

# Mexican Gov't Tries To Suppress Explosive PLM Testimony On Political Reform

On July 14, the *Partido Laboral Mexicano* (PLM) presented groundbreaking testimony at the official hearings of the Mexican Federal Electoral Commission (CFE) on the government's proposed political reform project. Breaking all the unwritten rules of "gentlemanly" Mexican politics, the PLM identified by name the individuals and organizations involved in the ongoing Carterista drive to destabilize and topple the government of José Lopez Portillo, and called for a complete purge of these individuals from the government in combination with an overall development plan designed to break Mexico away from Rockefeller-IMF monetarist control.

The oral July 14 presentation by PLM executive member Marivilia Carrasco was met with stunned silence, followed by a rash of hysterical denunciations in the press, including the semi-official daily *El Nacional*. Within 48 hours, CFE officials — who admitted acting on direct instructions of Interior Minister Jesus Reyes Heróles — informed the PLM that the CFE would not print the full text of the PLM's official testimony, the only such instance in over ten weeks of hearings. Although the veracity of the PLM's denunciations was not contested, the spokesman justified the government action on the grounds that the PLM testimony contained undocumented accusations against individuals, and thereby violated the Mexican Press Law.

The PLM has advised the CFE that this purely political suppression of the PLM testimony is a dangerous concession to the very Carterista plot denounced by the PLM, and that the PLM would therefore proceed with plans to print the full text of the suppressed testimony on its own. Below, we reprint extensive excerpts of that full testimony, including the portions considered "offensive" by the Interior Ministry.

In a statement released to the press two days ago, PLM leader Carrasco declared that the events surrounding the PLM testimony provided "an irrefutable proof of exactly the central thesis of the PLM presentation: that Mexico finds itself under ruthless attack from a pro-Chile right wing and that the government must implement a strong program of economic expansion to answer it. Any purely political 'deals' with the right wing are suicide, as Allende found out in Chile. From the government attacks against us," Carrasco concluded, "it is clear that the government is making just such a 'deal' with the forces moving for a Chile-style coup...Despite these attacks, we will continue to do everything we can to defend the government from the Carter-inspired monetarist subversion and defend the tradition of the Mexican Revolution."

A massive arm-twisting job has indeed been done against the Mexican government to induce the current attack on the PLM.

The morning of the ground-breaking PLM appearance at the hearings, known pro-fascist spokesman Jose Luis Mejias devoted his entire 1500 word column in *El Universal* to an elaborate and carefully prepared attack on the PLM. Retailing the slander that the PLM is controlled by East Germany — a notorious lie first circulated by Rockefeller-linked U.S. Congressman Larry McDonald — Majias attempted to implicate the PLM in a physical attack on former Mexican President Luis Echeverria during his tragically famous visit to Mexico's National University (UNAM) in 1975. Mejias further claims that there exists photographic evidence of his allegations — a reference to a doctored photograph which was the key element in the kidnapping and physical torture of two PLM leaders two years ago, at the hands of police agents under the direction of former fascist Interior Minister Mario Moya Palencia — one of the conspirators named in the PLM testimony.

Pressure on the government was intensified July 17 by Kawage Ramia, known spokesman for the Monterrey Group of businessmen — another conspirator named in PLM testimony. In his column in the Mexico City daily *Novedades* Kawage charged the PLM with being funded by "rightwing Illinois Republicans," and criticized Interior Minister Reyes Heróles for allowing such "phantom groups" as the Labor Party to participate in the CFE debates on the political reform.

Once the Carteristas had forcefully defined the Mexican Labor Party as a liability to the government, the Interior Ministry caved in to the pressure. In a front-page editorial July 15, the Interior Ministry-linked daily *El Nacional* falsely accused the Labor Party of using the CFE hearings as "a tribune to attack the government."

The Interior Ministry itself then began to pressure the sane left-wing potential allies of the Labor Party. This was best seen in the attack made on the PLM by Graco Ramirez, secretary General of the Socialist Workers Party (PST) during a press conference also excerpted below. The PST, a mass-based nationalist leftist party, has been one of the PLM's closest potential allies, and informed political observers in Mexico indicate that Graco Ramirez — heavily linked to the Interior Ministry — made these statements without the knowledge or the consent of the PST's executive committee.

