

Kissinger pushes Russian scenario at GOP convention

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The Republican Party's convention in Dallas Aug. 20-24 will not be the dull affair everyone expects it to be. In large measure, it will tell us whether or not Henry Kissinger and his patrons and friends will have succeeded in surrendering the strategic interests of the United States to the Kremlin. Despite the facade of placidity, despite Michael Deaver's imagery of vacuous "new patriotism," this will perhaps be the most dramatic convention of an incumbent President's party ever. What Kissinger's friends and patrons in the Republican Party will attempt is nothing less than the strategic crippling of the United States and the delivery of this nation's security into the hands of the Kremlin's junta.

The convention is occurring in the midst of a well-calculated succession of Russian military provocations spanning from Europe—with a special threat hanging over the Federal Republic of Germany—to the Balkans, Near East, Middle East, the Indian subcontinent, Southeast Asia, Japan, the Pacific, and Central America. The entire Soviet state has been on a wartime-style economic mobilization since at least July-August of 1983 which, since March, has been complemented with wartime propaganda mobilization of the domestic population and a continuous stream of troop movements under the guise of "maneuvers."

The purpose of this mobilization: to cause the cancellation of President Reagan's anti-missile beam-weapon defense program and to prepare the ground for the emergence of Russia as the sole imperial arbiter of world affairs by not later than 1988.

The Republican convention is also occurring as Congress appears to have killed funding for the MX missile. Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill proudly announced that the "compromise process" in the House-Senate conference had broken down on the issue of next year's defense authorization bill. "For all intents and purposes, the MX missile is dead," the

Democrats in the House announced. At least one of the House conferees who caused the "death" of the MX missile has known KGB connections: Rep. George Brown (D-Calif.).

Numerous Senate Republicans broke with the administration and allowed the KGB-Democrats to carry the issue. Senator John Tower (R-Tex.), exasperated, announced that the Senate Republicans shall resume their efforts after they return from the Dallas convention. Alas, Senator Tower did not know at the time that Henry Kissinger would be addressing the Republican convention on issues of national security and foreign policy. In fact, not even Rep. Trent Lott (Miss.), the Republicans' Platform Committee Chairman was aware that Kissinger would be speaking on the shaping of the Republican platform. However, Sens. Charles Mathias (Md.), Mark Hatfield (Oreg.), Charles Percy (Ill.), Lowell Weicker (Conn.), John Chaffee (R.I.), Robert Stafford (Vt.), and Mark Andrews (N.Dak.) knew. White House Chief of Staff James A. Baker III knew; his deputy Michael Deaver and others in the "palace guard" knew. James Baker's buddy from the Howard Hughes days, Republican National Chairman Frank Fahrenkopf, probably also knew.

Of importance is not a mere speech by Kissinger but rather the behind-the-scenes intrigue at the convention, for which Kissinger is going to be a key prop. Have no doubt, dear reader, that there is a powerful group of influentials in the Republican Party who are currently planning the military defanging of the United States. They are the same "Republican" influentials who imposed Kissinger on the Nixon and Ford administrations and who caused the strategic betrayal of the United States in the 1969 to 1977 period of the SALT agreements. Some of the senators named above were members of this club; the "palace guard" of Baker, Deaver, et al., though only junior members in the Nixon and Ford years, now are full-fledged members of the club. Their purpose now

is to kill President Reagan's anti-missile beam-defense policy, his Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI), announced in his historic speech of March 23, 1983.

On behalf of this powerful group, Henry Kissinger dictated to President Reagan a set of terms of surrender in a major article published by the *Washington Post* on July 26. Kissinger, the "palace guard," and the liberal Republican power brokers are now using the congressional deadlock over the defense budget and the setting of the convention itself as the arena in which to force an isolated President and an increasingly frustrated military leadership to accept their terms of surrender.

