First World countries want enriching uranium enrichment business

THE BUSINESS ANGLE ON IRAN

by Web Minister and Comrade Oz

On August 22, Iran announced that the European Union’s proposal regarding nuclear energy was a good basis for serious negotiation. MIM is guessing that the West will find some means of finding Iran’s response inadequate. On August 31, the Security Council of the United Nations will hold a meeting where the topic could arise. The British imperialist “Telegraph” is already playing the August 22nd reply by Iran as a rejection of the EU offer.(1)

In addition to military insecurities that lead to political insecurities that Bush needs to win elections for his party in November 2006, there is also a business angle.

Thus far, it appears that Russian imperialism is muscling in on Iran’s nuclear energy business. On the surface, the United States is approving that business if it occurs within Russian borders, even if very near Iran. At the same time, politeness aside, there is a business competition angle we need to sort out.

The imperialists each want the value-adding industries connected to uranium. That includes selling reactors and their fuels, not just preventing nuclear military proliferation.

These imperialists powers and their nuclear bombs are the real threat to world peace especially to the relatively defenseless Third World. The openly proclaimed threats against Iran by imperialists to use their nuclear weapons show that they are the real threat.

Iran is insisting on its rights to develop its nuclear technology including developing its technologies in the enrichment of uranium. U.S. imperialism junior partners Australia and Canada are as usual playing an active role in supporting the United States in this game. Australia and Canada as nations currently supply more than half of the world’s uranium. By itself Saskatchewan provides 30 percent of the world market while Australia has 40% of the world’s known reserves of uranium.

The same multinational companies are active in the rest of the world. Now Australia and Canada are as usual playing an active role in supporting the United States in this game.

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REASONS FOR LEBANON ‘CEASE-FIRE’ ARE SHROUDED

U.S. Secretary of State of Condoleezza Rice apparently worked for a week “non-stop” to create a cease-fire for Israel and Lebanon after more than 34 days fighting. 2000 UN troops are already in place to stop the fighting and 3500 French troops are on the way in addition to 13,000 Lebanese troops headed to southern Lebanon where Hezbollah has held control. As of August 17, Israel is blaming the United Nations and Lebanon for not occupying southern Lebanon fast enough for Israel to really withdraw.(1) thus, there is some thought that the fighting will continue or even expand as Israel has started blaming Iran and Syria again for rearming Hezbollah.

Hezbollah stands for “Party of God.” It is an Islamic organization of the Shiite beliefs. Hezbollah has two Israeli soldiers hostage that served as Israel’s pretext for killing 1000 Lebanese and causing billions of dollars in infrastructural damage to Lebanon.

Two weeks ago, U.S. Heritage Foundation-style reactionaries including neo-conservative Daniel Pipes joined to urge on Israel to disarm Hezbollah in southern Lebanon and set the terms for what it wanted in Lebanon.(2) Yet a Heritage Foundation reactionary named James Phillips found himself in the August 17 Toronto Star echoing Lebanese, “If Israel couldn’t disarm Hezbollah, I doubt the Lebanese government, even backed by an international force, could do it.”(3)

In his own way, Phillips was still urging on Israel to do battle with Hezbollah instead of going on with the UN cease-fire. It is apparent that the result of the battle and the conclusions to be drawn are not going to be Israel’s liking.

Why did the war end, if it has ended?

At the very least, the United States and Israel have signaled a willingness to pause their attacks. There are many
45% of female pet owners: Pets are cuter than partners

A survey of 901 Internet business customers buying items for their pets showed a gap between males and females in 2005. MIM suspects that the finding that 45% of female pet owners find pets cuter than the opposite sex versus only 24% male pet owners saying the same thing is true. There are various forms of evidence pointing to a gap—the most well-known being male consumption of pornography versus female consumption.

The survey asked what female pet owners thought about their pets versus their romantic partners. 56% of females also indicated that pets are more affectionate than men, as opposed to 41% of males saying the same about wimmin. (There was no indication of a survey of gays or lesbians.)

Different roads to equality

The initial idea of many politicized men is that wimmin are sexually repressed versions of themselves. Hence, if social atmosphere changes, and men attack the ‘archaic sentimentality’. This is admirably illustrated in a survey made among Komsomol (Communist Youth) members at the beginning of the twenties. The question, ‘Is the abolition of prostitution a problem for young men?’ elicited the common reply that the young men had no need to turn to prostitutes, because ‘we can have all the Komi self-satisfied girls we want for nothing’. This encouraged the revival of a reactionary movement among women, who, when asked the same question, would reply with a demand to reopen the brothels, which in their eyes gave them greater ‘security.’

MIM would say something backfired there, because pop psych about wimmin being sexually repressed is not true.

Ideologically, on the surface, the pop psych idea is egalitarian, but an ideological stand can not usually overcome a scientific truth, unless the truth is marginal or a situation of forces that are nearly equal. Here we see an example where an ideology of equality leads to an increase in domination.

When it came down to it, no one realized that there was a real gap in desire between males and females in the Soviet Union. When asked ‘What would you do to make your wimmin more choosier, because their eggs cannot be spread as easily. One could be biology connected to reproduction that says males are driven to spread their sperm while females are choosier, because their eggs cannot be spread as easily.

Another reason for a gap could be that there is no biology or anything to repress for either men or wimmin. Perhaps men like sex because it is domination—social brainwashing. 41% of wimmin experimented sexually in a way to make wimmin more like men. Something like the pop psych view was in vogue.

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MIM opposes the theory that wimmin are just repressed versions of men. Alternatively, if we adopt the theory, we could say that desire ends when the repression ends. Either way, the pop psychology ideas of a Reich or Marcuse should eat the political dust.

Experience in the 1920s USSR

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MIM is saying the gap in desires has to be accounted for consistently.

What is MIM?

The Maoist Internationalist Movement (MIM) is the collection of existing or emerging Maoist internationalist parties in the English-speaking imperialist countries and their English-speaking internal semi-colonies, as well as the existing or emerging Maoist internationalist parties in Belgium, France and Quebec and the existing or emerging Spanish-speaking Maoist Internationalist parties of Asturias, Puerto Rico and other territories of the U.S. Empire.

MIM is the newspaper of MIM. Notas Rojas is the newspaper of the Spanish-speaking parties or emerging parties of MIM. MIM uploads the revolutionary communist ideology of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism and is an internationalist organization that works from the vantage point of the Third World proletariat. MIM struggles to end the oppression of all groups over other groups: classes, genders, nations. MIM knows this is only possible by building public opinion to seize power through armed struggle. Revolution is a reality for North America as the military becomes over-extended in the government’s attempts to maintain world hegemony. MIM differs from other communist parties on three main questions:

(1) MIM holds that after the proletariat seizes power in socialist revolution, the potential exists for capitalist restoration under the leadership of a new bourgeoisie within the communist party itself. In the case of the USSR, the bourgeoisie seized power after the death of Stalin in 1953; in China, it was after Mao’s death and the overthrow of the “Gang of Four” in 1976. (2) MIM uploads the Chinese Cultural Revolution as the farthest advance of communism in human history. (3) As Marx, Engels and Lenin formulated and MIM has reiterated through materialist analysis, imperialism extracts super-profits from the Third World and in part uses this wealth to buy off whole populations of oppressor nation so-called workers. These so-called workers bought off by imperialism form a new petty-bourgeoisie called the labor aristocracy. These classes are not the principal vehicles to advance Maoism within those countries because their standards of living depend on imperialism. At this time, imperialist super-profits create this situation in the Canada, Quebec, the United States, England, France, Belgium, Germany, Japan, Italy, Switzerland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Israel, Sweden and Denmark. MIM accepts people as members who agree on these basic principles and accept democratic centralism, the system of majority rule, on other questions of party line.

