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AMERICAN LEGION OF CALIFORNIA ADVOCATES NATIONAL TRUTH CAMPAIGN

The California Department of the American Legion passed the following resolution at its annual convention held in late June:

AMERICAN LEGION: DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION

This resolution resolves that a sum EQUAL to 1% (one) of the military budget be allotted for use in a vast campaign telling the truth about Communism. This sum not necessarily to be taken from the military defense budget.

Whereas: The Soviets have been waging a program of subversion and propaganda in many of the underdeveloped countries of the world, and

Whereas: They have been using massive semi-trailers transformed into bookmobiles, handing out beautiful colorful literature describing the Soviet Union as generous and humane while the UNITED STATES as being greedy, inhumane and malignant, and

Whereas: There is no campaign to answer these lies with the truth about the basic doctrines of communism, and

Whereas: One formula for effective anti-communist action is to find people devoted to freedom and opposed to communism in countries threatened by communism, educate them about the deceitful doctrines and methods of communism, and equip them with the tools to inform and recruit others, and

Whereas: There are many thousands of young students with alert, inquiring minds in the universities, colleges and seminaries of the world who would welcome information to disclose the evils of communism, and

Whereas: It is criminal neglect to allow the communists to provide all the information and disinformation that such young minds receive, and now therefore be it

Resolved: That the American Legion, Department of California in regular convention assembled June 25-28, 1981 in Pasadena, California declares that a sum EQUAL to 1% (one) of the defense budget of the U.S.A. be allotted for use in a vast worldwide campaign telling the truth about communism, and be it further

Resolved: That this resolution be sent through proper channels to National, requesting speedy action to make our feelings known to the Congress and to the President of the United States of America.

The campaign to persuade the national authorities to invest an adequate sum in a worldwide truth campaign is gaining momentum.

The need for such a campaign is obvious. From El Salvador to the Philippines, U.S. allies' are threatened by guerrilla wars. These wars are waged by communists who recruit, train and equip the guerrillas. The weapons usually come from the Soviet Union via Cuba, Czechoslovakia, East Germany or some other Soviet satellite.

The best way to avoid such guerrilla wars, or to win one if it is already in being, is to prevent the recruitment of guerrillas.

Most guerrillas are recruited from the ranks of University, College and High School students. The recruiting agents

are communists who are supported directly or indirectly by the Soviet Union. Often they are college or high school teachers. These agents are supplied with unlimited quantities of superbly produced literature and the means to distribute it. This literature features color photography depicting smiling, happy citizens in communist ruled countries enjoying lives of abundance, friendship, security and freedom. On the other hand, the evils in their own society with which they are so familiar are blamed on the "vicious U.S. Imperialists" or their local agents.

Is it any wonder that such misinformed students enlist in the guerrilla ranks?

Reason cries out that a campaign, comparable to that which the communists are waging, must be carried out to tell these people the truth about communism and its fruits. Potential recruits must be informed that communism brings less food and more fear. Events in Poland shout this truth but the shouts cannot be heard thousands of miles away.

While awaiting adequate official action, the Truth Campaign of the Crusade must and will continue. The need for donations to the Million Dollar Truth Fund remains great.

QADDAFI AGENT OF SOVIET COMMUNISM

Colonel Muammar Qaddafi professes great devotion to Islam, but this does not inhibit his close collaboration with atheistic communists. He was in Aden, capital of South Yemen, a Soviet dependency officially known as the "Peoples Democratic Republic of Yemen", when he was told of the air battle between U . S. and Libyan jets in which two Libyan jets were shot down.

According to reports, he was conspiring with the communists who rule Yemen, Ethiopia, and the communists who seek to Rule the Sudan, North Yemen and other Arab countries, with the objective of promoting guerrilla warfare throughout the entire area.