Kissinger's July 26 article, with the authority of the entire crew of Republican appeasers behind it, offered President Reagan an end of all criticism of his foreign policies and, second, propaganda support to the President should the Vienna "Star Wars" talks fail to materialize. In return, the Kissinger ultimatum asked of Reagan the following:

- The President should appoint a bipartisan commission (preferably under Kissinger's business partner Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft) which will re-evaluate the beam-weapons program, the SDI;
- the President should transfer to this bipartisan commission the authority to conduct "secret and unpublicized" back-channel negotiations with the Russians on the SDI program;
- the President should surrender to this commission the authority to legislate a "definition" of what is and what is not a "defensive" weapon; and
- the Reagan administration should adopt the intelligence evaluation, concocted by Kissinger himself, that the current Russian leadership is not in an aggressive strategic course but that it is merely engaged in vociferous, rhetorical, "psychological warfare."

Reagan under pressure

This is not what Kissinger alone is merely proposing to the President. All the mass media in the country are demanding it; the Mondale-Ferraro campaign is pushing it; the Democrats in the House and the Senate are, in effect, voting for it; the liberal wing of the Republicans is asking for it; Baker's and Deaver's palace guard is "re-phrasing" it to make it palatable to the President. Behind this determined campaign is all the power and all the resources of America's leading oligarchical families—the nominally Democratic such as Harriman, and the nominally Republican such as Rockefeller, Mellon, Temple, Weyerhaeuser, Baker, Annenberg, Armstrong, et al.—not to mention the "lesser evils" such as Max Fisher.

Beside the hoopla of the convention floor in Dallas, beside the speechifying and the "photo opportunities" which Dr. Kissinger will certainly enjoy, there will be the brutal pressuring and wheeling-and-dealing in the hotel suites and the back rooms. Most of this is not likely to become headline news. None of it will appear on your television screen. The

results, however, will trickle down during the "transition period" between November 6 and January 20.

If on Jan. 20, 1985, you hear the news that James Baker has been appointed director of the CIA and Henry Kissinger secretary of state, you will be hearing news which in fact occurred between Aug. 20 and 24 in Dallas, Texas—with a five-month lapse before the news reached you. In this, you will be suffering a severe disadvantage vis-à-vis the Kremlin leadership. They will know the results of the Aug. 20-24 back-room sessions five months before you do. And during those five months, including the 11-week period prior to Election Day, the Russian command will be making its military moves and will be taking its decisions on the basis of the knowledge that the National Command Authority of the United States has been "captured," "bought," or "blackmailed" by the friends of Henry Kissinger.

Will Danny Graham gut the SDI?

On Aug. 9, the House Republican Study Committee in Congress, under the chairmanship of Rep. Duncan Hunter of California, held a special hearing on the President's SDI in order to prepare itself for the convention. Among the many excellent things said there by Gen. James Abrahamson and Dr. Edward Teller, some items of exceptional importance were brought up by Sen. Malcolm Wallop (R-Wy.) and Dr. Lowell Wood. Both gentlemen emphasized that with its current mandate and charter, the SDI Organization under General Abrahamson is very severely hampered. They both pointed out that the SDIO charter contains no clearly stated objectives, only generalities pertaining to "research"; they both emphasized that no deadlines and timetables have been mandated to the SDIO; Senator Wallop stressed that according to the best U.S. intelligence, the Soviet Union will be testing, in outer space, its anti-missile beam weapons *not later than 1985*.

As a result of this impressive testimony, Rep. Henry Hyde (R-Ill.) was obviously alarmed and turned to Dr. Wood and Gen. (ret.) Danny Graham present in the room and asked them if they would draft an alternate charter for the SDIO. Representative Hyde promised that they would urgently take it to the President through the back door and bypass the morass of the bureaucracy.

The problem with this otherwise excellent and well-meant concern is Gen. Danny Graham who, in the last six years, has been employing the argument of military "urgency" to convince responsible people to turn away from effective laser-beam-based anti-missile defense in favor of the scientifically and militarily incompetent panacea of what he calls "kinetic-energy weapons" or "marshmallows" alternately. If a suspicious person such as General Graham, who made his career in the Defense Intelligence Agency while Kissinger was running the U.S. government, is being so successful in taking for a ride persons who are otherwise both well informed and genuinely concerned, how far has Kissinger's takeover operation really gone?