

# International Intelligence

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## ***Vietnam announces new Kampuchea withdrawal***

Vietnam announced April 28 its intention to withdraw about 30,000 troops from Kampuchea during the month of May. The announcement was made at a press conference held at the Vietnamese mission to the United Nations in New York.

The withdrawal will start May 2, according to Vietnam's ambassador to the United Nations, and should be completed by the end of the month. He said the troops to be withdrawn will come primarily from the Cuu Long Grouping. Foreign journalists will be invited to witness the withdrawal.

The ambassador emphasized that Vietnam's withdrawal at this time is a sign of strength.

He pointed out that it will take place at the beginning of the rainy season in the region—traditionally the period for expansion of guerrilla activities of the sort being waged in Kampuchea by the remnants of the Chinese-backed Pol Pot regime.

Of the recent heavy exchange of artillery fire between Vietnam and China, the ambassador said that the Chinese are acting like a parent who cries out loud to boost the morale of a badly beaten child. The "badly beaten child" is a reference to the Pol Pot forces, against whom the Vietnamese have recently inflicted defeats.

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## ***Portugese Socialists win, but who will rule?***

Portuguese Socialist Party candidate Mario Soares scored an unimpressive victory in the April 25 general elections, held on the ninth anniversary of the 1974 progressive military revolution.

Whether, or for how long, the Socialist Party can govern Portugal remains to be seen; Soares failed at his last try in power in 1976-77. Soares's PSP polled only 36-38 percent of the vote, short of the majority required to govern alone.

Soares—whose campaign promises were austerity and more austerity—is expected to

seek an alliance with the runner-up Social Democratic Party (PSD) which has led the country for the past two years. This effort may be complicated by the electoral gains of the Portugese Communist Party (PCP), which won 18 percent. Observers predict it will take at least two months to work out the PSP-PSD coalition.

The political maneuvers have gained the attention of the military officers involved in the 1974 coup.

On the same day as the elections a grouping of some 1,500 officers who participated in the 1974 revolution opened offices in Lisbon. Leaders of the "25th of April Association" deny they are "waiting in the wings" but they emphasize that "the great majority of the Portuguese people" identify with their ideals.

The population, Soares has said, will have two to three more years of reduced living standards, which are already well below those of other European nations. Portugal is in the throes of a "Third World-style" economic and debt crisis. Its foreign debt is about \$13 billion; and its 1983 debt payments are estimated at \$6 billion—almost \$1 billion more than the country's general budget!

Investment has stopped, and domestic interest rates are climbing steeply. A severe drought has forced imports of millions of tons of wheat.

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## ***Tiempo Argentino documents LaRouche's role***

The April 10 issue of Argentina's daily *Tiempo Argentino* devoted two articles to coverage of *EIR* founder Lyndon LaRouche's role in shaping the Ibero-American sentiment for a debtor's cartel.

"Difficult Test for Political Leadership," the first of the articles spread side by side across two pages, read in part: "Lyndon LaRouche, for instance, the economist and Democratic politician who heads *EIR* magazine, who is a tenacious critic of monetarism and a strong defender of the need for a new international monetary order, has recommended to Argentinian leaders that they

'lie': in other words, that they not reveal their true intentions in such matters of government until the very moment they are in government.

"The faction whose views this leader expresses, favors the idea of a 'debtors' club' to pressure the international monetary system to the effect that it may 'distance itself abruptly from monetarism and adhere to the principles of a national banking system,' according to an *EIR* memorandum which is being eagerly read these days by the leadership of the Multipartidaria [the central grouping of opposition parties in Argentina]."

And from the second piece, "The World Suffers its Deepest Crisis": "The gravity of the situation is so alarming that a movement has been set in motion within the Democratic Party of the United States, led by former presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche, to urge 'poor' countries to constitute a debtors' club and impose changes in present relations with the centers of power.

"Representatives of Mr. LaRouche, whose organization edits publications of a strategic, economic, financial, and humanistic nature, have made contact with Argentinian analysts and political leaders, whom they have presented with the text of a work entitled 'The Role of a Debtors' Cartel in Bringing President Franklin Roosevelt's Anti-Colonialist Policy into Immediate Actuality.'

"It is difficult, given the absence of greater details on LaRouche's real political capital in his country, to determine what degree of influence he may hold in the United States.

"It is true, nonetheless, that his magazine, *Executive Intelligence Review*, anticipated in its pages since late 1979 the course developments would follow in the financial world, leading into the present crisis, whose gravity it foresees will be no less than that of 1929.

"LaRouche warns debtor countries that, unless they rapidly consolidate a common front, the centers of financial power will create the conditions to control their economy as a dictatorship, converting the International Monetary Fund into a sort of central bank which will intervene into each of their internal lives."