Qaddafi is frequently referred to as a madman, and there is a tendency to belittle his significance. He should not be underestimated. His personal survival for twelve turbulent years of power is a tribute to his skill. Many of his projects have failed, but Libya is stronger militarily today than it has ever been. His public loathing of the U.S.A. does not blind him to the technical excellence of many U . S. weapons, and he has been successful in acquiring some of them. He has recruited ex-CIA agents to secure sophisticated weapons and to train Libyan servicemen in their use.

Despite his professions of devotion to the Moslem faith, Qaddafi must, for practical purposes, be regarded as an agent of Soviet Communism.

PRIORITIES OF U.S COMMUNISTS

Before leaving on his ill-fated and fatal mission to Bolivia, Che' Guevara wrote:

"We must above all keep our hatred alive and fan it to paroxysm, hate as a factor of struggle, intransigent hate of the enemy, hate that can push a human being beyond his natural limits and make him a cold, violent, selective, and effective killing machine." (The Terror Network by Claire Sterling, page 8)

Gus Hall, leader of the U . S. Communists, approaches this ideal of Che' Guevara in his attitude to President Reagan. Addressing the audience at a picnic in New York City, held on Sunday, August 23, to promote the communist newspaper, the Daily World Hall said:

"In the immediate tomorrows, the open as well as the hidden effects of the Reagan economic disaster will begin to spread out of Washington like a plague, starting with October 1st.

"Reaganomics spells economic disaster for millions of Americans.

"The Reagan foreign policy spells nuclear disaster for the world and all humanity.

"If the deadly Reagan designs are permitted to run their course, our country is headed on a collision path with disaster.

"The cuts in Social Security, food stamps, health and medical care, in real wages?in the overall standard of living and quality of life??will very quickly reach a critical stage.

"And there is more. The announced plans of the Reagan ripoff con artists are for more cuts in social programs and services??this year, next year and the year after that. It is a four?year war against the people. It is a calculated game plan to drastically cut the people's standard of living while boosting corporate profits.

"In fact, the media is now sending out the message that the budget deficit calls for doubling the disaster cuts to \$75 billion by the next fiscal year.

"The Reagan policies are headed for the world of economic insanity.

"The Reagan offensive aims to remove all limitations, all restrictions and regulations on the operations of the monopolies and then give them free rein and legal license to kill??to jack up prices and profits, to plunder our precious natural resources and contaminate the land, sea and air." (Daily World., August 25, 1981, pages 4 and 5)

Hall outlines communist priorities during his speech. Some of them are:

1. Support the Air?Controllers Strike. He says:

"And a big part of this monopoly offensive is a plan to destroy the trade unions, because trade unions are a front line obstacle to total monopoly control.

"Therefore the basic issues in the air traffic controllers strike go far beyond the demands of the air controllers.

"The Reaganite strike breakers and union busters are out to decertify. the union,

freeze its funds, fine and jail union leaders as a warning to all unions??membership and leadership??that either they submit passively to the Reagan attack or suffer the consequences.

"It is the aim of the Reaganites to make the air controllers union a trial balloon for their anti?union, anti?working class overall plan.

This is a Hitler?styled pattern??outlawing a union by edict of government bureaucrats and placing civilian functions under the command and control of the armed forces. Indeed, it is a most ominous precedent.

"Our solidarity with the air controllers union will demonstrate solidarity with the whole labor movement and all unions in struggle for their basic trade union rights.

"The order of the day is: 'Don't fly. Flying is scabbing.' Besides, it's definitely not safe!" (Page 5)

2. Support the demonstrations planned for Washington, D.C. by the AFL?CIO on September the 19th. He says:

"September 19, Solidarity Day has that explosive potential of becoming one of the greatest mass demonstrations in all U.S. history. It can be a great turning point in our land??it can be the great beginning that will chart a new course politically, economically and socially.

"Much still remains to be done to make September 19 a day monopoly capital will not forget??but all signs are go. In fact, in some areas I hear they've run out of buses to rent. Well, now what has to be organized are car caravans, marches and marathon walks to Washington." (Page 12)

3. Promote the Daily World Hall states:

"That's just another reason why the Daily World becomes even more vital and important??to spread the word, to mobilize and organize.

