

Democrats who are in this special branch of politics have been encouraged to try more.

But it is difficult to sell "anti-fascism" to a wider segment of citizens in a country such as Germany that does not have the massive scope of racist and anti-Semitic incidents that, for example, Britain has. Even though such incidents have increased over the past four years, violent *antifa* countergangs have been sent in to ensure the situation remains heated.

For example, the upcoming soccer match between England and Germany. For unexplained reasons, the European Soccer Federation fixed April 20 as the date for the match, even though it was aware that matches with English teams tend to attract hordes of violence-prone British skinheads as well as their counterparts from the host nation. April 20 is also a special pretext for provocations by skinheads and neo-Nazi groups, because it is the birthday of Adolf Hitler. April 20 has been designated by the *antifa* underground as the beginning of its counter-campaign against the neo-Nazis, with whom they have a more than symbiotic relationship.

What's Kissinger's role?

Nobody with a sane mind would have fixed that date for a soccer match. But the sanity of soccer officials is also questionable on other grounds as well: They recently brought Henry Kissinger onto the board of the Federation of International Football Associations.

The circumstances of the match smell of orchestration and provocation. When authorities in Hamburg, the city that was first named for the match, cancelled permission for the event because they had evidence of a nationwide buildup for left-right clashes, the soccer association chose Berlin, keeping the April 20 date, naturally.

But Berlin is "Hitler's capital" in the eyes of *antifa* activists. And, indeed, the *Interim* journal (No. 274) of the radical left underground called "the planned match on the Führer's birthday, in the stadium built by the Führer [for the 1936 Olympics], in the capital of the Führer's Reich, a huge provocation."

Police are alarmed

Berlin police have already raised alarm over preparations in the *antifa* scene for "offensive" actions that also aim to kill "neo-Nazis" in violent clashes. *Interim* stated that "we are living in a hostile hinterland. . . . The fact that, in an atmosphere that has been hyped up through ethnic pogroms and state repression, a fascist may well get killed, shouldn't surprise anyone."

This has to be prevented, and it would be helpful, for example, if persons who have experience with the provocative role played by the Anti-Defamation League in racist clashes in the United States, assisted in defusing the violent buildup. Such killings would visibly encourage the *antifa* to intensify its subversive operations.

Goons assault LaRouche associates

The two goons pictured here are from Germany's "anti-fascist" or "*antifa*" scene, photographed on Feb. 28 in Heidelberg as they conducted a violent attack against two members of the Solidarity Civil Rights Movement (BBS) who were gathering petition signatures for the upcoming European parliamentary elections. Immediately after this photograph was taken, the goons were joined by three more, who together struck and kicked the two petitioners, one of whom had to be hospitalized. In a statement later, BBS spokesman Anno Hellenbroich demanded that "it is more necessary than ever now to stop the hate campaigns which have been led under the guise of 'anti-fascism.' "

EIR has documented, in a German-language special report entitled "Strategy of Tension," how both the German "left" and "right" radical scene is being manipulated



by a combination of British and former communist East German intelligence assets as a means of keeping Germany domestically unstable, with the aim of preventing Germany from playing a leading role in the peaceful economic recovery of western and eastern Europe.