

Gardner, State Dept. defend

Publication of U.S. report may provoke ambassador's recall

A scandal that may result in the expulsion of the United States Ambassador to Italy, Richard Gardner, has been grabbing Italian headlines and generating accusations of a U.S. inspired destabilization plot for the past week. The scandal surfaced when *Repubblica*, the Rome daily owned by Gianni Agnelli, printed excerpts from a report prepared by a Rome U.S. Embassy official blasting the Italian antiterrorist command as ruthless, corrupt and power-hungry. Furthermore, the report urged that the Italian secret services should spend more time hunting Soviet spies, and less time cracking down on the terrorists who have bedeviled Italy, and it indicated that the U.S. has been spying on Italian security officials.

On Feb. 12, the government of Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti took a step that is unprecedented in peacetime relations between allied nations: it expelled U.S. Rome Embassy official Dominic Perrone, a Department of Defense analyst who authored the document printed in *Repubblica*. At a State Department press briefing the day after the expulsion, administration spokesman Hodding Carter III sidestepped questions concerning the affair and retorted to two separate questioners, "No one can question the position of our government on terrorism."

The principal target of the Embassy document is General Carlo Alberto Dalla Chiesa, a close personal colleague of former Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti. Dalla Chiesa was appointed last year to head up the Italian government's special antiterror campaign. Since his appointment, a significant percentage of Red Brigades terrorists have been captured, tried and jailed. Even more significantly, Dalla Chiesa has carried his investigations through to the point of establishing the chain of command *behind* the political destabilization of his country — even at the point that the investigations lead directly to the doorsteps of the Houses of Savoy and Pallavicini (the leading "black oligarchy" families of Italy), and to the headquarters of Lloyds of London and the Israeli government's foreign intelligence service, the Mossad.

Following the assassination last month of Milan magistrate Alessandrini, a prosecutor of the Red Brigades whose investigation into the Aldo Moro assassination opened the initial chain of evidence poin-

ting to Lloyds complicity, Dalla Chiesa redoubled the crackdown against the terrorist networks. As a result, since the assassination of Alessandrini on Jan. 30, over 40 terrorists have been arrested and no successful terrorist incidents have been executed.

The leaking of the Perrone report (see excerpts page 54) has been identified by representatives of both the Christian Democracy and the Communist Party of Italy as one significant component of a broader political destabilization, engineered in part through the offices of Ambassador Gardner, and directed at destroying the potential for Andreotti to reconstitute a government based on a Christian Democracy-Italian Communist Party alliance. The issue of successfully defeating the wave of bloody terrorism has been perhaps the central issue around which that alliance has developed.

The Communist daily *L'Unita* ran a front-page story on Feb. 13, informing the State Department that "this country is not in Latin America," and insisting that any self-respecting government would eject the Ambassador as *persona non grata* as a result of his role in preparing and circulating the report. The following day, under the banner headline "U.S. Spy Thrown Out of Italy," *L'Unita* warned that Perrone's expulsion "cannot be considered the conclusion of the affair ..." Ugo Pecchioli a PCI member and the vice-president of the Parliamentary Committee on the Security and Information Services, was quoted as demanding "the expulsion from our territory of those American citizens who turn out to be involved in this espionage operation."

Information printed in a subsequent *Repubblica* article provided further evidence that the complicity extended beyond Perrone. Perrone's document was transmitted through official coded channels back to the Pentagon which in turn forwarded the decoded copy on to the relevant location in the State Department. It was apparently through the State Department that the report found its way into the Agnelli press.

The Perrone report was composed primarily of synopses of interviews with various unnamed Italian and intelligence officials, all of whom were highly critical of the effort to date against the terrorist networks. However, the contents of the criticisms centered principally around the fact that Dalla Chiesa had

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bypassed traditional Interior Ministry-centered command chains in his effort to maintain high security around his operations. Last year, Italian Interior Minister Cossiga had been forced to resign in the wake of evidence that his Ministry had been heavily penetrated by elements involved in supporting and deploying the Red Brigades; and that Cossiga himself was one complicit figure.

Within days of the *Repubblica* story, which was intended to aggravate bitter factional rivalries and political conflicts within the intelligence services and the military and thereby further undercut the antiterror campaign, a second attack was made against General Dalla Chiesa. On Feb. 14, members of a Red Brigades spinoff group stole a car frequently used by Dalla Chiesa and blew it up in front of his home.