"There is also the need to spread the word about the importance of unity and equality as absolutely necessary principles for all alliances, coalitions and partnerships, of all movements and struggles." (Page 12)

4. Organize Defense Committees:

"We need to create millions of people's defense committees. Now, committees against disaster. We need such committees in every community to form a united unbeatable front against the landlord, bill collector, the supermarkets, super?monopolies and war hawks.

"We need people's united front committees against the Reagan reactionary fronts?against the organizations of the New Right, the Old Right, the Ultra?Right, the moral majority right. They are all nothing but fronts, fanatical backup teams for the reactionary policies and programs being forced on us by the Reagan gang.

"We need people's defense committees against these right?wing created, organized and sustained gangs who have been set loose in our land to terrorize, propagandize and provoke." (Page 12)

The fanatical zeal of Gus Hall is not diminished by the disasters communism has caused in the countries they control. He is sustained by his intransigent hatred of capitalism which is transformed into hatred of President Reagan and those who support his policies, which are designed to combat inflation, increase employment, and restore the good repute of the U.S.A.

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL A REPLY by DR. JOHN WHITEHALL

Jesus said, "I was imprisoned and you visited me:" We need no more than understanding of Matthew 25, to appreciate the value of Amnesty International (AI). By emphasising the great, general issues of human rights and by highlighting the plight of certain individuals, AI has struggled on behalf of those who hunger and thirst for freedom, and those who are naked, defenceless and imprisoned by oppression.

However, no organisation is perfect, or unable to benefit from consideration of its fallibilities. Thus, in the spirit of constructive criticism, I offer my following reservations about AI.

1. There is an inherent weakness in the gathering of information, in that AI relies upon reports secured from within the offending country. However, freedom of information is inversely proportional to the degree of oppression, and so more offences can be recorded in the less repressive nations, making them appear worse than the others.

The Koreans present the best example of this bias. In its 1980 International Report, AI admits that the Government of North Korea 'maintains severe restrictions on access to, travel in an dissemi?nation of information ... It therefore continues to be very difficult to collect information about human rights". In result, North Korea is dismissed in less than one page of the report.

South Korea, being much freer, allows access and the dissemination of information and thus, the public airing of its dirty linen. Its offences against human rights are listed in 5 pages of the report and have been the special attention of international campaigns.

2. After information has been gathered, there remains the problem of interpretation.

One example of bias is the selective interpretation of events, as seen in Babette Frances' article which lauded AI in Solidarity No. 5. There, in reference to the Philippines, she wrote of the abduction of people by security forces. These people were "never seen again" and it was inferred that they were large and increasing in number, and part of a government sanctioned programme of torture and murder, abduction and imprisonment.

Even if these things are true, they present only one side of the Philippines. The other side contains the communist "New People's Army" which is gaining an ominous momentum by means which include terrorisation by haphazard bombing of civilian buses, and reasoned assassinations of local government members. It also includes the activities of the ruthless army of successionist Moslems, who apparently tossed grenades into a crowded Cathedral, to terrorise the city.

It is selective bias to mention only the sins of the government without considering those of the NPA and the MNLF.

Another example of bias is revealed by comparison of the interpretations of events in different countries ? for arguments sake, South Korea and Vietnam.

AI issued a leaflet in support of its special international campaign for Human Rights in South Korea, which commenced in March 1981. In the leaflet "South Korea: on trial", that country is berated in strident terms, and said to be on trial before the world for "massive violations of human rights".

We learn that there are over 500 political prisoners; that torture is used to extract "confessions"; that a score or so, of executions have occurred; and detention may be suffered without trial for several months. We are told that people who criticised the government have been detained in police and army camps, in hotel rooms and under house arrest.

With the possible exception of detention in a hotel room, a bleak picture is painted with a harsh brush.

