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Brazilian hero denounces terrorist rehabilitation

Brazilian World War II hero Gen. Carlos Eugenio Moncao returned his medals to the government in protest over Brasilia's decision to pay reparations to the families of two of the 1970s leading terrorists, Carlos Mariaghella and Carlos Lamarca (see *EIR*, Oct. 4, p. 43). In a letter to the Secretary General of the Army Ministry, Moncao denounced the logic of a government that indemnifies terrorists, but lets its citizens starve: "It is the National Treasury which will pay the obscene indemnities; that is, the people. This, even as starving children rummage through dung-heaps hunting for food, bereft of any moral solidarity. This is institutionalized subversion, an efficient stimulus for growing criminality."

He continued that he was returning two medals he had earned on the battlefields of Europe during World War II, when he fought with the Allied Forces in the Brazilian Expeditionary Force, because the medals were granted "during the war against Nazi-fascism, in which Brazil was engaged—which were granted to me on the basis of values which are today no longer believed—and which, therefore, have lost their significance, in the face of the decision by the commission, a governmental one, to indemnify the two killed in a fight, which they themselves had unleashed on ideological grounds."

Bougainville premier shot as conflict tears island

Bougainville Premier Theodore Miriung was shot dead on Oct. 12. It is believed he was shot from behind by two men as he was eating dinner with his family. The island, which is part of Papua New Guinea, has been torn for a number of years by war between the pro-independence Bougainville Revolutionary Army (BRA) and the Papua New Guinea government.

The conflict flared up again earlier this year, at the same time that Papua New Guinea Prime Minister Sir Julius Chan very publicly expelled the World Bank from his

country, after refusing to submit to its austerity demands. *The Australian* of Oct. 14 reported that Miriung was a former National Court judge, who accepted the premiership in early 1995 after "rejecting the BRA's armed struggle as the means for achieving independence." It is not known who shot him: The government Defense Force and the BRA are blaming each other for his death. Chan has said it is the work of "ungodly cowards," and the commander of the P.N.G. Defense Force, Brig. Gen. Jerry Singirok, has blamed "brutal gangsters." "The premier and I have worked closely since 1994 for peace on Bougainville," he said in a written statement. "I am at a loss at the news."

Baroness Cox heats up the war against Sudan

Following a recent, dramatic escalation in the military operations of the Sudanese opposition's military wing in northeast Sudan from inside the Eritrean territories, the Khartoum government accused the U.S. CIA and Britain's Baroness Caroline Cox of signing an agreement with the Sudanese National Democratic Alliance (SNDA). The agreement is designed to supply the forces of John Garang's Sudanese People's Liberation Army (SPLA) with new weapons and facilities, and to provide logistical aid to move his operations from south Sudan, where the SPLA is losing its bases, to Eritrea in the east.

The Sudanese government claimed that Baroness Cox has recently donated £1 million (\$1.5 million) to the SNDA to promote the political activities of the Sudanese opposition, which is currently facing imminent disintegration. The SPLA is being squeezed out of the south of Sudan, as a result of the recent Iran-mediated agreement signed by Uganda and Sudan. This agreement will eliminate all bases and logistical supplies for the SPLA from different operations, including UN and non-governmental organization operations based in Uganda. The northern Sudanese opposition, which is based in London and has its major public support base in Cairo, is being discredited by the Egyptian government and political layers. The SNDA

and the SPLA have no other choice but to move to Eritrea to reorganize their ranks with the full support of the British and certain dirty elements in the United States.

British harbor hijackers as 'political refugees'

Reliable sources revealed to *EIR* in September that the Iraqis who hijacked a Sudan Airways plane on Aug. 26, are being protected by the British government. The hijackers, identified publicly only as "Iraqi opposition figures," threatened to blow up the plane, which was en route from Khartoum to Amman, Jordan, unless the pilot re-routed it to London. Once in London, the hijackers were persuaded to leave the plane and release all hostages.

The Sudanese government has reportedly demanded they be extradited to stand trial in Sudan, in accordance with international law, but the British authorities are refusing, claiming the Iraqis are political refugees. Her Majesty's government has said, according to British press accounts, that it would examine the case to see if any crime had been committed, before granting asylum.

A Muslim press source in London said the leader of the hijackers is an Iraqi who had been jailed for some time in Sudan, for involvement in smuggling persons. The man is known in Britain, for having arranged for Iraqi dissidents to be smuggled out of Iraq and into the U.K., where they have received asylum.

New terror outbreak wracks Germany

A new rash of terrorist acts by "Autonomous" groups has struck Germany over recent weeks, typified by the Oct. 7 derailing of locomotives and sabotage of railroad property along the transport routes for nuclear waste destined for Gorleben. The Lower Saxony state security office placed the blame for the attacks on the "Autonomous" groups, saying, "The attacks on the railroad are a part of the battle against the

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state." According to the Oct. 13 issue of *Bild am Sonntag*, the state governments of Hamburg and Schleswig-Holstein financed "civil disobedience" training by "Autonomous" thugs for high school students.

