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Russian patriarch calls for summit in Sarajevo

In a report-back meeting about Russian Orthodox Patriarch Aleksii II's trip to Serbia, Montenegro, and Bulgaria at the end of May, Metropolitan Kirill announced that Aleksii had called for a meeting of the world leaders of the Orthodox Church, the Catholic Church, and Islam on the territory of the former Yugoslavia, perhaps in Sarajevo.

Said Kirill, "The conflict in Bosnia and Hercegovina, which involves Orthodox Christians, Catholics, and Muslims, is a bloody conflict. It is not simply an ideological discord or intellectual confrontation, or incorrect theological dispute, but a war. And although that war is not religious, and religious motives should not be used to heat up passions, in fact, the front line passes, as it were, along the divides between faiths. The circumstances may have most dangerous implications for relationships between Orthodox Christians, Catholics, and Muslims all over the world."

Brits lured Argentina into Malvinas war

Peter Jay, the former British ambassador to the United States, revealed in a commentary published in the London *Times* on May 26 that a senior British Foreign Office official advised Argentina in 1979 to try to take back the Malvinas Islands (which the British refer to as the Falklands), thereby giving Britain a pretext for going to war against Argentina.

Diplomatic editor Michael Binyon writes that the official in question, who Jay says acted "without authority," was George Hall, who is now deceased.

The Jay revelations come in a review of a new book, *Mandarin*, the diaries of former British ambassador to the United States Sir Nicholas Henderson. Jay, who knows he is violating regulations about "confidentiality," asserts that "the time has come for greater openness." He gives the following account of his dialogue with "a senior Foreign Office man," whom he does not name:

"Jay: What is your mission?

"FO official: I am going to Buenos Aires to tell the Argentinians to do something about the Falklands.

"Jay: Like what?

"FO: Like seizing them.

"Jay: I beg your pardon?

"FO: You know, take them over.

"Jay: Do you have Ministers' authority to tell them that?

"FO: Don't be daft. Ministers are politicians. All hot air and no action. They will never spend the money to make the Falklands an economic proposition, nor to defend them militarily. We, the professionals, have to provide the only possible solution."

Thuringian ministry libels Civil Rights party

Anno Hellenbroich, deputy chairman of the Civil Rights Movement-Solidarity, held a press conference in Erfurt, in the German state of Thuringia, on May 19, calling upon the interior minister of the state to correct a scandalous public statement issued by his ministry about the party. The Civil Rights Movement is headed by Helga Zepp-LaRouche, a candidate for chancellor in the fall elections.

Interior Ministry sources had been quoted in press reports, saying that the Federal Office of Constitutional Protection (Bundesverfassungsschutz) was investigating the Civil Rights Movement, along with various "right-wing extremist parties." Such inflammatory statements, said Hellenbroich, could only lead voters to the manifestly false conclusion that the Civil Rights Movement is such a party. So far, he said, no adequate official explanation has been given; it is still unknown whether such investigations have been or still are under way.

Thuringian newspapers had earlier quoted a local parliamentarian saying that it was a scandal that the Civil Rights Movement was allowed to run in the elections, since it was "on the extreme right fringe."

Hellenbroich pointed out that prominent representatives of the American civil rights movement of Dr. Martin Luther King are members of the advisory board of the Civil

Rights Movement, showing how absurd it is to call the party "right-wing extremist." This line has been spread for years against the international associates of Lyndon and Helga LaRouche, by journalists linked to the Stasi (former East German secret police) and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, he said.

LaRouche interviewed in Italian magazine

"Wall Street Against Nations" is the headline of a two-page interview with Lyndon LaRouche in the weekly *L'Italia* the week of May 16. "Out of the jail where George Bush kept him for five years, the 71-year-old LaRouche has again become a factor in American politics," the magazine wrote. "LaRouche smiles when we ask him how he could, in a short time, turn from a political prisoner into the adviser to the prince. 'Today it is clear to many that the choices made by governments in the past years are wrong, while those I indicated have turned out to be systematically correct. But let us not forget that I am free only on parole.'"

The magazine reported that LaRouche's priority is his fight for full exoneration, "along with a scientific project: the completion of nonlinear mathematical instruments to measure economic development."

LaRouche, according to *L'Italia*, "does not avoid the issues and does not speak 'politicalesse.' He himself says that he uses ideas 'like boxers use their fists.' Sometimes, especially on economic issues, the discussion becomes complex, difficult. One may not agree with everything he says, and some of his theses make you perplexed, but if you are used to the American parliamentary fauna, you are at least struck by LaRouche's unusual depth of thinking. For LaRouche, politics is 'living history' and the present is 'at least the span of four generations,' the historical memory of the leading class of people of his age today."

