

International Intelligence

Anzus Treaty breaks up, Moscow moves in

Australian Prime Minister Robert Hawke announced on March 4 that the annual meeting of the Anzus treaty partners—the United States, New Zealand, and Australia—was “indefinitely postponed.” His foreign minister, Bill Hayden, reported the same day that Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Mikhail Kapitsa had accepted his invitation to visit Australia later in March.

The Anzus treaty is a “dead letter,” said Hawke.

The elimination of the U.S. presence in this area is a direct outgrowth of the 1969 Guam Doctrine of Henry Kissinger for the strategic withdrawal of the United States from the Pacific. The break-up of the Anzus treaty has drawn no complaints from the State Department, and Hawke even announced that he had postponed the Anzus meeting at the request of Secretary of State George Shultz.

Meanwhile, New Zealand Prime Minister David Lange, whose decision to refuse port to an American warship precipitated the current crisis, is treating the United States as the enemy of the Pacific countries. In a speech at Oxford University, Lange justified his government's move: “There is no sense in inviting these ships into waters where no imbalance exists, to deter an enemy that does not exist. . . . To force a country to accept nuclear weapons against its will is to take the moral position of totalitarianism.”

Qaddafi: Terror command must fight ‘traitors’

Libyan dictator Muammar Qaddafi has called for the creation of a “Revolutionary Command” to fight the “Zionist and imperialist” plot represented by the ongoing peace effort in the Middle East. In a speech early in March, he denounced Jordan's King Hussein and PLO chief Yasser Arafat as “traitors.”

He vowed his support to “European progressive forces”—i.e., terrorists—naming the Irish Republican Army, Red Army Faction, and Red Brigades.

The terrorist command, he said, should be made up of Libya, Syria, and Algeria, and should follow the model of the “Morocco-Libya Union of States.” Though there has been no answer from the Algerians to this “offer,” Syrian Vice-President Abdel Khalim Khaddam was in Tripoli when the proposal was made.

While Qaddafi was proclaiming that Libya has the “right and the duty” to kill its opponents, a Libyan Jew was killed in Rome March 3, apparently by Qaddafi's commandos. Although no group has taken responsibility for the murder, Italian police say they believe it was politically motivated.

Portugal's military chief advocates beam defense

Portuguese Chief of the General Staff Gen. Lemos Ferreira “has defended the Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI)—‘star wars’—of the American President,” according to *Diario de Noticias* of March 3. The plea was made “upon his return today from a visit to Belgium,” where he met with NATO Supreme Commander Gen. Bernard Rogers at NATO headquarters.

The report continues: “The project of space-based anti-missile defense, which has raised some skepticism and even outright rejection on the part of European NATO allies, stated Lemos Ferreira in a statement to [the Portuguese news agency] NP, shows ‘a concern to use an advanced technology to define solutions more appropriate to our time. The SDI also means new or emerging technologies and will allow the preservation of the status quo, the possibility of disarmament, and the pursuit by NATO of a firm, logical, and coherent attitude with respect to the U.S.S.R.,’ the chief of the General Staff stressed. He also emphasized ‘the extraordinary growth in the last few years of the Soviet and Warsaw Pact military potential.’”

“Referring to concerns that exist in various sectors of the Alliance concerning the enormous cost of the SDI—more than \$26 billion for the next five years—Lemos Ferreira replied that what is being done in the field of advanced technology permits us to make progress in other areas and is a factor of progress, exemplified by the breakthroughs registered in computers thanks to the American space program in the 1950s. There are differences between some Allies and the U.S. concerning ‘star wars,’ but what remains to be seen, according to Lemos Ferreira, is ‘who is going to move and who will join the projects.’”

Germany's Willy Brandt seeks a ‘Grand Coalition’

Willy Brandt, the president of the Socialist International and chairman of the German Social Democratic Party (SPD), is contemplating a “Grand Coalition” government with the Christian Democrats (CDU). The move is aimed to undermine the position of Christian Democratic Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who has recently come out strongly in favor of West Germany's alliance with the United States, and for cooperation with the U.S. Strategic Defense Initiative program.

In an interview with the weekly *Der Spiegel* published March 4, Brandt used the term “national responsibility” to hint at the necessity of forming a government that would include the two big West German parties—the SPD and the CDU.

