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SPECIAL REPORT—ITALY

Italians Go After “Real Fascists” — The Atlanticists

Sept. 8 (NSIPS) — While President Ford endangers the immediate economic and political welfare of his nation through his continued toleration of Atlanticist shackles, “puny” Italy is engaged in declaring its independence from the same supra-national political controllers.

Last week the Italian magazine *Tempo Illustrato* announced that the President of Italy’s lower house of parliament, Communist Party member Pietro Ingrao, had agreed to set up a commission of inquiry to investigate charges that Italian military intelligence had for years been acting in behalf of the U.S. State Department, in collaboration with specified Italian Presidents, for purposes of subverting the Italian Republic’s Constitution.

In the article announcing this, the country’s top investigative journalist and well-known anti-Atlanticist, Lino Jannuzzi, promised that the case would call into question Italy’s position in NATO.

Jannuzzi, a member of the Socialist Party faction closely allied to Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti and his wing of the Christian Democracy (DC), followed up the article with a sequel on Sept. 6, excerpts of which appear below. The sequel pinpoints

even more precisely the nature of the charges which will be debated in Italy’s Parliament.

It squarely identifies “the CIA” and “certain financial and military circles” in the U.S. as responsible for the creation and propagation of fascism in Italy and, by implication, around the world. Real fascism, Jannuzzi correctly notes, is not located in Italy’s self-professedly fascist party, the MSI; **real fascism is Atlanticism**. And Jannuzzi proceeds to identify the major nexus points of real fascism: the anti-Andreotti wing of the DC associated with former Prime Ministers Moro and Fanfani, their allies in military intelligence also associated with the Agnelli family, owners of Fiat, and finally, certain sections of the trade-union movement identifiable by their anti-communism.

It is these same forces, Jannuzzi says, that are trying to “Watergate” Andreotti, using the now classic “Lockheed scandal” gambit, in retaliation for Andreotti’s active program for breaking Atlanticist “hegemony over Europe.” The way to defeat this maneuver is to escalate the attack — as Andreotti has, with absolute success.

“The Plot: Who Is Firing At Andreotti?”

*Here, excerpts from “The Plot: Who Is Firing At Andreotti?” by Lino Jannuzzi, appearing in the Sept. 6 *Tempo Illustrato*.*

Dear Andreotti, I hope you will allow us to continue, in writing and in public, the conversation which we began a long time ago. (When? Perhaps already in the period of the first Sifar scandal).

... How is it possible, dear Andreotti, given your past and the image which you had (Senator Saragat has just recently reminded us that you were the man of Arcinazzo, the DC notable who shook the hand of the fascist general Graziani), that you have seemingly all of a sudden become the Italian politician most hated by the national and international right-wing?... The fascists are taking pot-shots at you — the false fascists, the paper fascists of the MSI. But also the real fascists, those nested in the SID (Italian intelligence service —ed.), and from much, much further away who pull the strings of our down-at-the heel and pathetic right-wing. Why do they have it in for you? Why do they have it in for you?

... Suddenly it is being said that they are taking pot-shots at you because you have brought the DC to power for the first time with the support of the Italian Communist Party. This seems to us to be at the very least a very simplistic and hurried hypothesis. Everybody on both sides of the Atlantic knows that, with the way things are today, even if they had gotten rid of you there would have been no alternative except, possibly, a worse one (from the point of view of the anti-communists)...

These famous Lockheed documents were manipulated and falsified in such a crude way that, were it not for their context, we would be tempted to think, dear Andreotti, that it was you who paid the overworked forgers and certain journalists (speaking with all due respect)...

... And it was precisely from Miceli, moreover, that we learned that already in the spring of 1972 our secret services

were expressing a “disfavorable view” over your designation as Prime Minister. And in 1972, dear Andreotti, you were certainly not involved in intrigues with the Honorable Berlinguer (head of the Italian Communist Party —ed.), but were instead forming the government together with that personality considered so dangerous to the Atlantic Alliance, the Honorable Malagodi (head of the tiny Liberal Party —ed.). So what’s going on?

You were chased out of the government twice, and each time, rather shoddily, by the Defense Minister because you were suspected of being in cahoots with the KGB. You will certainly remember better than I that when they chased you out the first time — taking you by surprise — Saragat from the President’s palace and Moro from the Prime Minister’s palace let it be understood on that occasion (and, I confess, I believed them) that that operation represented a decisive shift toward the left and above all increased autonomy from the Americans...

Why for the past ten years have you been the target not only or merely of your friends and enemies inside the DC... but especially of the social democrats from Saragat to Preti (the Giuffre case) to Tanassi?...

Saragat and the designs of the social democrats have had substantially two godfathers for quite some time: ... and a particular type of Italo-American “syndicalism” of which it has never been well understood to what extent it is led solely by anti-communist workers and at what point, on the other hand, it may be directly governed by the CIA... In all that decisive period (after Andreotti’s second ouster from the government —ed.) you spent your days (together with the Honorable Ingrao) in dialogues in parliament with the Communists and in learning in Brussels how one can remain in the West and NATO without however being treated as a colony by the most powerful of the allies and by its foreign agents. Your speech at the last national DC Congress was exemplary of this acquired knowledge. Depending on one’s taste, it could be judged to have two opposing meanings. But one thing is certain: no matter which way one

interpreted it, it could not have been to the liking of the specialist "readers" in the CIA...