Asked to comment on the Italian situation, LaRouche said, in the magazine's paraphrase, that "what is taking place in Italy can be compared to living theater. Each party is given a characteristic role in the

play, and in order to have the character respect his or her role, you have to create a situation in which he or she will react predictably. The various characters will always react in the same manner toward each other. The director just puts on stage a couple of actors whom he controls, who will provoke the others' reaction."

Beijing pressures Taipei on islands

The People's Republic of China has sent in naval vessels and stepped up threats over the Spratly Islands in order to pressure Taiwan, Richard Grant, director of the Asia-Pacific Program at the Royal Institute of International Affairs (RIIA) in London, told *EIR* on May 16.

"They fear that Taiwan is slipping from their grasp," he said, "that the window is closing on reunification with Taiwan because of the generational changes occurring in Taiwan. So a lot of this military motion may be more directed toward Taipei, rather than toward Southeast Asia. . . . There are fewer and fewer Taiwanese who were born on the Mainland; they identify with Taiwan. This is causing greater demands for independence" on the part of Taiwan.

Beijing, he said, is flexing military muscle as "theater," to pressure Taiwan into a "peaceful" compliance with reunification, modeled on the Hongkong "One Country-Two Systems" program. "The Chinese manner of negotiating is always to take the extreme line, to scream and yell, and then you negotiate," said the British analyst.

Rutskoy announces drive to remove Yeltsin

Former Russian Vice President Aleksandr Rutskoy has publicly committed himself to removing President Boris Yeltsin from power and restoring a Russian state "within the boundaries of the Soviet Union," according to Reuters on May 22.

At a party congress which met May 21-22, Rutskoy argued that his Social Demo-

cratic People's Party should become the basis for a mass patriotic opposition movement, and urged party leaders to push for presidential elections earlier than the scheduled 1996 date. At the end of May, Rutskoy's and other opposition groups were scheduled to hold a joint conference to devise a strategy for removing Yeltsin.

"The restoration of Great Russia to the boundaries of the Soviet Union will be the main aim of the patriotic movement," Rutskoy said in his speech.

On May 21, leaders of 20 communist groupings from around the former Soviet Union also gathered near Moscow to discuss joint actions aimed at reviving the old Soviet Union, according to Reuters.

Japan debates extension of NPT

Former Japanese Defense Minister Taku Yamasaki, now a member of the Diet from the opposition Liberal Democratic Party (LDP), questioned the wisdom of an unlimited extension of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty "in light of North Korean developments," in a floor speech on May 20.

The NPT commits signatories to ensuring that nuclear weapons are not developed in countries other than the five "official" U.N. nuclear powers, the United States, Russia, China, France, and Britain. The treaty runs out in 1995.

Yamasaki said that if North Korea were proved to be making nuclear weapons, and if this were to encourage nuclear proliferation elsewhere, Japan would need a "card" to put down on the negotiating table.

Japan's new foreign minister, Koji Kakizawa, hastened to say that Japan would stick by the NPT. He told a TV debate on May 22 that "there have been suspicions raised over whether Japan might arm itself with nuclear weapons in order to counter the North Korean threat, and suspicions over Japan's role in the region. To clear ourselves from such suspicions in Europe and the United States, we must make clear that we will continue to support an unlimited extension of NPT."

Briefly

● **THE BOSNIAN EMBASSY** in London reports that the imminent withdrawal of French troops from Bosnia will lead to top-down British control of Unprofor. Turkish and Pakistani troops will be put under British command as the Malaysians are already.

● **BRITAIN'S** Prince Charles flew back to London on May 19 after completing the first official visit to Russia by British royalty in a century. His press secretary said that Queen Elizabeth had formally accepted an invitation from President Boris Yeltsin to visit Russia, possibly this fall. She would be the first reigning British monarch ever to visit Russia.

● **SAUDI DIPLOMAT** Mohamed al-Khilewi, the first secretary at the United Nations mission, has penned an open letter blaming the Saudi monarchy for the country's "collapse," the London *Guardian* reported on May 24. He warned that unless a just system were established, "the plans of others could be realized and public disturbances occur in the interior." Al-Khilewi has gone into hiding.

● **GIULIO ANDREOTTI**, the former Italian prime minister, was indicted by prosecutors in Palermo, Sicily on May 13, after 14 months of official investigations. Andreotti is charged with "criminal association," which is the Italian equivalent of the U.S. racketeering law. His trial is expected to start in a few months.

● **POPE JOHN PAUL II** said on May 14 that he was praying for the unity of Italy. "Here, it is a matter not only of ethnic unity," he said, "but, first of all, of cultural unity, of the unity of language, of tradition, which has gathered into itself many elements of the ancient Mediterranean world. This unity, which comes from manifoldness, is like a reflection of that unity of the church in which the Holy Spirit acts."