“The theory of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin is universally applicable. We should regard it not as dogma, but as a guide to action. Studying it is not merely a matter of learning terms and phrases, but of learning Marxism-Leninism as the science of revolution.”

The ‘Islamo-fascist’ controversy

Who are you calling ‘fascist’, whitey?

The Bush administration uses the term “Islamo-fascist” lately to refer to any Islamic actor that claims national independence from Uncle Sam. William Arkin at the Washington Post explains who is included: “the Bush administration of late tends to lump al-Qaeda, Hezbollah, Hamas and other terrorists into one ‘Islamo-fascist’ camp.”(2) Hamas is the majority party of the elected government of Palestine and Hezbollah is the “Party of God” with seats in the Lebanese Parliament. Lest anyone think Arkin is criticizing, he is actually saying that Bush understimates how Islamic Osama Bin Laden’s Al-Qaeda really is. So chalk up another ultra-culture warrior in Arkin. The leading reactionary publication National Review also says the same thing.(3)

The argument of the Zionists and neo-conservatives on this point is based on a simple propaganda trick. Instead of using a consistent definition of fascism, the way MIM does, these propagandists play guilt by association. Likewise, since we can dig up some old-style fascists in Idaho or more importantly because David Duke won the Republican nomination for governor in Louisiana,(1) we could say the whole United States is fascist and have a great basis. In fact, we would have a much better argument that the united states already is fascist than Arkin and Mark Levin at the National Review make about Islamic peoples.

The fact is that Germany, Italy and Japan in World War II were all advanced capitalist countries, with their own colonies. Al-Qaeda, Hezbollah, Hamas and Iran do not have colonies and nor can they dominate other countries with a military-backed banking system. Imperialism is a prerequisite for fascism.

The frankly spoken imperialist, Rick Santorum is a senator from Pennsylvania. “Terror, like blitzkrieg, is a tactic of war. It is not the enemy,” Santorum said.”(4) Apparently Santorum realized that the “terrorists” of Hezbollah is a little vague and in play sufficiently for Bushist (states that voted for Gore and Kerr) like Pennsylvania.

“We fought then (in World War II) because we knew that our survival was at stake. The tyrants would never stop attacking us until they had defeated us, or we had defeated them,” said Santorum. “We’re in the same kind of conflict today.”“Santorum identified Iran as ‘the keystone of the Islamic fascist structure’ and the greatest loather of American freedoms. ‘The largest piece of this mosaic, the keystone of the Islamic fascist structure, is Iran,’ he said.

“It’s a complex mosaic, stretching across the world, but Iran is the central piece, touching all the others in one way or another. Iran not only supports these organizations — it created Hezbollah and Islamic Jihad, and is the driving force behind Hamas — but it is a threat to the civilized world all by itself.”(4)

This idea of “Islamo-fascism” is very catchy. The bourgeois of the India Times jumped on the bandwagon: “It is time the Indian Muslims sent a message loud and clear to Pakistan that its brand of Islamo Fascism and the terrorists it is breeding are the counter and decimated by Indian Muslims and Hindus united.”(5)

Political correctness India-style then enters: “The use of the phrase ‘Islamic Fascism’ does not imply the religion Islam is fascist in nature. It only refers to those cases. Yet, look what the answer is there again: sterilize all men and there won’t be any incest or rape leading to pregnancy. The pro-life side tends to be for the freedom to have children as a result of rape and our slogan brings that out clearly. Why does the pro-life side reject MIM’s slogan, one has to wonder.

The real reason is that the pro-life agenda is about the role of wimmin, not so-called murder. Admitting as much, a professor is now talking about the “fertility gap” between liberals and reactionaries calling themselves “conservative.” Every 100 U.S. liberals have 147 children while 100 conservatives have 208, according to a “pro-life” website.(3) Thus it would seem to some without the overall scientific picture that only liberalism and pseudo-feminism are self-extinguishing, if who one’s parents are determine one’s politics, a prediction with a good basis behind it. It’s also the reason that polygamous Mormonism is the most explosively growing religion. What the reactionaries in the pro-life movement are saying is that after they have had enough children, they will be able to change the political atmosphere and ban abortion among those liberals who used to have abortions. This is a funny point. By succeeding in banning abortion, the pro-life side will expand the growth of liberalism and the pendulum

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Parasite Left runs to CIA en masse

Today, as the Amerikan social-democratic The Nation magazine just pointed out,(1) we at MIM call the parasite Left is leaping into bed with “realists” in the State Department and CIA against Cheney’s attempts to create reality on the fly.(2) After noting the Democratic Party partisan blog “Daily Kos” praise Bush Sr.’s cabinet man Brent Scowcroft, The Nation pointed out that “since the attacks of September 11, the gulf that once separated the liberal and radical critics of US foreign policy appears to have narrowed, if not altogether disappeared. The views of realist thinkers like Anatol Lieven, Andrew Bacevich and Chalmers Johnson now appear frequently in the left-liberal press. This fall The Nation, whose pages have regularly featured their voices,, will be cohosting a discussion with The National Interest, a realist journal that has Daniel Pipes and Zbigniew Brzezinski on its masthead. And since the so-called ‘realism from the left and the right. Groups like MoveOn.org have sprinkled their press releases with collegial references to Kissinger and Scowcroft.”(1)

Bacevich is from the U.S. Military Academy, Chalmers Johnson has openly declared himself to be a military intelligence agent; Daniel Pipes is the bloody hand behind sectarian conflict in Iraq and the Danish cartoon attack on Islam. His father Richard Pipes was so right-wing and aggressive he lost his job in the Reagan administration while bashing the Soviet Union. Zbigniew Brzezinski was Carter’s National Security advisor and lead Cold Warrior who started u.s. aid to Osama Bin Laden and his comrades in Afghanistan in the late 1970s. Kissinger was Nixon’s Secretary of State, a war criminal responsible for millions of bombing deaths in Vietnam and the killing of a quarter million people in East Timor. Globally even many so-called Maoists are in fact CIA operatives busy prmongulating the writings of U.S. President (1974-1976) Gerald Ford’s intelligence briefer Ray McGovern, the products of Zionist and American intelligence cheer-leader Phyllis Chesler and assorted other culture warriors who put fighting Islam above the class struggle of the oppressed and exploited.

At the crucial moment, it is not surprising that the duping glee of white nationalism holds together the left-wing of parasitism and a band of war criminals, critical spooks and “national security” analysts. Underlying the common analysis is a common view of the white so-called “working class,” the majority of u.s. people, what it wants, what it will fight for and especially what it can accomplish including in places like Iraq or Iran. The representatives of the labor aristocracy may blame the imperialists and the imperialists may blame the labor aristocracy serving as the boots on the ground, but together today’s “realist” coalition does not believe it can implement so-called democracy in Iraq.

Against the open realist imperialist re-co-optation of the left-wing of parasitism, some scattered and confused supposedly communist organizations that are not CIA assets maintain their independence from the Democratic Party without having specific real reasons why. It is the destiny of these organizations to realize that they have been “too far ahead of the masses,” in the image of the puppet bourgeoisie mass of Amerika by way of false characterization as “workers.” Eventually they realize that if the so-called masses of which they speak cannot launch any kind of frontal assault on imperialism or even a skirmish, noises from the Democratic Party have to be magnified and called evidence of the stirrings of exploited or oppressed masses. That is why the MIM line is the only one truly opposing the imperialists.

Notes:
1. “The Left Gets Real: The promise and perils of a new alliance,” by Eyal Press August 14/21 2006 This is another example of how the word “Left” means nothing today. MIM was the first to point out the deal offered by Democrats, CIA, State Department and other imperialists to the left-wing of white nationalism.

Bush & Blair deserve war crimes trial, not Saddam Hussein

In just the first six months of 2006, the United States has caused the deaths of 14,000 civilians in Iraq either through military atrocities or the U.S.-instigated civil war according to the United Nations.(1) Prior to the U.S. invasion, the regime was repressive but not in a constant state of civil war and terrorism. Every day on television we hear about the civil war and the crimes of U.S. soldiers, only a fraction of which are revealed.

