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The World Peace Council recently concluded a meeting of its Presidential Bureau in Copenhagen. The organization is one of the most important Soviet international fronts and has as a major objective the conduct of international propaganda campaigns in support of "peace movements." In reality, these campaigns are directed primarily against the West and the United States.

Earlier this month PGM/P ran a Wireless File story on the WPC to Europe and Latin America. The Agency in addition has obtained a copy of the WPC "Programme for Action" for 1981 which details the kinds of efforts that WPC intended to make during that year. While making the usual protestations for peace, disarmament, and independence for all peoples, the document makes some specific recommendations for action against U.S. interests: e.g., a campaign to build hysteria about U.S. plans for "limited nuclear war" (p.13); and support for the Salvadoran opposition groups, the DRU (terrorist) and FDR (Marxist) (p.26). There are others throughout the document.

Both the Wireless File story and the "Programme for Action" document are enclosed for PAO use. You might find the opportunity in discussions with editors, correspondents, and other target audiences to suggest the activities of the WPC should be subject to thorough analysis by host country institutions. At the very least, audiences should find the two documents give a clearer perspective on the real aims of the WPC, one of them in the organization's own words.

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- 1. Wireless File story
- 2. "Programme for Action"

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WORLD PEACE COUNCIL -- MOSCOW'S HANDMAID {1,700}

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THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL {WPC} -- WHOSE PRESIDENTIAL BUREAU IS MEETING IN COPENHAGEN JANUARY 6-8 -- IS THE MOST IMPORTANT OF THE MAJOR INTERLOCKING SOVIET INTERNATIONAL FRONTS WHICH HAVE BEEN OPERATING SINCE WORLD WAR TWO AS DESCENDANTS OF ORGANIZATIONS ORIGINALLY ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL {COMINTERN} AFTER 1917.

ALTHOUGH CLAIMING TO BE AN INDEPENDENT, DEMOCRATIC AND NONGOVERNMENTAL BODY, THE WPC HAS ONE BASIC FUNCTION: TO ADVANCE AND LEND RESPECTABILITY TO SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY OBJECTIVES BY DRAWING PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT POLITICAL PERSUASIONS INTO COMMUNIST-INSPIRED AND COMMUNIST-SPONSORED PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGNS PRIMARILY DIRECTED AGAINST THE WEST.

ACCORDING TO HEARINGS BEFORE THE HOUSE PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE IN 1978 AND 1980, THE SOVIET UNION USES GLOBAL PROPAGANDA AND COVERT ACTIONS TO REINFORCE ITS FOREIGN AND DEFENSE POLICIES. THE USSR SEEKS TO ENHANCE ITS POWER AND INFLUENCE AT WESTERN EXPENSE THROUGH SUCH MEANS AS WRITTEN AND ORAL "DISINFORMATION," FORGERIES, MANIPULATION OF BOTH FOREIGN MEDIA AND COMMUNIST PARTIES, AND SUPPORT OF TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS.

U.S. INTELLIGENCE SOURCES SUGGEST THAT THE SOVIET UNION SPENDS AT LEAST THREE THOUSAND MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR ON SPREADING PRO-COMMUNIST AND ANTI-WESTERN PROPAGANDA THROUGH A WORLDWIDE NETWORK THAT INCLUDES INTERNATIONAL FRONT ORGANIZATIONS CONTROLLED BY MOSCOW. OF THE ESTIMATED MINIMUM OF 63 MILLION DOLLARS THE SOVIET UNION PROVIDES ANNUALLY TO THE 13 MOST VALUABLE FRONTS, OVER 49 MILLION GOES TO THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL.

SIMILARLY, IN A LETTER PUBLISHED BY THE LONDON "NEW STATESMAN," OCTOBER 17, 1980, RUTH TOSEK, A "FORMER SENIOR INTERPRETER AT SEVERAL OF THE MOSCOW-CONTROLLED ORGANISATIONS," MAINTAINED THAT THE WPC WAS FUNDED THROUGH VARIOUS CHANNELS BY THE SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS.

IN ADDITION TO CLANDESTINE SOVIET FINANCING OF THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL, ITS LEADERS ARE DIRECTED AND ITS PROPAGANDA CONTROLLED BY THE INTERNATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY'S {CPSU} CENTRAL COMMITTEE. THE WPC IS USUALLY THE FIRST OF THE VARIOUS FRONTS TO PROMOTE NEW PROPAGANDA INITIATIVES FROM MOSCOW, AND COORDINATES THE ACTIVITIES OF SEVERAL OTHER COMMUNIST FRONT GROUPS.

THROUGH DIRECT LINES TO KEY WPC OFFICIALS, THE USSR IS ABLE TO INFLUENCE FINAL DECISIONS ON WPC PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES, AND THE CONTENT OF COMMUNIQUEES, RESOLUTIONS AND STATEMENTS ISSUED AT COUNCIL EVENTS.

APART FROM A CPSU MEMBER SERVING AS A FULL-TIME SECRETARY OF THE WPC SECRETARIAT IN HELSINKI, E.K. FEDOROV IS A VICE PRESIDENT, AND DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE CPSU INTERNATIONAL

DEPARTMENT V.S. SHAPOSHNIKOV IS A MEMBER OF THE WPC PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE. THE WPC'S BIMONTHLY PUBLICATION "NEW PERSPECTIVES" MAKES CLEAR THAT THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE -- RESPONSIBLE FOR RUNNING THE ORGANIZATION BETWEEN COUNCIL SESSIONS -- INCLUDES ONE OR TWO OF THE TOP LEADERS OF VIRTUALLY ALL THE MAJOR COMMUNIST FRONT ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THE WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS, THE AFRO-ASIAN PEOPLE'S SOLIDARITY ORGANIZATION, THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF JOURNALISTS, THE CHRISTIAN PEACE CONFERENCE, THE WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL DEMOCRATIC FEDERATION, AND THE WORLD FEDERATION OF SCIENTIFIC WORKERS.

PROMINENT NON-COMMUNIST PACIFISTS, CLERGYMEN AND OTHERS WHO PURSUE PEACE FOR ITS OWN SAKE ARE WELCOMED IN THE RANKS OF THE WPC TO PROVIDE A FACADE OF INDEPENDENCE AND NONALIGNMENT. THE WHOLE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE COUNCIL, HOWEVER, IS STUDED WITH PRO-SOVIET LEFTISTS. MANY OF THEM ARE LINKED TO COMMUNIST-ORIENTED CAUSES IN THEIR HOME COUNTRIES, AND ARE ACTIVE ON NATIONAL PEACE COMMITTEES WHICH WERE OFTEN SET UP WITH WPC ASSISTANCE AS LOCAL COMMUNIST FRONTS.

RAMESH CHANDRA, A MEMBER OF THE INDIAN COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND ACTIVE IN INTERNATIONAL FRONT GATHERINGS SINCE AT LEAST 1950, WAS ELEVATED FROM THE SECRETARY GENERALSHIP TO THE PRESIDENCY OF THE WPC IN 1977. THE POSITION HAD BEEN VACANT SINCE THE DEATH IN 1958 OF THE DISTINGUISHED FRENCH COMMUNIST AND SCIENTIST FREDERIC JOLIOT-CURIE.

CHANDRA'S PRO-SOVIET ROLE IN THE WORLD PEACE MOVEMENT HAS BEEN CONSISTENT OVER THE LAST 30 YEARS. HIS FIDELITY TO MOSCOW SURVIVED THE SOVIET INVASIONS OF HUNGARY IN 1956, CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN 1968, AND AFGHANISTAN IN 1979. HE HAS ALWAYS PRAISED SOVIET "PEACE INITIATIVES" AND DENOUNCED WESTERN "IMPERIALISTS."

WHEN THE QUESTION OF TREATMENT OF DISSIDENTS IN THE USSR AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA WAS RAISED BY THE WAR RESISTERS' INTERNATIONAL AT THE WORLD CONGRESS OF PEACE FORCES IN MOSCOW IN 1973, CHANDRA SAID THAT THOSE PEACE ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ADOPTED AN ANTI-SOVIET STANCE "CEASED TO BE GENUINE PEACE ORGANIZATIONS." TWO YEARS LATER IN MOSCOW, HE OPENLY STATED THAT THE WPC "POSITIVELY REACTS TO ALL SOVIET INITIATIVES IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS."

IN THE JANUARY 1981 ISSUE OF THE "WORLD MARXIST REVIEW," CHANDRA WROTE: "IN THE HANDS OF SOCIALISM {MILITARY} FORCE HAS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HUMAN HISTORY BECOME AN INSTRUMENT FOR SAFEGUARDING PEACE AND SOCIAL PROGRESS. SO MUCH FOR THE 'SOVIET THREAT.' IF IT DOES EXIST, IT IS, FIGURATIVELY SPEAKING, NOT A THREAT TO PEACE BUT A THREAT OF PEACE IN THE

NAME OF PEACE....."

THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL IS ORGANIZED ON A NATIONAL BASIS AND MOST OF THE AFFILIATES IT CLAIMS IN MORE THAN 135 COUNTRIES ARE COMMUNIST-CONTROLLED. ALTHOUGH SOVIET OFFICIALS REPORTEDLY SET ITS MEMBERSHIP AT ABOUT 400 MILLION IN THE MID-1970'S, TOTAL MEMBERSHIP FIGURES HAVE NEVER BEEN PUBLISHED.

THE "FINAL" PEACE TOWARD WHICH THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL HAS ALWAYS STRIVEN IS A PEACE IMPOSED BY SOVIET WORLD HEGEMONY. THE COMMUNIST "WORLD PEACE MOVEMENT" IN ITS PRESENT FORM HAS EXISTED SINCE A WORLD CONGRESS OF INTELLECTUALS FOR PEACE WAS HELD IN WROCLAW, POLAND, IN AUGUST 1948. THIS LED TO THE WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE IN PARIS IN SEPTEMBER 1949 AND THE FORMATION OF THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL -- KNOWN UNTIL NOVEMBER 1950 AS THE COMMITTEE OF PARTISANS OF PEACE.

SINCE ITS INCEPTION, THE WPC HAS BEEN FORMALLY EXPELLED FROM TWO COUNTRIES FOR SUBVERSIVE ACTS. IT WAS BASED IN PARIS UNTIL EXPELLED BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT IN 1951 FOR "FIFTH COLUMN ACTIVITIES." THE WPC WENT FIRST TO PRAGUE AND IN 1954 SET UP HEADQUARTERS IN VIENNA, WHERE IT WAS BANNED THREE YEARS LATER FOR "ACTIVITIES DIRECTED AGAINST THE INTEREST OF THE AUSTRIAN STATE." IT CONTINUED, HOWEVER, TO OPERATE IN VIENNA UNDER THE COVER OF ITS RESEARCH ORGANIZATION OR SURROGATE FRONT -- THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR PEACE -- UNTIL IT MOVED TO ITS PRESENT HEADQUARTERS IN HELSINKI IN SEPTEMBER 1968.

THE STATED AIMS OF THE WPC, AS READOPTED BY THE ASSEMBLY IN SEPTEMBER 1980 ARE: {1} PROHIBITION OF ALL WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION AND ENDING OF THE ARMS RACE; ABOLITION OF FOREIGN MILITARY BASES; GENERAL, SIMULTANEOUS AND CONTROLLED DISARMAMENT; {2} ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF COLONIALISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION; RESPECT FOR THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLES TO SOVEREIGNTY AND INDEPENDENCE, ESSENTIAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE; RESPECT FOR THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF STATES; NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATES; AND {3} ESTABLISHMENT OF MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL TRADE AND CULTURAL RELATIONS BASED ON FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL RESPECT; PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE BETWEEN STATES WITH DIFFERENT POLITICAL SYSTEMS; REPLACEMENT OF THE POLICY OF FORCE BY THAT OF NEGOTIATIONS FOR SETTLING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN NATIONS.

THE PRO-SOVIET POLICIES ACTUALLY PURSUED BY THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL, HOWEVER, HAVE LITTLE IN COMMON WITH THESE PROFESSED AIMS. FOR EXAMPLE, THE WPC HABITUALLY ATTACKS THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION {NATO} AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, BUT DOES NOT CRITICIZE THE WARSAW PACT OR THE

COUNCIL FOR MUTUAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE {CMEA}. IT FREQUENTLY PASSES RESOLUTIONS OR ISSUES STATEMENTS CONDEMNING THE SUPPRESSION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN SUCH COUNTRIES AS CHILE, EL SALVADOR AND NORTHERN IRELAND, BUT NEVER MENTIONS VIOLATIONS OF THOSE RIGHTS IN COMMUNIST COUNTRIES. INDEED, ONE OF THE POLISH MEMBERS OF ITS PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE, WIESLAW GORNICKI, APPEARED AS THE CHIEF PRESS SPOKESMAN FOR GENERAL WOJCIECH JARUZELSKI AFTER THE DECEMBER 13 DECLARATION OF MARTIAL LAW ALLOWED THE NEWLY CREATED MILITARY COUNCIL OF NATIONAL SALVATION TO SUSPEND MOST CIVIL AND INDIVIDUAL LIBERTIES IN POLAND.

SINCE THE WPC'S ORIGINAL "STOCKHOLM APPEAL" FOR "BANNING THE BOMB" IN 1950 -- BEFORE THE USSR ACQUIRED ITS OWN ATOMIC BOMB -- IT HAS PERIODICALLY LED AND ORCHESTRATED DRIVES AGAINST WESTERN POSSESSION OF NUCLEAR ARMS IN ANY FORM. IT HAS ALSO BEEN IN THE FOREFRONT OF PROMOTING EAST-WEST DETENTE ON SOVIET TERMS, AND HAS FAITHFULLY ADVANCED SOVIET POSITIONS ON CONTROVERSIAL INTERNATIONAL ISSUES AFFECTING THE UNITED STATES AND ITS EUROPEAN ALLIES.

THROUGHOUT THE VIETNAM WAR, FOR INSTANCE, THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL SENT NUMEROUS "PEACE" DELEGATIONS TO HANOI, AND REGULARLY ISSUED STATEMENTS SUPPORTING SOVIET POLICY ON THE WAR. SINCE 1974, THE WPC AND MOSCOW HAVE ESPOUSED THE "ELIMINATION OF WAR BASES {ONLY U.S. AND BRITISH ARE SPECIFIED} IN THE INDIAN OCEAN," AND HAVE CAMPAIGNED FOR A "ZONE OF PEACE" IN THAT REGION. IN 1979 THE WPC ENDORSED SOVIET ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE VIETNAMESE INVASION OF CAMBODIA, AND SOVIET HOSTILITY TO THE CHINESE INVASION OF VIETNAM.

THE WPC IS CURRENTLY LEADING A WELL-COORDINATED DIPLOMATIC AND PROPAGANDA ASSAULT TAILORED TO THE USSR'S SPECIFIC FOREIGN AND DEFENSE POLICY OBJECTIVES. IT IS PROMOTING GENERAL-SECRETARY BREZHNEV'S 26TH PARTY CONGRESS PEACE PROPOSALS, AND TRYING TO WHIP UP WEST EUROPEAN SENTIMENT AGAINST NATO THEATER NUCLEAR FORCE MODERNIZATION AND INCREASED DEFENSE SPENDING.

SINCE 1977 THE WPC HAS SPONSORED WORLDWIDE MASS RALLIES AND DEMONSTRATIONS IN SUPPORT OF MOSCOW'S DESIRE TO PREVENT THE EQUIPMENT OF NATO FORCES WITH U.S. ENHANCED RADIATION WEAPONS. IT IS NOW VIGOROUSLY CAMPAIGNING ON A PLATFORM OF "PEACE, DISARMAMENT AND DETENTE" IN AN EFFORT TO CONVINCE EUROPEAN PUBLIC OPINION THAT U.S. MILITARY SPENDING AND DEVELOPMENT OF WEAPONS, AND NATO'S ALLEGED DESIRE FOR MILITARY SUPERIORITY ARE THE MAJOR THREAT TO WORLD PEACE. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OFFICIAL SOVIET LINE, THE WPC AND ITS AFFILIATES MAINTAIN THAT THE DEPLOYMENT OF LAND-BASED PERSHING TWO AND CRUISE MISSILES ON EUROPEAN SOIL WOULD UPSET THE SO-CALLED MILITARY PARITY ALREADY IN EXISTENCE.



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PROFESSOR E.P. THOMPSON OF THE EUROPEAN NUCLEAR  
DISARMAMENT MOVEMENT CRITICIZED WPC TACTICS IN THE LONDON  
"GUARDIAN" OF FEBRUARY 23, 1981:

"TO ALLOW THE WESTERN PEACE MOVEMENT TO DRIFT INTO  
COLLUSION WITH THE STRATEGY OF THE WORLD PEACE COUNCIL --  
THAT IS, IN EFFECT, TO BECOME A MOVEMENT OPPOSING NATO  
MILITARISM ONLY -- IS A RECIPE FOR OUR OWN CONTAINMENT AND  
ULTIMATE DEFEAT. THIS WILL ALSO MEET WITH A REFUSAL IN  
THOSE PARTS OF EASTERN EUROPE...WHERE MUCH PUBLIC OPINION IS  
UTTERLY JADED WITH OFFICIAL 'PEACE-LOVING' PROPAGANDA, AND  
WHERE STATE-SPONSORED PEACE COMMITTEES HAVE NEVER,  
THROUGHOUT THEIR WHOLE 30-YEAR EXISTENCE, FLUTTERED AN  
EYELASH IN PROTEST AGAINST ANY ACTION OF SOVIET MILITARISM."  
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**World Peace Council**

**Programme  
of Action  
1981**

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## INTRODUCTION

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The World Parliament of the Peoples for Peace, held in Sofia from September 23 to 27, 1980 threw the searchlight on the new character, the new tasks and duties, the new possibilities for action of the peoples of all continents.

