

International Intelligence

Mexico protests Gavin interference

Mexican Foreign Minister Bernardo Sepulveda on Oct. 4 castigated U.S. Ambassador John Gavin's interference into Mexican relief efforts following the recent earthquake.

When asked by reporters about Gavin's repeated declarations regarding number of casualties and extent of damage—statements which the Mexican government says are exaggerated—Sepulveda retorted, "It is up to the government of Mexico to decide the actions to be taken, and also the quantification of damages caused by the earthquake, based on the reliable information which it possesses."

Sepulveda also stated that Mexico did not have the internal savings required to rebuild, and that "additional resources" must be sought.

Gavin has repeatedly incurred the wrath of the Mexican government, for his warnings that the country is "unsafe" for tourists and for his not-so-secret support of the fascist opposition National Action Party (PAN).

Banker Ulloa loses suit against anti-drug fighter

A judge in Lima, Peru ruled Oct. 6 that there was no merit in the libel suit filed by former Peruvian prime minister and economics minister Manuel Ulloa against Luis Vásquez, director of the National Anti-Drug Coalition. Ulloa had objected to assertions that his monetarist economic policies were conducive to the destruction of legitimate industry and the takeover of the Peru by narcotics traffic.

Ulloa, formerly the Lima branch manager for David Rockefeller's Chase Manhattan Bank, is on record advocating the legalization of the coca trade—a position which he has not chosen to repeat, however, since the inauguration of President Alan García, who is arresting drug traffickers.

Ulloa had at first blustered that he would

go to the United States and sue Lyndon LaRouche for similar reportage in *EIR* and its explosive book, *Narcotráfico, S.A. (Dope, Inc.)* But his intentions were frustrated by the widely reported charge that he was using the suit as an excuse to flee from corruption investigations in Peru and Vásquez's challenge that Ulloa sue him in Peru.

Colombian labor leader warns of AIDS pandemic

Colombian Labor Minister Jorge Carrillo warned of the breakout of a global AIDS pandemic, in a speech to the Inter-American labor ministers' conference in Costa Rica on Oct. 6. He said: "Our greater nation, from Mexico to Argentina is in a critical situation: Either creative solutions are found or simplistic monetary formulas will aggravate the economic crisis in such a way that epidemics and pandemic explosions which are now raging across Africa and are wiping out millions show a mild foretaste of what is in store for Ibero-America.

"What we are witnessing is not another depression like that of the 1930s. What we are allowing to happen is something only comparable to the Black Death of the 14th century, which killed half the European population. The lethal AIDS is only a harbinger of things to come. If we stubbornly defend and justify usury, we will not be morally fit to survive and, in fact, we will not survive."

Carrillo declared that Great Projects for continental
reverse the economic breakdown, and called for an Ibero-American common market.

Greece bestows medal on East Germany's leader

Greek President Christos Sartzetakis conferred upon East German leader Erich Honecker the nation's highest decoration, the "Grand Cross of the Chevalier," during Honecker's visit to Athens early in October. Sartzetakis praised Moscow's long-time sa-

trap as a "fighter for many years in the cause of freedom, democracy, and peace."

Greek state-run radio described East Germany as a "freedom-loving, democratic state.

Meanwhile, an Athens court has ruled that President Sartzetakis is holding office illegally. Judge Katsaros issued the opinion that he could not enforce a law bearing the President's signature, "since the President himself was in office unconstitutionally." The ruling was featured prominently in the Oct. 5 editions of Greece's national newspapers and is expected to rekindle the controversy over Sartzetakis's election to the presidency by Greece's Parliament in March. Sartzetakis was elected by Parliament without the constitutionally mandated general elections being held. Sartzetakis himself has expressed the opinion that his election was illegal.

The government plans to appeal the ruling.

Terrorists, squatters in rampage against García

Peru's Shining Path terrorists (*Sendero Luminoso*) are waging a war against President Alan García, conducting prison riots and threatening with assassination any judge who imprisons terrorists. Peruvian Justice Minister Luis González Posada charged Oct. 10 that jailed members of Shining Path effectively run whole sections of Lima's prisons. For two years, he said, no one has been able to enter the Británico wing of the Lurigancho prison, because the prisoners "have established their own internal rules."

The terrorist campaign against García and his interior minister, Abel Salinas, has received support from both left-wing and right-wing political parties. One thousand police evicted some 20,000 squatters who had occupied land near Lima's airport on Oct. 3. Seven hours of armed resistance by the invaders, incited by the Maoist district mayor and a Maoist parliamentary deputy, resulted in 1 dead and 22 wounded.

