

Club of Rome in new malthusian offensive

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The Club of Rome, the conceptual command center of the neo-malthusian movement since the release of its notorious *Limits to Growth* report two decades ago, is launching a new organizing offensive this autumn. According to information obtained by *EIR*, the Club plans to release two major reports, which will receive wide publicity in the international media, one assessing the results of its 20 years' proliferation of malthusianism, and the second spelling out its agenda for the current decade and for the next millennium.

The first, entitled *The First Global Revolution*, will be published simultaneously in September as a book in the United States, United Kingdom, France, and other nations, in Germany as a special edition of the weekly *Der Spiegel*, and in Japan by the newspaper *Asahi Shimbun*. Then, for the occasion of their next international conference, to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay in November of this year, the Club will produce an updated version of the 1971 *Limits to Growth*, the blueprint for the genocidalist program to end all economic growth and decimate the world's population. Dennis Meadows, author of the original *Limits to Growth*, is now working on this version. This will lead to the publication of a report with the title, *Limits to Growth for the 21st Century*.

Club leaders privately deny any policymaking role, but in fact their self-appointed role goes beyond policymaking in the narrow sense of this term. The Club of Rome has always attempted to shift the "paradigms" of thinking of both policy elites and populations. What they are now attempting, is to exploit to the full, through propaganda and other means, the increasing number and severity of disasters—man-made and natural—taking their toll in human lives, to induce people to feel more despairing and pessimistic in the face of such catastrophes, and to implant a "Kantian duty" which will render them incapable of finding creative solutions to the problems of the future. In that state of mind, human beings can be induced to "dutifully" accept mass death.

Focus on crisis regions

The Club of Rome has recently been focusing its malignant attention on some of the most troubled regions of the

world: the Middle East, Africa, and the Soviet Union, European analysts report. In all these areas, the Club is trying to impose its own agenda for dealing with what they call the *problematicues* that must be faced, like "food security," "environmental constraints," "population growth," "potential mass population movements," and the "North-South issue."

The Club of Rome's national group in the Soviet Union—one of the Club's most active chapters, it is reported—just held a secret high-level meeting involving academics and students in Novosibirsk, Siberia, and including Club co-founder Alexander King, a British racist who has spent much of his career seeking ways to "reduce the threat from population growth among non-white populations." Soviet Club of Rome members include Yevgeny M. Primakov, director of the Institute of World Economy and International Relations, and Dzherman Gvishiani of the Committee for Systems Analysis of the Soviet Academy of Sciences.

Although the Soviet Club of Rome is not expressing publicly any views on population, migration, or North-South problems, these are matters of great concern, especially within the Soviet Union itself, sources close to the Club report. According to these sources, the Soviets claim to have their own internal "North-South" crisis, between the Russian and western republics, and the southern Islamic republics. The Russian and Ukrainian birth rates are very low compared to those of the Islamic republics. Yet at the same time, especially in the midst of the current economic breakdown in the Soviet Union, none of the Islamic republics want to leave the union. Hence, the "internal demographic threat" will grow.

A racist alliance

The same sources also claim there is a great *external* Soviet fear of the Chinese "population problem," despite the warming ties between the Soviet Union and China. Supposedly, in Siberia and elsewhere in the U.S.S.R., the Soviets fear hordes of Chinese crossing the border into Siberia, a region many Chinese settlers moved into during the last century, and an area barely populated by Russians.

Whether this faithfully represents the private view of leading Soviet Russian elites or not, the very circulation of such reports flowing out of the Novosibirsk meeting, indicates that King and his cohorts are trying to recruit the Soviet Russian "caucasians" into a common alliance against the world's non-white peoples.

The Middle East and Africa and the Islamic world are also a matter of considerable preoccupation for the Club of Rome. The convergence of disasters in these regions, including war and famine, is being cynically exploited to foster the Club's aims. One policy being discussed and advanced, is to use the "food weapon" against the Arab states, in response to use of the "oil weapon." As one Club member noted privately, the Middle East now requires 60 million tons of imported grain a year to keep alive, and this could provide a powerful weapon in the hands of food exporters.