Days later, a pamphlet was widely circulated in Rome under the pen of Francesco Berardi, a protege of Jean-Paul Sartre involved in organizing "liberal" support for the Red Brigades. The pamphlet charged that Dalla Chiesa was himself involved in plotting terrorist operations in Bologna directed against local police and magistrates. Berardi claimed that the objective was to place blame on the Autonomi, a mass anarchist group itself involved in terrorist operations. Berardi is a leader of the Autonomi.

Following this sequence of attacks against the anti-terror efforts from elements ranging from hardcore Red Brigades terrorists to left-radical umbrella gangs advocating violence to ranking officials of the U.S. Embassy, the Christian Democracy joined the PCI in calling for a Parliamentary investigation of the Perrone affair, labeling it in an official party statement as an action that "must be seen in the context of an overall destabilization of the country."

At the same time, the Communist Party has exposed links between the Red Brigades and the fascist De Carolis wing of the Christian Democracy. An article in the Feb. 16 issue of *L'Unità*, titled "The DC Paid the Dissident Red Brigader," revealed that jailed Radio Monte Carlo journalist Ernesto Viglione had acted as an intermediary and fund conduit between members of the Christian Democracy and a Red Brigades "dissident." According to *L'Unità*, nearly 18 million lira had been

Italy terror crackdown

General Carlo Alberto Dalla Chiesa has led a crackdown against Italian terrorists over the past three weeks. A chronology:

JAN 30: Judge Alessandrini murdered by a Red Brigade splinter group, Prima Linea, as he crosses a street in Milan.

JAN 30: Eight members of the Red Brigades and Prima Linea are arrested in Turin. Four days later, *Repubblica* reports the arrests and identifies Dalla Chiesa as the responsible official.

JAN 31: A Red Brigades safehouse is shut down in Turin. No arrests are made; the matter remains confidential until an official announcement is issued following full investigation of leads uncovered in the raid.

FEB 2: In Cremona, two Red Brigades members are captured following the shooting of two members of the Carabinieri. A third terrorist escapes.

FEB 2: In Turin, Dalla Chiesa uncovers a printing press-underground newspaper office run by the Red Brigades.

FEB 3: In Milan, two more Red Brigade members are arrested as a safehouse is raided.

FEB 3: In Rome, one terrorist is arrested by Dalla Chiesa in the course of investigating a Red Brigades safehouse.

FEB 5: Two female terrorists shoot a prison guard in the knees. The incident occurs near a women's prison in Turin.

FEB 6: A raid on Radio Proletario results in 27 arrests.

FEB 7: In Turin, a magistrate orders Red Brigades founder Curcio to serve a one-year jail sentence. He is still on trial for an early case involving Red Brigades founder and financial backer Feltrinelli — a close associate of Bertrand Russell until his murder in the early 1970s.

FEB 8: Viglione is arrested on the basis of an article printed in *L'Espresso*.

FEB 10: Two safehouses in Como being used by Prima Linea are raided. Two terrorists are arrested by Dalla Chiesa and charged with supporting criminal activities.

FEB 10: In Bologna, another terrorist supporter is arrested.

conducted through Viglione to this terrorist to arrange his escape from Italy. Viglione, who was arrested following the reprinting of the story in the weekly *L'Espresso*, told investigating judges that one of the DC sources of funds was a member of Parliament named Carenini. Viglione's association with Red Brigades elements was subsequently further corroborated by the appearance of his name in a personal telephone book belonging to the Sobregondi brothers, both of whom are known to have participated in the Aldo Moro assassination and related recent terrorist actions. The Sobregondi brothers are part of the Pallavicini family, one of the leading oligarchical families in Italy and one of the families identified in the Dalla Chiesa investigations as linking the ostensibly "right-wing" monarchist faction of the DC to the Red Brigades. Carenini—the conduit implicated by Viglione, is himself part of this extreme right wing element within the DC, associated with Senator Massimo De Carolis. In recent articles printed in the daily Paese Sera, De Carolis was identified as part of the neofascist Pan European movement associated with Otto von Hapsburg.

Vita Sera publicizes

In its Feb. 9 edition, the daily Vita Sera carried a feature article outlining the contents of the European Labor Party's dossier linking the murder of former Prime Minister Aldo Moro to Britain and British-linked intelligence networks in Italy. The article also reported on the efforts of the U.S. Labor Party — the ELP's cothinker organization — to fund a nationwide television broadcast by USLP Chairman Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. on the war danger embodied in the present policy-course of the Carter Administration. Following, with minor deletions, is the text of the Vita Sera article, titled "The Moro Tragedy: There Are Even Those Who Accuse Queen Elizabeth."