These numbers are every bit as bad as the numbers fancifully put forward by the Bush regime about Saddam Hussein. In comparison, England’s Prime Minister Tony Blair blamed Saddam Hussein for an average of 16,667 deaths per year over 24 years.(2) Since the United States and England have now caused over 14,000 deaths in six months, we imagine he wants to go back and take back his estimate about an alleged “monster.” If Saddam Hussein is a “monster,” then we ask what that makes Blair.

Only the world’s greatest monster, U.S. imperialism can make Saddam Hussein look like a hero. The United States put him in power and worked with him to kill communists in the 1960s. Then, Rumsfeld brought him weapons of mass destruction. Yet despite the prolonged love affair with its puppet, Uncle Sam ended up grinding him up and spitting him out—a warning to any other would-be puppets in the world. Uncle Sam’s passions often end in murder.

Now it is 2006 and Saddam Hussein has lost his two sons and put up a fiery display of patriotism against the invaders in his joke of a trial by U.S. puppet forces. The monster like U.S. imperialism to make Saddam Hussein look like a regular upstanding guy.

It’s often been said that Bush, Cheney and Rumsfeld should be in the dock instead of Saddam Hussein. True, but that is obvious.

U.S. imperialists put Serbia’s ruler Slobodan Milosevic in Hague prison and killed him there. He stood accused of organizing the killing of civilians of his neighboring nationalities.

Today, with Israel in Lebanon killing over 600 civilians in response to Hezbollah’s attack on Israel’s soldiers,(3) Prime Minister Olmert should be in the same court dock Milosevic was in. And with 14,000 Iraqi civilians dead in just half a year, Bush & Blair make Saddam Hussein look pacifist. That’s not to mention half a million Arab children killed by the sanctions on Iraq prior to the ground invasion.(4) Clinton would have to go into the dock for that.

At the end of every story about Abimael Guzman’s “Shining Path” in Peru, the imperialist media reminded the public how many people died in the civil war over the years and blamed the rebels.

In news stories about the People’s War in Nepal, the same is true. We often see the story end with a line about how many people have died in the struggle to get out of theocracy in Nepal.

Now we need every news story about Iraq to end with the same line. “U.S.-backed rebels that overthrew Saddam Hussein are responsible for the deaths of over 14,000 people in the past year. Estimates range to over 100,000 deaths since the U.S. invasion and total killed by U.S. actions since 1990 exceed a million.” That would be even-handed.

All this should be obvious to any alert reader.

Notes:
3. “At least 797 people have been reported killed in Lebanon and Israel since fighting broke out July 12 between Israeli forces and Hezbollah guerrillas.
4. “Lebanon: At least 689 have been killed including 605 civilians confirmed dead by the Health Ministry, 29 Lebanese soldiers and at least 55 Hezbollah guerrillas.
5. The Lebanese government’s Higher Relief Council said 973 Lebanese had been killed in the conflict.
6. “As of Sunday Israeli security officials said they had confirmed the deaths of 165 Hezbollah fighters and estimated that about 250 others had been killed.

In the meantime, Canadians, two Kuwaitis, one Iraqi, one Sri Lankan, one Jordanian and 23 Syrians. “Israel: Ninety-six have been killed, including 65 soldiers, 36 civilians, according to authorities.” http://www.usatoday.com/news/world/2006-08-08-mideast-fighting_x.htm

4. The Bush regime reports on the deaths in Iraq under U.S. sanctions as the fault of Saddam Hussein, thereby avoiding responsibility for the U.S. government’s actions. See, http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2003/04/20030404-1.html On the other hand, at least the Bush regime is admitting the sanctions killed 400,000 Iraqi children—a toll that reaches beyond anything Saddam Hussein did in all his combined years.

Referring to 500,000 deaths, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright put it this way to Lesley Stahl: “I think that is a very hard choice, but the price, we think, the price is worth it.” http://www.fff.org/comment/com0311c.asp
A letter to our educated but effete “smart Democrats” audience
U.S. anti-war movement looks bad compared with Saddam Hussein

By Web Minister

What MIM would like to talk about regarding Saddam Hussein’s court case and struggle is the lack of struggle by the anti-war movement in the United States. MIM hopes there really is a��统 in the anti-war movement condemning Saddam Hussein during his trial and sentencing by u.s. lackeys. Saddam Hussein put his all into defeating the invasion by u.s. imperialists and it is unlikely that his oppressed nation of Iraq will do anything less to get their own liberation. But we cannot say the same of the u.s. anti-war movement, which should be in the dock with Bush & Blair as accomplices. We’re sick of the “dissent is patriotic” stickers.

The anti-war movement seems content with their participation in the anti-Bush movement which is the conscience of the individuals. It were as if American anti-war activists were gathering up brownie points in Heaven for pure thoughts about the afterlife or perhaps that is all they can manage to do after all the psychic expenditures on behalf of politically correct language.

How about just kick some ass? How many of our readers just can’t say it, because it’s not good college-educated language, because it smacks of patriarchal domination even. In other words, I wonder just how useless our educated people are.

The Coulters are wrong, but get over it. Coulters and talking at their level, we will show that they are equally intelligent as those New Right talking heads like Ann “education” of the Red States that voted for Bush. ... These same people will go on to make jokes about the Taliban and their Christian brethren in the Red States. Yet even the Taliban is more concerned about this world than the u.s. anti-war movement.

While even multi-millionaire sons of Saddam Hussein go out guns-ablaizin’, the u.s. anti-war movement contents itself with snide remarks about the lack of “education” of the Red States that voted for Bu$h. ...

Yes, right, Democrats, you are more educated than those Bu$hies; you did better in school. ... No, we don’t believe those New Right talking heads like Ann Coulter and their recent studies trying to show that they are equally intelligent as people who oppose Bu$h. We know that is far from true and it is obvious. The problem is if we keep responding to those Coulters and talking at their level, we will become as stupid as they are. It’s the consciences of individuals. It were as if American anti-war activists were gathering up brownie points in Heaven for pure thoughts about the afterlife or perhaps that is all they can manage to do after all the psychic expenditures on behalf of politically correct language.

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So you, the 10 or 20% of Americans really paying attention to foreign affairs, you largely knew this war was no good and never had any potential. Professors even signed a petition against the invasion of Afghanistan, never mind Iraq. How about just kick some ass? How many of you really didn’t believe the Iraq invasion was legitimate in advance. He challenged you right after 9/11 to stop the invasion of Iraq, but despite your supposedly huge advantage in smarts, you lost and the invasion started in 2003. You were supposedly so smart, but you could not manipulate Ohio and Florida. You lost. Those Red Staters had a shortage of education on their side, but a handful like Rove was enough.

Now some of these oh-so smart people who opposed Bush should go on trial with him in war crimes court. “You knew better, so where were you? You knew better...” The fact that you were smarter than the Bushies only increases your culpability in that aspect. Some of the Bush supporters will be freed from war crimes responsibilities on account of stupidity, not so for the u.s. anti-war movement.

Partly why you say that is you discount the opinions of Bush voters too much, to the point where you uphold majority rule, but OK. We will settle for a power struggle that grinds this war to a halt. If there is no power to do that, you also have the power to contribute a percentage point of the Pentagon budget to the UN to buy land for a global reforestation preserve to fight global warming and so on. It is possible to win the struggle, mainly because the people themselves are fighting hard enough to make the most dense understand the impossibility of the imperialist course.

