

Report from Paris by Claude Albert

Moonies, monies, and Manicheans

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Over 100 people from four continents, including many retired U.S. Army officers, gathered in February at the Meridien Hotel here for a five-day "anti-communist" seminar sponsored by the International Security Council, the "think-tank" of the CAUSA movement, an offspring of the Sun Myung Moon cult. Moon's right-hand man, Col. Bo Hi Pak, called it a "historic event," and proclaimed this city "the world capital of anti-communism."

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Until 1983, Moon cultists were known here for two things: their proselytizing and their prostitution to sustain the cult's finances. Their millenarian outlook mixed with simple Manicheanism—the eternal nature of the struggle of Good and Evil—made Europeans shudder at the thought of an ultimate "March on Moscow," as Moon called for in 1976.

Rather suddenly, however, Europe has discovered a new side of Moon: money, lots of it.

Moon, a cult? French milieux touched by divine financial inspiration no longer believe it. *La Presse Française*, a conservative Catholic weekly, is now promoting CAUSA. Somewhat old new philosopher Jean-Marie Benoit, a celebrity of "liberalism," is a convert, as are many celebrities of the "New Right."

Moon money is said to originate in the worldwide control of Ginseng root juice, with "God-given" powers ranging from revitalization of tissue to a powerful aphrodisiac. There are no reports that it was distributed after the

Paris seminar, but participants did sign a strange "Manifesto on Godism."

It was in October 1983 that CAUSA hosted 150 journalists on a conference tour of Paris, Bonn, West Berlin, and London to study "the development of pacifist movements." Most were not aware of the real sponsors, but then, things were not unpleasant given the fine hotels, the thousands of dollars in colloquia, and other amenities.

That much money and anti-communism, too: What can be wrong? Most of those coopted to CAUSA are ever so clever: "Don't misunderstand. We are using them just as they are using us. They have financial means we need." Thus began the lunies' quick march to respectability—with some very interesting help.

Take Jacques Soustelle, the French Academician anthropologist, former governor of Algeria, and leading member of the CNR committee of the 1960s Secret Army Organization (OAS) which repeatedly tried to assassinate de Gaulle. His role in separatist-tribalist insurgencies in Ibero-America was the subject of recent French court proceedings. He is now recruiting for Moon. After a 1983 Moon-backed World Media Conference in Cartagena, Colombia, he stated of the cult: "The light comes from there, this is a glimmer of hope."

Then there is Lt.-Gen. Danny Graham, known in Vietnam as "General Body Count" for systematically lying about enemy troop strength. Graham heads the Heritage Foundation's "High Frontier" project—ABM defense with 1960s technology while the Russians develop laser beams.

The president of Moon's ISC is Joseph Churba, former U.S. Air Force intelligence chief for the Middle East and mentor of American/Israeli extremist Meir Kahane. And, there is the former war correspondent for *Newsweek* and the *Washington Post*, Arnaud de Borchgrave, now editor-in-chief of the Moonies' *Washington Times*.

Anti-communism? Graham is notorious for anti-Europeanism: "If they don't rearm, let them go to hell!" Churba wants to give the Russians part of the Middle East. In June 1984, de Borchgrave endorsed Sen. Sam Nunn and Henry Kissinger's plan to redeploy U.S. troops from Europe to Central America.

And, at the CAUSA seminar here, "Ultimately it will be necessary for the United States to shift forces from Europe and Asia to defend U.S. interests in the Western Hemisphere," was the consensus.

Handing Europe and Asia to the Russians is an odd thing to go about calling "anti-communist," is it not?

The key is Moonie Manicheanism. You see, there is only one problem with "communism," namely, atheism. As the CAUSA "Manifesto on Godism" posits, "Today, the struggle between communism and the Free World boils down to a question of God or no God. . . . The CAUSA movement is the movement of God," and proposes to unite all theists, including the Eastern Orthodox, against "atheistic communism."

Ah, but precisely Russian Church Orthodoxy's pagan Mother Earth worship contrary to Christianity, complete with a "Third Rome" imperial prophecy for Moscow, is the fount of the Russian state drive for global empire. Moon, Graham, Soustelle, Churba, in theory as in practice, are promoting nothing but Russian world hegemony.