## Briefly

### Europeans recognize 'missile crisis' danger

Leading analysts from the European defense community consistently voiced "aha's" of recognition in response to *EIR*'s briefings about *EIR*'s analysis of the issues involved in the brouhaha in Sweden over the deployment of Soviet submarines into Swedish territorial waters.

Without exception, analysts from West Germany, Switzerland, Sweden, and the United Kingdom acknowledged the validity of LaRouche's conception that the Soviet sub deployment is a "signal" that the expected "Cuban Missiles Crisis" has begun.

A source affiliated with the International Institute of Strategic Studies commented, "What has just happened will not be limited to Sweden. The Soviets will repeat this in Japan, probably in further areas in the Baltic region, and off the coast of the United States, possibly including into the Mississippi River.

"This is not a poker game, as some people still think, this is chess, and the Soviets have begun with pawn to king's-knight three [a highly unorthodox opening move in chess]. This is the opening move of the operational side of the strategic situation, leading to the missiles crisis you're talking about."

The European analysts indicated that the "midget submarines" are not only capable of deploying nuclear land mines that can be emplaced under the coastlines of American cities, but could also be useful in generating undersea explosions that could create massive amounts of steam, radioactive or otherwise, to inundate cities near the American coast and create destructive tidal waves in the Atlantic Ocean.

The Swiss daily *Neue Zürcher Zeitung*, which usually prides itself on filling its front page with two-day-old news, on April 28 carried extensive reportage on the Swedish Military Commission's investigation into Soviet submarine violation of Swedish territorial waters.

According to the *NZZ* report of the findings of the commission, a standard Soviet submarine can carry two to three of these mini-subs. They are propeller operated, and

apparently capable of staying on mission under water for at least a week.

### *EIR* terror exposé in Turkish press

Turkish authorities and reporters have begun to use *EIR*'s information on Armenian terrorism, which has committed dozens of attacks on Turkish diplomats and citizens.

In the March 20 issue of the Turkish daily *Milliyet*, columnist Orsan Oymen cites *EIR* as his source: "The view that the Armenian terrorist organization ASALA was based in the PLO camps led by Arafat in Lebanon and supported by the PLO is wearing out.

"After the Israeli attacks, Lebanon was cleared of PLO fighters, but Lebanon, under the control of the Israeli occupation forces, continues to be a base for the Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia (ASALA).

"This means that the international terrorist organization known as ASALA enjoys some kind of immunity. We wonder if Ariel Sharon, the butcher of Lebanon, his clique, and his local collaborators, the Christian Falangists, aren't offering protection to ASALA under their wings.

"The American institution the *Executive Intelligence Review*, well known for its intensive research work on international terrorism, draws attention to this point. . . . There is interesting proof that ASALA cooperates closely with the Lebanese heroin mafia.

"For example, in November 1981, the Swedish police uncovered a smuggling attempt involving \$70 million worth of heroin originating from Lebanon. They arrested 24 persons, most of them Armenians. . . . The proceeds from the heroin sales were transferred to this terrorist organization.

"As is observed, the web of Armenian terrorism is multilateral and multinational. . . . International terrorism, on the other hand, is another network which extends its activities from arms and the heroin mafia to secret services, without discriminating between East and West."

● **HENRI NANNEN**, publisher of the German magazine *Stern*—the "discoverer" of the British-inspired fake "Hitler diaries"—was a prominent propagandist in the Nazi ministry of Josef Goebbels. Nannen's *Stern* also touts the drug-rock movement, the Green Party, and the so-called peace movement.

● **ABU NIDAL**, terrorist leader, is "heir to the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem," France's *Le Matin* noted April 25. The Grand Mufti was the leading collaborator of Adolf Hitler in the Arab world and is the spiritual godfather of today's Muslim Brotherhood groups.

● **XINHUA**, the official news agency of the People's Republic of China, asserted on April 15 that the new Reagan ABM policy "constitutes a new step forward in the arms race in outer space."

● **THE PHILIPPINES** government has charged that a group of radical priests and anthropologists is backing communist insurgency against the ruling Marcos government. The government has claimed that the destabilizers have been seeking support from the Central Agency for Jesuit Financing of Development Programs in Holland, among others.

● **THE NIGERIAN** government charges that Libya's Colonel Qaddafi has spent \$50 million to topple the Shagari administration.

● **THE SAUDI ARABIAN** royal family issued a decree in late April announcing that Information Minister Abdo Yamani has been removed from his post. Yamani is a key proponent of the Club of Rome.

● **SPAIN** has reached zero population growth, according to its National Commission in Defense of Life. Spain's birth rate is now the lowest in the nation's history.