At the same time, Germany's ZDF television network aired an investigation exposing the training of the terrorist Anti-Imperialist Cells (AIZ) by the Kurdish Workers Party (PKK). This has rung alarms among German anti-terror experts, as the AIZ has carried out numerous bombing and arson attacks against several politicians, and last year, issued a manifesto threatening to "carry the war into the private homes and workplaces of the power elites."

As *EIR* has stressed for two decades, German terrorism has never been a "sociological phenomenon," but always coincides with British-authored destabilization efforts. The most recent upsurge in terrorism in Germany, coincides with Sir Jimmy Goldsmith and Lord William Rees-Mogg's revival of the line that Germany is attempting to build the "Fourth Reich" out of the Europe of the Maastricht Treaty.

Iran expands diplomacy into Central Asia

Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati spent a week visiting the Central Asian nations of Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kazakhstan, in an effort to coordinate policy to prevent the Afghanistan war from exploding throughout the entire region. According to the account in *Ettala'at* of Oct. 17 and 18, Velayati met Kyrgyz President Askar Akayev on Oct. 15 and presented him with a message from Iranian President Hashemi Rafsanjani. Akayev characterized Iran's role in the region as "positive" and stressed there was no military solution to the Afghan crisis.

On Oct. 16, Velayati met Uzbek President Islam Karimov, who also supported Iran's efforts. The two called for continuing bilateral consultation, criticized all foreign intervention into Afghanistan, and urged all Afghan groups to negotiate a peaceful solution. In Dushanbe, Tajikistan, Velayati met with President Imomali Rakhmanov, who

expressed "great concern" over the situation in Afghanistan. Rakhmanov "briefed the Iranian minister on last week's summit talks of Central Asian states and Russia on the Afghan crisis." The two also discussed the ongoing talks in Teheran between the Tajik opposition and government representatives, and reviewed progress on the Tajan-Sarakhs-Mashhad railway, a key link in the new Silk Road connecting China to Europe, the Mideast, and Africa.

In Almaty, Kazakhstan, Velayati met with President Nursultan Nazarbayev, and again agreed that the only solution to the Afghan crisis were through talks. Nazarbayev called on all Afghan groups to settle their disputes and called on foreigners not to intervene.

Pakistan's Bhutto now fears for her life, too

Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto told the Islamabad daily *The News* that she does not "feel safe any more" after the political murder of her brother, Murtaza Bhutto, in Karachi on Sept. 20. She added that she did not believe a police report that he was caught in the crossfire of a shootout between police and his guards.

"I don't know who is next," Bhutto told the daily on Oct. 19. "I don't feel safe any more. My husband and my children are not safe. . . . It seems that the Bhuttos are meant to be killed," she said, referring to the 1979 execution of her father, former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, after he had been overthrown two years earlier. "I am a politician, an educated person, I know history, and I feel there is more to this," she said. "I don't know whether they are going to hit me next, my husband next, hit my children next, and God forbid they are going to hit my mother, Murtaza's children next, and other members of my family."

Bhutto said that although her brother had formed a rival political group, she always thought that if something happened to her, people would turn to him to carry forward their father's "mission and dream of a Pakistan which is democratic, federal, egalitarian and progressive. After his brutal death, I feel absolutely isolated," she said.

LORD REES-MOGG attacked the social doctrine of Pope Leo XIII as being "the basis of the economic structures of Fascist Italy and Spain," and blamed the main problems afflicting Europe today on his 1891 encyclical, *Rerum Novarum*. Rees-Mogg, nominally a Catholic, is an unabashed apostle of Adam Smith's hateful doctrines.

SINGAPORE sabotaged a U.S. effort to crack down on seaborne drug and weapons traffic, after the United States had requested that ASEAN countries cooperate on stricter control of the ports. ASEAN was reported to be "decidedly cool" to the idea, and, according to *Asia Times*, "Singapore in particular was concerned it might lose port traffic if transshipment times were to slow down."

EIGHT VIETNAMESE provinces have been severely hit by the worst flooding of the Mekong River in two decades. Some 2 million people are seeking relief, and up to 350,000 people have been or will have to be evacuated from the inundated delta area, according to the Red Cross/Red Crescent societies.

NIGERIA AND RUSSIA signed an agreement on Oct. 10 on cooperation in science, culture, and education during 1996-98. Dr. Walter Ofonagoro, the minister of information and culture, thanked the Russian Federation for its firm resistance to the imposition of sanctions on Nigeria. Earlier, the Russian ambassador said 50 Nigerians have been offered scholarships to study in Russian universities.

YASSER ARAFAT attacked the Israeli government's latest proposal for Hebron, from which Israel was supposed to withdraw, as "apartheid," which indicates "Israel's aggressive intentions in Hebron and shows complete and abhorrent racism." Arafat was speaking during his visit in Cairo on Oct. 16. The Israeli proposal would have divided the town into Israeli and Palestinian zones, and given Israel the right to pursue Arabs anywhere in the town.