"But the most complete investigation of the Moro case is that written by the information service of the ELP (European Labor Party, Italy — ed.), a strange group with lots of money, which defines itself as extreme left. One hundred and ten pages distributed to journalists last autumn to demon-

The Perrone report

Following are excerpts from U.S. State Department official Dominic Perrone's report attacking Italian anti-terrorist chief General Dalla Chiesa, as it appeared in the daily Repubblica on Feb. 13. Based mostly on statements from identified sources, the report was titled by Repubblica "Dossier: Secret State Department Report on Italian Security Services."

A senior Carabinieri official and head of the counterespionage center of SISMI (the secret police of the Defense Ministry):

"The failure of the SISDE (Interior Ministry security service), however, cannot be attributed completely to Gen. Grassini (head of SISDE —ed.). It is certain that he lacked the governmental cooperation and assistance necessary to successfully complete SISDE's operations.

"The operations of Gen. Dalla Chiesa completely obscure the SISDE. Gen. Dalla Chiesa makes assignments directly to his counterespionage center for assistance in antiterrorism..."

A source in a position that permits access to CESIS (coordinating body of all the various services):

"The failure of SISDE to become an effective organization cannot be attributed to Gen. Grassini, in view of the fact that he is not given full cooperation by the government, and personnel are denied to him and go to Gen. Dalla Chiesa instead."

A senior Carabinieri official:

"General Dalla Chiesa is oriented towards action and interested in getting results, but he doesn't worry too much about how to get them. If he were ordered to eliminate the Red Brigades, he would go to work immediately using any method available, with the sole object of increasing his chances to bring the action to fruition. The delicate question of the illegality or legality of his actions would not interest him; he would rather tend to act first, leaving to others to worry about whether the action were entirely legal or not. He has under his own control the special prisons for the Red Brigades, and it can be expected that he uses whatever methods possible to get information from the prisoners about the Red Brigades.

"...He is a person in the limelight, who is also desirous of public recognition of his efforts... Gen. Dalla Chiesa is very ambitious..."

Perrone himself comments:

"To further clarify the personality of Gen. Dalla Chiesa, it is added: on Jan. 28, 1979, two senior officials assigned to SISMI confirmed involuntarily that Gen. Dalla Chiesa is in the habit of evading the normal channels of command... Unfortunately the counterespionage operations, once the first object of the First Division, now occupy a position of secondary importance, after terrorism."

ELP dossier on Moro murder

strate that at the head of the plot against Moro was the Queen of England. Helping her were the Israeli Secret Service, the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, Henry Kissinger, the Mafia, the Socialist International and the aristocracy in general."

This is the conclusion of a front-page article appearing yesterday, (in the Milan *Corriere della Sera* — ed.) commenting on the arrest of the journalist who was the go-between for the meeting between the "dissident Red Brigader" and Hon. Cervone. Thus, for the first time is discussed the first (and only) political dossier produced by the ELP — an offshoot in Italy of a movement present throughout Europe and linked to the U.S. Labor Party of the American LaRouche. However, these organizations are not new to the newspapers. In an article in the authoritative *Newsweek* (*Businessweek* actually published the article — ed.) of last Jan. 22, for example, this group was credited with the failure of a com-

mercial agreement between the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and the American Marine Midland. ... The U.S. Federal Reserve, in fact, has blocked the merger on the basis of accusations of "drug exporting" made by LaRouche's men against the Anglo-Chinese bank.

... But let's take a look at last at the characteristics of this political group, defined at different times by the mass media as an organism of the Russian KGB, financed by the American CIA and so on.

(The ELP supports the European Monetary System), which is defined as a "rethinking" of the development bank already proposed by their leader LaRouche. ... The ELP fights for technological progress, for a policy of interdependence between the developed countries and the Third World. ... For the ELP, for example, the crisis in Iran is the work of the forces promoting a new Middle Ages, and they attack Khomeini as a "puppet of Kissinger" — the advisor of Carter and of Ar-

Gardner's ouster urged by PCI

Responding to the publication of the Perrone report in Repubblica on Feb. 13, the Communist daily Unità the same day blasted the United States for preparing such a report, and urged the Italian government to declare Ambassador Richard Gardner persona non grata. The text of the page 1 Unità article, titled "American Espionage in Italy: This Country Is Not in South America," follows.

La Repubblica this morning published a "report" of high American military circles on the Italian secret services. At the moment we don't know the entire contents of it, but on the basis of preliminary information furnished by the daily, it is possible to establish: 1) that the U.S. general staff requested from their Embassy in Rome an investigation of the situation of the security services of our country; 2) that the said embassy executed its task by obtaining information from "internal sources" in the services, sources cited widely in the "report;" 3) that extremely derogatory judgements are made concerning persons and institutions, to the point of referring to the failure of the reform of the security services.