The Appeal, unanimously adopted by 2,260 deputies from 137 countries and from 100 international and over 3,000 national non-governmental organisations, stated with confidence:

The peoples have the power to preserve peace  
— their basic right

The Appeal of the World Parliament summed up the gravity of the international situation in these words:

The peoples of the world are alarmed. Never before has there been so great a danger of a world nuclear holocaust.

The nuclear arms build-up, the accumulation of deadly arsenals has reached a critical point. Further escalation in the arms build-up could create a most dangerous situation, facing humanity with the threat of annihilation.

The "new nuclear strategy" is an elaborate deception of the people to persuade them that limited or regional nuclear war can be conducted without leading to a global nuclear holocaust. We categorically reject this dangerous and inhuman conception!

The World Parliament extended its full support to the growing mass movements in all continents which are centred round the determination of the peoples to oppose and refuse to be associated with:

- the vast war machine and arms build-up of the most aggressive forces of imperialism which seek to take the world toward a nuclear abyss,

- the falsehoods and lies, the propaganda in favour of the arms build-up, which are disseminated through imperialist-controlled mass media.

### Basic Pillars of the Programme

Each chapter of the Charter of the Peoples for Peace unanimously adopted by the World Parliament, held in Sofia (Bulgaria) from September 23 to 27, 1980 emphasizes the main planks of the Peoples' Programme for Peace for the 80s.

- to live in peace is a sacred and inalienable right of every human being and of every nation,
- peace is humanity's common priceless possession, the main condition and prerequisite of progress,
- to stop the arms build-up is an imperative need,
- the elimination of all forms of discrimination, of all artificial barriers in world trade, of all forms of inequality, dictat and exploitation in economic relations and the establishment of just and equal international economic relations are basic rights of humankind,
- The policy of destabilisation of progressive regimes in developing countries actually constitutes an aggression, waged with psychological, economic, political and other means, including armed intervention: this is a violation of the right to peace,
- interference in the internal affairs of other states sharply conflicts with the right of all peoples to peaceful, free and independent development.
- the lack of real progress in the realisation of a New International Economic Order stems from the fact that the imperialist powers and the transnational corporations are unwilling to give up their privileged positions, as was convincingly manifested at the last UN Special Session on Development;
- the cold war, hostile confrontation and war hysteria hinder humanity's social progress and impede the complete implementation of fundamental human rights and freedoms - those who gain from this are the same forces of reaction and aggression, which reap profits from arms production;
- constant growth in military expenditure is achieved at the expense of the working people, and makes a key contribution to galloping inflation, growing taxation and unemployment - experience has proved that militarisation

- of the economy not only fails to create new jobs, but reduces them and entails cuts in health, education, culture and other social services;
- the existence of racist regimes and fascist dictatorships which trample underfoot democracy and the elementary rights and freedoms of their peoples is abhorrent to the conscience of humankind;
- militarism and international tensions are the factors which create favourable conditions for carrying out anti-democratic coups and for maintaining fascist juntas and anti-popular dictatorial regimes in power;
- the whipping-up of war hysteria, of hatred against other countries, and all propaganda campaigns aimed at creating suspicion and mistrust are contrary to the interests of all peoples - mass media must serve the cause of peace and not the military-industrial complexes by confusing public opinion with lies and misinformation;
- those who bear responsibility for educating the new generation must stand for the ideals of peace, friendship, solidarity and respect of all nations...

### Qualitatively New Actions

The World Parliament of the Peoples for Peace stressed the urgency of bringing together in common mass actions, people belonging to different political parties and tendencies.

In Sofia, 330 political parties were represented - Socialist and Social Democratic parties, Christian Democratic, Communist and Liberal parties, Agrarian, Radical and Centre parties, as well as national parties from all continents. The overwhelming majority of these parties are today represented in the World Peace Council.

The World Parliament made it clear that the war danger and the arms build-up cannot be halted by one country, by people holding one political pint of view, by one organization or movement however powerful it might be.

But the World Parliament declared that together the peoples of the most diverse convictions can bar the road to a world

conflagration.

The urgent need is for qualitatively new mass actions to meet the qualitatively new international situation.

The war danger is of a qualitatively different kind today. The global arms build-up is more perilous than ever before. This war danger and the arms build-up threaten all peoples of all countries who are struggling to build a new life. They threaten the movements for liberation and the struggle for economic independence in the developing countries. They threaten the struggles of the peoples in the countries of the capitalist world against inflation, rising prices, unemployment and for social progress.

The struggle is one. This is the call of the World Parliament.

The World Peace Council is pledged to carry out this vast anti-imperialist programme, this programme of the peoples for peace.

This programme seeks to make 1981 the year of the decisive offensive of peace forces, to make the 80s the Decade for new victories for peace, for disarmament and detente, for national independence, justice, democracy and social progress.

To the non-governmental organisations — political parties, mass movements, social and cultural bodies we say:

Let our voice, the voice of the peoples for peace, be heard as never before in mass demonstrations, mass petitions and appeals to parliaments and governments, mass solidarity actions on the widest national and international scale.

We assure the governments which stand for peace, detente, disarmament and national independence of the full support of the world peace movement in all their efforts to bar the road to war.

The World Peace Council pledges itself to support the initiatives of the United Nations, of the Non-aligned Movement, of the Organisation of African Unity and other inter-governmental organisations — directed at curbing the arms race, at contributing to the peace and security of all nations and to the

establishment of a new international economic order, at advancing the struggle for the ending of colonial and neo-colonial domination and exploitation of peoples.

The World Peace Council's Programme of Action for 1981 places its main emphasis on common united mass actions by the widest range of forces, campaigns, conferences, seminars and symposia at national levels. It is directed particularly at the strengthening of national and local peace movements.

The implementation of the Programme will depend, as always, on the resources available at different levels. Each international event listed in the Programme will be organised in accordance with the support which it can secure. The emphasis will be on organising several events — each with limited but effective participation — on a wide variety of issues, focussed around the key question of our times — the fight against the war danger and the arms build-up.

WORLD PEACE COUNCIL  
PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR 1981

YEAR OF DECISIVE OFFENSIVE OF PEACE FORCES

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I. CONSOLIDATE THE SPIRIT OF THE WORLD PARLIAMENT OF THE PEOPLES FOR PEACE

The Charter of the Peoples for Peace concluded with this pledge:

"Let us make 1981, the springboard of the 80s, a year of decisive offensive of peace forces to achieve a break-through in curbing the arms build-up!"

All actions during 1981 will be linked with the campaign in support of the resolutions, decisions and programmes adopted by the World Parliament of the Peoples for Peace.

The Appeal for joint action to defeat the menace of nuclear war is the running thread of the entire programme of the World Peace Council for 1981.

Echo parliaments, conferences and meetings will be a major feature of the activities at all levels during the entire year.

In every event organised by national and local peace movements and by all other organisations, special emphasis will be placed on resolutions of support for the Appeal, the Charter and other resolutions of the World Parliament.

Signatures to the Appeal by representatives of political parties, mass organisations and cultural and social bodies as well as of outstanding personalities, will be collected and publicised in each country.

In accordance with the development of the campaign and of the international situation, mass collections of signatures to the Appeal can be envisaged.

II. MEETINGS OF THE LEADING AND OTHER BODIES OF THE MOVEMENT

i. Session of the Presidential Committee:

The Presidential Committee will meet in Havana from April 19 to 21, 1981.

The main issues to be discussed at this session will include the campaign against the war danger and for the ending of the arms build-up and the problems and the struggles of the peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean.

ii. Session of the Bureau of the Presidential Committee

There will be two sessions of the Bureau of the Presidential Committee during 1981.

The first session of the Bureau will be held in Antananarivo (Madagascar) from January 23 to 26, 1981.

The second session of the Bureau will be held in the last quarter of 1981 at a place to be decided upon later.

The Bureau will also meet briefly on the eve of the session of the Presidential Committee, with a view to examine details regarding the time-table, agenda and procedures for the Presidential Committee session.

In addition, international developments may require the calling, on an emergency basis, of the Bureau on a specific issue.

iii. Meetings of WPC Standing Commissions

Each WPC Standing Commission will meet twice a year – once during the session of the Presidential Committee and once immediately before, during or after an international, regional or national event, dealing with issues and problems

which are connected with the work of the commission.

The main direction of the work of each Standing Commission will be to ensure the strengthening of the work in its particular field through national and local peace organisations at the national and local levels, in the context of the overall struggle against the war danger and for ending the arms build-up.

#### iv. Continental and Regional Meetings of Representatives of National Movements

Continental and regional meetings of representatives of national movements are of decisive significance for the development of the national movements and their mass actions. Each such meeting will devote adequate time for the exchange of concrete experiences in the task of strengthening national and local organisations,

Efforts will be made, in accordance with possibilities, to organise the following meetings:

- meeting of national movements of East African countries on January 27 and 28, 1981 in Antananarivo (Madagascar),
- a meeting of West African national movements in the second quarter of the year,
- a meeting of Latin American national movements in the first half of 1981,
- a meeting of national movements of Central America and the Caribbean region,
- a meeting of national movements of Asia and Oceania in the second quarter of the year,
- a meeting of European national movements during the second quarter of 1981,
- a meeting of the Arab national peace movements in the second quarter of 1981.

#### v. Meetings of Members of the WPC in each country

Regular meetings of members of the WPC from each country will be organised by each national peace movement to discuss the work of the World Peace Council, and the resolutions and statements of the Council.

### III. STRENGTHENING AND BROADENING OF NATIONAL MOVEMENTS FOR A WORLDWIDE NETWORK OF PEACE ORGANISATIONS

National events, conferences, seminars, symposia and national campaigns on key issues have been planned for 1981.

In several countries, the preparatory bodies set up for the World Parliament have laid the basis for the establishment of new peace committees and organisations associated with the World Peace Council at different levels - national, state and provincial, district and city, local and grass roots.

The Round Tables of different sections of the peoples held during the World Parliament have given an impetus for the formation of national commissions and other bodies of the national peace movements, directed at widening the cooperation with the peace movement of different sections of the population - trade unionists, parliamentarians, women, religious believers, scientists, educationists, writers and artists, journalists, youth and students.

Visits by WPC delegations to different countries will focus particular attention on the strengthening of national movements and encouragement of the creation of new peace organisations at all levels and increasing their cooperation with other bodies.

### IV. TO END THE ARMS RACE AND MILITARY BUILD-UP; FOR DISARMAMENT AND MILITARY DETENTE

In all countries, 1981 should be marked as the year when the peace forces begin their decisive offensive to achieve a break-through in curbing the arms build-up. Major campaigns and activities will be launched to end the arms race and to bring about disarmament and military detente, which constitute the basis of the struggle for stable international security and lasting peace.

The World Peace Council and national movements represented in it will seek the closest cooperation and common action with all forces, mass movements and organisations, which stand for ending the arms race, for disarmament and preventing

a nuclear catastrophe.

A. Campaigns against the arms build-up, against nuclear and other weapons of mass destruction

- The call for the prohibition and cessation of all further production of nuclear and other weapons of mass destruction, to be followed by the reduction of existing stockpiles and their ultimate complete elimination;
- A comprehensive ban on all nuclear weapon tests;
- Limitation and banning of especially brutal conventional arms (including napalm; pellet bombs, undetectable by X-Ray; phosphorous bombs, etc.);
- A ban on chemical, laser, radiological and neutron weapons;
- Lowering the level of military confrontation; reduction of armed forces and armaments;
- Reduction of military budgets and conversion of the arms industry and all resources to peaceful purposes;
- Dangers of the sale of arms to racist, reactionary and fascist states;
- Ensurance of greater understanding and awareness of the socio-economic consequences of the arms race and of the need for disarmament.

B. Campaigns in support of proposals, initiatives and negotiations to strengthen international security and consolidate detente and cooperation among states:

- Broadening and full observance of the Non-Proliferation Treaty;
- Ratification of the Soviet-American Treaty on Strategic Arms Limitation (SALT II);
- Negotiations on further limitation and reduction of strategic arms (SALT III);
- Negotiations on Eurostrategic missiles in connection with forward-based American nuclear systems;
- Continuation of Vienna talks on the reduction of armed forces and armaments in Central Europe;
- The conclusion by the States signatories of the Helsinki Final Act of a Treaty on No-First-Use of Nuclear Weapons against Each Other;
- Halting the imperialist military build-up in various regions - including the Indian Ocean and the Persian Gulf, the Middle

- East, the Mediterranean and the Caribbean;
- Creation of zones of peace and nuclear-free zones;
- Promotion and adoption of confidence-building measures;
- Implementation of the decisions of the Special Session of the UN General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament (SSD);
- Implementation of the UN Declaration on the preparations of societies for life in peace;
- Early convening of the Conference on Disarmament and Military Detente in Europe;
- Preparations for a World Disarmament Conference, called by the United Nations;
- Preparations for the Second SSD.

C. Campaigns high-lighting the dangers of the limited nuclear war strategy:

- To expose the new U.S. military doctrine embodied in Presidential Directive 59 as one that justifies the possibility of limited nuclear war, regardless of the fact that it immediately may turn into world war;
- To warn against the dangers of the limited nuclear war strategy by holding national and international seminars, conferences and discussions linking it with regional issues;
- To arouse governments and parliaments, neighbourhoods and people at work against the attempts to accustom the public to accepting nuclear war as possible and legal.

D. Convening of:

- Two meetings of the WPC Disarmament Commission to review and assess the existing situation, and outline the objectives and priority tasks in the field of disarmament;
- A Seminar on the dangers of the limited nuclear war strategy;
- A conference of mass movements and organisations for military detente and disarmament in Europe;
- National and regional meetings on problems of disarmament as preparation for the Second SSD, and on the impact of the arms race on socio-economic development.

E. Cooperation with:

- The UN Disarmament Commission, UN Committee on



- Disarmament and UN Centre for Disarmament;
- NGOs and scientific institutes active in the field of disarmament;
- NGO Special Committee on Disarmament;
- International Liaison Forum - Dialogue for Disarmament;
- All mass movements and organisations working for disarmament.

#### F. Observance of:

- Week of action (August 6-13) for the Banning of Nuclear Weapons and Solidarity with the Hibakushas - including Hiroshima Day - August 6;
- World Day of Peace (September 1st);
- UN Disarmament Week (October 24-31).

#### V. ACTIONS FOR SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE AND IN SUPPORT OF THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT

- Further intensification of actions against the deployment of the new US weapons of mass annihilation in Western Europe; against US Presidential Directive 59 with its new strategy aiming at a so-called limited nuclear war; for negotiations on curbing the arms build-up, safeguarding peace and for consolidating international security,
- Supporting the convening of a conference on military detente and disarmament in Europe, to complement and ensure further political detente,
- Support for effective steps to bring about the conclusion of the Vienna Talks on Mutual Reduction of Armed Forces and Armaments in Central Europe, and for the establishment of a Nordic nuclear free zone, as proposed by President Kekkonen of Finland and in other areas,
- Further actions to support the results of the Helsinki Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE); thus striving for the strict implementation of all provisions of the Helsinki Final Act;
- Support for the adoption of confidence-building measures, for the conclusion of a treaty among states signatory to the Helsinki Final Act on the non-first-use of nuclear weapons against each other, the non-use of force in their mutual

- relations and the peaceful settlement of disputes;
- Stepping up of actions against a new cold war atmosphere, against provocative actions of fascist and racist groupings in certain countries;
- Support for the convening of a meeting of elected representatives (city councils, municipalities, parliaments) and other leading personalities from the regions in the NATO countries where new U.S. nuclear missiles are to be placed;
- Support for the convening of all-European inter-governmental conferences on energy and transport;
- Enlarged meeting of the WPC Standing Commission on European Security and Cooperation;
- Conference of mass movements and organisations for military detente and disarmament in Europe;
- Support for various events on national levels with international participation on the issues of stopping the arms build-up, and for security and cooperation in Europe;
- Support for campaigns and events against the imperialist military build-up in the Mediterranean region - with emphasis on opposition to nuclearisation of the region, military bases and instalment of new U.S. missiles;
- Week of Action for European Security and Cooperation (May 4-10);

#### VI. ACTIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE AND SOCIAL PROGRESS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER

- Convening, in collaboration with national committees of the Third WPC World Conference on Development in Mexico during the second half of 1981,
- Support to national and regional events, such as seminars, symposia, conferences, studies, etc. in preparation for the Third WPC World Conference,
- Setting up by national committees of special groups for development;
- Cooperation with the United Nations and with its specialised agencies and other UN bodies and intergovernmental organisations concerned with development - in particular with UNCTAD, UNIDO, ILO, UNEP, FAO, and with the

- Non-aligned Movement, OAU, OPEC, OAPEC and others;
- Participation in the major UN Conferences and activities in this field;
- Participation in the worldwide campaign connected with the observance of the World Food Day on October 16, 1981, called by the F.A.O.;
- Cooperation with NGOs interested in development problems and with the NGO Special Committee on Development;
- Increased attention to the problems of energy and organisation of activities around this problem;
- Close cooperation with the Hungarian Peace Council in the production of the journal "Development and Peace".