Then, AI considers Vietnam in its 1980 report. We learn that 26,000 people remain imprisoned and that they have been so for years. Euphemistically, their imprisonment is repeatedly referred to as being in "reeducation centres or in administrative detention."

AI says it was keen to know why these people were there. Having asked the government of Vietnam about it, AI reported the government "provides for re?education" for "counter revolutionary elements ... and professional scoundrels", and has extended the period of learning because of recent events in Kampuchea, and with China.

AI seems to understand the necessity for this "re?education" for it concludes "Grounds for continuous detention ... therefore, seems to have shifted from past misdeeds, and present behaviour to the external situation, namely national security. These prisoners are therefore being held in what is usually termed administrative detention without trial?"

AI later says it receives complaints from relatives and prisoners regarding conditions and that these mostly "relate to lack of food or proper medical care and to difficulties over access for visits" .

It is my privilege to care for children of Vietnamese refugees to Australia. In conversation, I also receive complaints about "re?education centres" Mostly these relate to "starvation, no medical care and no access' Refugees speak of relatives who have disappeared into slave labour camps in the jungles.

To my mind it is an offence when AI persists with the terms "re?education centre or administrative detention" -- "concentration camps" is better.

AI maintains it is concerned about the arrest and detention of people who attempt to leave Vietnam by boat ? and rightly so. The matter of why they should risk death in preference to life in Vietnam should also cause concern. The refugee index is a valid assessment of oppression; the greater the oppression, the greater the number of refugees and the greater the risks they will run to escape.

In AI's consideration of Vietnam, strident criticism has mellowed to the use of euphemisms and a bias of interpretation is revealed.

3. Lastly, the question "who interprets the information" is raised.

In 1978, AI appointed Professor Derek Roebuck, to head the Department of Research in London. He is still there.

The Communist Party of Australia, in its weekly paper Tribune, of september 20

1978, under a paragraph heading "Views unchanged: reported that Professor Roebuck was leaving Australia and could no longer belong to the Communist Party of Australia. It emphasised that Professor Roebuck said, "I have not changed my opinions, of course, and am just as much a communist as ever."

AI continues to defend the appointment of this confessed communist on the grounds that AI is not a discriminatory organization and that Professor Roebuck "does a good job".

This appointment was unfortunate for it lessens the credibility of AI by forcing the question - is bias accidental or intentional.

Dr. John Whitehall is a pediatrician practicing in Sydney, Australia. He recently interviewed a number of Vietnamese refugees who are living in Australia. Their stories shed light on why they willingly risk death by thirst, heat stroke and starvation; rape and massacre by pirates; homelessness, hunger and rejection; in order to escape the land of "re-education and administrative detention".

A former District Chief and Major in the army of South Vietnam reported that he had been imprisoned for 2 years after the fall of South Vietnam. The prison consisted of a single cell which contained 200 prisoners. They were so crowded that they could not lie on their backs at night and had to lie on their sides. The roof of the hut was mobile and from 6:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. it was lowered by pulleys so that no one could sit up. Since many were suffering from vomiting and diarrhea, the horror of the situation can be imagined. The death rate was very high.

A former lieutenant in the Special Forces had been in concentration camps for five years

and two months before escaping in 1980. He reported that the camps contained 5,000 to 20,000 people. For the first three years the food consisted of a daily serving of a small amount of hard maize, with a teaspoon of salt, plus water. During the last two years, this was supplemented by tapioca. The inmates were awakened at 4:00 a.m., and at 5:00 a.m. they would assemble for work which lasted from 5:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. They cleared forests for 7 days each week. Sick leave did not exist and medicine was unavailable. Inmates who were doctors and pharmacists tried to make medicines from leaves.

Part of the time was spent clearing mine fields. This was done by probing the mud with sticks. Sometimes the mine would explode and mutilate the searcher. If amputation was necessary, the victim was held down by force since no anaesthetic was used. This refugee stated he had witnessed 30 such amputations. Infection was frequent and some had needed a series of amputations to remove infected areas. He estimated that about one third of those operated on in this manner died.