If you want reforms, that is fine, but that will require a power struggle. In case you did not notice, your Democratic Party agenda is much a loser. If it gains any power in 2006, some of you will pipe down, but it will again be because of default failures of Republicans controlling every branch of government, not because Democrats earned it from a progressive perspective. Even when the Democratic Party has executive branch power, it is thanks to a southern governor who does a better job catering to rednecks. You were so effete you could not launch a power struggle well enough to keep Monica Lewinsky off the front pages every day. Even had Clinton not been an imperialist, he could not have done anything, because the mass of progressive people lusting for power to back up a president who did have progressive intentions.

It’s time to be done with naïve faith in the American public. There is no nice way to get the vote of average Joe agenda. Anyone saying that is foolish to throw away a ton of money in Iraq. Average Joe voter changes his mind after an accumulation of power struggles, not prior to those power struggles as a favor to your reform agenda.

Just for power to grind this Iraq war to a halt is a good thing. Yes, we know that 80% of the intellectuals are appalled. Even before the war, we spoke to a Republican Party professor who was nonetheless not on Bush’s payroll, and even he was appalled by the entire Bush agenda of aggression before the war started.

We’re not asking for intellectuals to stand against the patriotic tide in a situation like that of Russian intellectuals during Napoleon’s invasion of Russia. We’re asking that u.s. intellectuals and those New Right talking heads like Ann Coulter and their recent studies trying to show that they are equally intelligent as people who oppose Bu$h. ...

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In this case, the dynamics of the ground warfare in Lebanon 2006 and Israels connected failure to meet its goals seem to be the reason for the end of the war. It appears that Israels realized that it could continue the war and of course its troops were still largely unscathed, but Israels also realized that the cost of the war was much higher than expected. It was Israels that needed the time to re-think.

Israel claims that for some missions it seems that Israel did not stop the war when the G-8 (a meeting of the worlds economic leaders held under Russian auspices this year) under Russian President Putins guidance it permission to attack, just without a disproportionate response.6) The killing of dozens of civilians in a single bombing attack on Qana in Lebanon, with mostly children as victims also did not stop the war early on.7) It dragged on weeks more.

The best explanation we saw for why the war ended came from the hard-core supporters of the Democratic Party. Daily Kos.(8) Lebanon was a war and a joke and estimates of Hebboths size have it outnumbered by Israels by one hundredfold. Even officially the war in Lebanon was between only hundreds of Hezbollah against thousands of Israels. Yet, it appears that something of military hardware is able to guarantee the knock-out of a $3 million tank, possibly the worlds greatest tank, the Merkava that Israels has spent $6.5 billion on.

5000 buses 10 missiles which can be carried by six people. Assuming as Israel says that 8 will hit their target or otherwise fail, the remaining two missiles will destroy the Merkava tank. If there are any leftover missiles they have devastating use against Israels holied up in houses or behind other structures. So if one cannot take cover behind a tank, then Israels usual procedures for military movement are no good. Meanwhile, the same missiles that rained down on Israels need the time to study and re-think. There appear to be old Soviet ones, European Milan and recent Russian ones being discussed. There is even a report of American anti-tank missiles having been fired against Israels.(9) It is believed that a large number of Israels tanks were destroyed and many more damaged. It means that missiles penetrated 60 or 70 tons of steel and killed the tank occupants in the case of 30 people.(10)

For public opinion matters, Israels military can still claim that most of its tanks and material missile stockpiles in Lebanon and killing Hezbollah leaders. It failed in all goals, but it still called a cease-fire. That the United States gave Israels green light for five weeks to do its dirtiest is not surprising. What Israels did not accomplish is the surprise.

Admittedly, there is much political uncertainty in the air. For example, the Bush administration surely does not want August 22nd to pass without focus on Iran directly, with the subject of Iran's nuclear weapons program and Iran's potential deal offered by the European Union at stake. Then too, there is the complication of how Hebboths rising fortunes raise the question of Israels future Security. There is yet another population too. Already the Bush administration is leaving itself some wiggle room to leave Iraq completely if there is a civil war, by which the Bush administration means fighting among their own puppets in the regime they installed. In reality, if Israel continues the Israeli people too much, we may see them unite better to oust US troops.

While Iraq and Iran are very important to the Lebanese situation, it is a general rule of warfare, especially ground warfare of this sort, that an imperialist will not defend an administration it perceives to be seen as losing, inept or weak. So we doubt any conspiracy theory in this regard.

Ranging close to a conspiracy theory is how a top Israeli military leader sold his piddly $27,500 stock portfolio before the war, and another air is the Jerusalem Post's attempt to blame an Israeli anti-militarist campaign called Four Mothers for the failures in Lebanon in 2000.(5) The story goes that Israels military was fine in 2000 and again in 2006, but the Israeli brass were afraid of a putative military defeat. Meanwhile, the Israeli media mothers realized how many 18-year-olds had died roughly 100 when they stopped the war, compared with 20 per year during the previous occupation of Lebanon.

As a theory of the war's end, the Jerusalem Post's angle is disinformation; albeit, there is always a portion of the populace that allow the people firing to escape. Whether explosive material exists to take out a 63 ton tank is an old Soviet equivalent of muskets got together to drive others out of 1776—when people with the economic position of terrorist seeking to destroy other countries economies and populations wholesale. Fail, make trouble and fail again, Mao said is the formula for imperialists. They will do anything but acknowledge the class roots of warfare. American and Israeli imperialism often threaten entire countries with annihilation, but it is believed that there is still a dialectical relationship between the oppressor and the oppressed. The oppressor spreads war mercilessly, but spreading war means its democratization. One cannot predict in advance the physics and engineering of an anti-tank rocket. The Russians are calling Israels attack on the Jenin refugee camp in 2002 their Stalingrad and some Lebanese are calling Lebanon 2006 their Leningrad. AAA calls Israels missiles the most embarrassing blow down on Hitler's armies are now raining down on Israels Katushka rockets. It is a terrible historical and psychological irony that the rockets that saved the Jews and Soviet peoples are now killing Zionists.

The Russians are claiming that their latest generation of anti-tank missiles are not involved in the Lebanon situation, because they track their weapons and uphold their diplomatic bargains.(13) So again there is some smoke in the air to clear. Either Israels blaming Russia for political reasons or Russia is secretly flexing serious geopolitical muscle as some Turkish writers suggest(14) or perhaps a little of both. What is important is the imperialist tensions.

The Palestinians are calling Israels attack on the Jenin refugee camp in 2002 their Stalingrad and some Lebanese are calling Lebanon 2006 their Leningrad. AAA calls Israeli air force may not be able to counter-attack if the rockets have timers that allow the people firing to escape. Cheaps, light and mobile—these sorts of weapons are evening out the technology edge of the Israelis and Americans.

The Israelis seem to have more than half the public want their Defense Minister Peretz to resign for failure. These issues that we are pointing to though are not something that he could have prevented.15) From the beginning, the Olmert's cabinet member Justice Minister Haim Ramon pointed the way to the preceding months, saying that Israels response was the surprise. "Our great advantage against Hezbollah is firepower, not hand-to-hand combat."16) Unable to win diplomatically or with conventional military means, Israels is increasingly left in the position of terrorist seeking to destroy other countries economies and populations wholesale. Fail, make trouble and fail again, Mao said is the formula for imperialists. They will do anything but acknowledge the class roots of warfare.
The ‘Islamo-fascist’ controversy
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Fascist Regime that swears by Islam and attempts to legitimise its fascism by subverting the meaning and essence of Islam. Oftumped is proud of the Indian Muslim community that rejected this brand of fascism on August 14th 1947 by choosing to remain in India and reject the fascist idea of a Islamic State of Pakistan.(5) The problem is that if Pakistan is fascist, it would only be because its government is such a lackey of Bush. The India Times should go check where Pakistan gets its support.

So to review, thus far we have shown arch-reactionaries Bush and Santorum use the term “Islamo-fascism,” as does the “East Coast Establishment” Washington Post, the National Review and a mainline faction of the Indonesian bourgeoisie, itself hoping to be Bush’s preferred lackey.