# The Official PLM Testimony

The Mexican Labor Party enthusiastically supports the process of political reform undertaken by president José Lopez Portillo. Furthermore, we greet the process of discussion to be generated at the Commission Federal Electoral as absolutely necessary to assure that the political reform advances and guarantees our democracy and national sovereignty.

As with any other question before the country, the question of political reform must be seen in the context of the international monetary and political crisis — crisis that is quickly threatening to bring about the Chileanization of the whole third world and most of the advanced sector. A crisis that is quickly bringing the world to the brink of superpower confrontation and war — a crisis of financial capitalism....

It is the Rockefeller family which has personal control of the United States presidency today. James Earl Carter is not the President of the people of the United States of America, he is the stooge of the Trilateral Commission, handpicked, educated and trained by the Commission, then imposed on the American people by fraud. This is the Trilateral Commission founded by David Rockefeller with Zbigniew Brzezinski serving as Executive Secretary....

## Mexico and Financial Capital

The present government of President José López Portillo has been faced from the beginning, and in actuality even before assuming power, with brutal pressures coming from the Rockefeller Forces within and without Mexico. The campaign of decapitalization, rumors, terror and every other mode of "destabilization" at the end of the last *sexenio* (Presidential term) was not aimed, as slanderous rumor has it, at preventing now ex-president Echeverría from continuing in power beyond his constitutionally mandated six years in office. Rather, it was aimed at Lopez Portillo and the incoming government, it was aimed at forcing the new government to break with the previous administration's domestic and foreign policies.

Before this massive destabilization and challenge to the new government, president José Lopez Portillo chose to deal with the problem in a different manner than has his predecessor. President Lopez Portillo gave assurances and made conciliatory gestures to the Monterrey group and to Rockefeller financial capital. This was and is the policy of *tregua* (truce).

Nevertheless, it is clear that finance capital is not and will not remain satisfied with the current process. As has been made abundantly clear from Nelson Rockefeller's Commission on Critical Choices (CCC) blueprint of U.S. policy towards Mexico and similar Rockefeller family policy formulation, finance capital's plans are to destroy Mexico and its people. The CCC calls for massive programs of demographic control, (genocide); for Mexico's oil to become U.S. strategic reserves, with the U.S. paying less than international prices for Mexican

oil. Furthermore, it calls for a joint U.S.-Mexican government-to-government commission to decide on and resolve bilateral questions such as oil, immigration and demographic control, in other words the loss of Mexico's sovereignty. Finally, the report notes that there will be violent social explosions that will put in question the government of José Lopez Portillo. Other policy formulations have ranged from calling for the elimination of 30 million Mexicans to stating plans for placing massive numbers of U.S. troops on the U.S.-Mexican border, actually acknowledging the existence of contingency plans for the invasion of Mexico by the U. S. military....

The compelling immediate reason for such treatment is the fact that Mexico "owes" over \$30 billion to the New

## El Universal: PLM 'Injured Eche'

*The following is a column by Jose Luis Mejias which appeared in El Universal July 15: it accused the PLM of physical assault on ex-President Luis Echeverria.*

These Labor Parties, or Committees, act in numerous countries on five continents and their leadership, financing and real objectives are a mystery. It is said that they are a tool of the CIA, but the CIA, always blamed for everything that occurs, is overused. It is said that their master-mind is in East Germany, but there is no proof to confirm that rumor. The fact is that in the U.S. the Labor Party presented a candidate for the president of that country, and right after the elections accused the Democrats of electoral fraud in five states; they brought the charge to court with the aim of recertifying the results in favor of Ford. They also accuse Carter of planning war.

Three Labor Party activists were the ones who threw the stone that injured Echeverría in the forehead during his visit to University City (in 1975)...And there is no doubt of it, since a television cameraman near the corner where 'the dialogue' took place, earned his pay by filming the scene and by chance was able to capture what happened after Echeverría left the meeting and until he got into his automobile. Thus, the deeds of the activists were filmed and their fate sealed. One of them ran behind a stone hedge, indicating the exact place that Echeverría was moving towards surrounded by friends; the other lugged a knapsack filled with stones that the third hurled, following the indications of the one that directed his aim. Enlarging the film, one can easily identify the three Labor Party activists, of whom two were captured while the third fled to South America...