#### VII. STRUGGLE AGAINST THE DAMAGING ACTIVITIES OF TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATIONS (TNCs)

- Holding of national and regional activities exposing the damaging activities of TNCs nationally and internationally: the dangerous role they play in the political, social, economic, financial, trade, mass-media and human rights fields; in promoting militarism, military build-up and the arms race; as well as in frustrating the establishment of a N.I.E.O.;
- Campaign on the TNCs' role in support of the racist regime in South Africa and other reactionary and unpopular forces and governments in the developing world;
- Campaign against the activities of TNCs that worsen the living standard and retard the social progress in the countries of origin and in developing countries;
- Cooperation with the UN Centre on TNCs and other interested institutions;
- Stimulation of activities in cooperation with the NGO movements; in particular with the Special NGO Committee on TNCs.
- Observance of International Week of Actions against TNCs (16-23 November).

#### VIII. ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF THE CONTRIBUTION OF THE MOVEMENT OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES TO PEACE AND INDEPENDENCE

- All activities to be linked and connected with the XX

- Anniversary of the Movement of the Non-aligned Countries, which is being observed throughout 1981 and with support to its struggle for peace and disarmament, for national independence, justice and social progress, against imperialism, colonialism, neo-colonialism and racism;
- Mobilisation of public opinion to give fullest support to the Movement of the Non-aligned Countries in their struggle for the establishment of a New International Economic Order and for the economic demands and proposals which the Movement has presented to the XXXIV Session of the UN General Assembly of the United Nations;
- Continuous effort to give wide publicity to the decisions of the Non-aligned Summits.
- International, regional and national seminars, conferences and other initiatives to mark the XXth anniversary and the Final Declaration and decisions of the 6th Summit Conference of Non-aligned States (Havana);
- Cooperation and regular contacts with the Non-aligned Movement and its Bureau;
- Visits by WPC delegations to non-aligned countries in Latin America, Europe, Asia and Africa to participate in events celebrating the XXth anniversary and to ensure closer relations between these countries and the WPC;
- International Solidarity Week in support of the Movement of Non-aligned Countries (September).

#### IX. ACTIONS AGAINST THE IMPERIALIST POLICY OF DESTABILISATION

- Support for the holding of national events with international participation on the following subjects;
  - a) the struggle against the imperialist policy of destabilisation in the field of information and culture (as a part of the struggle for a New World Information Order);
  - b) the role of TNCs in the imperialist policy of destabilisation: ways and means of felling their destabilising activities and efforts;
  - c) dangers of the destabilisation policy to the non-aligned movement.
- As part of the campaign against the impact of the destabilisation policy on the struggle for national

independence and social progress, national events, with international participation, are to be organised;

#### X. ACTIONS FOR PEACE AND SECURITY IN ASIA AND OCEANIA

- Convening in cooperation with other international organisations and the Indian Preparatory Committee of a Conference for Peace and Security for the Indian Ocean and the Gulf - New Delhi, April 3-5, 1981;
- Strengthening of Asian national movements and holding of national conferences;
- Establishment of national commissions, committees and working groups on key issues;
- Visit of WPC delegations to different countries in Asia and Oceania;
- National seminars, symposia, etc., on the contribution of the Non-aligned Movement for peace, disarmament and development in Asia;
- Observance of Indian Ocean and Gulf Week (February 16-23) - for a Zone of Peace in the Indian Ocean and the Gulf, and for dismantling imperialist military bases and the ending of the massive arms build-up by U.S. imperialism in the region;
- Observance of Asia Week (April 5-12);
- Campaign against the conspiracies of the Washington-Peking-Tokyo axis for the destabilisation of countries in Asia;
- International Campaign for the withdrawal of U.S. troops from Asia, the dissolution of military alliances in Asia, such as the US-Japan military alliance, ANZUS and SEATO;
- International Solidarity campaigns with Vietnam, Laos and Kampuchea;
- Solidarity with the people and liberation movements in the Gulf countries in their struggle for peace, democracy and socio-economic development;
- Campaigns for solidarity with the people of Korea;
- International meeting devoted to the urgent problems in the Gulf area, such as socio-economic development, human rights, oil, military build-up, danger of military conflicts and turning the Gulf into a Zone of Peace.

#### XI. ACTIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE STRUGGLES OF THE AFRICAN PEOPLES FOR PEACE, IN DEFENCE OF THEIR NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY, FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION AND ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE

- Assistance in promoting establishment of national peace and solidarity organisations in Africa; visits of WPC delegations to African countries;
- Solidarity with African liberation movements;
- Support for the International Mobilisation for the Liberation of South Africa and Namibia, launched by the NGO Sub-Committee on Racism, Apartheid and Decolonisation; and continuation of cooperation with the United Nations Special Committee against Apartheid, the UN Special Committee on Decolonisation and the UN Council for Namibia;
- Close cooperation with African frontline states;
- Close cooperation with the Organisation for African Unity's efforts for African liberation, African unity and economic development;
- Strengthening of friendly relations and cooperation with all African organisations - churches, trade unions, women, youth and students;
- Campaigns for the dismantling of imperialist military bases in Africa, against the establishment of new ones and against the agreements between the US the governments of Egypt, Kenya, Somalia and Oman for the use of their military bases by US troops, and the creation of reactionary military alliances such as the so-called Inter-African Military Force planned by France;
- Support of initiatives for inter-African cooperation on economic development and the struggle for a New International Economic Order;
- Campaigns against the nuclearisation of the South African apartheid regime and for Africa as a nuclear-free zone;
- Support of initiatives by African peoples to resolve the problem of famine in Africa;
- Worldwide observance of African Liberation Week (May 18 to 25)

## XII. FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, IN SUPPORT OF THE STRUGGLE OF THE PALESTINIAN AND OTHER ARAB PEOPLES

- All out support to the struggle against the imperialist military build-up and conspiracies in the Middle East and the Gulf;
- Support the convening of an international conference in Damascus on the imperialist military build-up and conspiracies in the Middle East and the Gulf, and in solidarity with Syria and the P.L.O. (June)
- Strengthening the campaigns for the just solution of the Arab-Israeli conflict on the basis of the full withdrawal of Israel from all occupied Arab territories and the realisation of the inalienable national rights of the Palestinian people;
- Campaigns in solidarity with the Arab peoples in their struggle to liquidate the political and military consequences of the Camp David and Washington accords;
- Intensification of campaigns in support of the PLO, the sole representative of the Palestinian people and for the attainment of the rights of the Palestinian people to return to their homeland, to self-determination and to establish their independent state, in conformity with the relevant UN resolutions. Support to national activities and international events organised in solidarity with the Palestinian people;
- Support to the struggle of the Palestinian people in the occupied territories; undertaking of activities by the WPC Commission on Human Rights to condemn Israeli colonisation, atrocities and violations of the human rights of the people of these territories;
- Solidarity actions to support the struggle of the Lebanese people against Israeli aggressions and imperialist and reactionary conspiracies and for a democratic, united and Arab Lebanon. Support for the sending of Lebanese delegations to various countries to strengthen solidarity with the Lebanese patriotic movement;
- Solidarity actions with the struggle of the Arab people of Syria to foil imperialist and reactionary conspiracies and practices of destabilisation of their country and the entire Arab region;
- Solidarity actions with the struggle of the people of Democratic Yemen and other democratic and liberation forces in the Red Sea, the Horn of Africa and the Gulf areas

against the imperialist military build-up and for democracy and social progress;

- Solidarity actions with Libya Jamahirya against the threats of aggression by the Egyptian regime and the US imperialists;
- Solidarity actions with the struggle of the people of Algeria against the imperialist policy of destabilisation in North Africa and for the strengthening of their national independence and social progress;
- Campaigns in defence of the democratic struggle of the Arab anti-imperialist and anti-zionist forces. Condemn all repressive acts undertaken against them;
- Support the International Solidarity Committee with the Palestinian People and extend all possible assistance for the implementation of its programme of action;
- Cooperation with the Permanent Secretariat of the Arab People's Congress and the International Solidarity Secretariat with the Arab People and their Central Cause, Palestine; and cement relations with Arab mass organisations;
- Send delegations to Arab countries to promote the above-mentioned campaigns and activities.

## XIII. ACTIONS FOR PEACE, ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE AND SOLIDARITY WITH LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

- Broadening and strengthening of the work undertaken by national peace committees and of their cooperation with various political forces, governments, social and cultural institutions, religious circles, youth organisations and others;
- Visits of WPC delegations to Latin America and the Caribbean. Support for different national or regional initiatives undertaken by national peace committees or other organisations which identify themselves with the WPC Programme of Action;
- Support for the International Conference of Solidarity with the people of El Salvador;
- Support for the planned continental conferences of solidarity with the people of Haiti;
- Solidarity with the peoples who live under tyrannical regimes that violate basic human rights - Chile, Guatemala, El Salvador, Bolivia, Paraguay, Uruguay, Argentina and

Haiti;

- Campaigns for the freedom of political prisoners;
- Campaign to expose the grave problem of "missing persons" kidnapped for political reasons. To mobilise world public opinion against repressive governments responsible for this practice which trample fundamental human rights;
- Solidarity with the peoples and Governments of Latin America and the Caribbean who struggle for the deepening of the democratic process and demand a policy of peace, social progress and respect of human rights;
- Campaign against the border conflicts in Latin America instigated by imperialism and reactionary forces and in defiance of the peace-loving peoples who seek understanding;
- Solidarity with the Cuban people in their just demand for an end to the economic blockade illegally imposed by the United States, and for the dismantling of the US base in Guantánamo;
- Campaign against the presence of US military bases in the region, for the dissolution of TIAR (Interamerican Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance), against the attempts to create a South Atlantic Treaty Organisation (SATO) and the so-called Interamerican force which would stir up a hot-bed of tension endangering peace and security on the Continent;
- Support to the revolutions of Nicaragua and Grenada;
- Support for the struggle of the Latin American and Caribbean peoples against colonial regimes and for full independence, self-determination and territorial integrity (Guadeloupe, Martinique, French Guyana);
- Support for the struggle of the Puerto Rican people for full independence, right to self-determination and territorial integrity. Participate in the actions and initiatives of the International Committee of Solidarity with the Independence of Puerto Rico;
- Support for the work of the International Commission of Inquiry into the Crimes of the Military Junta in Chile;
- Support and participate in the International Preparatory Committee for the observance of the anniversaries of the Liberator Simon Bolivar.
- Commemorate the bicentennial of the "Revolution de los Comuneros" (1781) in Colombia led by José Antonio Galán.

#### XIV. ACTIONS AGAINST RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

- International and national campaigns, meetings and seminars in support of the struggle against racism and racial discrimination to be organized by the WPC Standing Commission on Racism and in cooperation with the NGOs Sub-Committee on Racism, Racial Discrimination and Apartheid and other international and national organisations;
- Support for the International Mobilisation against the apartheid regime in South Africa; and for the liberation of Namibia and South Africa and the total isolation of the apartheid regime;
- Further actions for the implementation of the decision adopted by the International NGO Action Conference for Sanctions against South Africa (Geneva, June 30 - July 3 1980);
- Active support for actions initiated by the United Nations Division on Human Rights, UN Centre Against Apartheid, the UN Special Committee Against Apartheid and the UN Committee on Decolonisation;
- Support for the struggles of the indigenous peoples of North America, Latin America and Australia against racism;
- Support for migrant and immigrant workers against racism in the USA, Britain, Federal Republic of Germany, France and other West European countries;
- Support to the struggle of the peoples of the occupied territories against the racist practices of the Israeli rulers;
- Support for activities organised by UNESCO to combat racism in the field of education, science and culture.

#### XV. AGAINST THE VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS

- Campaigns of solidarity with the victims of crimes committed by fascist, neo-fascist and reactionary regimes, in violation of human rights;
- Continuation of enquiries by the WPC Standing Commission on Human Rights into the violation of human rights in the following places:
  - The Arab territories occupied by Israel since 1967;
  - Bolivia; Chile; El Salvador; Guatemala; Haiti; Paraguay;
  - Uruguay; Indonesia; South Korea; Northern Ireland;

United States of America (particularly in connection with violations of the rights of the Black, and Hispanic Native American people);

- Enquiries into the problem of "missing people" detained on political grounds, such as in Argentina as well as in other countries);
- Enquiries into and exposure of Berufsverboten (professional ban) in the FRG as a gross violation of human rights;
- Organisation of public hearings on these cases, as well as regular visits to the above-mentioned countries by fact-finding groups of the WPC Standing Commission on Human Rights;
- Support of the activities of the International Commission of Inquiry into the Crimes of the Military Junta in Chile;
- Organisation of seminars, symposia and other meetings to examine the relation between human rights and such issues as disarmament, development, the struggle against the TNCs and imperialism;
- Participation in national, regional and international conferences and other events related to human rights;
- Worldwide publicity about the work of the WPC and its Standing Commission in the field of human rights;
- Publication of a special bulletin on human rights by the Standing Commission;
- Cooperation with the UN Commission on Human Rights, UN Human Rights Division and ECOSOC;
- Cooperation with other governmental and non-governmental organisations as well as exchange of material on human rights - Contact meetings and exchanges of experiences;
- Dissemination of the various UN instruments related to human rights, and the urging of those countries which have not yet subscribed to them, to do so;
- Convening of an International Conference on Human Rights and Peace to examine the different aspects of the violations of economic, social and cultural rights, and their link with the issues of disarmament and development. The Preparations for the Conference and the discussions at the Conference itself should concentrate on the relationship between the struggle for peace and the full observance of all basic human rights.

## XVI. INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGNS AND ACTIONS

- Convene two meetings of the WPC Standing Commission on International Solidarity: one in Havana during the meeting of the Presidential Committee (April 1981); the other, before the end of 1981. The objective of such meetings would be to exchange experiences, study the planned actions and the priorities in the field of international solidarity;
- Coordination of Solidarity campaigns and actions with other international non-governmental organisations which work in this field;
- Exchange of information with relevant inter-governmental organisations (UN, UNESCO, OAU), on issues of international solidarity carried forward by the WPC;
- Development of the activities of the Information Centre in Addis Ababa on International Solidarity.

### AFGHANISTAN

- Observance of April 21-27 as Week of Solidarity with Afghanistan, with special emphasis on support for a political settlement in Afghanistan as proposed by the Afghan government.

### BAHRAIN

- Observance of December 7 as International Day of Solidarity with the people of Bahrain.

### BOLIVIA

- Observance of a week of solidarity with the Bolivian people starting July 15. Organise campaigns of solidarity with the Bolivian people.

### CHILE

- Support for the actions taken by the various organisations created in Chile for restoration of human rights and freedom. Development of these contacts by inviting them to participate in the WPC activities;

- Exposure of the violation of human rights in Chile, before all relevant United Nations bodies including the General Assembly, the Human Rights Commission, UN Special Group on Chile, UNESCO, etc.;
- Sending of a WPC observance to Chile in 1981;
- Observance of the Week of Solidarity with Chile (4-11 September) and the Day in Support of the Chilean Children, in December 1981.

#### CYPRUS

- Support for the activities of the International Committee of Solidarity with Cyprus (ICSC);
- Observance of the International Week of Solidarity with Cyprus (15-21 July).

#### EAST TIMOR

- International Solidarity Campaign with East Timor for extension of political, moral and material support to the struggle of the people of East Timor.

#### ETHIOPIA

- Support to the struggle of the Ethiopian people against imperialist and reactionary conspiracies and plans in the Horn of Africa.
- Observance of the Week September 12-18, as a Week of Solidarity with the Ethiopian Revolution.

#### EL SALVADOR

- Support for the Unified Revolutionary Leadership (DRU) and for the Revolutionary Democratic Front (FDR) as the sole, legitimate representatives of the Salvadoran people. Support also for their Government Programme as the only alternative to solve the profound social and economic crisis and to achieve solid and lasting peace in El Salvador;
- Support for the International Conference of Solidarity with the people of El Salvador.

#### GRENADA

- Support to the people of Grenada and their revolution.

#### GUATEMALA

- International Solidarity Campaign with the people Guatemala in their struggle against the dictators observance of June 27 as International Day of Solidarity;
- Organisation of a tour by Guatemalan representatives some countries.

#### HAITI

- Support to the planned Continental Conference of solidarity with the struggle of the Haitian people.

#### INDONESIA

- Campaign of solidarity with the people of Indonesia, and the restoration of their political and human rights.

#### ISRAELI PEACE FORCES

- Support for the peace forces in Israel in their struggle the complete withdrawal of Israel from the occupied territories and for the realisation of the inalienable national rights of the Palestinian people.

#### KAMPUCHEA

- International Campaign of solidarity with the government and people of Kampuchea led by the National United Front for National Salvation;
- International Campaign for the recognition of the People's Revolutionary Council of Kampuchea and seating of representative in the United Nations; exposure of conspiracies of the Peking hegemonists who are working collusion with US imperialism against Kampuchea;
- Observance of January 7 (anniversary of the liberation Kampuchea) as International Day of Solidarity with the People's Republic of Kampuchea.

## KOREA

- Support for the peaceful reunification of Korea, without any outside interference. Month of Solidarity with the People of Korea (June 25 to July 28);
- Campaign for the withdrawal of all US troops and armaments, including nuclear armaments from South Korea; and for the ending of all violation of human rights, and for the release of all political prisoners in South Korea;
- Support for the convening of an International conference of peace forces on the reunification of Korea.