The Washington Post was a clue that the “Islamo-fascist” is not confined to the Republican Party wing of imperialist reaction. How far into the left-wing of parasitism does the usage go, one might ask. The answer is that it goes all the way.

This week Boston’s “alternative” paper, “The Phoenix,” echoed “Islamo-Musslime.” “The would-be British bombers are part of the same dedicated group of Islamofascists who attacked New York and Washington, Indonesia and Madrid, and London last summer.”(6)

This was right after the week in which they denounced Hezbollah as the source of war in the Middle East and the whole world.(12)

This same “The Phoenix” is the “daily” face of the Democratic Party in Massachusetts. It’s where the Democratic Party is allowed to be pro-marijuana, pro-phone sex, pro-pornography, pro-call girls and voice of the rock’n’roll industry. In actual fact, by political ties, hirings and marriages, “The Phoenix” is tied to its more middle-aged cousin, the official voice of Massachusetts imperialists the Boston Globe, the Massachusetts injustice system and the top ranks of the Democratic Party.

If we read “The Phoenix” carefully, we will learn that it has always had Dan Kennedy as the intellectual voice of the Democratic Party’s bourgeois internationalism, oddly, even though Dan Kennedy and the The Boston Phoenix are not running for president and do not exist in a state where international politics is much up for grabs—since the whole state is moving towards Islamic fundamentalism.

What “The Phoenix” is though is very important as an example of something broader. It represents a certain lifestyle wing of the Democratic Party, an ideological connection point between the urban youth demographic and the strategy plans. “Islamo-fascism” is the tar word of choice for “The Phoenix,” because it is easy to tar Iran (and the Taliban in power) in anti-sex.

So for this connection of the petty-bourgeoisie to the imperialists, the fascist thing is about lifestyle freedom. It would fly well in Las Vegas too, but mostly in the Blue State big cities.

When we want to know why only 6% of Americans support Lebanon’s side in the conflict with Israel, we have to look at how the Republican-Democratic rag team works. In the Blue States, the image of Iran is unpopular for many of the same reasons Republicans are unpopular—views of religion and sex.

Likewise, in the Village Voice of New York City, a columnist simultaneously talks about why men having sex with 17 year-old men (with an in-between-the-lines idea on why it’s OK despite supposedly being illegal) and “Islamo-fascism.” “This won’t stop Islamo-fascism, of course. We’re still going to have to fight these bastards; unlike some of my lefty pals, I’m all for fighting the bastards.”(7)

So there it is ranging from the National Review to the Village Voice—the “Islamo-fascism” idea does fly. At this time, Phyllis Chesler (13) is attempting outreach to the Republican wing of the party. She’s been in the press for a while.

To seal the deal for a war on Iran, these culture warriors from the Blue State blue mentality would like nothing better than to force the Republicans to give up their abortion credo in the name of fighting Iran. Iran after all, has imposed restrictive abortion laws on the inhabitants of the mother of the mother or to terminate deformed or retarded fetuses.(8) With Hillary Clinton as president, we could yet see the deal be an attack on Iran for not having sufficient abortion choice. It would not be the first time that the imperialists decided to seal their unity under a pro-choice banner.

The Blue State versus Red State conflict over lifestyle has no underlying division on Iran, because of the unity of the oppressor nation. Instead of thinking that there are some good things and bad things about Iran relative to other capitalist countries, the Blue State pseudo-feminist is apt to say: “Violence and intimidation existed for thousands of years before commercial pornography, and countries today with no pornography, like Saudi Arabia and Iran, do not boast strong women’s rights records.”(9)

The fake Maoists inside U.S. borders are working to tie the organization that made that statement and with Phyllis Chesler who favors an attack on Iran. “They’ve also received favorable reviews in “The Phoenix.”

On the Trotskyist side, there is also vacillation. According to the most popular Trotskyist site in the world today, there is no such thing as an Islamic fundamentalist who is anti-imperialist. “This does not mean that the Islamic fundamentalist movements are processes of the bourgeoisie or the anti-imperialist credentials,”(10) the Trotskyists said in half-hearted rebuttal of Christopher Hitchens, a noted critic of the Vietnam War who has joined the Culture War against the Middle East. It would be closer to the truth that there is no such thing as a Trotskyist who is anti-imperialist. Hezbollah just defeated Israel. Since Lenin died, Trotskyists have only provided services to imperialism, never once doing anything like we just showed.

The Trotskyists live in decadent imperialist countries and the Iranians live in a capitalist country perhaps with some feudal vestiges. Like the “Feminists for Free Expression,” it does not occur to these Trotskyists that there might be some positive aspects of Islamic lifestyle relative to imperialist lifestyle and that on the whole there is not a real inferiority or superiority on that basis. While not openly working for Democratic or Republican Party imperialists, the left-wing of parasitism generally works in such a way that it is easy for the imperialists to harvest the benefits of the lifestyle-oriented politics of libertarians, anarchists, Trotskyists and others claiming some kind of political independence.

Islamist lifestyle is depressive in some ways but Western lifestyle is too, which is why the United States Trotskyists recognize that a greater change is within Europe. Capitalism is dominating the whole world and the social problems from that surface in different ways. Americans fear Islamic peoples, but dark-skinned Islamic peoples could fear the United States too: there they would have a much greater chance of imprisonment and being surrounded by pornography. Judging by prison statistics, if Iran is fascist and the United States is free, then freedom means imprisonment.

Notes:
1. http://www.abc.net.au/worldtoday/content/2006/s1713282.htm
Six percent of Americans support Hezbollah’s side in Lebanon

When will communists right the ship?

Six percent of U.S. people polled support Hezbollah’s side in the conflict between Lebanon and I$rael. 68% support I$rael with the rest neutral or not sure(1) This is true despite the fact that Bush himself has a low approval rating perhaps around 40% at the moment,(1, 2) rising from the low 30s maybe even because of American insecurities regarding I$rael.

Imperialists and their lackeys

The imperialists claim Iran is backing Hezbollah (“Party of God,” a party and militia in Lebanon and other countries that is valiantly fighting off I$rael as we speak) and Iran is saying it does but that Hezbollah has its own independence organizationally. The imperialists say weapons go from Iran to Syria to Hezbollah in Lebanon, with a Syrian transport plane used for earthquake aid in Iran and I$rael, which, of course, took two I$raeli soldiers and ended up opening a second front against I$rael. Even MIM has no idea how Hezbollah weeks into the campaign manages to kill so many I$raeli soldiers. More I$raeli soldiers are dying than I$raeli civilians, while it appears that I$rael kills while it appears that I$rael kills during the campaign manages to kill so many I$raeli soldiers. More I$raeli soldiers are dying than I$raeli civilians, while it appears that I$rael kills approximately six civilians for every militia member or soldier.(4)

Yet despite a lack of concrete Maoist aid to the struggle in Lebanon especially relative to Iran, many organizations calling themselves “Maoist” refuse to tell the state that Hezbollah has a red or left orientation. If so, it is more than what we can say for the Maoists in aiding the Palestinian cause or the cause of Arabs near I$rael.

It was I$rael killing Palestinians daily or weekly in the Gaza Strip and imprisoning the elected government of Palestine, when Hezbollah fought back. Hezbollah took down I$raeli planes and tanks, killed I$raeli soldiers, and took two I$raeli soldiers and ended up opening a second front against I$rael. Even MIM has no idea how Hezbollah weeks into the campaign manages to kill so many I$raeli soldiers. More I$raeli soldiers are dying than I$raeli civilians, while it appears that I$rael kills another six civilians for every militia member or soldier.(4)

Democratic Party for I$rael

The dramatic turn in events proves wrong the parasite zombie strategy of attacking Bush in particular. Knocking down his rating does not address the situation with Iran, because as MIM said all along, the labor aristocracy is aggressively militarist and chauvinist. It doesn’t go away just by re-labeling it something it is not. It continues egging on I$rael regardless of Bush’s situation. We can face up to that and fight consistently as a red minority or we can kid ourselves that I$rael remains the strongest I$rael, I$rael is still I$rael.