York banks and their allies. While it is usually reported that this makes Mexico entirely vulnerable to the dictates of the New York banks, the fact is that Mexico, if it chooses to, can singlehandedly bring the Bretton Woods system tumbling down by declaring a unilateral debt moratorium: it is for this reason that Carter and Rockefeller have undertaken the most bloodthirsty actions and plans against Mexico— to assure that the debt is paid.

The new government has chosen to make a “truce;” it has taken a more conciliatory attitude toward the U.S. The government has accepted the dictates of the IMF, among which the most damaging are the cut in real wages for the working class and cuts in the budget which have effectively reduced investments in the industrial development of Mexico — the most notorious victim of this being the continued development of the huge steel complex Las Truchas.

Nevertheless, the government has maintained as a priority the necessity for building up the industrial infrastructure of the country, under the slogan of “Alliance for Production,” and has so far maintained a steadfast defense of the nationalized oil. While it may not be at the vanguard of the third world, it has declared itself in favor of a “more just economic order.” It has also continued the previous sexenio’s policy of trying to diversify its trade partners and markets away from a total dependence on the United States.

It is clear that the contradictory policies of the government are an attempt to win time against the massive pressures of finance capital and its internal agents. It is a policy of trying not to confront imperialism and using any time gained in this way to try to guarantee the survival of Mexico and its institutions. Yet this is an illusory strategy. It is clear that Carter-Rockefeller’s offensive is aimed at the very existence of Mexico as a sovereign nation and people. Ceding ground to their offensive will not win time, it will merely allow finance capital to gain better positions from which to carry out its demented policies.

### The Political Reform

That the government of president José Lopez Portillo has no intention of being the agent of financial capital and its genocidal plans is in part expressed by the governments strenuously avowed policy of no *endurecimiento*, that is a policy of no repression, a policy which is diametrically opposed to the policy of the Carteristas. Instead the government’s policy has been neither authority without law, nor law without authority. The fact that Mexico exists as a sovereign nation today is nothing but the consequence of the victories that the mass mobilizations of peasants and workers have achieved.

Independence, the wars of reform, the Mexican revolution, the oil expropriation and land reform under Cardenas, as well as the third worldist policy and building of an industrial infrastructure for development and land reform carried out under Echeverria all took place with armed or unarmed mass mobilizations. In all these cases the leader was a heroic capitalist revolutionary leader that wanted Mexico to emerge as a major industrial power. In all cases these forces and

## PLM ‘Funded By Chicago Republicans’

*The following are excerpts from a column which appeared July 17 in the Mexico City daily Novedades, written by Alfredo Kawage Ramia:*

The ghostly Mexican Labor Party was at the Interior Ministry participating in the debate around political reforms. This means that (Interior Minister) Reyes Heróles is open to everything, to listen to the big, the medium and the small. The members of this letterhead-organization are fundamentally financed by the Republican center of the U.S. in Chicago, Illinois, which houses the extreme right-wing of that (Republican) party... (The PLM’s) activities tend to take place mainly in university media in Mexico, Central and South America. It can be anticipated that (the PLM) will fail to become a registered political party, because they will not be able to meet the requirements imposed by the Federal Electoral Law, no matter how liberal or simple they are...

the Mexican people violently clashed with finance capital’s imperialism and its plans to maintain Mexico as a backward fiefdom and provider of raw materials and agricultural exports.

In all cases, although there were partial victories, Mexico was unable to break definitively with the yoke of finance capital’s imperialism. The major flaw which permeated these revolutionary efforts was the lack of revolutionary scientific leadership among workers, peasants and intellectuals which left alone and overwhelmed the heroic capitalist revolutionary leadership of these struggles. Not having hundreds of leaders to educate the pueblo revolucionario, not having these hundreds perhaps thousands, who based their outlook on a global scientific perspective, necessarily led to the struggles being totally subject to the vicissitudes of the strengths and weakness of the *one leader*. In the Twentieth Century, this weakness of the Cardenas and Echeverria regimes in particular led to their not mobilizing to destroy the internal allies of finance capitalists — to their not fully arming the peasantry and completely destroying the landowning structure of the countryside....

In this context, it should be clear what the political reform should and should not be. It should not be the means by which formal electoral games, stultified *pluripartidismo* and parliamentary cretinism are introduced into Mexico. Instead, the political reform should make further progress in carrying out the spirit and the letter of the constitution of the Mexican revolution. It should guarantee the existence and strength of “a representative, democratic, Federal Republic,” as article 40 of the constitution states — with democracy entirely and constitutionally defined by article 3 of our Magna Carta as “Considering Democracy not only as a juridical structure and a political regime, but as a system of life founded on the constant economic, social and cultural improvement of the people.”

