

Hilex 75 Food War Weapon Threatens World Starvation

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Dec. 10 (IPS) — U.S. use of food control as a weapon against the Third World and Soviet Union emerged this week as a top policy thrust of U.S. government officials, Democratic presidential candidates, and the agent press.

Threatening a worldwide shortage of vital food supplies, Rockefeller agents deployed internationally as part of the Hilex 75 NATO exercise to sabotage transportation through provoked dock strikes and railroad and airline bankruptcy shutdowns. An intense press and media psywar campaign backed up these deployments by airing the imminent use of food control as a weapon.

The food control scenario, if carried out, would be the starvation of one billion people in India, Algeria, Bangladesh, Peru, and Egypt as well as the elimination of meat from the diets of Western Europe's population.

Rockefeller intends to use this threat of mass starvation to force the Third World nations into dropping plans to implement an International Development Bank and a new world economic order at the Dec. 16 North-South conference. Instead, as the Hilex 75 scenario spells out, the cabal expects the enraged underdeveloped nations to use raw materials as a retaliatory weapon against the West, on an each-nation-for-itself basis.

At the same time, a "black propaganda" food scare campaign has been unleashed against the U.S. population to build support for a boycott of grain shipments to the Soviet Union. Coupled with provocative NATO military maneuvers, the food control weapon is calculated to create social chaos worldwide and to force the USSR to back down from its unflinching nuclear policy of Mutually Assured Destruction to defend the Soviet state and its allies.

"To Hell With The Rest Of The World"

Capping off a week's barrage of press propaganda, the latest issue of Business Week carries an article entitled: "U.S. Food Power: Ultimate Weapon in World Politics?" Quoting a high-level State Department official, the article says "We have the food, and to hell with the rest of the world."

"Senator Henry Jackson was right when he said last week that the Soviet Union is approaching 1917 conditions internally, and the U.S. should use food as a political weapon," State Department consultant Professor Marshall I. Goldman of Wellesley College told reporters today. Goldman was

referring to Maoist Jackson's (D-Wash) recent call for a food shortage to provoke a Soviet insurrection. Taking the psywar even further Goldman quipped, "If the peasants got rid of Khrushchev that way, why not Brezhnev?"

Similarly, Lester Brown, Rockefeller's most vocal mouthpiece for food control, told interviewers yesterday that "there are various scenarios for food control...climate control, monetary destabilization," and the like for use against the Third World and the Soviet Union.

The only shred of government morality on the food control issue came from Agricultural Secretary Earl Butz. After a briefing on Hilex 75 by a U.S. Labor Party spokesman in Chicago yesterday, Butz said, "This policy (food control) is being discussed all over the government, but I don't endorse it." Requesting documentation of the USLP's charges, Butz declared: "We should sell the Soviet Union as much grain as they need. This is the first time I've heard of Hilex 75, but if what you say is true, it's very serious. I'm against it."

A Multi-Front Assault

Key Rockefeller agents activated the criminal food control scenario this week:

* An entire array of Democratic Party presidential candidate hopefuls — including Birch Bayh (Ind.), Georgia Governor Jimmy Carter, and former Senator Fred Harris — advocated food control as a weapon against the Third World. The U.S. press publicized their "viewpoints." Only the Chicago Tribune broke the chain of black propaganda by noting yesterday that Carter's "foreign policy advisors" were Rockefeller's Trilateral Commission.

* A strike of U.S. and Canadian longshoremen against shipments of grain to the Soviet Union is in the works. Kissinger's Undersecretary of State for Economic Affairs Charles Robinson, Commerce Secretary Rogers Morton, his grain deal negotiator Robert Blackwell, Secretary of Labor John Dunlop and the National Labor Relations Board are priming for the shutdown. Slated to lead the strike is aging Rockefeller labor lieutenant George Meany, AFL-CIO head.

* Transportation Secretary William Coleman and the Federal Preparedness Agency have arranged to have David Rockefeller's New York banks sue the U.S. northeast railways for liquidation and shutdown. Three major U.S. airlines face similar bankruptcy suits.

The stoppage of North American food exports is far from a simple mathematical subtraction of 85 per cent of world grain exports. The entire world market will be "thrown into chaos, as Nuremberg criminal Lester Brown put it, and grain imports will be unavailable at any price. Nations like India, Algeria, and Peru, will immediately suffer mass starvation and food riots. If "India cannot procure more grain from the peasants this year - there will be riots," said a World Bank expert. "Without the (2.4 million tons of) U.S. wheat still to be shipped, the government will not be able to feed the cities.

Similarly affected will be Israel, totally dependent on U.S. wheat imports, as well as Egypt, Lebanon, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Brazil, and South Korea.

The bread consumption in the Soviet bloc and Japan will be cruelly cut, with Japan losing 33 per cent of its wheat and 100 per cent of its soybeans supplies.

Shut Down The Ports

This week, Undersecretary of State Robinson is calling in Marshall Goldman for consultations on the Soviet grain negotiations and the effect of the grain deal on the Soviet economy. Goldman "recommended" the last grain boycott to the State Department, according to a Washington Post article Sept. 11. At the same time, Secretary of Commerce Morton and negotiator Blackwell, in coordination with Kissinger and Robinson, are provoking the scrapping of the U.S.-Soviet general shipping agreement, expiring Dec. 31 unless the Soviets agree to pay inflated U.S. shipping charges. The Soviets have so far refused; the International Longshoremen's Association (ILA) has vowed it will boycott if U.S. ships use is discontinued.

Finally, Secretary of Labor John "Chop" Dunlop and the National Labor Relations Board this week suddenly threw out the ILA's containerization work rules. The ILA has named this as a cause for a full strike of its national membership and the entire ILA-affiliated Canadian Seamans' Union.

The Democratic hopefuls meanwhile, took to the campaign trail with the food shortage scare. "We must warn America that by the year 2,000, the world will add a billion people every five years. We will warn America that hunger, nuclear death, starvation and wars over food supply threaten our children's future," presidential candidate Birch Bayh told 1000 liberal Dems of the New York Democratic Coalition Saturday.