## LAOS

- International Solidarity Campaign with Laos against the conspiracies of the Peking hegemonists, who are working in collusion with the US imperialists to subvert the independence and sovereignty of Laos.

## LEBANON

- Actions in solidarity with the Lebanese national and patriotic movement against Israeli attacks and conspiracies of imperialism and reaction; and for the territorial integrity and democratic development of Lebanon;
- Observance of June 15 as International Day of Solidarity with the people of Lebanon.

## LIBYA

- Observance of September 1 as the International Day of Solidarity with the people of Libya Jamahirya. Campaign against threats of aggression against their territory.

## LIBERATION MOVEMENTS OF SOUTH AFRICA AND NAMIBIA

- Mass meetings, campaigns and other forms of activities to mark Namibia Day (August 26), Soweto Day (June 16) and South Africa Freedom Day (June 26);
- Intensification of solidarity with the people of South Africa and Namibia and their liberation movements, the ANC (South Africa) and SWAPO (Namibia);

- Full support for national and international events in support of the struggle for the liberation of South Africa and Namibia and in solidarity with the frontline states;
- Demonstrations, meetings and conferences in support of the International Mobilisation for the liberation of South Africa and Namibia, and against all forms of collaboration with the apartheid regime in South Africa;
- Intensification of campaigns launched by the ANC of South Africa for the release of Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners, and for the treatment of captured freedom fighters as prisoners of war, in accordance with the relevant Geneva Conventions;
- Launching of appeals for material assistance to children from Namibia and South Africa in refugee camps in neighbouring countries;
- International and national solidarity meetings and other activities to expose the manoeuvres of the apartheid regime aimed at imposing a puppet regime in Namibia;
- Campaigns against nuclearisation of the South African apartheid regime;
- Increase of cooperation with the United Nations Special Committee against Apartheid, the United Nations Special Committee on Decolonisation, ECA and the OAU, on all issues of liberation.

## NICARAGUA

- Campaigns in defence of the Nicaraguan Revolution, and to secure the greatest possible assistance for the efforts being made to reconstruct the country.

## OMAN

- Solidarity campaign with the people of Oman and with the People's Front of Liberation of Oman for the liquidation of the imperialist military presence in their country and against the reactionary regime in Oman.

## PALESTINE

- Support for all activities of the International Committee of Solidarity with the Palestinian people and its initiative for an international solidarity conference;



- Campaign of solidarity with the PLO and for the universal recognition of the PLO as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people. Observance of November 29 as the International Day of Solidarity with Palestine.

#### PARAGUAY

- Solidarity campaigns with the Paraguayan people in their struggle for democracy and human rights.

#### PUERTO RICO

- International Week of Solidarity with the Struggle for Independence of Puerto Rico (September 23-30).

#### SYRIA

- Observance of October 25, as International Day of Solidarity with the Syrian People. Support for the struggle of the Syrian people against imperialist and reactionary conspiracies and plans.

#### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

- Campaigns of solidarity with the struggles of the peoples of the USA against racism and for human rights, and for the release of political prisoners. Support, in particular, for the struggles of Blacks, Chicanos, American Indians, Puerto Ricans and other national minorities.

#### URUGUAY

- International Solidarity Campaign with the Struggle of the Uruguayan People against the fascist dictatorship.

#### VIETNAM

- International Solidarity Campaign with the Socialist Republic of Vietnam against the threat of another aggression by China made more likely by the emergence of the Washington-Peking axis;
- Visits of delegations of the Vietnamese Peace Committee to various countries on all continents;

- Visits of solidarity delegations of the World Peace Council and of national committees to Vietnam;
- Extensive actions in support of Vietnam on the Anniversary of the victory of the Vietnamese People (April 30) and the National Day (September 2).

#### WESTERN SAHARA

- Solidarity activities with the people of Western Sahara and their movement, the POLISARIO Front.
- International observance of May 20 as the National Day of the Saharoui People.

#### DEMOCRATIC YEMEN

- Campaigns of solidarity with the Democratic People's Republic of Yemen against the schemes of the imperialist and the reactionary forces, and for the consolidation of its independence.

#### XVII. COOPERATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER INTER-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATION

- Strengthening cooperation with the United Nations in all possible ways;
- Participation by WPC representatives in the General Assembly and its principal committees; communication with the Security Council; cooperation with the Economic and Social Council and its subsidiary bodies and regional economic commissions; regular communication and meeting with the Secretary General; exchange of views and information with all departments of the Secretariat.
- Cooperation with all UN bodies and agencies such as UNCTAD, UNESCO, UNCTAD, UNIDO, UNEP, UNICEF, ILO, FAO, WHO, IAEA, UNITAR, the UN Centre on Disarmament, UN Centre on Transnational Corporations, UN Division on Human Rights, UN Commission on Human Rights, UN Council for Namibia, UN Special Committee Against Apartheid, the UN Centre Against Apartheid, UN Special Committee on Decolonisation, the UN Committee on the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, the Division of Public Information, etc.;

- Invitations to representatives of the United Nations and other inter-governmental organisations to participate in WPC events;
- Support for the International Year of Disabled Persons, declared by the UN;
- Cooperation with inter-governmental organisations such as the Conference of the Non-aligned Countries and the Organisation of African Unity;
- Active participation by the WPC and national organisations in major events and conferences of the United Nations;
- Expansion of the work of WPC representatives at the United Nations in New York, Geneva and Vienna and UNESCO headquarters in Paris aiming at strengthening cooperation, relationship and exchange of information.

#### XVIII. COOPERATION WITH NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS

- Regular exchange of publications, information, experience and opinions with other international public organisations on activities, programmes and concrete questions of cooperation and on other important matters of common interest in writing and through visits as well as multilateral consultations with international organisations represented in the Council;
- Joint initiatives (bilateral and multilateral) with other NGOs for the implementation of recommendations worked out at the Workshop on Cooperation among non-governmental organisations at the World Parliament of the Peoples for Peace;
- Joint initiatives and actions, bilateral and multilateral (conferences, seminars, appeals, etc.) on the most burning questions and for the implementation of the most important declarations and resolutions of the UN, UNESCO and other specialised agencies;
- Increase of cooperation with NGOs - international, national and regional - including active participation in the NGO Board, NGO Special Committee on Disarmament, NGO Sub-Committee on Racism and Decolonisation, NGO Special Committee on TNCs and other bodies set up by the Conferences of the non-governmental organisations in consultative status with the United Nations (Economic and

- Social Council) and UNESCO;
- Closer cooperation with peace institutes;
- Support of and contribution to the activities of the International Liaison Forum of Peace Forces. Active participation in the International Conference - Dialogue for Disarmament and Detente - end of 1981.

#### XIX. PUBLICITY, MASS MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

- Organisation of an international event on the responsibility of the mass media in the struggle against the arms build-up and the danger of war;
- Organisation of campaigns and hearings on the crime of misinformation and war propaganda;
- Support for the Movement of Non-aligned Countries in its struggle for a New International Information Order;
- Expansion and improvement of the work of the WPC Information Centre;
- Increased support for the WPC Information Centre for Latin America and the Caribbean, organised by the Cuban Peace Movement in Havana;
- Increased support for the WPC Information Centre for International Solidarity, organised in Addis Ababa by the Ethiopian Council for Peace, Friendship and Solidarity;
- Improvement of the contents of "New Perspectives" and "Peace Courier";
- Publications of brochures covering the main items of the WPC Programme of Action for 1981, particularly the issue discussed at the World Parliament of the Peoples for Peace. The Information Centre should strive to publish problem-oriented brochures;
- Publication of a special bulletin on the arms build-up and the problems of disarmament;
- Publication of WPC documents and of specialised bulletins on the various problems tackled by the WPC; for use by national committees, specialised bodies and interested persons;
- Improvement of cooperation with various TV and radio networks;
- Establishment of close cooperation with UNESCO and the UN information system, particularly the UN Department of Public Information and information organs of other inter-governmental organisations;

- Improved cooperation with non-governmental organisations specialising in the field of mass media.

## XX. CULTURE, EDUCATION, SCIENCE

- Circulation of the decisions of the World Parliament of the Peoples for Peace, Sofia, among cultural workers, educationalists and scientists, with the object of involving them in the activities of the peace movement;
- Organisation of national and international competitions in the sphere of culture and the arts;
- Seminars and symposia on the special responsibility and contribution scientists can make toward stopping the arms build-up safeguarding peace and promoting detente;
- Further preparations for the World Congress of Intellectuals for peace, in particular through the organisation of national conferences and congresses with international participation;
- Initiating of and support for such activities as the Greek Committee for International Detente and Peace has launched: production, in cooperation with other national peace committees, of a film, to be widely used by other national peace committees;
- Promotion of cooperation with UNESCO, and among UNESCO NGOs;
- Cooperation of national peace movements with the national UNESCO commissions;
- Commissions for culture, education and science to be set up by the national peace committees;
- Meetings of the WPC Standing Commissions on Culture, Education and Science, during the session of the WPC Presidential Committee;
- Events of various kinds on the occasion of WPC cultural and other anniversaries 1981/82 (publications, exhibitions, seminars, conferences, articles, etc.).

### Cultural anniversaries

1981

February 9	Fedor Mikhailovich Dostoyevsky	Russian writer	100th anniversary of death
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March 25	Béla Bartók	Hungarian composer	100th anniversary of birth
March 25	Marie Kuderikova	Czechoslovak national heroine antifascist fighter	60th anniversary of birth
March 28	Modest P. Mussorgsky	Russian composer	100th anniversary of death
May 22	Johannes R. Becher	German socialist poet and writer	90th anniversary of birth
May	Kamal Ataturk	Turkish leader	100th anniversary of birth
July 16	Don Fernando Ortíz	Humanist, scientist and Cuban writer	100th anniversary of birth
August 6	Sir Alexander Fleming	English biochemist, discoverer of penicillin, Nobel Prize-winner	100th anniversary of birth
August 14	First presentation of discovery of the transmission agent of Yellow Fever by Carlos J. Finlay		100th anniversary
October 13	Eugenie Cotton	French scientist peace activist	100th anniversary of birth
October 25	Pablo Picasso	Spanish painter	100th anniversary of birth
November 29	Andres Bello	Venezuelan writer	200th anniversary of birth
	Almany Samory Toure	African freedom fighter	100th anniversary of birth

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January 20	Nazim Hikmet	Turkish poet	80th anniversary of birth
March 22	Johann Wolfgang Goethe	German poet	150th anniversary of death

## XXI. ACTIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

- Assisting national movements in the development of activities of their environmental sections and groups;
- Encouraging the organization of national and regional events in the field of environment;
- Dissemination of information on the most topical environmental issues related to the activities of the world peace movement;
- Further strengthening of cooperation with the United Nations Environmental Programme and other concerned U.N. agencies, international, regional and national organisations and institutions; WPC direct participation in UNEP programmes and initiatives;
- Organisation of a Seminar on environmental problem (May 1981, Czechoslovakia);
- Participation in the U.N. conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy (August, Nairobi).

## XXII. PARLAMENTARIANS FOR PEACE

- Meeting of the WPC Standing Commission of Parliamentarians to discuss participation of the parliamentarians and other elected representatives in the activities for peace both inside the respective bodies and as members of the national peace movements;
- Formation of peace groups in all parliaments. These groups should exchange information among each other and with peace forces in other parliaments; and should inform the WPC of peace activities in parliaments;
- Parliamentarians who are active peace workers to become

more involved in the existing international parliamentary organisations.

## XXIII. TRADE UNIONISTS FOR PEACE

- Meeting of WPC Standing Commission of Trade Unionists, to examine further steps to draw trade unionist to peace activity;
- Support for planned national and international conference of trade unionists on social and economic consequences of the arms build up, and for disarmament;

## XXIV. WOMEN FOR PEACE

- Participation in the work of the second half of the Women's Decade, follow-up of the UN Conference and NGO Forum in Copenhagen 1980; and the Programme of Action for Equality, Development and Peace;
- Encouragement of women's active participation, through national committees and international organisations, in all campaigns for disarmament and detente, using the Sofia Appeal of the World Parliament of Peoples for Peace;
- Special actions by women during the UN Disarmament Week (October 24-20) against new nuclear weapons and all weapons of mass destruction;
- Support for International Women's Day (March 8) as a day of action for peace and disarmament;
- Special support and solidarity to be extended to women and children struggling against oppression, aggression, fascism and racism;
- Steps to ensure greater participation by women in WPC events, through national committees, trade unions, and other organisations;
- Encouragement of exchange of information and materials featuring the many initiatives taken by women for peace;

## XXV. RELIGIOUS CIRCLES FOR PEACE

- Development and strengthening of cooperation with international, regional and national religious organisations;

- Exchange of views, through bilateral meetings and visits of delegations, with individual religious organisations;
- Meetings with leaders of various religions to offer the World Peace Council's cooperation and support in all initiatives taken by them for peace;
- Sending of delegations to the Holy See and its Papal Commission "Justicia et Pax", to the World Council of Churches, the World Fellowship of Buddhism and other official religious bodies interested in peace work, to discuss with them WPC work for peace.
- Development of the activities of the WPC Standing Commission of representatives of Religious Circles.

## XXVI. YOUTH AND STUDENTS FOR PEACE

- Assistance in the development of activities of the youth sections of national peace committees (youth days and weeks);
- Organisation of youth and student meetings, round tables and forums, wherever useful, as part of the WPC major events;
- Cooperation with the United Nations, UNESCO and other UN bodies in their activities concerning youth and students and their problems. Support for and active participation in the preparations for the United Nations 1985 International Youth Year;
- Assistance to and participation in the initiatives and actions of international youth and student organisations, particularly the joint campaigns of non-governmental youth organisations;
- Support for the World Forum of Youth and Students for Peace, Detente and Disarmament (Helsinki, January 1981).

## XXVII. FUND-RAISING ACTIONS

- Intensified fund-raising campaigns for national organisations and for the WPC;
- Special collections for each particular event and other financial measures to facilitate the realisation of the WPC Programme of Action;
- Contribution from national committees to WPC meetings

- and delegations by hosting them and sharing in expenses;
- Information on fund-raising activities to be published monthly in the "Peace Courier";
- Subscriptions to WPC publications;
- Solidarity concerts, records and cassettes to be sold for peace funds;
- Exchange of typical national products for sale at peace bazaars, etc.
- Peace lotteries;
- Sale of reproductions of works by friendly artists.

## XXVIII. PEACE RESEARCH AND STUDIES

- Contribution to seminars and symposia organised by national committees as well as by research institutions devoted to the study of various aspects of the struggle for peace, disarmament, national independence, justice and social progress;
- Emphasis on detailed preparation by experts' groups of all activities undertaken by the movement - at all levels.

## DONATIONS FOR PUBLICATIONS

*The World Peace Council has been publishing brochures in different languages, on various aspects of the world peace movement. In recent years, the number of brochures has increased considerably covering subjects like Disarmament, Development, cooperation with the United Nations, international solidarity movements with the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America, the liberation movements in the Middle East, southern Africa and the Caribbean. Brochures have also been published on the meetings of the leading bodies of the WPC - Presidential Committee and the Bureau.*

*In meeting the growing demand for these brochures, WPC has had to cope with problems arising out of increasing costs of printing, paper and postage. To meet these costs, we would need the help and cooperation of the national peace committees and individuals.*

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(U) WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS:  
HAVANA CONGRESS

The 10th congress of the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) will be held February 10-15 in Havana. (WFTU congresses are held every four years; the last one was in Prague in April 1978.) The WFTU is one of the largest and most influential Soviet-sponsored communist-front organizations. Appealing to labor and trade unions in support of Soviet foreign policy initiatives, the WFTU relies heavily on the USSR and other communist states for financial, administrative, and propaganda assistance. The WFTU has been deeply involved in most of Moscow's political and propaganda campaigns in the "struggle for peace."\*

The congress, the highest deliberative and organizational body of the WFTU, can be expected to push the Soviet line in such areas as arms control and foreign policy while it blasts the "imperialist aggression" of the US and its positions on arms control issues. The congress will also provide the first opportunity for the WFTU "officially" to endorse Soviet policy on Poland since the imposition of martial law there last December.

Timing

In a February 1981 interview with the Cuban trade union newspaper Trabajadores, WFTU acting General Secretary Ibrahim Zacharia may have set the tone of the Havana congress when he stated that "from an organizational point of view," the WFTU had found in Cuba the "best possible conditions" for holding its forthcoming congress. (It will be

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the first time since the founding of the WFTU in 1945 that such an event will be staged outside the European mainland.) According to Zacharia, Cuba is "only 90 miles away from the most aggressive imperialist power," and Havana has been the scene of many "revolutionary activities."

Zacharia's ruminations aside, Havana has long been favored by the Soviets as a site for major international conferences of this type. The decision to hold the 10th WFTU congress there (apparently made at the end of the ninth congress in Prague) is in line with Moscow's desire to bolster Cuba's standing among developing countries and its position vis-a-vis the US. In this context, Havana would seem to be a particularly good springboard for advocating the international "unity" of communist and noncommunist labor and trade unions in the Third World.

The congress is taking place when Moscow is under fire from West European labor groups for its role in the imposition of martial law in Poland. The Soviets thus probably appreciate the unanticipated advantage of having an obviously communist-inspired event take place outside Europe at a time when European participation is not, in any case, likely to be great.