Ralph Nader made a good point for once as Ned Lamont successfully campaigned in Connecticut’s Democratic primaries to knock off Connecticut Senator and former 2000 vice-presidential candidate Joe Lieberman. Nader pointed out that Lamont immediately jumped up in support of I$rael’s vicious bombing of civilians and billions of dollars of civilian infrastructure in Lebanon,(5) (Of course, at the margin, it is a good thing Lieberman lost the election called a primary thanks to his support of the Iraq War.)

The fact is that some Republicans and many Democrats have escalated on Bush to get tougher on Iran. The Democratic Party support has been overwhelming for I$rael’s attacks. There is no state more Democratic than Massachusetts, but tell-tale signs emerge there.

Surely if there is a progressive place in the united states, Boston would have to be one of the top 100 cities. Yet radio disc jockeys that did not support the Iraq War are on WBCN, the lead rock station ridiculing Hezbollah. They seriously discuss that August 22nd may be the end of the world or we can kid ourselves thatAugust 22nd is going to reply to the nuclear weapons controversy; 2) it is an important date in Iran’s religious calendar—one fit for being the end of the world. This was not some David Horowitz operation talking about dropping nuclear weapons on Iran. It was the mainstream operation in Democratic Boston blaming Iran for a potential nuclear catastrophe.

Then there is the alternative face of the Democratic Party in Boston, the Boston Phoenix. Not to be topped by any warmonger, the paper that called the Iraq War “imperialism” put in a picture of Hezbollah’s leader Nasrallah and blamed him for the Mideast conflict.

“Nasrallah is the new Saddam, the new Ben Laden. Although he is neither a megolamaniac (like Hussein) nor a prophet of international jihad (like Bin Laden) he threatens international peace in a way that neither he, nor any American psyches as if they were Christians about to rise up against I$rael. That is the flabby outlook of the Arab bourgeoisie who believe they are in too weak a position to challenge the real source of the problem. Jews are not the problem. It’s a classic thing from top to bottom. That’s why Americans are loony for I$rael. The middle classes in both I$rael and the united states have specific aggressive intentions in the Mideast.

Public opinion in the US really

Contrary to the left-wing of parasitism, the white so-called workers are not about to rise up any minute and dethrone U.S. imperialism. It is wrong to confuse right and wrong with an eye to convincing people who support 68 to 6 percent I$rael over Hezbollah. That’s more than 1l to 1. In particular, it is wrong to support sexual liberalism just to please U.S. labor aristocrats who are not going to be mollified away from imperialist chauvinism anyway. The Islamic peoples are directly sexually threatened and oppressed by the West—including Western females—and this needs to be understood and not ignored in a patriarchal way. There is no point in blaming even extreme versions of Islam for the lower sexual status of oppressed peoples threatened by Western ways. That is what people in denial of the principal contradiction between oppressed nations and imperialism are doing.

What we need to understand is the gross consolidation and outright capitulation of the international communist movement in the face of the united oppressor opinion in the united states. When state agents spread the CIA line on Iraq, regurgitated the open intelligence cheerleader Phyllis Chesler on the Mideast, protested against Iran’s nuclear weapons programs, wrote articles denying that war in the Mideast could be world war and then tried to rewrite the principal contradiction as false in the face of imperialists, neither side right, our international communist movement did counter-attack. For organizations led by state agents of u. imperialism there is no surprise, but for the rest conciliating it is a question of revisionism, specifically a revision of Mao’s teachings on the principal contradiction. The bottom line is the fear that our movement is too weak to do other than capitulate to the u. state with such seemingly fearsome backing as 68% to 6% inside u. borders. And so organizations that should be our friends capitulate to the u. labor aristocracy, something they have done consciously for a long time and now we see the result in spades in this war.

People without an attachment to reality are always going to capitulate when they get a chance, behind-the-back if necessary. The Don’t Call It Maoism fighters never had a chance anyway and justify their treachery that way, just to speak of captulators who are not outright state agents. That is why we must be clear about where the international proletariat is and where it is not. Otherwise we will have the general problem common in parasite organizations where there is a superficial attack on imperialism while wholesale sell-out goes on through the back-door.

We apologize to our readers for having to discuss dialectics in a newspaper, but when people calling themselves “Maoist” are part of the problem in the news, we have no choice but to explain the whole topic in a space we usually try to reserve for other things. MIM is in a particular bind because of others who falsely claim the word “Maoist” lately. Mao’s concept of dialectics is not at all vague or impractical. It cannot be used for having things both ways. In fact, it teaches us to focus our might on the “principal contradiction,” because in the material world there are many processes

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What is militarism?

It is important not to let capitalists risk our lives in their ideas about war and peace in the environment. They have already had two world wars admitted by themselves in the last 100 years and they are conducting a third right now against the Third World.

Even a one percent annual chance of nuclear war destruction caused by capitalist aggressiveness or “greed” as the people call it should not be tolerated by the proletariat. After playing Russian Roulette (in which the bullet chamber is different each time and not related at all to the one that came up in previous spins) with 100 chambers and one bullet, the chance of survival is only 60.5% after 50 turns. In other words, a seemingly small one percent annual chance of world war means eventual doom. After 100 years or turns of Russian Roulette, the chances of survival are only 36.6%. After 200 years, survival has only a 1.3%-4 chance.

Notes:

1. 2004/08/26.html
2. www.etext.org/Politics/MIM/faq/allsexirap.html
4. www.etext.org/Politics/MIM/m/mem036/sterilizedtext.php
6. www.etext.org/Politics/MIM/m/mem036/sterilizedtext.php
7. 2004/08/26.html
8. www.etext.org/Politics/MIM/m/mem036/sterilizedtext.php

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Militarism is war-mongering or the advocacy of war or actual carrying out of war or its preparations. While true pacifists condemn all violence as equally repugnant, we Maoists do not consider self-defense or the violence of oppressed nations against imperialism to be militarism. Militarism is mostly caused by imperialism at this time. Imperialism is the highest stage of capitalism—seen in countries like the United States, England and France.

Under capitalism, capitalists often profit from war or its preparations. Yet, it is the proletariat that does the fighting. The proletariat wants a system in which people do not have self-interest on the side of warfare or pro-war for imperialism. Militarism is one of the most important reasons to overthrow capitalism. It even infects oppressed nations and causes them to fight each other.

Notes:

2. Australian Financial Times 11 Aug 06.
Censorship of MIM lit increases in California

On July 3, 2006 I wrote to you explaining that the [What is MIM pamphlet] was disapproved and withheld from me. I filed a 602 on this action. The following response was given on the “informal level” review of the 602.

"Denied. The CDC 1819 was signed by Capt P. Brzanc. Disapproving your publication of MLM, which lack known internal interests, per CCR Title 15 3006 (c)(16)."

- a California prisoner, August 2006

MIM adds: We are having a problem with increasing censorship across the California prisons. Suddenly the prisons are finding MIM’s theory journals, newspapers, and the What is MIM pamphlet all a threat to their security. None of the prisons censoring MIM literature have contacted us. We have been having the most difficulty causing prisoners to engage in violence or leading to any other security breach, and this literature has been in circulation in California’s prisons for over two decades now so we aren’t sure what the source of the problem is. Several prisoners have appealed the censorship to various levels, and all have so far been denied. We are now at the point of seeking legal help to file a lawsuit against the California Department of Corrections. If you know of a lawyer who might be willing to work on this case, please put them in touch with us.