Apart from ruling out that such an investigation — which some would call espionage — would have final authority, it seems evident that the supreme military hierarchy of our allied general staff consider it normal to

ascertain the state of our services, which, by irony of fate, are called secret, in order to establish how far they can trust us (obviously from the point of view of U.S. strategic-political interests). One must ask whether their worried conclusions would induce them to introduce concrete measures to rectify the unsatisfactory Italian situation. What measures? Political, military, undercover, economic? Which of our generals will be fired by Washington?

Let's try to imagine, not that such an investigation would be conducted by the Italian ambassador in the U.S. on the CIA, but simply that an analogous event were discovered in Paris or Bonn. The least that would happen would be the summoning of Mr. Ambassador to the president's or chancellor's office, to hear himself declared persona non grata. A protest would be fired off to Washington, and there would be an equally fiery NATO meeting. Then one would find out that a certain number of administrators and functionaries of the secret service had been relieved of their jobs.

What will happen instead, in Italy, in this country where on any given day one can see with what sense of the State certain men of the governing party operate when faced with extremely delicate problems of democratic security? This country is not located in South America, and we Communists will do everything we can to prevent it from ending up there.

batov, and therefore of the two people who maneuver behind the international political scenes against U.S.-Soviet detente, and in favor of a nuclear war between the two superpowers.

That's not all. The ELP fights, above all, against the conspiracy organized a long time ago by the colonial empire of Her Britannic Majesty. According to the brains of the organization, the English Crown, backed up by the Black International and the Socialist International, by the Rothschild and the Warburg Banks, and by Israeli, English as well as American Zionist agents, is responsible for the strategy of destabilization and terrorism in Europe and in the world.

The men of the ELP and the U.S. Labor Party are so convinced of this thesis that they are at this moment raising \$200,000 for air time on a U.S. TV network to permit their charismatic leader LaRouche to "explain to the world the treachery of the British agents and their terrorist policy in the European countries and the Third World."

It is also said that he will take the opportunity to discuss the Moro case in this context.

The first Italian calling card of substance is certainly the famous dossier on the kidnapping and assassination of Moro, presented to the press with 2-3,000 copies circulated around the country. We will make a brief resumé of the 110 pages complete with organizational charts of terrorism, drawn up by the information service of the group. Meanwhile the cover is already indicative: the British flag hangs over the photograph of Moro as a prisoner put out by the Red Brigades. Then the title, "Who Killed Aldo Moro?" The first chapter begins by accusing the guilty parties of being the "Guelph conspirators against the Grand Design." These are Henry Kissinger, former Secretary of State of the U.S.; (Moshe) Dayan, Israeli Foreign Minister; Richard Gardner, "agent of Her Britannic Majesty who passes himself off as U.S. Ambassador to Rome." Then their Italian allies: Craxi, La Malfa, Lombardi, Cracciolo, Pallavicini, Agnelli, Carli, Amintore Fanfani ... all these maneuvering to bring Italy into "the 90-day destabilization scenario." The real objective of the conspiracy is to explode the Grand Design of East-West cooperation: the imminent economic and monetary accords of Bremen and Bonn, built in the spirit of Charlemagne, the project for interdependent development of the economies of the advanced sector countries and the Third World.

'Phase 1: Destabilization of the State' — describes the operation to end the mediating work of Moro — "architect of the labor-industry alliance." Working against the Italian state are, in particular, Giorgio Benvenuto and Gianni Agnelli, Interior Minister Cossiga and his English colleague Rees.

'Phase 2: Kidnap and murder' — makes a profile of the "professional wild beast," that is the Red Brigades

terrorists recruited by the terrorist brain trusts that work in Italy. We list them in the order reported in the dossier: The Royal Institute for International Affairs of London, linked to the Italian Institute for International Affairs which includes Agnelli, Spinelli (founder of L'Espresso), the Communist Sergio Segre, Amendola, Riccardo Lombardi, Bonanni. Then the Agnelli Foundation with the Cattaneo Institute (members are, among others, the sociologist Alberoni and Interior Minister Prodi), with the University of Trento with Alberoni, "creator of the Red Brigades" and others.

There is finally the British Crown, linked to the House of Savoy and the Sovereign Military Order of Malta indicated as the crucial element of the strategy of tension of 1968 to 1978; the Socialist International of Brandt, the Zionist lobby of Seniga, Piperno, De Benedetti, the coupists Miceli, Maletti, Henke and the Black International of Otto von Hapsburg, Colonna, Pallavicini, Guido Colonna di Palliano.