### Participation

According to the Soviet labor newspaper Trud, the Havana congress will host 430 delegations representing over 250 million "workers." If these figures prove accurate, the 10th congress will be the WFTU's largest extravaganza to date. Invitations have been sent to all trade union organizations "of representative character," regardless of international affiliation, according to the WFTU publication World Trade Union Movement.

Exceptions allegedly have been made only in the case of organizations of a "non-trade union character--fascist or racist--or those organizations, the presence of whose representatives at the Congress would hinder the participation of other organizations." Also invited to Havana are "representatives of international or regional democratic organizations," intergovernmental bodies, and the UN and its specialized agencies, and "some eminent personalities and representatives of the mass media."

Because the congress is being held outside Europe, affiliated organizations in Europe have been asked to reduce the number of their delegates attending to cut travel expenses. The estimated cost of the congress, according to World Trade Union Movement, will be about \$1 million.

### Thematica

According to Neues Deutschland, the Havana congress is to focus on the "struggle for peace and disarmament," particularly



the "serious danger" to humanity posed by the "neutron bomb," as well as the "deepening crisis" in the capitalist world.

In a June 1981 interview with Trud, Sandor Gaspar, WFTU president, said that the forthcoming congress would be a "landmark" in the history of the international working class and trade union movement. Gaspar claimed:

"Pursuing a unitary policy and coming out in favor of developing dialogue and cooperation between trade unions, we try to use all the existing opportunities and means in the interests of international detente....The Soviet initiatives voiced from the rostrum of the 26th CPSU Congress are of exceptional importance. They are aimed at deepening and broadening detente and at easing international tension. The WFTU has given a clear reply to them."

(Brezhnev's "peace proposals" had been endorsed by the WFTU at a March 1981 organizational meeting in East Berlin and so can be expected to figure in the 10th congress' agenda.)

Zacharia, in his Trabajadores interview, declared that the congress would debate such problems as "unemployment, dismissals, inflation, the activities of transnational corporations in advanced and developing countries--indeed, all problems which come under the heading of the general crisis of the capitalist world." The recent "intensification of the arms race" and the need to persevere in the struggle for disarmament as well as the "conversion of military investment to peaceful purposes" will also receive special attention, as will "solidarity with the workers and peoples, the victims of imperialist, colonial, neo-colonial and racial oppression."

In addition, Zacharia:

--claimed that European opposition to the "neutron bomb" and the deployment of nuclear missiles was increasing "thanks...to the active participation of trade union organizations together with other forces"; and

--asserted that the Havana congress would devote "particular attention" to Latin American countries that are "constantly being threatened by imperialism."

#### Background to the Congress

Paving the way in 1981 for the Havana extravaganza:

--Delegates from 30 countries discussed "problems" of the international trade union movement and made preparations for the Havana congress at a March 24-25 WFTU-sponsored organizational conference in East Berlin.

- In June, the WFTU organized a "seminar" in Moscow for 25 trade union officials from various Caribbean countries.
- WFTU president Gaspar, other WFTU leadership members, and representatives from trade unions in over 70 countries attended a July 1-3 "General Council Session" in Budapest at which the Havana congress was discussed. The session adopted an appeal titled "The 10th Congress and the Challenges of the 80s," in addition to resolutions on "solidarity with the Arab people of Palestine," Namibia, and on "effective actions" against South Africa. Messages were also sent to the USSR Supreme Soviet expressing agreement with the Soviet "peace initiatives," to Syrian President Assad praising his "wise leadership," and to the people and workers of Mongolia, Korea, and El Salvador.
- WFTU emissaries traveled throughout the Third World to enlist propaganda support and boost attendance at the Havana congress. Some of the countries they visited were Zimbabwe, Afghanistan, Philippines, Lebanon, Vietnam, Kampuchea, and Benin. Trade union delegations from Chile, Libya, Uruguay, and Namibia visited WFTU headquarters in Prague for consultations before the congress.

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2. SUMMARY: PREPARATIONS FOR THE MOSCOW "WORLD

PEACE CONFERENCE" IN MAY ARE MOVING INTO HIGH GEAR, INDICATING THAT THE CONFERENCE WILL PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN MOSCOW'S "PEACE OFFENSIVE" DESIGNED TO DISTORT AND FRUSTRATE U.S. DEFENSE AND ARMS CONTROL POLICIES. ON THE SAME DAY THAT METROPOLITAN FILARET RECEIVED BILLY GRAHAM'S ACCEPTANCE, HE USED THE FACT OF GRAHAM'S ATTENDANCE AT THE CONFERENCE TO TRY TO CONVINCE ANOTHER RELUCTANT INVITEE TO ATTEND. FILARET THEN DEPARTED FOR THE NETHERLANDS AND FRANCE TO SEEK HIGH-LEVEL ROMAN CATHOLIC ATTENDANCE. WE HAVE ALSO LEARNED THAT SOME STATE LEADERS, SUCH AS INDIRA GANDHI, WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND. THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE FOR THE CONFERENCE IS REPORTEDLY ALREADY IN DRAFT; IT (1) ENCOURAGES WESTERN PEACE MOVEMENTS, (2) CONDEMNS NEW WEAPONS SUCH AS THE NEUTRON BOMB, (3) URGES PROGRESS IN INF AND THE BEGINNING OF START, AND (4) CALLS FOR FOREIGN AID INSTEAD OF ARMS. THIS ALL TRACKS CLOSELY WITH THE RESOLUTIONS AND SPEECHES OF THE PREPARATORY SESSION HELD IN MOSCOW IN LATE JANUARY WHICH WERE DIRECTED SOLELY AT CRITICIZING THE UNITED STATES BY NAME OR IMPLICATION. THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE CONFERENCE ADOPTED AT THE PREPARATORY SESSION WILL GUARANTEE THE EXCLUSION OF MOST WESTERN PRESS AND WILL PREVENT ANY SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES TO THE DRAFT COMMUNIQUE. THE ORGANIZERS ARE SAID TO BE CONSIDERING WHETHER THE CONFERENCE SHOULD MAKE SOME KIND OF AWARD TO BREZHNEV FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO PEACE. ACTION SUGGESTED: THAT RECIPIENT POSTS MAKE THE OBVIOUS PROPAGANDA OBJECTIVES OF THIS CONFERENCE CLEAR TO POTENTIAL ATTENDEES IN THEIR COUNTRIES. END SUMMARY.

3. PREPARATIONS FOR THE "WORLD CONFERENCE: RELIGIOUS WORKERS FOR SAVING THE SACRED GIFT OF LIFE FROM NUCLEAR CATASTROPHE" TO BE HELD IN MOSCOW IN MAY ARE MOVING AHEAD BRISKLY. A PRE-

PARATORY SESSION WAS HELD IN MOSCOW JANUARY 26-28 UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF METROPOLITAN FILARET, FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEPUTY AND HEIR APPARENT TO PATRIARCH PIMEN. THIS SESSION DETERMINED THE AGENDA FOR THE CONFERENCE AND ITS RULES OF PROCEDURE (DISCUSSED BELOW). FILARET IS NOW BUSILY SEEKING AS WIDE ATTENDANCE AS POSSIBLE AT THE CONFERENCE BY WESTERN RELIGIOUS FIGURES. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT OVER FOUR HUNDRED INVITATIONS HAVE GONE OUT FOR THE CONFERENCE: HOWEVER, THE BT

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RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AND RELIGIOUS FIGURES  
FROM COUNTRIES ALLIED WITH OR FRIENDLY TO THE  
SOVIET UNION. OTHER PARTICIPANTS IN MAY WILL FIND  
THE STRUCTURE AND CONTENT OF THE CONFERENCE (AND  
INDEED, THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE) PRESENTED TO THEM AS  
A FAIT ACCOMPLI, AS IS TO BE EXPECTED FROM A  
RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH HIERARCHY WHICH IS SQUARELY  
UNDER THE THUMB OF THE SOVIET REGIME AND ADEPT AT  
USING TYPICAL REGIME TACTICS. EVEN THE SCHEDULING  
OF THE CONFERENCE IS LOADED TO SERVE SOVIET PURPOSES:  
THE SESSIONS WILL TAKE PLACE MAY 10-14. HOWEVER,  
THE PARTICIPANTS ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN A  
SERIES OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES AND OTHER FESTIVITIES

4. THE MOST IMPORTANT WESTERN RELIGIOUS FIGURE  
TO ACCEPT FILARET'S INVITATION SO FAR IS BILLY  
GRAHAM (REPORTED REF A). LITERALLY WITHIN  
MINUTES OF LEARNING OF GRAHAM'S ACCEPTANCE FROM  
A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GRAHAM ORGANIZATION,  
FILARET ATTEMPTED TO USE THE FACT OF GRAHAM'S  
ATTENDANCE AT THE CONFERENCE TO PERSUADE ARCHI-  
MANDRITE NIPHON SIKALI TO CONVINCE HIS OWN  
PATRIARCH, IGNAIUS OF ANTIOCH, TO COME TO THE  
CONFERENCE. IGNAIUS HAS BEEN UNDER INCREASING  
SOVIET/RUSSIAN PATRIARCHATE PRESSURE TO ATTEND;  
THE REFERENCE TO BILLY GRAHAM IS NOT THE FIRST  
NOR THE LAST PLOY WHICH FILARET WILL USE TO GET  
HIM TO COME. HOWEVER, NIPHON (PROTECT) HAS  
TOLD ACTING DCM THAT HE REMAINS OPPOSED TO  
PARTICIPATION BY HIS PATRIARCH AND DURING HIS  
CURRENT VISIT TO DAMASCUS WILL CONTINUE TO ARGUE  
AGAINST ACCEPTANCE OF FILARET'S INVITATION. WE  
ANTICIPATE THAT FILARET WILL USE GRAHAM'S NAME  
AND STATURE IN ALL HIS FUTURE DISCUSSIONS AND  
CORRESPONDENCE WITH OTHER WESTERN RELIGIOUS GROUPS  
TO ENTICE THEM TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE AS WELL.

5. FILARET HAS DEPARTED FOR A TRIP TO THE  
NETHERLANDS AND FRANCE WHERE WE BELIEVE HE WILL  
BE SEEKING HIGH-LEVEL ATTENDANCE BY ROMAN  
CATHOLIC FIGURES. THE INTENTION OF THE VATICAN  
TO SEND ONLY A GROUP OF LOW-LEVEL OBSERVERS TO  
THE CONFERENCE IS CLEARLY UNSATISFACTORY TO  
FILARET. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT HE WILL BE  
APPROACHING CARDINAL BRAND OF THE NETHERLANDS  
AS A LIKELY ATTENDEE. WE BELIEVE THAT FILARET  
HAS SELECTED THE TWO MOST INDEPENDENT EUROPEAN  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES TO CULTIVATE DURING HIS  
CURRENT TRIP AS THE MOST PROMISING AVENUES TO  
PUT PRESSURE ON THE HOLY SEE TO UPGRADE ITS  
DELEGATION. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN TOLD THAT THE  
ORTHODOX PATRIARCHS OF POLAND AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA  
WILL NOT BE INVITED IN ORDER TO ASSURE ATTENDANCE OF  
(AND PROMINENCE FOR) DELEGATIONS FROM THE ROMAN  
CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.

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6. WE HAVE ALSO HEARD THAT A NUMBER OF STATE LEADERS MAY BE INVITED TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE. SPECIFIC NAMES MENTIONED ARE INDIRA GANDHI AND JULIUS NYERERE. THE SOVIETS/PATRIARCHATE ARE EVIDENTLY ALSO LOOKING FOR FIGURES OF BOTH RELIGIOUS AND SECULAR STATURE WHO MAY BE INVITED OR ASKED TO BE "HONORARY PATRONS" OF THE CONFERENCE. ATTENDANCE BY FOREIGN POLITICAL FIGURES OF IMPORTANCE WOULD SERVE TWO PURPOSES FOR THE SOVIETS. FIRST, IT WOULD LEND PRESTIGE TO THE EVENT, ESPECIALLY IN THE THIRD WORLD AND AMONG NEUTRALS. SECOND, IT WOULD THEN BE EASIER FOR THE HOST COUNTRY CHIEF OF STATE TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE PROCEEDINGS IN SOME WAY. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT

THE ORGANIZERS OF THE CONFERENCE HAVE DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING SOME KIND OF AWARD TO BREZHNEV FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO PEACE. THIS COULD BE EITHER IN THE FORM OF A RESOLUTION BY THE CONFERENCE PRAISING SOVIET PEACE INITIATIVES OR DECORATIONS GIVEN TO BREZHNEV BY VARIOUS CHURCH GROUPS. THE IDEA OF LEONID BREZHNEV BEING DECORATED WITH A RELIGIOUS ORDER MAY STRIKE SOME OBSERVERS AS PECULIAR (AND IN POOR TASTE), BUT IT WOULD NOT BE OUT OF KEEPING WITH THE HOOPLA WHICH RECENTLY SURROUNDED THE SOVIET LEADER'S 75TH BIRTHDAY. MORE IMPORTANT, SUCH A MOVE WOULD BE ENTIRELY IN KEEPING WITH THE FUNDAMENTAL PURPOSE OF THE CONFERENCE, WHICH IS TO COVER SOVIET PEACE INITIATIVES AND PROPAGANDA WITH THE GLOSS OF A BROADLY ECUMENICAL GATHERING OF RELIGIOUS FIGURES.

7. ACCORDING TO REPORTS WE HAVE RECEIVED, THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE OF THE CONFERENCE IS ALREADY IN DRAFT AND HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH CERTAIN SELECTED PARTICIPANTS OF THE STEERING GROUP. THE MAIN THEMES WHICH WE HAVE BEEN TOLD IT WILL CONTAIN TRACK CLOSELY WITH THE RESOLUTIONS AND COMMUNIQUE OF THE JANUARY PREPARATORY SESSION AND OF EARLIER SESSIONS HELD OCTOBER 1-2 AND DECEMBER 7-8, AS WELL AS WITH THE SPEECHES OF PIMEN AND FILARET TO THESE SESSIONS. THE MAIN POINTS WE EXPECT TO SEE IN THE CONFERENCE COMMUNIQUE (WITH SAMPLE LANGUAGE TAKEN FROM THE DOCUMENTS OF THE PREPARATORY SESSIONS) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

-- (1) WEST EUROPEAN PEACE MOVEMENTS SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED AND SUPPORTED AS A MATTER OF RELIGIOUS DUTY. "PROFOUND SATISFACTION WAS ALSO EXPRESSED AT THE GROWING MASS MOVEMENT AGAINST THE CONTINUED ESCALATION OF THE DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION AND DEPLOYMENT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND FOR THEIR IMMEDIATE REDUCTION AND EVENTUAL PROHIBITION AND ELIMINATION... AS IS KNOWN, BROAD RELIGIOUS CIRCLES HAVE BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN THIS MOVEMENT, WHICH DESERVES APPROVAL AND EVERY POSSIBLE SUPPORT." "THE PARTICIPANTS NOTED WITH PROFOUND SATISFACTION THE GROWING STRENGTH OF MASS MOVEMENTS PROTESTING AGAINST THE ARMS RACE; LARGE CIRCLES OF RELIGIOUS PEOPLE ARE INVOLVED IN THE INITIATION AND PARTICIPATION

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OF THESE MOVEMENTS." "NOWADAYS THE DEATH  
CLOUDS ARE THICKENING AGAIN. THEY ARE THE  
EFFECT OF THE OVER-ACCUMULATION OF SOPHISTI-  
CATED WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION IN THE WORLD,  
OF THE CRIMINAL PROPAGANDA OF THE PERMISSI-  
BILITY TO USE THE NUCLEAR MEANS OF WARFARE,  
THE PERFIDIOUS FORCING OF THE POLITICAL TENSIONS  
WHICH ARE STIMULATED BY THE IMMORAL ALLEGATION  
ABOUT THE 'SOVIET MILITARY THREAT'." "WE FULLY  
SHARE MR. LEONID ILYICH BREZHNEV'S CALL THAT  
THERE COULD BE NEITHER STRANGERS NOR INDIFFERENT  
PERSONS IN THE CAUSE OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
HUMAN RIGHT TO LIFE." "WE NOTE AT THE SAME  
TIME WITH DEEP ANXIETY THE FACT THAT OTHER  
LEADERS, INSTEAD OF PROMOTING PEACE AND

DETENTE, GUIDE THE WORLD CLOSER TO THE BRINK  
BY ADOPTING A POLICY OF MILITARY SUPERIORITY  
OVER OTHER NATIONS AND BY ADVOCATING DANGEROUS  
NOTIONS LIKE THE WINNABILITY OF A 'LIMITED'  
NUCLEAR WAR, OR THE INEVITABILITY OF A THIRD  
WORLD WAR." "IN RESPONSE TO THE PEACEFUL  
INITIATIVES OF OUR FATHERLAND FOR OVERCOMING  
NUCLEAR CATASTROPHE THERE ARE PUT FORWARD PLANS  
FOR A STILL MORE ACCELERATED ARMS RACE, AND  
SHOULD THESE PLANS BE REALIZED, OUR PLANET  
WOULD TURN INTO A STOREHOUSE OF MORTAL WEAPONS...  
IN MANY COUNTRIES OF EUROPE NOW WE CAN WITNESS  
IMPRESSIVE MASS MANIFESTATIONS FOR THE PRESERVA-  
TION OF PEACE, FOR THE RESTORATION OF TRUST  
AND FOR THE RETURN TO THE WAY OF DETENTE  
BETWEEN EAST AND WEST. IT IS NOT A MINOR  
ROLE THAT WE, PEOPLE OF RELIGION, PLAY IN THIS  
GENERAL MOVEMENT FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE WORLD  
AND FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE SACRED GIFT OF  
LIFE."

