin's "apocalyptic" references to Mexico's urban problems, such as pollution, "basing himself on an article in the *New York Times* which is a perfect example of sensationalism."

The Mexican Labor Party (PLM) has called a press conference to demand the expulsion of all Protestant evangelical sects from the country, request that the Vatican and the Mexican Bishops Council excommunicate Hermosillo archbishop Carlos Quintero Arce for being a schismatic and a Protestant, and demand the treasonous PAN party be stripped of its legal registration. The left-nationalist PPS party May 25 submitted legal papers to the Interior Ministry formally demanding this last point.

## Council of Churches on an anti-Reagan offensive

At the 6th Assembly of the World Council of Churches (WCC), to be held in Vancouver, Canada, at the end of July, a major topic will be President Reagan's antiballistic-missile defense policy speech of March 23, a speaker for the Council's Committee on International Affairs said May 27. "We have been very active in getting the ABM treaty going at the beginning of the 1970s. Everything which would move away from this treaty is extremely destabilizing," he said.

Metropolitan Filaret of Minsk praises the "peace" activities of the WCC in an interview with the Soviet *Literaturnaya Gazeta*. "Before Vancouver, there is a major conference by the World Peace Council (WCP) in Prague, where "the Russian Orthodox Church will participate as part of the Soviet delegation," Filaret announced. "This is a very important step. The conference will discuss all anti-war actions throughout the world, the spearhead of which is directed at cooperating against the deployment of American missiles in West European countries. We fulfill our duty. And we hope that the plan of the U.S. President will be paralyzed to some extent."

## Briefly

● **GENERAL WALLACE** Nutting, the commander of the U.S. Southern Command base in Panama who earlier in May called for U.S. military "commitment without limit" to El Salvador, told the *Baltimore Sun* May 23 that El Salvador should be given the same U.S. commitment as Israel, "where we are willing to throw \$3 billion to \$4 billion a year."

● **FORMER WEST GERMAN** Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, who since leaving office has persistently attacked the Reagan administration, told a recent NATO meeting—when admonished by a German general to temper his criticisms of the United States—that there is no reason for him to now refrain from anti-American statements. "I am an anglophile by birth and training," he said. His confession was reported in *Der Spiegel* magazine.

● **TECHNOLOGY and Armaments**, a Soviet publication, published a description of the U.S.S.R.'s midget submarines in its April 1982 issue, complete with diagrams, points out the May 27, 1983 issue of the leading Swedish daily *Svenska Dagbladet*. The newspaper blasts Sweden's defense intelligence personnel for not having reported on the article. The Swedish military claimed not to know about military use of mini subs until the Submarine Commission's report this year on incursions into Swedish waters.

● **HENRY KISSINGER** and his fellow celebrants, at his "no-press-allowed" 60th birthday party at the elegant Pierre Hotel May 26, were greeted by two freshly slaughtered pigs' heads on poles and a banner reminding the attendees, "Kissinger, You Are Wanted for the Murder of Moro."