Prisoner remembers Black Panther Party

I received your letter today and I am very happy to hear from you. I am from the Bay Area and very much believe in socialism because I was raised in West Oakland and I remember Huey P. Newton and the beautiful things he did for the cause. I live my life by the same ten point platform. I will give all the help I can with your newsletter. It’s kind of hard to find out what’s going on in other parts of the world because we are isolated. I find myself waking to the foul condition forced upon me because of my wants and beliefs, without struggle there would be no history. So regardless of my condition I remain steadfast and communicate progressive. I have a study group already in progress where we read 1 book per week that we write reports on and we explain how we can implement into our lives and better our communities. I’ve been having a problem getting progressive books that meets these ideals politically, economically, militarily, socially and culturally so we will be better able to answer all questions of our communities as well as find what problem these communities have and find a way to fix these problems.

I have 10 years left and I dedicate all my time to re-educating myself and any help you can give me and the comrades would be great.

P.S. We follow in the tradition of comrades Lenin, Mao and Huey Newton but I believe you forgot one: George Jackson.

- California prisoner, July 18, 2006

A letter for Lucky Toltecatl and MIM

[This is only the second half of the original letter] Throughout all the madness and scandalous acts by the administration, we remain disciplined and focused, inspired by confidence in our true ambition. Like heroes of abnegation, never cankered by hatred and bitterness, only the utmost of good will could save us from this monstrous iniquity.

Despite finding ourselves against contempt, cruel and treacherous conditions, new found comrades have joined us. comrades who before the awakening had nothing to fight for, blinded by the superficial systemic injustice. Who at one time cared for nothing whether they lived or died, now have found something to live and fight for. All in now helping the awakening of our people and its younger generation, preventing any further victimization of this capitalist genocide.

At the same time, and through the force of these conditions, the generals and captains amongst the ranks have gone all out in obtaining respect by all means necessary from these oppressors. They continue to do so attaining the highest conceivable development and winning for them the admiring devotion of their followers. This army is becoming the first in Oregon’s DOC’s system because of the credit of its army is the one moving power and its leaders.

A brilliant example is shown in the leadership of our comrade Lucky Toltecatl, a scarce skinned comrade in a Meso-American street revolutionary movement, whom with motivation and inspiration organized and unified all races, with no prejudice or racial barriers, in different correctional facilities, to fight for the same cause, organizing protests, phone strikes, hunger strikes and even escalating to the extreme, with a boundless devotion from him and all involved. More than once, our oppressors (enemies) had to honor our form of resistance.

This led the administration to overcome us with the most extreme level of violence and despicable acts. All tools were utilized by the institution to try to play any person to downplay any unit who tries to spread truth, and now they have utilized these tactics of isolation to keep us away from other inmates so that we can not expose their true intentions. No human contact whatsoever. A living hell, a total nightmare.

Unfortunately it is a reality that many of our people face in prison. Some prisoners call this the “box” while officials try to dress it up by calling it “Special Housing Units.” Mental health professionals call it a breeding ground for mental illness and it’s real straight torture. This SHU or IMU (Special Housing Unit - Intensive Management Unit) offers no rehabilitative services, no recreational programs, no educational programs, no literature or reading materials, no religious services, no proper sanitation for our living quarters. These living quarters are a 6x9 foot cell where a prisoner is kept 23 hours a day. For 30 minutes we are released into a 9x7 foot cage for recreation. This recreation is merely walking around the cage. This is if we are lucky and allowed this luxury. Usually we’re denied all outdoor exercise and recreation; locked in a cell 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The prisons prejudicially discriminate against the whole inmate population in violation of and in deliberate indifference to our Eighth Amendment rights.

The United States federal courts have already made very clear: denial of basic human needs are clearly “cruel and unusual punishment” in court cases such as: (Spain v. Procunier, 600 F. AD 189) (9th Cir. 1979). These cases fall under violations of our 8th Amendment rights. Please see (Lopez v. Smith, 203 F. 3D .1123,1133 (9th Cir. 2000).

Staff officers alleged that the deprivation of federal and state rights in the form of denial of outside exercise is because of the lack of security of the institution and because inmates may damage the integrity of the facility. The federal courts have already ruled that despite prison officials claim that this deprivation of our yard was for the inmates own protection and institutional security, it is still a federal violation and constitutional violation of the Eighth Amendment. Staff officers are breaking the law to get more pay, more lock-down, more taxpayer money and hazardous overtime pay. It is one of the administration’s tricks.

Over the past few years, hundreds of cases of mental disorders caused by confinement in the IMU and SHU have been reported. The psychosis symptoms include massive free-floating anxiety, hyper responsiveness to external stimuli, difficulty with concentration and memory, the emergence of primitive aggressive fantasies, and violent destructive or self-mutilatory outbursts.

Too many of our people are doing time in prison. These “housing units” are nothing more than a form of torture, where the authorities try to brainwash and mentally debilitate prisoners by methods of isolation, physical abuse, psychological torture and medical neglect. The victims of these housing units often times are our brothers and sisters who have been branded as “gang members” by the prison authority. Most are social political activists who the prison administration wants to silence. Others are simply prisoners who question the abuse taking place in the institutions in which they are confined.

This situation demands that all of us, whether we are workers, students, prisoners, students, or professionals, work harder to raise the consciousness of our people. Otherwise, we are doomed to continue in partake in our own oppression.

“I’d rather die on my feet, than live on my knees” - Emiliano Zapata

Free Lucky
Viva la Revolucion

- a comrade in the IMU-OSP, March 2006

Under Lock & Key

Notorious Calipatria, Under Siege!

Although there is no lull in the constant bombardment by imperialist forces, I find time to write this communique and will attempt to send it directly through the front line. Since August 2005 and the “skirmish” between imperialist forces and Mexican/Hispanics, that is the cause of the current repressive conditions, there has been one fatality, raids, property seizures, and disappearances. Our supply lines cut off yet we subsist on the meager handouts of rations and soap and toothpowder. Imperialist forces have blanked off all our movements with the exception to medical needs, and have us pinned down with our only connections to the outside world are our government mandated mail access, and the “privilege” to interview and hear monarchist propaganda as told in accordance with its corporate courtiers on television and radio.

As it stands we in this sub-facility are not, nor were never, involved in the above mentioned “skirmish” incident which took place in another sub-facility with correctional officers alleged that the deprivation of federal and state rights in the form of denial outside exercise is because of the lack of security of the institution and because inmates may damage the integrity of the facility. The federal courts have already ruled that despite prison officials claim that this deprivation of our yard was for the inmates own protection and institutional security, it is still a federal violation and constitutional violation of the Eighth Amendment.

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MIM on Prisons & Prisoners

MIM seeks to build public opinion against America’s criminal injustice system, and to eventually replace the bourgeoisie system with proletarian justice. The bourgeoisie injustice system imprisons and executes a disproportionately large and growing number of oppressed people while letting the biggest mass murderers — the imperialists and their lackeys — roam free. Imperialism is not supposed to murder or steal, it only insists that these crimes be committed in the interests of the bourgeoisie.

“All U.S. citizens are criminals — accomplices and accessories to the crimes of U.S. oppression globally until the day U.S. imperialism is overcome. All U.S. citizens should start from the point of view that they are reforming criminals.”