Therefore, the political reform must have as its sole consideration the active political participation of the people, a united democracy of the people, in order to defend and safeguard democracy as defined by the constitution. Specifically, the political reform must in every way possible facilitate the widest possible mobilization of the population in order to secure the irrevocable defeat of finance capital imperialism and its internal Mexican agents. This course of action is the only realistic means by which the Mexican constitution, the republic and democracy can be defended.

The Political Reform can not be a caricature in which the government and the Congress seek to strengthen their authority by using the Political Reform as the carrot and stick with which to keep in line troublesome groups and parties. The Political Reform cannot be merely another "wrinkle" added to the political system as it has existed during the last 37 years — a wrinkle that will not change that political system in any fundamental fashion. Nor should the Political Reform start *de novo* — it should proceed on the basis of the lessons learned from successes and failures of the "Apertura Democratica" and the Alianza Popular of the previous sixty years.

Let us be more precise. We support the strengthening of the government — as long as that government is a constitutional and therefore revolutionary government. However, as we have pointed out before, it is illusory to think that in this conjuncture of a severe international crisis of finance capital a Mexican constitutional and revolutionary government can withstand the onslaughts of that very finance capital merely with some sophisticated political maneuverings that will legalize some of the "troublemakers" from both the "left" and the "right." This style of political maneuvering, aimed at *taming* these groups through the process of legalization and parliamentary representation, in a period of severe economic crisis would be suicidal not only for the Political Reform but also for the present government.

We do not merely assert this; the recent events at the UNAM have proven it conclusively. There, troublesome groups of the extreme "right" and "left" vigorously but shamelessly carried out a debastating ambush against the Political Reform. We now turn to analyze these "right" and "left" extremes in order to assure no misunderstanding of this point.

### Naming the Names

The simple reason why it would be impossible to "educate," "tame," or "induce" the Partido Comunista Mexicano and its fellow travelers to play a responsible and revolutionary role in the development of the revolution and the country is that these groups and parties are for the most part a controlled operation by the imperialist intelligence agencies. This is no mere assertion on our part; the programs and actions of these groups conclusively prove that in the majority they are led by Rockefeller agents.

This Rockefeller-led operation against Mexico, which tried to pass itself off as "leftist," "socialist," and even "Communist," is controlled by the Institute for Policy Studies (IPS) based in Washington D.C. IPS was founded in 1963 by Rockefeller and allied financial interests as a U.S. version of the Rothschild and British Foreign Office-controlled Fabian Society of the early twentieth

century. In short it is an integral part of the intelligence agencies of the United States and serves the function of a "left-CIA."

IPS from its inception has been heavily funded by Rockefeller and allied financier-controlled foundations. Among its directors and founders is Marcus Raskin, who had been a high level staffer for the National Security Council of the United States — the controlling body for dirty tricks and covert operations throughout the world. Also among its directors and founders is Richard Barnet, a member of the "prestigious" Rockefeller-controlled Council on Foreign Relations along with other notables such as Henry Kissinger, Richard Helms (ex-director of the CIA), Cyrus Vance and Zbigniew Brzezinski.

IPS has functioned since 1963 as an international operation meant to subvert government and genuine leftist groupings; as an operation that has controlled and continues to control major terrorist groupings which have served as destabilization operations internationally.

The Mexican end of the IPS or "left-CIA" covert operations revolve around several key individuals, such as Francisco A. Gomezjara, John Saxe Fernandez and Raul Olmedo Carranza. Through these individuals, the "left-CIA" runs as covert "dirty tricks" operations the Partido Revolucionario de los Trabajadores and most sections of the Partido Comunista Mexicano. It is through these same networks that the "left-CIA" also controls and manipulates such other parties as the Partido Mexicano de los Trabajadores....

