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#### CBS SLANDER ATTEMPT TO DISRUPT U.S. LABOR PARTY MOBILIZATION TO STOP NUCLEAR WAR

May 5 (IPS) -- With the Labor Party's organizations in North America and Western Europe fully mobilized to head off a Rockefeller-engineered "limited nuclear exchange" with the Soviet Union, the CBS Radio Network has ordered affiliated stations throughout the country to slander the U.S. Labor Party as an initiator of racial violence. The CBS slanders stemmed from an FBI-organized racial incident in Boston May 3, in which the responsible fascist grouplet, the "Progressive Labor Party," was repeatedly referred to as the "Labor Party" in CBS broadcasts. CBS affiliated stations in New York, San Francisco, Baltimore and Boston are known to have carried this slanderous account of the FBI riot, indicating that CBS sent the slander out nationally.

The legal staff of the U.S. Labor Party filed a formal grievance with the CBS Radio Network at its national offices in New York today. Labor Party lawyers are demanding equal time, a public retraction, and are preparing legal action to ensure such immediate redress.

#### TRADE UNIONISTS DEMAND ROCKEFELLER'S IMPEACHMENT

May 6 (IPS) -- Three trade union leaders from the industrial heartland of the U.S. today endorsed a letter urging "friends of labor" Congressmen Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-MASS), Sen. George McGovern (D-S DAK) and Rep. Ron Dellums (D-CAL) immediately to set into motion impeachment proceedings against Vice President Nelson Rockefeller.

The three signers are Stanley Glass, President, IAM 82, Detroit; Jordan Syms, President, UAW 961, Detroit; and Albert Bell, Treasurer, Textile Workers of America 226, Toledo.

In a related move, Akron City Council President Ed Davis telegraphed Senator Kennedy today urging him to "do all in your power to stop nuclear war and begin steps to impeach Rockefeller."

#### QUEBEC JUSTICE MINISTER ANNOUNCES HE WILL CALL IN ARMY IF POLICE STRIKE; FIREMEN SET TO STRIKE

May 6 (IPS) -- Quebec Justice Minister Jerome Choquette announced Sunday that he would not hesitate to call in the Army if Montreal Urban Community (MUC) police go on strike to support pension fund demands. Under pressure, police extended their strike deadline last week, as the government mobilized up to 2,000 special police and military around Quebec.

#### DIRTY TRICKS OPERATION TO UNDERMINE CAPITOL HILL OPPOSITION TO ROCKEFELLER

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 6 (IPS) -- Indications have been received by IPS that a dirty tricks operation has been launched to sabotage the growing sentiment on Capitol Hill to impeach Rockefeller and remove from office his principal factional allies who are

driving for a nuclear showdown against the Soviets.

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According to the Economic Development Council, about one-third of all apartment buildings in New York are in arrears on the City tax payments while the City government will not make any moves to collect its taxes from non-paying landlords. The New York City Comptroller's office said yesterday the City "is doing nothing" and will do nothing about the defaults. A spokesman for Helmsley-Spear boasted this morning that "landlords are taking advantage of the fact that it takes four years for the City to do anything about non-payment of real-estate taxes.

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the "annual defense debate in the Senate" and that liberal senators, as always, are going after the Department of Defense to cut its budget.

#### CIA SLANDERS USED TO CONTAIN USLP ORGANIZING OF CONSERVATIVES

May 11 (IPS) --Major slanders attempting to contain the USLP's explosive organizing drive into right-wing and conservative sectors have recently been circulated by Charles Baker's "Home Front," a publication of the Institute for American Democracy (IAD), and Harry Hydes' "Areas of Concern Newsletter." The IAD slander, to which the entirety of their last issue was devoted is a compendium of previous slanders, notably those of Paul Montgomery for the New York Times and Paul Valentine for the Washington Post.

#### USLP RALLIES SWEEP CAMDEN THREE DAYS BEFORE CITY ELECTION

CAMDEN, N.J. May 11 (IPS) -- Three days before the City Council elections here, the U.S. Labor Party has hit the streets with three roving street rallies making the point: "A vote for the Labor Party next Tuesday is a vote against nuclear confrontation." At least 80 per cent of the workers in this industrial city with an unofficial unemployment rate of 60 per cent responded to the Labor Party with intense concern and excitement, committing themselves to call Rep. Florio to demand congressional debate on the threat of nuclear war.

#### DE HOYOS SPEAKS IN NEW JERSEY

NEWARK, May 11 (IPS) -- Carlos DeHoyos, speaking at the Newark Regional Conference here today, emphasized that the key to breaking up the controlled Reesian state is internationalism, so effective was the speech he gave that immediately after finishing, he was surrounded by 5-6 workers: "What effect does the Impeach Rockefeller campaign have in Mexico?" asked one worker. Another wanted to know how the ICLC in Mexico deals with the literacy problem, to which Carlos answered that the development of the cognitive of the labor force is best done by laying out program for them.

#### CIA'S KILEY CHARGED WITH BRIBETAKING TO KEEP OPEN GAY BARS

May 11 (IPS) -- Self-confessed CIA agent Robert Kiley, recently appointed head of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) is facing charges of taking \$50,000 in bribes to keep two homosexual bars open here.

Kiley served directly under Central Intelligence Agency Director Richard Helms as head of Covert Action 5, and later as chief aide to Mayor Kevin White of Boston, before taking the job of MBTA chief. Kiley directed LEAA re-organization of the Boston Police Force and personally coordinated last summer's Boston "race riots."