-- (2) CONDEMNATION OF "NEW WEAPONS" (E.G. NEUTRON  
BOMB) AND DANGEROUS NUCLEAR DOCTRINE. "THE  
DECISION TO GO AHEAD WITH THE MANUFACTURE OF  
THE NEUTRON BOMB BRINGS US NEARER TO THE  
THRESHOLD OF A NUCLEAR WAR." "WE DECISIVELY  
RENOUNCE ANY STRATEGY BASED ON NUCLEAR WAR.  
A 'LIMITED' NUCLEAR WAR CANNOT REMAIN LIMITED."  
"POWERFUL POLITICAL AND MILITARY CIRCLES STAND  
IN THE OPPOSITION TO THE IDEA OF PEACEFUL  
COEXISTENCE AND...SEEK TO ACCELERATE THE GROWTH  
OF ARMAMENTS AND IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY TO MAIN-  
TAIN THE SO-CALLED 'BALANCE OF FEAR'... AND  
IN CREATING THE ATMOSPHERE WHICH IS  
PSYCHOLOGICALLY OPEN TO THE IDEA OF THE  
PROBABILITY OR EVEN INEVITABILITY OF A NEW  
WORLD WAR." "THE PROFOUND CONCERN OF THE  
PARTICIPANTS EXTENDED NOT ONLY TO THE PERIL  
OF WAR IN EUROPE, BUT TO THE WHOLE WORLD,  
THREATENED BY AN ARMS RACE THE LIKE OF WHICH  
WAS NEVER SEEN BEFORE, BY THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
NEW TYPES OF WEAPONRY (LASER, OUTER SPACE,  
ANTI-BALLISTIC), BY THE RISE OF SENSELESS

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MILITARY DOCTRINES LIKE 'LIMITED NUCLEAR  
WAR', WITH THEIR POTENTIAL TO CAUSE THE  
DESTRUCTION OF THE WHOLE OF CIVILIZATION, BY  
THE DEVELOPMENT AND DEPLOYMENT OF QUALITA-  
TIVELY NEW WEAPONS BY CERTAIN NATIONS AND THE  
MILITARY ALLIANCES LED BY THEM. THIS DANGER  
GROWS DAILY AS A RESULT OF THE POLICY OF THESE  
NATIONS AND THEIR ALLIANCES -- A POLICY  
DESIGNED TO STRAIN FURTHER THE TENSION BETWEEN  
NATIONS AND TO IGNORE OR ESCAPE THE NEED TO  
SEARCH FOR DIFFICULT BUT NECESSARY WAYS TO  
UNIVERSAL PEACE AND FOR THE SURVIVAL OF THE  
HUMAN RACE."

-- (3) THE NEED FOR PROGRESS AT THE GENEVA TALKS

AND FOR NEW STRATEGIC ARMS TALKS, TAILORED TO  
THE SOVIET POSITIONS ON BOTH. "THE SALT  
PROCESS MUST BE RE-OPENED. AS CHRISTIANS,  
WE PRAY THAT NEW NEGOTIATIONS ON THE RESTRICTION  
OF THEATER NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN EUROPE MAY BE A  
SUCCESS... WE COME OUT IN SUPPORT FOR  
PROPOSALS IN REGARD TO THE CREATION OF NUCLEAR-  
FREE ZONES.' THE BREZHNEV 'PROPOSALS' IN  
BONN ARE CITED AS THE LINE TO FOLLOW IN THE  
GENEVA TALKS.

(4) MONEY SHOULD BE SPENT ON AID TO DEVELOP-  
ING COUNTRIES RATHER THAN ON ARMS. "GIGANTIC  
UNPRODUCTIVE EXPENDITURES ON ARMAMENTS ARE ONE  
OF THE MAIN CAUSES OF THE FURTHER SPEEDING DOWN  
OF THE SOCIAL-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WHICH IS A  
TENDENCY CHARACTERISTIC OF THE EARLY EIGHTIES."  
"UNIVERSAL PEACE, IN ORDER TO BE STABLE, HAD  
TO BE BASED ON A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC  
ORDER."

8. THE PREPARATORY SESSIONS HAVE ARRANGED THE MAY  
CONFERENCE TO BE ALMOST FOOLPROOF FOR THE ACHIEVE-  
MENT OF SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY AND PROPAGANDA AIMS.  
THE TIGHTLY ORGANIZED AGENDA CAREFULLY FILLS ALL  
THE TIME OF THE PARTICIPANTS AND CHANNELS DIS-  
CUSSIONS INTO THREE CATEGORIES: "CATASTROPHIC CON-  
SEQUENCES OF THE ARMS RACE AND NUCLEAR WAR," "NEW  
DOCTRINES OF NUCLEAR WAR," AND "URGENT TASKS OF  
NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT." EACH PLENARY SESSION WILL  
BE CHAIRED BY A MEMBER OF THE STEERING GROUP WITH  
A PREPARED LIST OF SUB-TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION.  
TOTAL ATTENDANCE AT THE CONFERENCE IS LIMITED TO  
350 PERSONS IN FIVE CATEGORIES (HONORARY PATRONS,  
DELEGATES, OBSERVERS, EXPERTS AND GUESTS) BUT WITH  
A LOOPHOLE FOR AN INCREASE OF TEN PERCENT IN

INVITATIONS. THESE CATEGORIES ARE EVIDENTLY  
DESIGNED TO CONTROL THE NUMBER OF VOTING FULL  
DELEGATES IN ORDER TO ASSURE THAT FILARET AND HIS  
STEERING GROUP CAN MAINTAIN CONTROL OF THE CON-  
FERENCE AND OF THE COMMUNIQUE. THE "RULES OF  
PROCEDURE" STATE THAT DECISIONS WILL BE MADE ON  
THE "BASIS OF WIDE AGREEMENT" EXCEPT IN CASES OF  
"NECESSITY" WHEN VOTES MAY BE TAKEN. THIS  
OBVIOUSLY ALLOWS GREAT DISCRETION TO THE CHAIR.  
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IN VOTING ON THE COMMUNIQUE, PARTICIPANTS CAN  
ONLY PROPOSE CHANGES, "IF THEY FIND IT NECESSARY,"  
IN WRITING THROUGH THE CHAIRMAN TO THE DRAFTING  
COMMISSION. IN OTHER WORDS, NO ALTERATIONS FROM  
THE FLOOR. FINALLY, "AT THE PLENARY SESSION WHICH  
IS TO ADOPT THE FINAL DOCUMENTS, PROPOSALS FOR THEIR  
BASIC CHANGING SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED."

9. PRESS COVERAGE OF THE CONFERENCE WILL, ACCORDING  
TO THE "RULES," BE OPEN ONLY TO JOURNALISTS  
"OFFICIALLY REGISTERED AT IT." THE OCTOBER PRE-  
PARATORY SESSION DECIDED TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF  
JOURNALISTS TO TWENTY. EVEN THESE WILL HAVE TO  
WORK THROUGH AN OFFICIAL PRESS CENTER.

10. COMMENT: AS REPORTED EARLIER, THE "PEACE  
CONFERENCE" IS A TOOL OF SOVIET PEACE PROPAGANDA  
PURE AND SIMPLE. THE PREPARATIONS WE HAVE  
OBSERVED INDICATE THAT THE CONFERENCE WILL BE MORE  
BLATANTLY CONTROLLED AND TAILORED TO SOVIET FOREIGN  
POLICY AIMS THAN EVEN WE HAD ORIGINALLY THOUGHT. THE  
ADVANCE PREPARATION OF THE COMMUNIQUE, THE LIMITED  
AGENDA, RULES RESTRICTING CHANGES TO THE FINAL  
DOCUMENTS AND LIMITED PRESS ACCESS ALL CONFIRM  
THAT WESTERN RELIGIOUS FIGURES WILL BE COMING TO  
GIVE A SHEEN OF RESPECTABILITY TO SOVIET PEACE  
INITIATIVES. END COMMENT.

11. ACTION REQUESTED: WE SUGGEST THAT ADDRESSEES  
DRAW ON THIS CABLE, PARTICULARLY PARAS 7 - 9,  
FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS AND RELIGIOUS  
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

FROM: WILLIAM P. CLARK *Bar*

SUBJECT: Soviet Decree on Atheism (U)

I appreciate your alerting me to the secret Soviet decree on atheistic education and fully agree that it would be desirable to exploit this for public affairs purposes. I have forwarded your suggestion to our interagency Project Truth group for further consideration and staffing. *(S)*

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MEMORANDUM FOR WILLIAM P. CLARK

**SIGNED**

FROM: CARNES LORD *cl*

SUBJECT: Response to Vice President on Soviet Atheism Decree (U)

The Vice President recently sent you a memorandum calling attention to a secret Soviet decree on atheistic education, and asking that this material be considered for use by ICA and in speeches (Tab II). ~~(S)~~

I conveyed the substance of this request to the last meeting of the Project Truth group, and am confident some way will be found to utilize it. ~~(S)~~

I have drafted a response to the Vice President for your signature (Tab I). (U)

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum to the Vice President at Tab I.

Approve       ✓       Disapprove                     

Attachments

- Tab I Memo to the VP
- Tab II Memo to You fr VP, March 15, 82

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2. SUMMARY: THE SOVIETS ARE USING THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH TO TELL THE WORLD HOW PEACE-LOVING IS THE REGIME IN MOSCOW; AT THE SAME TIME THE DOMESTIC SOVIET AUDIENCE IS BEING TOLD THAT RELIGION IS A THREAT TO SOVIET MILITARY POWER AND THAT THE INTEREST OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE CHURCH IS THE RESULT OF WESTERN SUBVERSIVE EFFORTS TO UNDERMINE SOVIET WAR-MAKING ABILITY. WE HAVE RECENTLY GIVEN ADDRESSEES BACKGROUND

INFORMATION ON THE CHARACTER OF THE "WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE" TO BE HELD IN MOSCOW IN MAY (REFTEL). IN THIS MESSAGE WE ARE PROVIDING SOME INFORMATION ON THE OTHER FACE OF SOVIET POLICY ON RELIGION WHICH PARTICIPANTS IN THE CONFERENCE WILL NOT SEE. MOST, BUT NOT ALL, OF WHAT FOLLOWS HAS BEEN REPORTED TO THE DEPARTMENT ALREADY; WE ARE HERE EXTRACTING FROM OUR EARLIER REPORTS FOR THE INFORMATION AND USE OF POSTS WHICH MAY BE IN A POSITION TO DISCUSS THE "PEACE CONFERENCE" WITH GOVERNMENT OR RELIGIOUS FIGURES IN THEIR HOST COUNTRIES. END SUMMARY.

3. ATTACKS ON RELIGION AND THE CHURCH ARE BY NO MEANS A RECENT ASPECT OF SOVIET INTERNAL POLICY; INDEED, THE STRUGGLE AGAINST "SPIRITUAL REMNANTS" IN SOVIET SOCIETY HAS BEEN AN INTEGRAL PART OF STATE AND CPSU POLICY THROUGHOUT THE SOVIET PERIOD, VARYING ONLY IN TACTICS AND INTENSITY. THE ANTI-RELIGIOUS CAMPAIGN IS NOT NOW AT ANYTHING LIKE THE BLOODBATH LEVEL OF THE LENIN AND STALIN YEARS OR THE FEVER PITCH OF THE KHRUSHCHEV ERA. NEVERTHELESS, THE CAMPAIGN CONTINUES IN THE FORM OF OVERT LEGAL CONTROLS ON THE ACTIVITIES OF BELIEVERS, ARRESTS OF PERSONS ACTIVELY SPREADING RELIGION, INDOCTRINATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN SCHOOLS AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS, MASSIVE USE OF ALL FORMS OF MEDIA TO DISCREDIT RELIGION, AND OFFICIALLY-CONDONED VIOLENCE AGAINST BELIEVERS WHO WILL NOT ADHERE TO STATE RESTRICTIONS. IN THE PAST YEAR, HOWEVER, WE HAVE OBSERVED A GROWING EMPHASIS ON ONE THEME IN THE ANTI-RELIGIOUS CAMPAIGN: A DIRECT LINKING OF RELIGION WITH A WESTERN-INSPIRED THREAT TO THE MILITARY STRENGTH OF THE SOVIET UNION. THIS ATTEMPT TO LINK, AND JOINTLY DISCREDIT, GROWING RELIGIOUS INTEREST AND NASCENT PACIFIST

TENDENCIES AMONG SOVIET YOUNG PEOPLE HAS TAKEN PLACE CONCURRENTLY WITH THE WORLDWIDE SOVIET PEACE PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN.

4. THE OFFICIAL CONCERN ABOUT PACIFIST TENDENCIES AMONG SOVIET YOUTH SEEMS EXAGGERATED TO US, BUT IS CLEARLY A REAL WORRY FOR PARTY AND GOVERNMENT BT

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OFFICIALS. THE MOST RECENT PUBLIC EXPRESSION OF THIS CONCERN WAS IN A JANUARY 27 ARTICLE IN "IZVESTIYA" WHICH CONDEMNED FAMILIES WHO DISCOURAGE THEIR SONS FROM APPROACHING MILITARY SERVICE WITH ENTHUSIASM. SAYING THAT "WE MUST KEEP OUR POWDER DRY" THE AUTHOR CALLS FOR MORE MILITARY THEMES IN LITERATURE (WHICH WE WOULD HAVE THOUGHT ALREADY OVERLY ABUNDANT). IN THE PAST YEAR CPSU THEORETICAL JOURNALS AND MILITARY PUBLICATIONS HAVE CONDEMNED THE NOTION THAT "ANY KIND OF PEACE IS GOOD AND ANY KIND OF WAR IS BAD" AND CRITICIZED THE INFLUENCE OF WESTERN STYLES AND IDEAS AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE NEEDED FOR MILITARY SERVICE. THESE CONCERNS HAVE GROWN SINCE THE SOVIET INVASION OF AFGHANISTAN AND THE UNDERSTANDABLE UNEASE OF MANY FAMILIES WITH SONS OF MILITARY AGE WHO HEAR RUMORS ABOUT SOVIET

LOSSES IN THAT CONFLICT. THE REACTION WE HAVE SEEN IN THE THEORETICAL JOURNALS DEMANDS MORE EMPHASIS ON THE HISTORICAL TRADITIONS OF THE RUSSIAN MILITARY AND EFFORTS TO COMBAT INFLUENCES WHICH UNDERMINE THE PATRIOTISM AND DEDICATION OF SOVIET YOUTH, INCLUDING RELIGION.

5. WE BELIEVE THAT A GENUINE REVIVAL OF RELIGIOUS INTEREST AMONG SOVIET YOUTH IN RECENT YEARS AND A MINISCULE TENDENCY TOWARDS EMULATING THE PEACE MOVEMENTS OF WESTERN EUROPE HAVE INSPIRED THIS NEW ROUND IN THE ANTI-RELIGIOUS EFFORTS OF PARTY AND STATE. WE ALSO KNOW WHAT PARTICIPANTS IN THE MAY "PEACE CONFERENCE" WILL BE TOLD BY SOVIET OFFICIALS AND LEADERS OF THE OFFICIALLY-RECOGNIZED CHURCHES: THE SOVIET CONSTITUTION GUARANTEES FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE; THERE IS NO PERSECUTION OF BELIEVERS IN THE SOVIET UNION; ONLY "HOOLIGANS" AND CRIMINAL ELEMENTS MASQUERADING AS BELIEVERS ARE SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION; ANY STATEMENTS TO THE CONTRARY ARE MERELY WESTERN ANTI-SOVIET PROPAGANDA.

6. THE REALITY OF THE CURRENT INTENSIFICATION OF THE ANTI-RELIGIOUS CAMPAIGN IS EVIDENT FOR THOSE WISHING TO LOOK BEHIND THE BLANK OFFICIAL ASSURANCES. THE PUBLIC KEYNOTE FOR THE PRESENT ROUND WAS A MAJOR, FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL IN "PRAVDA" OF AUGUST 8, 1981, WHICH CONDEMNS CURRENT ANTI-RELIGIOUS EFFORTS AS INADEQUATE, ESPECIALLY AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE. IT CALLS FOR MORE AND BETTER PERSONNEL TO BE DEVOTED TO STEMMING THE RISE IN RELIGIOUS INTEREST AMONG YOUTH AND FOR MORE VIGOROUS USE OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEE OF "ATHEISTIC PROPAGANDA." (THE SOVIET CONSTITUTION GUARANTEES FREEDOM OF BELIEF AND NON-BELIEF; IT GUARANTEES ONLY ANTI-RELIGIOUS PROPAGATION.) WE HAVE BEEN TOLD OF THE ADOPTION BY THE CPSU CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF A SECRET DECREE ON ATHEISTIC EDUCATION WHICH IS DIRECTED SPECIFICALLY AGAINST ISLAMIC INFLUENCE IN CENTRAL ASIA AND CATHOLICISM IN MOLDAVIA, THE UKRAINE AND LITHUANIA. THE DECREE HAS BEEN KEPT SECRET DUE TO SENSITIVITY IN THE FOREIGN POLICY ESTABLISHMENT ABOUT THE REACTION IN THE ISLAMIC  
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WORLD IF IT WERE MADE PUBLIC. WE ALSO BELIEVE THE SOVIETS DO NOT WISH TO PUBLISH SUCH A DECREE BEFORE THE "WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE."