People disappeared constantly and it was assumed they had been liquidated. He managed to flee the camp one day, walked through the jungle for a week, and eventually reached the coast where he managed to escape on a boat. His wife and ten children are still in Vietnam.

A mathematics teacher reported that children in high schools spent four hours a week studying Marxist theory and also studied a course of revised history. An active youth group known as the Ho Chi Minh youth, or Red Scarfs - they wore red scarfs - were active in the schools. These children were told that they belonged to Ho Chi Minh and not to worry about their fathers, mothers, sisters, or brothers. Only those children whose parents had not been associated with the South Vietnamese Government were allowed to belong to the Ho Chi Minh group. Children of soldiers and other civil servants were allowed to go to high school but not university.

At what point does a re-education camp become an extermination camp?

Testimony to the accuracy of these reports is given by the willingness of so many to risk unbearable suffering and horrible death to escape.

SOVIET PROBLEM - PROVIDING BREAD

Bread, known as "the staff of life", constitutes a larger portion of the diet of Soviet citizens than their western counterparts.

Recently the Soviet Union has launched a propaganda campaign urging people to save bread. This reflects the grain shortage which is especially severe in the Soviet Union this year.

One surprising fact disclosed by the Soviet communist newspaper, Pravda, on July 25, is that, despite chronic grain shortages, the area planted with grain in the Soviet Union has diminished slightly over the past two years.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture now predicts that the Soviet grain harvest will be 185 million tons. This is 50 million tons less than the harvest required for national needs.

Other food staples are also in short supply. The potato harvest was poor in 1980.

It should be noted that developments in Poland were caused by food shortages.

Without the grain purchased from the "capitalist" U.S.A., the rulers of the Soviet Union would be compelled to devote more national energy to the production of food and less would be available for arms and armies.

PROGRESS IN EDUCATION

A scathing indictment of U.S. primary and secondary education is given by John R. Silber, President of Boston University, who earned his doctorate in philosophy from Yale and who is the recipient of numerous awards for distinguished teaching in the U. S. and Europe.

In an interview, published in the September 7 edition of U.S News and World Report, he states that today's high school diploma is a fraudulent credential; it does not guarantee a level of literacy for the graduate; it does not imply anything about a person's ability to do ordinary arithmetic; it does not certify competence in science, world history or anything. It merely indicates that the holder of the diploma was institutionalized for about 12 years but does not indicate whether the institution was a prison colony, a reform school or a place for mental defectives.

Silber places the blame for this deplorable situation upon professional educators who designed curricula which abolished competition for the achievement of excellence so that no one could fail.

Teachers and Administrators continue to be the basic problem, according to Silber. He expresses a willingness to cease examining students during the next ten years and to concentrate upon examining teachers and school administrators. He advocates that teachers who cannot pass tough examinations in subjects they teach, be fired!

The U. S . A. is reaping the harvest from the ideas of inevitable human progress which were so popular in western intellectual circles during the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. These ideas, filtered through Marx and Lenin, contributed to the rise of communism, and, filtered through the minds of John Dewey and others, contributed to Progressive Education in the United States.

Ideas do cause consequences though the causal linkage may be obscured by a long gestation period.

Communism brings less food, more fear???ASK THE POLES.

THE 1981 CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Christmas cards for 1981 are now available. These cards are designed so that friends of the Crusade can send an appropriate Christmas message to members of their family, friends, business associates and customers, while helping to preserve freedom.

The design on the front of the card: (not shown)

The message inside on the left:

Love is very patient and kind, Never jealous or envious, Never boastful or proud, Never haughty or selfish or rude. Love does not demand its own way. It is not irritable or touchy. It does not hold grudges and will Notice when others do it wrong. It is never glad about injustice, but Rejoices whenever truth wins out. I Corinthians :13

The message inside on the right:

Love leads to service. Millions need our loving service. They are suffering hunger, sickness, torment and fear. The cause of the anguish of many is communism. To express love in a practical way, a gift has been given to help the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade lessen this suffering, with the prayer that children and adults everywhere may enjoy happiness and security this Christmas season and during the coming days.