Being part of the "left-CIA" these individuals and groups for the most part openly and shamelessly support the totally Rockefeller-controlled Carter Administration; they brandish the "human rights" (or political prisoners) banner against the Mexican government and in that way become an integral part of the pressures being put on the Mexican republic by the government of the United States. Furthermore, a careful look at their program reveals that even though these groups scream at the IMF and its program for Mexico, they call for the same thing. The IMF calls for the limitation of credits for Mexico; these "leftists" call for autarchy. The IMF calls for drastic cuts in public spending, huge cuts in services of all types to the cities; these "leftists" call for ending the horrible alienation of the cities and for decentralizing and getting everybody back to the countryside! The IMF's demands force a cutback on the import of technology and a cutback on all the capital intensive development projects using high technology; these "leftists" rant and rave against technology and capital intensive production. Instead they demand massive slave labor projects with pick and shovel be carried out. The IMF dictates favor finance capital and speculation and are designed to destroy a country's productivity; these "leftists" consider productivity and progress their ENEMY!

...While we could go on and on listing the connections of IPS to Raul Olmedo, and through Raul Olmedo to the PCM and other parties, attention should be drawn to the fact that CENCO — the center which UNAM strikers used as strike headquarters for several days — is directly linked to IPS. The people who run it are nothing but errand boys for Richard Barnet. CENCO, of course, is also intimately connected to IMOP and to Accion

Comunitaria, both projects of that supposedly "reformed" monetarist and ex-head of the Monterrey Group Guajardo Suárez. Naturally, Mr. Guajardo Suárez and his projects are also intimately connected to IPS. It should be remembered that Accion Comunitaria and Guajardo Suárez' other projects recently proposed putting an end to inflation by simply opening up the borders completely to U.S. goods and commodities. That this would mean the end of Mexican industry and destroy any possibility of further industrial development was of no concern to these monetarists.

Lest anyone think that it would take the likes of Sherlock Holmes to ferret out the connections between Guajardo and the PCM, the public has complete access to PCM documents at its last Congress where they point out Guajardo Suárez for special praise as one of the progressives in the bourgeoisie. The public also has access to the fact that in 1976 IMOP published outrageous polls that showed the PCM to be a major party, with huge percentages of the population voting for Campa if the party were legalized....

### The UNAM Conflict

The UNAM strike was not a labor conflict, it was not a conflict between the progressive forces and the right and the IMF, it was one of the most massive destabilization operations carried out by the Rockefeller intelligence agencies against the government. A brief review of the situation will make this fact incontrovertible....

The Monterrey Group and its masters have felt the need to destroy the authority and legitimacy of the government as the way to destroy and demoralize that potential base of support for the government that is represented by the nation's workers and peasants. The tactic they devised for this undertaking was to bring about a confrontation between the right-wing, backed by the Monterrey Group, and the supposed "left." Through this confrontation they hope to undermine immensely the authority of the government and to create an untenable situation throughout the country....

This is indeed the scenario that was put into motion during the last few days. There can be no doubt that the leadership of the STUNAM and the PCM are IPS agents, even though there may be many honest and backward or ignorant people in those organizations. There is also no doubt that the demands of the STUNAM had little to do with the development of the country and the defense of democratic institutions from the onslaught of the IMF and finance capital. But even if their demands were taken at face value, the tactics used to try to win them were outrageously incompetent and totally counter-productive, which leaves any honest observer no choice but to point out that the objectives of the STUNAM were not to win demands but to provoke a major destabilization along with its "arch-enemy" Soberón. That there has been a seeming resolution of the conflict with the government's intervention, which has so far avoided the traps set for it by the right and "left," should not lull anyone into thinking that this scenario is being discarded....

We would like to point out that this is not the first time such a tactic has been tried out. History has seen many revolutions and progressive movements destroyed by the "ultras" who mobilize the enraged petty-bourgeoisie, who mobilize the rabble and the mob against the very existence of progressive institutions or revolutions. The

Roman Republic was perhaps the first to succumb to this tactic: the British monetarists of the 18th and 19th centuries used this lesson in their hideous counter-insurgency operations in the colonies and on the European continent.

Was it not the British who, by controlling Marat and Danton, (not the Marat and Danton of the PRI) destroyed the French Revolution through the mobilization of the mob, the famous sans-culottes — were not workers but a rabble? Was it not the British, as Marx amply documents, who let loose Simon Bolivar in South America to destroy the cities and carry out a war of destruction against whatever manufacturing and civilization existed in the Spanish colonies? Those Wars of "Independence" were backed by British supplies, money and men in order to assure control of the new emerging

## El Nacional: PLM Testified "In Bad Faith"

*The following is a front-page editorial appearing in El Nacional July 16.*

In the sessions of the CFE (Federal Electoral Commission) held to learn the points of view of the different political organizations, and the citizenry in general, on the political reform promoted by President Jose Lopez Portillo, testimonies have been presented which indicate either a total ignorance of the purposes of these meetings or a zeal for notoriety on the part of some of the participants.