7. THE RESPONSE TO THE "PRAVDA" EDITORIAL AND THE SECRET DECREE HAS BECOME EVIDENT IN THE INCREASING STRIDENCY OF ANTI-RELIGIOUS LECTURES AND AGITATION PROPAGANDA. THE PRINCIPLE THEMES WE HAVE HEARD ARE:  
-- ATTEMPTS TO USE THE GUARANTEES OF THE SOVIET CONSTITUTION TO PROPAGATE RELIGION ARE BOTH ILLEGAL AND DANGEROUS;  
-- RELIGIOUS INTEREST AMONG YOUTH IS NOT COMPATIBLE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE ARMY. IN AN ERA OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, PACIFISM IS NOT MERELY AN IDEOLOGICAL

PROBLEM BUT A GENERAL THREAT TO THE ENTIRE SOCIALIST SOCIETY.  
-- ENCOURAGEMENT FOR RELIGION COMES FROM "WESTERN BOURGEOIS CIRCLES THROUGH LEGAL AND ILLEGAL CHANNELS," SUCH AS WESTERN RADIO BROADCASTS WHICH ARE FUNDED BY THE CIA AND THE VATICAN AND THE SMUGGLING OF RELIGIOUS CONTRABAND INTO THE SOVIET UNION BY TOURISTS;  
-- WESTERN SLANDERS OF LACK OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN THE SOVIET UNION ARE INTENDED AS A COVER FOR SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES;  
-- THE CONTACTS OF SOME PRIESTS AND BELIEVERS WITH FOREIGNERS PROVES THE ANTI-SOVIET CHARACTER OF THEIR PROSELYTIZING EFFORTS;  
-- THE SITUATION IN POLAND SHOWS HOW WESTERN SUBVERSION AND THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHURCH CAN UNDERMINE A SOCIALIST SOCIETY, STRIKING ESPECIALLY AT YOUNG MEN OF DRAFT AGE;  
-- RELIGION IN WESTERN COUNTRIES IS USED BY THE UNITED STATES TO WHIP-UP ANTI-SOVIETISM AND TO COUNTER SOVIET PEACE INITIATIVES;  
-- THUS, RELIGION IN BOTH EAST AND WEST IS A FORM OF PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE, INSPIRED AND ENCOURAGED BY THE CIA AND THE VATICAN;  
-- "A RELIGION-LESS MASS IS THE BEST DEFENSE AGAINST IMPERIALIST AND CAPITALIST AGGRESSION;"  
-- ANTI-RELIGIOUS EFFORTS IN SCHOOLS AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS MUST BE IMPROVED AS A DEFENSE OF THE ARMED MIGHT OF THE SOVIET UNION.

8. PARALLEL WITH OVERT EFFORTS TO UNDERCUT SPIRITUAL TENDENCIES IN THE SOVIET POPULATION IS A CAMPAIGN TO REPLACE THE CEREMONIAL AND CULT ASPECTS OF RELIGION WITH NEW SOCIALIST RITUALS. THE  
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OFFICIAL IMPRIMATEUR OF "IZVESTIYA" FOR AN INTENSIFICATION OF THIS PROGRAM WAS GIVEN ON OCTOBER 3, 1981, IN A LONG ARTICLE DECRYING THE "FASHIONABLENESS" OF RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES AMONG PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY THE YOUNG, WHO SEE THESE AS PART OF THE RUSSIAN NATIONAL TRADITION. RECENT OFFICIAL LECTURERS HAVE FOCUSED ON THE NEED FOR SOCIALIST RITUALS TO PREPARE YOUNG MEN FOR MILITARY SERVICE. LECTURERS HAVE NOTED THE "MANIPULATIVE PSYCHOLOGY" OF RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES, REFINED OVER "TWO THOUSAND YEARS OF PRACTICE," WHICH MUST BE REPLACED WITH NEW TRADITIONS TO STRENGTHEN THE PROLETARIAN CHARACTER OF SOVIET SOCIETY AND FAMILY AND SOCIAL TIES. SPECIAL EMPHASIS HAS BEEN GIVEN TO HISTORICAL HOLIDAYS OF A MILITARY CHARACTER AND TO YOUTH CEREMONIES PRECEEDING AND CULMINATING

9. SOVIET AUTHORITIES ARE NOT AVERSE TO TAKING THE GLOVES OFF IN THE STRUGGLE WITH RELIGION IF THE OPPOSITION PROVES TOO SUCCESSFUL OR INTRACTABLE. IN RECENT MONTHS THERE HAS BEEN A SPATE OF ARRESTS OF RELIGIOUS FIGURES, PARTICULARLY IN THREE AREAS: ORTHODOX PRIESTS WHO ARE TRYING TO MAKE THEIR CHURCH MORE RESPONSIVE TO PEOPLES' REAL NEEDS, UNREGISTERED PROTESTANT SECTS WHICH HAVE SPREAD WIDELY IN THE SOVIET UNION AND WHICH OFTEN ADVOCATE PACIFISM, AND ROMAN CATHOLICS IN AREAS NEAR POLAND.

-- THE REVIVAL OF INTEREST AMONG RUSSIANS IN THEIR NATIONAL RELIGIOUS HERITAGE HAS MADE THE EFFORTS OF SOME PRIESTS TO BREAK AWAY FROM THE STIFLING POLICIES OF THE STATE-APPROVED HIERACHY DANGEROUS IN THE EYES OF THE AUTHORITIES. THE ARREST OF FATHER GLEB YAKUNIN AND THE PUBLIC RECANTATION OF FATHER DMITRI DUDKO ARE ONLY THE BEST KNOWN OF NUMEROUS EXAMPLES OF PRESSURE BY BOTH THE ORTHODOX LEADERSHIP ITSELF AND THE STATE TO KEEP THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CLERGY AND CONGREGATIONS WITHIN VERY TIGHT DISCIPLINE.

-- MANY PROTESTANT SECTS, WHICH DO NOT DEPEND ON AN ORGANIZED CLERGY OR RITUAL, HAVE SPREAD WIDELY IN THE SOVIET UNION AND HAVE BEEN EFFECTIVE IN ATTRACTING WORKING CLASS AND YOUTHFUL ADHERENTS. THE STATE HAS RESPONDED WITH REPEATED JAILINGS AND VIOLENT ATTACKS ON UNREGISTERED CHURCHES. THE INSTANCES WHICH HAVE BECOME KNOWN IN THE WEST ARE NUMEROUS BUT CERTAINLY DO NOT REPRESENT MORE THAN A FRACTION OF THE REPRESSIVE MEASURES IN FACT TAKEN.

-- IN THE PAST TWO YEARS, PROBABLY DUE TO CONCERN ABOUT EVENTS IN NEIGHBORING ROMAN CATHOLIC POLAND, THERE HAS BEEN A CLEAR CRACKDOWN ON CATHOLICS, PARTICULARLY IN LITHUANIA. THIS HAS TAKEN THE FORM OF VIOLENT INTERRUPTIONS OF RELIGIOUS PROCESSIONS AND ARRESTS OF PRIESTS AND NUNS WORKING IN THE LARGE UNDERGROUND CATHOLIC CHURCH. IN ADDITION, THERE HAS BEEN A RASH OF MURDERS OF PRIESTS IN LITHUANIA WHICH MANY BELIEVERS THINK IS BEING OFFICIALLY INSPIRED OR CONDONED.

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10. THE ANTI-RELIGIOUS CAMPAIGN IS NOT RESTRICTED TO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH. THE BEST COMMENTARY ON ANTI-JEWISH TENDENCIES IN THE SOVIET UNION HAS BEEN THE MASS MIGRATION OF SOVIET JEWS TO THE WEST IN RECENT YEARS. THE PROBLEM OF ISLAM IS MORE DIFFICULT FOR THE SOVIETS. IT PRESENTS THEM WITH A FOREIGN POLICY PROBLEM, AS WITNESS THE SECRET CHARACTER OF THE PARTY ANTI-RELIGIOUS DECREE AND STRIDENT EFFORTS TO CONVINCE PEOPLE IN THE MOSLEM WORLD THAT THEIR BREATHERN IN THE SOVIET UNION ARE NOT PERSECUTED. AT THE SAME TIME, SOVIET PUBLICATIONS ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE DUAL CHARACTER OF ISLAM AS BOTH A RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL SYSTEM MAKES ISLAM MORE DIFFICULT TO ERADICATE AND A MORE SENSITIVE INTERNAL PROBLEM. AT THE SAME TIME, THE INTERTWINING OF SPIRITUAL

AND SECULAR TRADITIONS IN ISLAM MAKES IT A FUNDAMENTAL CHALLENGE TO THE BUILDING OF A SOVIET SOCIETY IN THE CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN PARTS OF THE COUNTRY. THE ABSENCE OF AN ORGANIZED CLERGY MAKES IT MORE DIFFICULT TO CO-OPT ISLAM AFTER THE FASHION OF THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH. THEREFORE, SOVIET EFFORTS SEEK TO LINK THE SPIRITUAL ASPECTS OF ISLAM WITH ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL BACKWARDNESS WHILE ALTERING THE SOCIAL MORES TO FIT THE REQUIREMENTS OF "SOCIALIST MAN." HOWEVER, IN ISLAMIC AREAS ALSO THE SOVIETS ARE WILLING TO USE IMPRISONMENT AS A COUNTER TO PARTICULARLY DEDICATED PROPAGATORS OF RELIGION.

11. COMMENT: WE HAVE NO DOUBTS ABOUT THE ABILITY OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT TO STAGE-MANAGE THE "WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE" IN MAY TO PREVENT ANY UNPLEASANTRIES OF SOVIET REALITY COMING TO THE ATTENTION OF FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS. THE EXAMPLE OF THE 1980 OLYMPICS SHOULD GIVE PAUSE TO ANY DELEGATE WHO IMAGINES HE WILL BE ABLE TO GET BEYOND THE FACADE OF THE POTESKIN PEACE CONFERENCE TO SEE HOW BELIEVERS OF ALL FAITHS IN THE SOVIET UNION REALLY LIVE. WE PROVIDE THIS VERY SKETCHY SUMMARY OF RECENT SOVIET ANTI-RELIGIOUS PRACTICE FOR THE USE OF ANY POSTS WHICH CAN BRIEF POTENTIAL PARTICIPANTS WHO SHOULD AT LEAST BE AWARE THAT WHILE THE SOVIETS, THROUGH THE MOUTHPIECE OF THE OFFICIAL CHURCHES, ARE SHOUTING "PEACE, PEACE," A VERY DIFFERENT LINE IS BEING FOLLOWED WITHIN THE SOVIET UNION. END COMMENT. HARTMAN  
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2. SUMMARY: BILLY GRAHAM HAS "FIRMLY" DECIDED TO  
ATTEND THE "WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE" IN MOSCOW IN  
MAY. GRAHAM REPRESENTATIVE HARASZTI BRIEFED THE  
EMEAASSY ON HIS RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH DR. GRAHAM  
WHICH LED TO THIS DECISION, WHICH HAS BEEN FORMALLY  
COMMUNICATED TO THE RUSSIAN PATRIARCH'S OFFICE BY  
HARASZTI. ACCORDING TO HARASZTI, DR. GRAHAM HAS  
DECIDED TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE FOR FOUR REASONS:  
(1) BECAUSE THE PRESIDENT "ENCOURAGED" HIM TO (WHEN  
THE VICE PRESIDENT MET WITH DR. GRAHAM TO ATTEMPT TO  
DISSUADE HIM, DR. GRAHAM FELT HE HAD "ALREADY GONE  
TOO FAR" TO BACK OUT); (2) IN ORDER TO MAKE A  
"BALANCED" PRESENTATION TO THE CONFERENCE, WHICH WOULD  
SERVE U.S. INTERESTS IN DISARMAMENT; (3) TO STRENGTHEN  
THE STATUS OF BELIEVERS IN THE SOVIET UNION; AND  
(4) TO OBTAIN PERMISSION FOR CRUSADES IN THE GDR,  
ROMANIA, BULGARIA AND THE SOVIET UNION. DR. GRAHAM  
WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE AS A DELEGATE  
BUT ONLY "ATTEND" AS EITHER AN OBSERVER OR GUEST.  
HE WILL DEPART BEFORE THE SIGNING OF THE FINAL  
COMMUNIQUE. DESPITE PRESSURE FROM CONSTITUENT GROUPS  
IN THE U.S. AGAINST HIS ATTENDANCE, DR. GRAHAM HAS  
RECEIVED SUPPORT FOR HIS DECISION FROM FORMER  
PRESIDENT NIXON AND SENATOR JESSE HELMS. THERE  
REMAINS A PROBLEM ABOUT THE TELEVISION CREW WHICH  
DR. GRAHAM WISHES TO BRING WITH HIM TO THE CONFERENCE.  
HE IS ALSO SOLICITING "HIGH LEVEL" MEETINGS WITH  
SOVIET RELIGIOUS AND STATE OFFICIALS DURING HIS

VISIT. DR. GRAHAM WILL DISCUSS HIS ATTENDANCE  
AT THE CONFERENCE WITH THE PRESIDENT ON MARCH 7  
OR 8 AND WITH SOVIET AMBASSADOR DOBRYNIN ON  
MARCH 8 OR 9. IT WILL BE PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED IN  
MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON MARCH 9.

3. DR. GRAHAM HAS DECIDED NOT TO ATTEMPT TO ASSIST  
THE EMBASSY PENTECOSTAL FAMILIES IN THEIR EFFORTS  
TO EMIGRATE FROM THE SOVIET UNION. HE NOW  
REGARDS THEIR CASE AS POLITICAL RATHER THAN  
RELIGIOUS AND FEELS HE SHOULD NOT BECOME INVOLVED.  
HE THEREFORE PLANS NOT TO MEET WITH THE FAMILIES  
WHILE IN MOSCOW ( TO AVOID THE EMBASSY ALTOGETHER  
EXCEPT FOR SPASO HOUSE), NOT TO RAISE THEIR CASE  
WITH THE SOVIETS NOR TO MAKE A STATEMENT ABOUT  
IT TO THE PRESS. HE DOES PLAN TO MEET WITH JEWISH  
LEADERS WHILE IN MOSCOW AND TO REPORT BACK TO  
AMERICAN JEWISH LEADERS.

4. DR. ALEXANDER HARASZTI, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE  
BILLY GRAHAM ORGANIZATION FOR EASTERN EUROPE, BRIEFED  
THE EMBASSY MARCH 2 ON HIS CURRENT DISCUSSIONS IN  
MOSCOW ABOUT THE "WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE" TO BE  
SPONSORED BY THE RUSSIAN PATRIARCH IN MOSCOW IN MAY.  
HARASZTI SAID THAT AFTER AN "AGONIZING MONTH" DR.  
GRAHAM HAD MADE A "FIRM DECISION" IN FAVOR OF  
ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE. ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THE  
STATE DEPARTMENT AND MANY OF DR. GRAHAM'S SUPPORTERS  
IN THE U.S. ARE OPPOSED, HARASZTI CITED FOUR REASONS  
FOR THE DECISION:  
--THE "ENCOURAGEMENT" OF THE PRESIDENT, WHICH HARASZTI  
SAID DR. GRAHAM HAD OBTAINED BEFORE MAKING HIS  
INITIAL DECISION TO ATTEND. WHEN THE VICE PRESIDENT,  
IN A MEETING WITH DR. GRAHAM AND HARASZTI, ATTEMPTED  
TO DISSUADE THEM FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE,  
DR. GRAHAM FELT THAT HE HAD "ALREADY GONE TOO FAR"  
TO RENEGE ON HIS ORAL "ACCEPTANCE OF FILARET'S INVITA-  
TION. HARASZTI DID NOT DISPUTE THAT THE GRAHAM ORGANIZA-  
TION HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY AWARE OF U.S.G. UNHAPPINESS  
WITH HIS PLANNED ATTENDANCE AT THE CONFERENCE.  
(COMMENT: AS THE CABLE TRAFFIC OVER THE PAST HALF YEAR  
WILL SHOW, DR. GRAHAM HAS ALWAYS BEEN FAVORABLY  
INCLINED TO ATTENDANCE AND HAS TENDED TO INTERPRET  
OFFICIAL DISCOURAGEMENT IN THE MOST OPTIMISTIC  
LIGHT POSSIBLE. WE ALSO NOTE THAT HARASZTI  
HIMSELF HAS DESCRIBED THE ALLEGED PRESIDENTIAL  
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IMPRIMATEUR IN DIFFERENT WAYS TO DIFFERENT PEOPLE. DURING HIS PREVIOUS VISIT TO MOSCOW, HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT DR. GRAHAM HAD DECIDED TO ATTEND DESPITE PRESIDENTIAL PREGERVATIONS; AS HE PROCEEDED DURING HIS EUROPEAN TOUR HARASZTI INCLINED TO DESCRIBE DR. GRAHAM'S MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT IN INCREASINGLY ENCOURAGING TERMS. END COMMENT)  
--DR. GRAHAM INTENDS TO MAKE A "BALANCED" PRESENTATION TO THE CONFERENCE, WHICH HE BELIEVES WILL INFLUENCE THE DELEGATES TO ADOPT POSITIONS WHICH WILL NOT BE DIRECTED AGAINST THE UNITED STATES. HARASZTI SAID THAT HE HAD TOLD A REPRESENTATIVE OF METROPOLITAN FILARET (WHO HIMSELF IS IN MINSK FOR LENT) THAT IF THE CONFERENCE BECAME ONE-SIDED AGAINST THE U.S., GRAHAM WOULD LEAVE. DR. GRAHAM BELIEVES THAT IF HE DIRECTS HIS COMMENTS AT BOTH SIDES OF THE NUCLEAR DIVIDE, HE WILL NOT ENCOURAGE WEST EUROPEAN CRITICISM OF U.S. POLICIES BUT IN FACT INTRODUCE BALANCE INTO THE DISCUSSION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN EUROPE. DR. GRAHAM WILL SPEAK IN FAVOR OF COMPLETE NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT, WHICH HE BELIEVES WILL STRENGTHEN AMERICAN DISARMAMENT EFFORTS, ACCORDING TO HARASZTI.  
--DR. GRAHAM EXPECTS TO "STRENGTHEN THE WEIGHT" OF BAPTISTS, ORTHODOX AND OTHER BELIEVERS IN THE SOVIET UNION BY HIS ATTENDANCE AT THE CONFERENCE. HARASZTI SAID THAT GRAHAM'S CRUSADES IN HUNGARY AND POLAND HAD LED TO SOME "LOOSENING" OF ANTI RELIGIOUS POLICIES IN THOSE COUNTRIES AND THAT HE BELIEVES THAT HIS PARTICIPATION IN THE "PEACE CONFERENCE" AND HIS FUTURE ACTIVITIES IN EASTERN EUROPE AND THE SOVIET UNION WILL HAVE SIMILAR CONSEQUENCES. HARASZTI SAID THE SOVIETS OBVIOUSLY VERY MUCH WANT BILLY GRAHAM TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE AND HE EXPECTS THE EVENT WILL RESULT IN SOME MODERATION OF STATE ATTITUDES TOWARD BAPTISTS AND OTHER SECTS. HARASZTI FREELY ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE SOVIET STATE TOLERATES RELIGION ONLY BECAUSE IT IS EASIER THAN ELIMINATING IT AND IN ORDER TO SERVE FOREIGN POLICY GOALS. HE SAID THAT DR. GRAHAM'S OBJECTIVE OF

"LOOSENING" SOVIET POLICIES ON RELIGION IS IN LINE WITH GENERAL U.S. GOALS OF LOOSENING SOVIET SOCIETY IN GENERAL.