The leftist parties immediately launched a campaign for the resignation of Salinas,

backed up by the rightist parties, who demanded that Salinas submit to congressional interrogation.

Salinas charged, "This action was totally premeditated; it was not motivated by the desire to have a space for housing, but by other intentions." Officials reported that only one-sixth of the invaders required emergency housing and that many already owned property. The rioters used dynamite, Molotov cocktails, sharpened implements and gunfire against the police. An investigation is focusing on the district mayor.

Greens calls for drugs, sodomy to be legalized

In the short time that the Green Party's Herbert Rusche has been in the German parliament, he has called both for the legalization of homosexual relations between adults and minors and of hashish and marijuana. Rusche recently became one of the Greens' 27 members in the Bundestag, succeeding a Green MP who resigned. He is also a member of an organization representing homosexuals and pederasts.

Rusche, who characterizes himself as "the spokesman of the homosexuals in the parliament," started his political career in the drug-sex counterculture of Frankfurt. His recent statement in favor of legalization was denounced by the Christian Democrats in Bonn on Oct. 7, who said Krusche's call was a "threat to law and order, and to parliamentary democracy as a whole."

The Greens' adviser on drug issues, Hans-Georg Behr, is a "Yippie" and journalist for *Overthrow* and *High Times* magazines.

Gandhi says Pakistan may have nuclear bomb

Pakistan may already have a nuclear bomb, Indian Prime Minister Gandhi said in an interview on Oct. 8 to the *Guardian*. "We feel that they're either on the verge of getting the bomb or they already have one and may not

need to test it. India has pledged to take countermeasures if it was established that Islamabad has nuclear weapons."

The prime minister said that "other countries" were financing Pakistan's alleged nuclear weapons program, and he expressed fears that Pakistan might foster the spread of nuclear weapons. "We have firm evidence that the bomb is being financed, not solely by Pakistan, but also by other countries. . . . Will this mean that the Pakistani bomb will be made available to other countries?" Gandhi asked.

Kissinger order: 'eliminate' Thai leader

The orders have gone down from Henry Kissinger to the government of Thailand, according to high-level sources, for the judicial murder of Gen. Kriangsak Chomanan (ret.), former prime minister of Thailand and parliamentarian. Kissinger told Thai Prime Minister Prem Tinsulamond during a meeting the week of Sept. 30 in New York: "Kriangsak is dangerous and should be eliminated," according to confirmed reports.

In an unprecedented move in Thailand's 53 years as a constitutional monarchy, General Kriangsak, along with three other leading military officers, is being held on charges of treason for his alleged role in the Sept. 9 aborted coup attempt against the Prem government.

Kriangsak states that he was forcibly taken and held by the coup plotters, led by Young Turk Col. Manoon Roopkachorn (ret.), at the rebel command headquarters. All attempts by Kriangsak's wife and his colleagues to obtain his release on bail have been denied.

Kriangsak and the other senior military officers are to be tried in civilian court. There are pressures from certain quarters, who evidently believe they must obey orders from Kissinger, to finish the process within weeks. The judicial murder of General Kriangsak will fuel the current political destabilization of this crucial American ally.

Briefly

● **HUGO SPADAFORA**, a former Nicaraguan minister, was killed by Nicaraguan "contras," according to well-informed Panamanians. According to these sources, the Nicaraguan Democratic Front (FDN), which operates with backing from the CIA and the right-wing Social Democratic apparatus of Jeane Kirkpatrick, has death squads operating throughout Central America. Spadafora was reportedly the first prominent victim.

● **EAST GERMAN** leader Erich Honecker "considers it important," that Bonn not make any official decision on participation in the U.S. Strategic Defense Initiative before his visit in West Germany, according to the *Der Spiegel*. Honecker may visit West Germany in December or January.

● **NORTH KOREA** received 10 MiG-23 supersonic fighter aircraft from the Soviet Union, raising the number of aircraft to 26, a Japanese paper reported on Oct. 6. The delivery was part of a secret military accord between the two countries.

● **LUIS ECHEVERRIA**, former President of Mexico, issued a forceful call for Ibero-American integration at the meeting of the Latin American Economic System (SELA) in Caracas, Venezuela. "To the current world economic crisis, I see no other solution but the implementation of a new international economic order," Echeverria said. "We continue to be the disunited peoples of South America."

● **LUIGI DE MARCHI**, a prominent Italian physician, warned in the weekly magazine *Oggi* that "moralism" about the issue of AIDS must be avoided. AIDS is a "health problem, and not an ethical one," and drug use and homosexuality should not be mixed into the AIDS issue. De Marchi is well-known for his calls for ways to reduce Italy's population by from one-half to four-fifths.