If the spirit behind the sessions were not of the profoundly political and democratic purpose that CFE president and Interior Minister Jesus Reyes Heróles has given it, the debates would have been undermined to the point of leading to matters totally distant from those being pursued...

There is no doubt that interventions like those of Carlos Sanchez Cardenas of the MAUS (leftist organization - ed.) and Marivilia Carrasco of the PLM distanced themselves from the purposes being pursued with the opening of the forum, seeking instead to turn the forum into a tribune, from which to attack the government, the institutions and even our continent's heroes, a situation that only the prudence of those sponsoring the political reform have been able to overcome.

Nevertheless, the participation of those who are either disoriented or acting out of bad faith, has permitted an effective demonstration of the democratic spirit in which such meetings evolve, the simple act of hearing these people and giving credence to the groups that they say they represent reveals the acceptance of the risks of freedom and democracy and the unwavering desire to know all opinions, however absurd or incongruent they may be, that may emerge around the political reform. For it is undeniable that to obtain positive results it is necessary to accept popular opinion; but that opinion should be clear in conscience and dimension in order to respond truthfully to the problems and concerns of the Mexican people.

countries, in order to assure that these countries would now be totally subjected to British trade and debts. Consider the debts which Bolivar outrageously ran up during the thirteen years of the War of "Independence." This is the same Bolivar who was a gutless wonder unless backed up by British irregulars, the same Bolivar who shamelessly murdered anyone who was for real independence and development in Spanish America.

## Graco Ramirez: PLM 'Obeys Imperialist Interest'

*The following is an interview with Graco Ramirez, Secretary General of the Mexican Socialist Workers Party, appearing in the Mexico City daily El Dia, July 18:*

The appearance of the group called the Mexican Labor Party (PLM) before the Federal Electoral Commission constituted a provocation of North American Imperialism that failed,' declared Graco Ramirez yesterday. Graco said that the so-called PLM expressed truisms that defined and situated their position clearly, for example when they said that 'they enjoy the influence of the 1776 American Revolution.' Graco further stated that the PLM does not represent in the slightest any political current in the Mexican left, but obeys imperialist interests. He further emphasized: And how can one not consider as a provocation a text which calls for the arming of the peasantry to do away with the latifundios and which speaks of the imbecility of the pluralist party system and parliamentary cretinism?

Without the slightest analysis and with an open desire to provoke, the PLM suggests that this regime 'has distanced itself from the peasantry' and further expresses judgements against other left organizations which cannot be accepted, independently of whether there are tactical or strategic differences.

As for example, when they declare that it is impossible "to educate, domesticate, or induce" the Mexican Communist Party and their fellow travelers, because the majority of their leaders belong to an operation controlled by imperialist intelligence agencies.

The secretary general of the PST declared that besides the fact that the so-called PLM demonstrated a total ignorance of Mexican reality in general, they spoke nonetheless of carrying out a "cleansing" of the cabinet supported by "enormous worker and peasant militias" through "massive purges" against the "fascist monetarists of finance capital."

With the text that Marvilia Carrasco read in the name of the sect, they hoped to cause confusion and anger among the delegates and to immediately pose a debate full of provocations. But, unfortunately for them, it was a session in which things went according to their merit and as calculated, and where finally the devil left with its tail between its legs.

Was is not the case that many of our liberals, and liberals throughout Latin America, were paid British agents who though they loudly screamed about liberty and freedom, nevertheless pushed forward "free trade" in a shameless fashion? The same "free trade" that would guarantee the colonial status of the new countries with respect to Britain and her manufactured products and debt? The same "free trade" that would guarantee that the new countries would not copy the model of the American Revolution and seek to advance their own economic development and manufacturing to gain real independence? These "free-traders" show us very clearly that Guajardo Suarez is not a bastard! Guajardo has a very long lineage of monetarist agents which he can call his forerunners and "parents"!