We have recently reminded certain military and financial circles on the other side of the Atlantic of your two statements issued during the period of the first Sifar scandal, i.e., those made in court à propos of the conditions "imposed" by NATO which "were objectively at the roots of the process of deviation of the Sifar..."

The breaking point was reached on June 1974 when you returned to the Defense Ministry... and gave the famous interview to Massimo Caprara. And what is even worse, you followed up the interview with action: the liquidation of Miceli, ... the abolition of the military secret, the destruction of the files, and the handing them over to the courts... These files put into question an entire system of relations between our so-called security apparatus and the centers of political and economic power in Italy, the multinationals, and the industrial and military apparatus of the United States...

SPECIAL REPORT—JAPAN

Japanese Premier Miki Tightens Hold, Rocky's Men Lose Ground With Business

by Kevin Coogan

Sept. 10 (NSIPS) — Japanese Premier Takeo Miki tightened his hold on the leadership of the government and ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) over the week amid mounting evidence that efforts to unseat him are losing steam rapidly. Miki's opponents, led by Atlanticist Deputy Premier Takeo Fukuda, have been hit with the defection of numerous former anti-Miki LDPers and major industrialists, who fear that Fukuda's continued efforts to force Miki to resign will bring economic ruin to Japan.

Early in the week a series of compromise proposals aimed at ending the chaos in the LDP, sponsored by party executives and supported by the Premier and leading business circles, was blocked by Fukuda and some of his more stalwart supporters. The compromise would have allowed the convening of a special session of the Japanese Diet (parliament) to pass several badly needed economic bills to finance the budget and avert fiscal disaster, including a fare hike for the nearly bankrupt Japanese National Railway system — measures that business is desperate to get passed. Fukuda has attempted to use this desperate economic situation to blackmail businessmen and others into supporting his call for Miki's resignation, as the price for getting the government and Diet to function again.

Fukuda's tactics have begun to backfire, as Miki continues to refuse to bow to these pressures and business leaders hit back at Fukuda. The business-linked daily Yomiuri Shimbun ran a sharp editorial Sept. 3 on "Support for Miki" which denounced the attempt to use the budget bills "as a weapon to shake the Miki government," and declared: "Judging from this behavior, they (Fukuda and Finance Minister Ohira) do not seem qualified to criticize Miki's ability to govern."

But Fukuda, Chase Manhattan Bank's leading crony in Japan, is holding out in the hope that the continued uproar in the LDP and the threat of a split in the party if no compromise unity is achieved will force Miki to capitulate. An editorial in the Sept. 2 daily Mainichi strongly backing the premier caught the LDP's mood: "Despite the proposal the anti-Miki forces remained unsatisfied on the grounds that no mention was made when and how the premier would resign. They are asking for the im-

It certainly cannot be expected, therefore, that the leaders of the CIA feel at ease about you. The best that can be hoped for, it seems, is that the State Department and the White House will not let themselves get too shaken up and will resign themselves to run the risk involved...

You certainly believe that in the meantime that sector of the secret services and economic potentates — Italians as well as Americans — who were already allied with Saragat, Fanfani, and Moro and were always against you... (now that they have completely lost faith in you and are suspicious of you and hate you in the way in which one would hate a traitor) will now calmly fold their hand and allow you to develop your program, which aims to give Italy away to Moscow, but on the other hand is certainly moving in the direction of European autonomy — which these people are certainly not willing to let you achieve.

Therefore, dear Andreotti, you must expect to be hit with the worst.

possible since no premier would dare announce the date of his resignation while in office. His resignation is not a personal affair but a matter involving the future course of the nation. Should the dissident forces push through their demand, there will be no room left for a dialogue. The party will be torn asunder, ending in a collapse of the conservative party structure."

The continuing chaos inside the LDP is playing right into the hands of Fukuda, whose own personal maneuvers to oust Miki have so far ended in dismal failure. Fukuda (whose Japanese nickname is, appropriately, "the Eel") has in the past few months ingratiated himself with his former major rivals — principally the faction of former premier Tanaka who was arrested on "Lockheed scandal" charges last month — in the hope that he will be supported by them to replace Miki.

As Fukuda realizes, only the continuing instability of Miki's government stands in the way of a major, open reorientation of Japan's foreign policy away from Henry Kissinger and towards closer economic ties with both the Third World nations and the Soviet Union. Right now successful negotiations for a major Japanese-Soviet peace treaty, in which the Soviet Union would make significant concessions on the question of some Soviet-occupied territory of Japan's in exchange for joint Japanese-Soviet economic development of Siberia, are being held up only by the Soviet perception that the political situation in Japan is too unstable to permit serious talks. Premier Miki's inability so far to publicly support the demands of the Third World nations, as Italy's new anti-Atlanticist premier Andreotti is doing, is also directly due to the pressure on his government at home. Fukuda's role inside the LDP has been to egg on the growing factional hatred there to insure that Miki remains bogged down in a day-to-day struggle to defend his very political existence.

Enraged by Fukuda's maneuvers, the Yomiuri newspaper warned in its Sept. 3 editorial, "The anti-Miki forces seem to be aiming at destroying the party rather than unifying it, as they claim... The people do not understand and support the present situation in which the next extraordinary Diet session has not been convened and the state budgetary difficulties are being prolonged. Do the anti-Miki forces really want to block