Who funds terrorists

In an article in its Feb. 16 edition, titled "The DC paid the 'Dissident Red Brigader,'" the Communist paper Unita revealed that money had been transferred to the terrorist Red Brigades from a member of the Christian Democratic faction of right-wing Senator Massimo Di Carolis through a Radio Monte Carlo journalist. Excerpts from the article appear below:

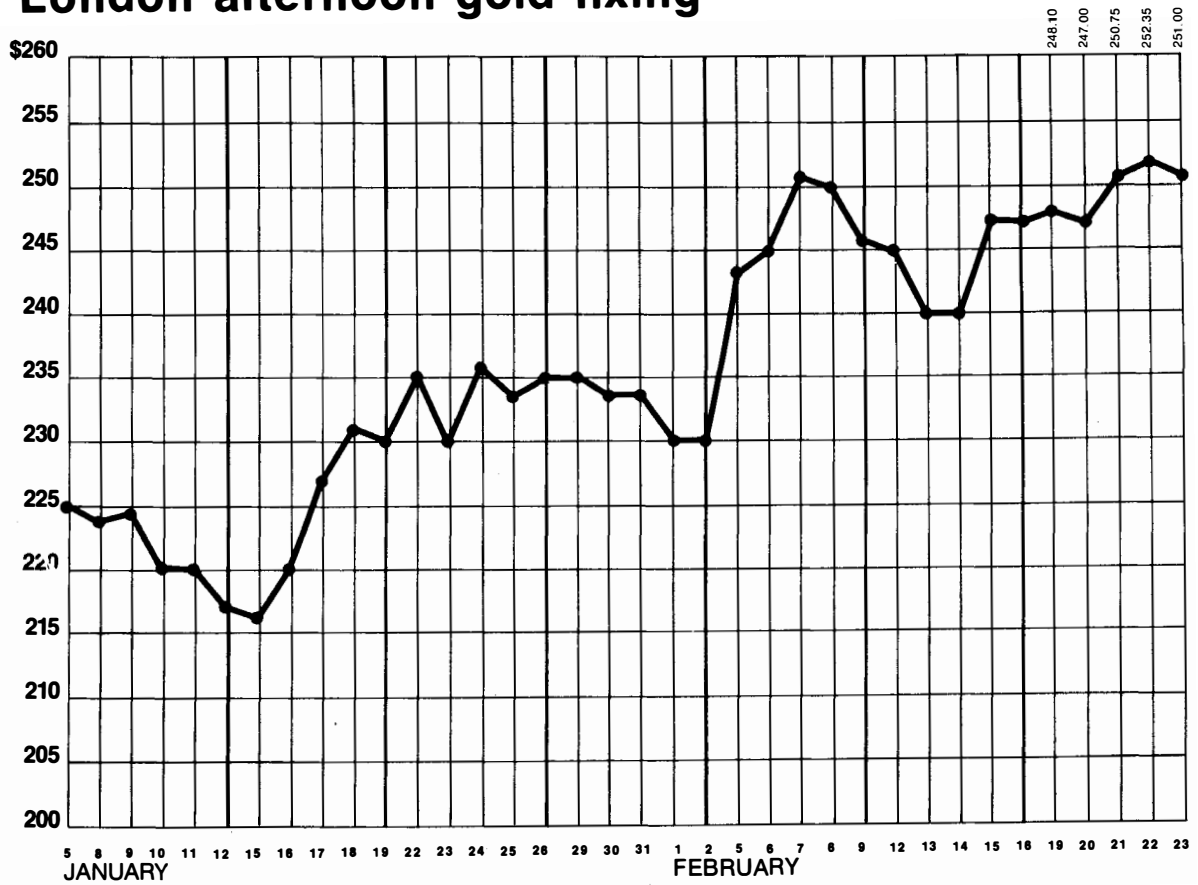
... The journalist Viglione continues to spill the beans... last year about 18 million lire landed in Viglione's hands, by means of the DC member, destined for the self-styled Red Brigade member in exchange for "revelations," details revealed by the same journalist during an interrogation....

Another chapter (still very obscure) concerns the presumed contacts of Viglione with "real" Red Brigades circles. The investigators still have to clarify, indeed, how it happened that on a list found in the house of the Sebregondi brothers (one is in jail, accused of the Patrica massacre; the other is sought for the Moro case), there is the phone number of the Radio Montecarlo journalist, next to the name "Ciccio."...

Even now it is not what use was made... of the information that Viglione passed on. And then: who decided to allow so much money to end up in the hands of a self-declared terrorist? What type of guarantees were requested and obtained? Why was the magistracy not completely informed about this affair? Those questions have been waiting for an answer for too long.

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