It is blatantly obvious in this context that the PCM and its cohorts were knowing and willing agents in the implementation of the UNAM scenario. Otherwise, they would have taken the appropriate notice of this trap set for them by the right-wing and have devised a counterstrategy for mobilizing the majority on behalf of the industrial and agricultural development of Mexico. They would have set out to organize not only students and teachers but also workers and peasants to safeguard the development of Mexico's energy sources; they would have mobilized them to bring about a moratorium on the foreign debt; they would have organized them to help bring about massive land reform and collectivization. They would have organized them to mobilize against the armies of labor modeled on Hitler's slave labor schemes being organized by fascists within the Government. Within that context and having won major political forces to their side they would have used this mobilization to wrest control of the UNAM away from Mr. Moya and Mr. Soberon. They would have mobilized to wrest control of the UNAM away from these agents of finance capital in order to guarantee that the higher education of the country serve the development and liberation needs of Mexico.

Instead the STUNAM chose very willingly and consciously to seek a head-on confrontation with the very well prepared forces of the rightwing. Need any more be said?

Obviously any attempt to use the Political Reform to bribe these groupings away from acting as provocateurs and agents of finance capital would be a waste of precious time and energy and a dangerous illusion that could have very grave consequences. The PCM and friends do not obey the political dynamics of the Mexican political situation; the PCM and friends do not act according to the dynamics of the international political conjuncture. They take their orders from the left-CIA and carry out a macabre dance of death with the Monterrey Group and its representatives.

## The Solution

How then, is the government and the Mexican Revolution to strengthen itself in the process of the Political Reform? It should be clear from the outset that such strengthening cannot be the result of mere political maneuvers, no matter how astute and sophisticated these maneuvers may be. The strength of the government and the Mexican Revolution can only be brought about as the

result of the rapid development and industrialization of the country...

This is no easy task in the midst of a world financial crisis that is rapidly putting the world economy on the verge of total bankruptcy and depression. Nevertheless, unless the Mexican Revolution carries out this type of program it will be crushed by fascist monetarism.

But how? The Mexican Revolution must make a definitive break with imperialist finance capital and its internal allies. The Mexican Revolution has to immediately announce an ambitious program of the development. The Mexican Revolution has to rapidly mobilize the majority behind this massive revolutionary undertaking that will make a powerful industrial nation of Mexico.

It is often stated that if Mexico declared a unilateral debt moratorium, imposed exchange controls, and restructured completely the Banco de Mexico so as to centralize credit and development, Mexico would rapidly face strangulation for lack of credit from international credit markets. While it is understandable that responsible people hold this view, it is nevertheless a completely wrong analysis of the present national and international conjuncture.

Mexico will not declare a debt moratorium because it is irresponsible and simply does not want to pay its debts; Mexico will declare a debt moratorium because the current monetary system is bankrupt and teetering on the edge of the biggest blowout in the history of mankind. This monetary collapse will completely destroy any credit markets abroad tied to the Bretton Woods dollar system.

Mexico will almost certainly face a strangulation of credit if it timidly awaits the collapse. But Mexico can almost guarantee the necessary credits for development and imports of capital goods if it declares a debt moratorium and proceeds, together with the Third World, the Soviet Union, and Europe, to rapidly negotiate into being a new world monetary system based on gold and increased production...

The government cannot stand by and watch the standard of living of the population rapidly deteriorate while monetarists and traitors within the government openly organize fascist armies of labor modelled to the last detail on the Nazis' labor policy. This is a question of life or death that will not await an answer much longer.

The Political Reform, as we have already stated, should serve as the vehicle to mobilize the majority in order to effect a total break with monetarism. Once this policy is carried out, then subversion by the left-CIA and the groups and parties it controls will become a minor problem, since the popular base of all these groups will defect to the revolutionary mobilization. The hardcore agents will either desist in their activities or desperately try terror and sabotage to carry out their assigned role. The law will be easily applied and the necessary security measures taken to guarantee the success of the Revolution.

As for the right-wing and fascist allies of finance capital, they too will desist in their subversion when faced with massive purges from the positions they now control within the state apparatus. These purges will be backed up by huge armed peasants' and workers' militias. Under those circumstances there will be peace, tranquillity and development. Only madmen would dare launch ad-

ventures against such a strong state. Anything but the above measures will guarantee chaos, subversion, violence and the destruction of the Mexican Revolution. Weakness begets assaults, strength commands respect!