These cards are not for sale. They are provided, with envelopes, in the quantities requested, to all who ask for them. We do request that all who ask for the cards make a tax-deductible gift to the Crusade. The size of this gift is the choice of the donor.

The size of the card is 6" by 4 1/2". The lettering is in black, and the featured colors are hues of red, brown, yellow, gold, green and blue on a white background.

The cards may be personalized with the donor's name and a short message, if requested.

When asking for cards, please request a specific number.

A sample card will be sent immediately on request to: Christian Anti-Communism Crusade, P.O. Box 890, Long Beach, California 90801

New envelope and bumper stickers containing the slogan, COMMUNISM BRINGS LESS FOOD, MORE FEAR??ASK THE POLES, are now available.

For these and stickers giving the communist formula for the conquest of the U. S . A. which is, EXTERNAL ENCIRCLEMENT, PLUS INTERNAL DEMORALIZATION, PLUS THERMONUCLEAR BLACKMAIL, LEAD TO PROGRESSIVE SURRENDER, tape recorded messages, free copies of this newsletter and further information, write to:

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Christian Anti-Communism Crusade

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Dear Friend,

The young businessman seated next to me on the plane from Australia had been describing indignantly the criminal activities of a certain Australian Labor Union. I listened attentively and sympathetically, and our conversation turned to world affairs. I was startled to hear him say: "Mind you, I think communism is good for poor people."

I replied: "So you think poor people like being hungry and frightened."

Consider what has been happening in Poland. The unprecedented events taking place there were precipitated by a shortage of food, and Poland is not an isolated instance. Food is difficult to obtain in the Soviet Union, and almost everything is rationed in Cuba. Long time-wasting food lines are characteristic of life in all countries ruled by communists.

Well-established delusions are often difficult to dislodge, and delusions concerning communism abound.. One is that communism improves the living standards of poor people. Despite the evidence to the contrary, such as the food marches in Poland and the headlong and dangerous flight of millions from such countries as Vietnam, Cuba, East

Germany and China, many educated people here cling to this delusion tenaciously.

In an effort to exorcise this demonic delusion, we have prepared envelope and bumper stickers containing the message: COMMUNISM BRINGS LESS FOOD, MORE FEAR??ASK THE POLES. Please use these stickers.

We all live on the edge of a precipice and many small groups have the power to push us over that edge. This lesson was taught effectively while I was in Australia in July. Our family was in an apartment on the fifth floor of a high-rise building. One day, about 4:00 p.m. the caretaker said to me: "You had better get some candles. It has just been announced that a strike of workers in the electricity-generating plants is about to take place."

We rushed to buy candles. The strike took place and all electricity was immediately cut off throughout the southern part of the State of Queensland. As night fell, corridors in apartment buildings became impenetrably dark, elevators ceased running, television screens became invisible, and the food in refrigerators and freezers began to spoil.

Fortunately, the strike lasted less than 24 hours. Concessions were made to the strikers, and they returned to work. The press announced that if the strike had lasted 24 hours, the sewage system would stop working and that, after 48 hours, there would have been no water flowing from the faucets.

A free society can only function when the selfishness of power-possessing groups is restrained by moral convictions and traditions. These moral restraints are eroding rapidly.

The response of those who have received and read the booklet, "Why I Am Against Communism," is encouraging. Distribution is now the priority of the hour. This is where you can help. Distribute copies personally. We will be delighted to provide them for this purpose. Send the names and addresses of individuals to whom we can send either the English or the Spanish edition. Send a donation to help pay for the books and the expenses of mailing them. The goal of distributing one million copies of the Spanish-reading students of the U. S . A., Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, and South America will be reached only with great effort and sacrifice.

With Christian love,

Fred Schwarz