Brandt laid out five goals which the two parties should achieve together:

- bring down the high unemployment rate;
- prevent the destruction of the environment;
- carry out a pension reform;
- achieve the unification of Europe, including establishment of a European Currency Union “to gain some independence from the dollar.” Brandt added, “Instead of getting pulled into such adventurist things as the American space program, we should examine, in coordination with the French

and the British," how to build a non-military space effort in Europe;

- launch a "second round of *Ostpolitik* [détente]" to work out a deal "with realistic circles in the other camp."

Brändt defended the Green Party, saying that it is wrong to "demonize a new grouping—this is what I maintain."

West German President calls for beam research

At a press conference concluding his state visit to Finland March 9, West German President Richard von Weizsäcker stated his support for the U.S. Strategic Defense Initiative and said he believed that Europe should join in the research effort. His statement reflects the growing support for the policy in the government since Chancellor Helmut Kohl officially endorsed the SDI on Feb. 9.

The Soviets are doing research in this field, he said, and so "as many nations as possible should participate in the research on such space-based defense systems."

Weizsäcker said that the notion of "Star Wars" was wrong, because the SDI was aimed at "finding a defensive system." Future work on weapons technology only made sense, he said, if it succeeded in reducing the potential of aggressive weapons.

"The more the U.S.A. involves its alliance partners and the rest of the world in this effort, the better it will be for securing peace," he added. "The more these new technologies prove capable of encouraging the process of arms control and disarmament, the better it will be."

Andreotti under fire for support of Qaddafi

Italian Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti is coming under growing criticism for his defense of Libyan dictator Muammar Qaddafi, who has been making public terror threats against Italy, the United States, and other

countries. Andreotti ordered the foreign ministry to conduct an "investigation" before taking any actions against Libya, in order to determine whether Qaddafi really mentioned Italy and the Italian Red Brigades in his recent speech.

The Italian translation of the release on the speech by the Libyan news service JANA made no mention of the Red Brigades, but only of the West German-based Red Army Faction and the Irish Republican Army.

Andreotti's pro-Libyan policy was denounced as a "total failure" by a group of Italian parliamentarians, who emphasized that Qaddafi's threats are coherent with the present wave of terrorism against NATO. The Catholic daily *Avvenire* emphasized that the Libyan threats to Italy are the result of "Andreotti's pro-Libyan policy." This indicates that strong opposition to Andreotti exists inside his own Christian Democratic party.

Israeli parliamentarian denounces Green Nazis

Likud Party member of the Israeli Knesset (parliament) Ehud Olmert, speaking from his office in Jerusalem March 6, issued the following statement to the Schiller Institute on the subject of West Germany's Green Party:

"The attitude of the Green Party towards the State of Israel reflects an attitude based on prejudices and a bias which is distorting the real perspective of the Middle East problems. The terms, the manners, and the techniques of these groups reflect attitudes which remind many Israelis of other groups in the past of Germany which we believed would never reappear. In modern times, groups which use terms such as 'changing the world' usually are associated with the arch enemies of the State of Israel, those who are committed to its liquidation. The latest visit of the delegation of the Green Party to Israel only helped to reemphasize and strengthen those impressions."

Olmert is a leading anti-drug fighter in the Knesset.

Briefly

- **MAY 8, V-E DAY**, will be the culmination point of the Stalin revival in the Soviet Union, Mideast intelligence sources report. Look for Stalin's picture everywhere on that day.

- **AFTER ALL THAT TALK** about Robert Vesco being in Cuba, it appears that he is in Panama instead. Why isn't Castro protesting?

- **THE SWISS EDITION** of *Readers' Digest* is the first periodical other than this one to detail the control of the Ayatollah Khomeini over the international terror network that reaches all the way into the United States. Particularly noteworthy is the magazine's mention of David Belfield, a.k.a. Salahuddin, who killed a prominent Iranian opposition leader in 1979, and escaped thanks to the protection of officials of the Carter administration.

- **A DEAL WAS STRUCK** between U.S. State Department negotiator Murphy and his Soviet counterpart Polyakov at the Vienna talks on the Middle East, our sources report. Both sides agreed not to intervene in upcoming hostilities between Israel and Syria.

- **SADDAM HUSSEIN** of Iraq has created a special brigade of 5,000 men ready to intervene in southern Lebanon to prevent an Iranian takeover of that region, according to the French weekly *VSD*.

- **SOCIAL DEMOCRATS** from West Germany, led by oligarch Peter von Oertzen, went to Rome for three days of meetings with the Italian Communist Party at the beginning of March. The PCI newspaper *l'Unità* reported that the discussions led to agreement on the necessity "to create a European bloc on the world market." Only in this way will it be possible to oppose "American economic-military superiority."