## The Partido Laboral Mexicano

The Political Reform cannot be carried out in this fashion unless the full participation of the *Partido Laboral Mexicano* is guaranteed; for the PLM is the party of the Mexican Revolution!

The PLM and its fraternal parties, the European Labor Party and the U.S. Labor Party, base themselves on a long humanist tradition that includes as its major influences Ibn Sina the great Arab philosopher, Erasmus of Rotterdam, Benjamin Franklin and Karl Marx.

The PLM's central principles hold that man is a part and product of the universe, that the power of the mind to create scientific knowledge through which societies increase their power over nature and its laws is itself the one and only fundamental principle of all human knowledge.

Therefore it is not accidental that all of the above influences on the PLM in one form or another correctly insisted that it was man's creativity that is fundamental, and that creativity is the basis for progress and advancement of society. This contrasts sharply with the current ideologies fostered by the monetarists, which hold that man is unable to discover new technologies with which to advance society, and that therefore man must become a beast and "return to nature."

Our party holds that the creative capacity in man expressed as labor power in the process of production, reproduction of society and the creation of new technologies, is the only process by which wealth is produced. As opposed to monetarist, beasts and others who insist that nature produces wealth, that land produces rent. This is completely opposed to those Alemanistas and Diaz Ordazistas who think that wealth is produced as the result of speculation in urban fraccionamientos, construction of luxury hotels, and the pilfering of huge amounts of money from the state...

Our party is also profoundly influenced by the American Revolution of 1776, a revolution which was fought against British monetarism and which had as its conscious guiding principles the principles we have stated above. An industrial capitalist revolution which until the late 1820s was fully committed to these principles and to the spreading of the "American System" of republics throughout the world. A revolution with which the likes of Franklin and Hamilton sought to destroy monetarism and for all and to make science, technology and labor power the basis for progress, as opposed to the British system of looting and destruction of the colonies. A revolution that profoundly influenced Mexican revolutionaries for two centuries. Yet this revolution was defeated by traitors and the British in the 1820s, and was to be revived only briefly during Abraham Lincoln's term in power.

What does all this have to do with the Mexican Revolution? The Mexican Revolution was influenced immensely by the great social and political struggles of the 19th century in Mexico. It was in particular greatly influenced by the struggles of the great Benito Juarez — Benito

Juarez who declared war against monetarism and British imperialism by declaring a debt moratorium, the same Juarez who along with Lincoln in the United States successfully fought off the attempts of the Rothschilds and the British to destroy the United States of America through the Civil War and to subjugate Mexico to an obscene and decadent monarchy!

The Whigs and Lincoln in the United States ultimately lost the battle to treason and monetarism just as Benito Juarez and his followers also lost the battle to monetarism in the person to the odious dictator Porfirio Diaz, the stooge of European and U.S. monetarism...

The *Partido Laboral Mexicano* considers itself the party of the Mexican Revolution because it takes off from the anti-monetarist struggles that have been fought by the Mexican people. Moreover, the PLM is the party of the Mexican Revolution because it consciously has taken the lessons of the American Revolution, Marx and the traditions of humanism and is the only party that through its program and scientific ideas is in a position to be able to contribute the program for the consummation of a completely victorious Mexican Revolution.

It is not accidental that the worst enemies of the Mexican Revolution have, and no doubt will continue, to

use every means at their disposal to try to destroy and prevent the PLM from participating in the Political Reform. It is important to mention here that Mario Moya Palencia, through the newspaper of which he is now editor, has carried out a systematic campaign to try to pressure the Commission Federal Electoral to forbid the PLM to appear in these *audiencias*. This campaign went so far that *El Sol* gleefully announced that the CFE presentations had ended, only to be rudely reminded by the Secretaria de Gobernacion that they had not and that the PLM was the next scheduled party to appear.

These are but the most above board and mild attacks on the PLM and the Political Reform. One can now safely say that the next few weeks and months will see a massive and determined effort by the rightwing and its friends the left-CIA to attempt to destroy the PLM and the Political Reform.

The PLM, by proclaiming that it must be part of the Political Reform, is not asking for special favors. The PLM is not asking to be "given" its *registro*. What the PLM wants is for the CFE and the government to steadfastly assure that neither the PLM nor other honest parties suffer from harassment and operations by the rightwing and the left-CIA that would violate the Constitutional right of the PLM to act as a political party...