--DR. GRAHAM WILL ATTEND THE CONFERENCE BECAUSE HE REGARDS IT AS A VITAL PREREQUISITE TO OBTAINING PERMISSION FOR CRUCIFIXES IN THE GDR, ROMANIA AND BULGARIA AND EVENTUALLY IN THE SOVIET UNION. HARASZTI SAID THAT THE PRICE FOR GRAHAM NON-PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE WOULD BE TO FOREGO ALL OF THE ORGANIZATION'S EAST EUROPEAN OBJECTIVES, AND TO GIVE UP THE POSSIBILITY OF ENCOURAGING PRO-AMERICAN SENTIMENTS IN THESE COUNTRIES.

5. EXACTLY BECAUSE OF HIGH-LEVEL U.S.G. EFFORTS TO DISCOURAGE GRAHAM ATTENDANCE, HARASZTI SAID THAT DR. GRAHAM WILL NOT "PARTICIPATE" IN THE CONFERENCE AS A DELEGATE BUT ONLY "ATTEND" AS EITHER AN OBSERVER OR GUEST. (THESE TWO CATEGORIES OF ATTENDEES DO NOT POSSESS VOTING RIGHTS ON THE FULL COMMITTEE.) ACCORDING TO HARASZTI, THERE IS AGREEMENT WITH FILARET AND FITSEV OF THE COUNCIL FOR RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS ABOUT THE FOLLOWING POINTS:  
--DR. GRAHAM WILL NOT BE AN ACCREDITED DELEGATE. HE DOES NOT WANT TO HAVE HIGHER STATUS THAN THE VATICAN DELEGATION, WHICH WILL BE AT THE "OBSERVER" LEVEL. NOR DOES HE WISH TO HAVE HIS NAME ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONFERENCE.

--DR. GRAHAM WILL BE ACCOMPANIED IN HIS DELEGATION BY THREE AIDES (AKERS, HARASZTI AND SMITH).  
--DR. GRAHAM WILL ARRIVE ON FRIDAY, MAY 7. HE WILL DELIVER A "SPIRITUAL" SERMON AT AN ORTHODOX CHURCH ON SUNDAY MORNING, MAY 9 (THE CONTENTS "SUGGESTED" BY THE METROPOLITAN'S STAFF) AND ANOTHER SERMON AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH THE SAME EVENING OF AN "EVANGELICAL" CHARACTER (THE SUBSTANCE "SUGGESTED" BY BAPTIST OFFICIALS).

--DR. GRAHAM WILL ADDRESS THE CONFERENCE ON TUESDAY, MAY 11. HE WILL SPEAK AGAINST UNILATERAL DISARMAMENT AND IN FAVOR OF COMPLETE NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT. --HE WILL DEPART MOSCOW ON THURSDAY, MAY 13, SPECIFICALLY IN ORDER NOT TO ATTEND THE SESSIONS WHICH WILL  
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APPROVE THE FINAL DOCUMENTS OF THE CONFERENCE.  
--DR. GRAHAM AND HIS AIDES WILL STAY IN A DIFFERENT  
HOTEL FROM THE OTHER ATTENDEES. HARASZTI SAID  
THE "UKRAINE" WAS NOT SUITABLE.

6. THE REMAINING POINT TO BE WORKED OUT CONCERNS THE  
TELEVISION CREW WHICH DR. GRAHAM WANTS TO BRING WITH  
HIM TO "DOCUMENT" HIS ACTIONS AT THE CONFERENCE. THE  
SOVIETS HAVE SUGGESTED THAT NBC OR CBS (NOT CBS) COULD  
PROVIDE ADEQUATE COVERAGE. HARASZTI IS TO TALK WITH  
SOVIET TELEVISION AUTHORITIES IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS TO  
OBTAIN PERMISSION TO BRING IN A GRAHAM ORGANIZATION CREW.

7. HARASZTI ACKNOWLEDGED THAT DR. GRAHAM HAS  
RECEIVED PERSUASION FROM A NUMBER OF GROUPS, IN  
ADDITION TO THE U.S.G., DISCOURAGING HIM FROM  
PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, HE SAID THAT DR. GRAHAM  
HAS ALSO RECEIVED ENCOURAGEMENT FROM A NUMBER OF  
SOURCES, INCLUDING FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON AND SENATOR  
JESSE HELMS. THE LATTER HAS OFFERED TO SPONSOR A MEETING  
BETWEEN DR. GRAHAM AND A NUMBER OF SENATORS BEFORE HIS  
DEPARTURE FOR THE CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS WHAT HE WILL SAY.

8. ACCORDING TO HARASZTI, DR. GRAHAM'S IMMEDIATE  
SCHEDULE CALLS FOR:  
--A MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT MARCH 7 OR 8 TO  
DISCUSS THE CONFERENCE (BUT NOT TO DISCUSS  
GRAHAM'S DECISION TO ATTEND, WHICH IS "FIRM").  
--A MEETING WITH SOVIET AMBASSADOR DOBRYNIN MARCH 8  
OR 9 TO DISCUSS DETAILS, INCLUDING THE TELEVISION  
CREW.  
--A PRESS RELEASE TUESDAY, MARCH 9, IN BOTH WASHINGTON  
AND MOSCOW ANNOUNCING DR. GRAHAM'S ATTENDANCE AT  
THE CONFERENCE.

9. HARASZTI HAS DELIVERED A FORMAL, WRITTEN ACCEPTANCE  
OF FILARET'S INVITATION TO A MEMBER OF FILARET'S STAFF  
AND TO FITSEV. AT THE SAME TIME HE DELIVERED A REQUEST  
THAT DR. GRAHAM MEET WITH "HIGH LEVEL" CHURCH AND STATE  
OFFICIALS WHILE IN MOSCOW, THE HIGHER THE BETTER

ACCORDING TO HARASZTI, THIS WOULD INCLUDE A  
MEETING WITH BREZHNEV DURING THE COURSE OF THE  
CONFERENCE.

10. HARASZTI NOTED THAT SOME OF DR. GRAHAM'S SUPPORTERS  
IN THE U.S. HAVE ATTEMPTED TO LINK HIS ATTENDANCE AT  
THE CONFERENCE TO A RESOLUTION OF THE CASE OF THE  
TWO FAMILIES OF SOVIET PENTECOSTALS LIVING IN REFUGE  
IN THE EMBASSY. HARASZTI MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS  
CAREFULLY AND EXPLICITLY:

--AFTER CAREFUL THOUGHT, DR. GRAHAM NO LONGER  
REGARDS THE CASE AS A RELIGIOUS ONE BUT AS A  
POLITICAL ISSUE. HE DOES NOT BELIEVE HE SHOULD  
BECOME INVOLVED IN POLITICAL ACTIONS. (LATER  
HARASZTI REFERRED TO THE PENTECOSTALS AS A HUMAN  
RIGHTS CASE, BUT MAINTAINED THAT DR. GRAHAM  
"DOES NOT WANT TO GET INVOLVED.")

--CONTRARY TO WHAT HARASZTI TOLD US DURING HIS  
PREVIOUS VISIT, DR. GRAHAM NOW DOES NOT INTEND  
OR WISH TO MEET WITH THE FAMILIES DURING HIS  
VISIT. HE DOES WANT TO BE RECEIVED BY THE  
AMBASSADOR BUT ONLY AT THE RESIDENCE; HE EXPLICITLY  
WANTS TO AVOID COMING TO THE EMBASSY ITSELF.

--DR. GRAHAM DOES NOT INTEND TO RAISE THE CASE WITH  
ANY SOVIET AUTHORITIES HE MEETS, NOR TO ISSUE ANY  
STATEMENT ON THE CASE, NOR TO ANSWER ANY PRESS  
INQUIRY HE MAY RECEIVE. HE PLANS TO DECLINE  
TO DISCUSS THE CONTENTS OF ANY OF HIS MEETINGS  
IN ORDER TO AVOID THE PENTECOSTAL ISSUE.

--HARASZTI SAID THAT WHEN DISCUSSING THE PENTECOSTALS  
WITH THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, THE SOVIETS  
EXPRESSED "SHOCK" THAT GRAHAM WOULD CONSIDER RAISING  
THE ISSUE AND STRONGLY DISCOURAGED ANY REFERENCE  
TO IT DURING THE CONFERENCE. (COMMENT: WE INFER  
FROM HARASZTI'S REMARKS THAT THE IMPLIED LINKAGE  
BETWEEN GRAHAM ATTENDANCE AT THE CONFERENCE AND  
APPROVAL FOR HIS OTHER EAST EUROPEAN PLANS WAS  
EXPANDED BY THE SOVIETS TO INCLUDE ANY REFERENCE  
TO THE PENTECOSTALS DURING THE CONFERENCE. END  
COMMENT)

--HOWEVER, DR. GRAHAM DOES PLAN TO MEET WITH VARIOUS  
JEWISH LEADERS IN MOSCOW DURING HIS VISIT AND TO  
REPORT ON THESE CONVERSATIONS TO AMERICAN JEWISH  
GROUPS ON HIS RETURN.

11. HARASZTI ASKED FOR EMBASSY COMMENT ON WHAT HE HAD  
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SOVIET PROPAGANDA FEET WITH HIS PRESENCE, HAVE NO  
COUNTERING INFLUENCE ON THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE AND PUT  
NO PRESSURE WHATSOEVER ON THE SOVIETS TO RESOLVE THE  
PENTECOSTALS CRISIS. THE RATIONALE WHICH HARASZTI USED  
TO EXPLAIN THE GRAHAM DECISION IS THE EXACT ANTITHESIS  
OF ALL THE ARGUMENTS WE HAVE MUSTERED TO DISCOURAGE  
ATTENDANCE BY WESTERN RELIGIOUS FIGURES AT THE "PEACE  
CONFERENCE," (LIFE AND DEATH). IF GRAHAM STICKS TO THIS  
APPROACH, THE SOVIETS WILL BE CLEAR WINNERS AND THE  
UNITED STATES THE LOSER. END COMMENT.

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SAID. IN REPLY EMOFF NOTED THAT:  
--THE VICE PRESIDENT AND OTHERS HAVE COMMUNICATED TO  
DR. GRAHAM AND HIS STAFF THE U.S.G. BELIEF THAT THE  
CONFERENCE IS NOT A RELIGIOUS EVENT BUT A SOVIET  
POLITICAL PLOY. EVERYTHING WHICH THE GRAHAM  
ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN TOLD IN WASHINGTON IS CONFIRMED  
BY EMBASSY KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE.  
--WE ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE TIMING OF  
THE "PEACE CONFERENCE" CLOSELY BEFORE THE SECOND  
UNGA SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT. WE BELIEVE  
THE SOVIETS WILL USE THE ATTENDANCE OF PROMINENT  
WESTERN RELIGIOUS FIGURES AT A "DISCUSSION CONFERENCE"  
IN MOSCOW TO STRENGTHEN THEIR POSITION AT A "POLITICAL  
CONFERENCE" IN NEW YORK. EMOFF STRESSED AT LENGTH  
THE POTENTIAL FOR THE SOVIETS TO SNEAK THE U.S. BY  
IMPLICATION RATHER THAN DIRECTLY, NOTING, FOR EXAMPLE,  
THAT REFERENCES TO NEW FORMS OF WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY,  
ETC., CAN BE USED TO CRITICIZE AMERICAN POLICIES  
WHILE ABSOLVING THE MASSIVE SOVIET BUILDUP. HE  
SAID THAT THE SOVIETS ARE MASTERS OF COMMUNIQUE  
WRITING, AN ART IN WHICH MOST AMERICANS ARE  
INEXPERIENCED. HARASZTI ACKNOWLEDGED THE DANGERS  
AND SAID HE WOULD TELL GRAHAM ABOUT THEM.  
--THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THE "PEACE CONFERENCE" AND  
THE PENTECOSTAL FAMILIES ARE DIFFERENT ISSUES AND  
WE DO NOT WISH TO COMPROMISE OUR LEVERAGE ON THE  
LATTER. HOWEVER, WE WELCOME ANY AND ALL  
OPPORTUNITIES TO REMIND THE SOVIETS THAT THE CASE  
OF THE PENTECOSTALS IS A SOVIET PROBLEM AND ONE  
WHICH WILL BE INCREASINGLY TO THEIR COST IF A  
MEANS OF RESOLUTION IS NOT FOUND. WE DO NOT  
WISH TO IMPLY THAT ATTENDANCE AT THE CONFERENCE  
IS A VALID QUID PRO QUO FOR PUTTING PRESSURE ON THE  
SOVIETS ABOUT THE PENTECOSTALS; AT THE SAME TIME  
WE ENCOURAGE WESTERN RELIGIOUS FIGURES TO COMMUNICATE  
THEIR CONCERN ABOUT THE FATE OF THE TWO FAMILIES  
WHenever POSSIBLE.

12. COMMENT: FOR U.S. INTERESTS, THE GRAHAM DECISION  
IS THE WORST OF ALL POSSIBLE WORLDS: HE WILL GRACE A

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1. (~~C O N F I D E N T I A L~~ - ENTIRE TEXT)
2. I RECOMMEND THAT YOU LOOK AT MOSCOW 2540 IN WHICH WE REPORT ON THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH BILLY GRAHAM HAS AGREED TO ATTEND THE SOVIET "WORLD PEACE CONFERENCE" IN MOSCOW IN MAY. I REMAIN DEEPLY CONCERNED THAT DR. GRAHAM WILL BE USED, AND USED SHAMELESSLY, BY THE SOVIETS IN THEIR PROPAGANDA EFFORTS. DESPITE HIS BEST EFFORTS, HE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CONTROL THE FACT THAT HIS VERY PRESENCE WILL ADD GREAT LUSTER TO THIS CONFERENCE, WHICH WILL BE A COMPLETELY ONE-SIDED AND CONTROLLED EVENT IN THE SOVIET PEACE CAMPAIGN. INDEED, THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF DR. GRAHAM'S ATTENDANCE WILL GIVM A GREAT BOOST TO SOVIET EFFORTS TO DRUM UP ATTENDANCE BY OTHER IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS FIGURES IN THE WEST. FOR THIS PURPOSE THERE WILL BE SIMULTANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS IN MOSCOW AND WASHINGTON NEXT TUESDAY, WHICH WILL CERTAINLY NOT BE THE CASE WITH OTHER PARTICIPANTS.
3. I BELIEVE YOU SHOULD RAISE THE MATTER WITH THE PRESIDENT. ACCORDING TO DR. GRAHAM'S REPRESENTATIVE, THE PRESIDENT WILL MEET WITH DR. GRAHAM ON MARCH 7 OR
8. THE PRESIDENT SHOULD ATTEMPT TO GET HIM TO RECONSIDER THIS DECISION, SINCE PARTICIPATION IN THIS CONFERENCE WILL ONLY ASSIST SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY AND DAMAGE DR. GRAHAM'S OWN STATURE AS A RELIGIOUS LEADER.  
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