MIM does not advocate that all prisoners go free today; we have a more effective program for fighting crime as was demonstrated in China prior to the restoration of capitalism there in 1976. We say that all prisoners are political prisoners because under the dictatorship of the bourgeoisie, all imprisonment is substantively political. It is our responsibility to exert revolutionary leadership and conduct political agitation and organization among prisoners whose material conditions make them an overwhelmingly revolutionary group. Some prisoners should and will work on self-criticism under a future work on self-criticism under a future dictatorship of the proletariat in those cases in which prisoners really did do something wrong by proletarian standards.
officers and “Southern Hispanics,” a designation given to Mexicans/Hispanics (also includes other races) who were once members of “Street gangs” who come together in unity and solidarity in imperialist California gulags to form a society for the greater good of the whole. This incident involved hundreds of inmates and staff resulting in numerous injuries and one inmate killed. It caused the entire institution to be placed on a state of emergency lockdown followed by subsequent various degrees of lockdowns, all under the guise of a “modified program.” Modified meaning a lesser degree of control imposed. Although we in this facility, nor were we nor were not involved in this incident and live in an entirely different sub-facility within this institution, which is supposedly its own entity separate from the others. In other circumstances the sub-facility where the incident occurred would be the only to be affected by any degree of lockdown status. Yet this institution’s heads choose a blanket approach to punishment to extend lockdown for hundreds and to further abuse race in different degrees. “Southern Hispanics” and non “affiliated” Mexicans/Hispanics the most severe. As we are designated in like manner in all California gulags, this institution’s heads believe that, in sharing a common designation we share culpability and are subjected to conditions more harsh than those applied in administrative segregation or translated, the hole. In the hole, inmates are allowed a canteen/commissary draw of $45 monthly to supplement the meager state issue and at least 10 hours weekly of recreation and to guard you against this type of harassment. By and it is supposed to contain your rights by the ensuing administrative bodies, forcing you to go through several weeks of warranting media coverage, yet upon interviews with prison administrators, media reported only approximately 25. Although the blanket approach of punishment affects the entire institution and includes all racial designations, I can only write from the “Southern Hispanic” perspective. We feel this approach to punishment is harsh, arbitrary and punitive in nature as it is all unwarranted punishment. Our grievances are not for some special privileges, nor for more privileges, we merely ask that we be free of unwarranted punishments, of adverse conditions. Is this all alien to you? Imagine your bathroom made of cement with a thin slit in one wall for a “window,” Your toilet and sink of one unit made of cold stainless steel. Now imagine buck beds made of steel in place of your shower/tub. Now imagine being locked for ten months straight. Can you tell what is this room for? It is for 10 to 15 minutes every third day to shower or if you have a medical need. Imagine being handcuffed behind your back as you shower. How would you carry your hygiene products? Your towel? Clothes? Don’t worry, once your supplement of canteen/commissary runs out, all you will have is a 1.5 oz can of soap. All you can wear to shower is underwear and sandals, so all you can use is your towel and a towel.

Back in this room where you eat state issue 3 meals a day, I don’t need to describe food. I’m sure you’ve heard. It’s got to be a total of 2500 calories a day so you have enough to survive but are constantly hungry because it’s not enough to feed a grown man. If you are fortunate to have a TV or fortunate to have it confiscated you or a working speaker you have some kind of external stimulation. Perhaps you have a walkman radio with some books and/or magazines, but you can read 15 hours a day? Can you break the monotony, the shear boredom of books or magazines with a board game as if you were a pre-teen child? And that’s if you can get your hands on one.

Imagine being locked in this room with all your privileges taken away for something you didn’t do. Imagine constant room searches with your captors rifling through your personal property bordering on harassment. But you are given a rules book that you abide by and it is supposed to contain your rights and to guard you against this type of punishment, so you hold out hope. Only to be told these rules are hollow! They are overlooked by the warden. It’s got to be a total of 2500 calories a day so you have enough to survive but are constantly hungry because it’s not enough to feed a grown man. If you are fortunate to have a TV or fortunate to have it confiscated you or a working speaker you have some kind of external stimulation. Perhaps you have a walkman radio with some books and/or magazines, but you can read 15 hours a day? Can you break the monotony, the shear boredom of books or magazines with a board game as if you were a pre-teen child? And that’s if you can get your hands on one.

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When will communists right the ship?

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of cause and effect, but some are much more important than others. The most important one gets called, “principal contradiction.”

The principal contradiction as taught to us by Stalin and Mao is not “sections of the oppressed we don’t like against imperialism.” It is not “Islamic theocracy against imperialism.” The fact that any of that flies for even a second shows that our international communist movement has forgotten anti-imperialism.

The principal contradiction is imperialism versus oppressed nations, period, and all genuine Maoists are on record for that position going back decades in some cases—just as all genuine communists were on record before World War I as opposing thatbrewing inter-imperialist war. The betrayal of 1914 is the reason we now have the distinction between communism and social-democracy. In 2006, the betrayal of our times finally came out in the open with the Mideast conflict.

Our international communist movement has faced a traumatic event and failed. Former U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich has called for World War III, because attacking Iraq and Afghanistan while occupying other less heated places is not enough. It is not considered a win to have Bush fall to 40% and then have Gingrich call for World War III on the basis of an int war against oppressed nations that happen to be Islamic. If nothing else happens, and Lebanon and Israel become best friends tomorrow, by itself, Gingrich’s call should have been the end of any scientific discussion: not enough was done regarding deflecting the imperialists’ war Lenaing. The focus was wrong.

In the united states, we have Hillary Clinton who voted for the Iraq War in the Senate and now must appear to be anti-war somehow or possibly lose her future 2008 bid for president. She does this by saying Bush is “incompetent” and now and calling for Rumsfeld’s resignation. It reminds us of our own fake Maoists who build support for war half the time while claiming opposition to Bush is good enough the other half of the time. In general, we don’t need Clinton’s kind of fake anti-war stance, even in bourgeois politics. In proletarian politics, we also have our Hillary Clintons, people who are trying to pretend they are something they are not. Half the time they are making noise about opposing imperialism, but the other half of the time they are specifically siding with Bush’s onslaught against Islam. It is they who defec the proletarian count-attack with petty-bourgeois formulations about how neither Islam nor imperialism are good. The international communist movement needs to deflect imperialism’s specific attack on Islamic countries as principal at this time, and without any vacillation. The rest is Hillary Clinton-like political flakery.

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4. “At least 797 people have been reported killed in Lebanon and Israel since fighting broke out July 12 between Israeli forces and Hezbollah guerrillas.” Lebanon: At least 689 have been killed including 605 civilians confirmed dead by the Health Ministry, 29 Lebanese soldiers and at least 55 Hezbollah guerrillas. “The Lebanese government’s Higher Relief Council said 973 Lebanese had been killed in the conflict. “As of Sunday Israeli security officials said they had confirmed the deaths of 165 Hezbollah fighters and estimated that about 250 others had been killed. “Included in the civilian deaths are eight Canadians, two Kuwaitis, one Iraqi, one Sri Lankan, one Jordanian and 23 Syrians. “Israel. Ninety-seven have been killed, including 65 soldiers, 36 civilians, according to authorities.” http://www.usatoday.com/ news/world/2006-08-08-midest- fighting_x.htm Again we remind readers of the definition of “terrorism” found at dictionary.com: “terrorism n.: the calculated use of violence (or threat of violence) against *civilians* in order to attain goals that are political or religious or ideological in nature; this is done through intimidation (sic.) or coercion or instilling fear.” Today imperialist war is always terrorism.


A letter to our educated but effete “smart Democrats” audience

U.S. anti-war movement looks bad compared with Saddam Hussein

From 5...

is not in position to be able to stop a Howard Dean from arising to co-opt potential MIM Notes readers, for example. Understanding how that works is the most basic element of our political system.

So even directly counting the votes in 2000 is wrong. The power struggle happens long before the election. Bourgeois candidates only register what voters are already thinking, within the range of money available for capitalist television advertising. If MIM Notes had had 500,000 readers, already that would have been a factor in electoral thinking, just to put it in language that everyone understands. Even had Bush won in such circumstances, it is possible it would have been with a different agenda than what did win him his election in 2004.

That does not mean that building public opinion and independent institutions of the oppressed is “reformist.” It means that there is no proletarian politician who is so advanced that she can operate in a vacuum beyond the complete reach of the imperialist parties. They will react and try to bring back people into their fold and electoral politics will end up being part of the equation, whether we like it or not. So we raise this to say that political professionals such as Leninist party members have wide-ranging impact as would anyone who puts the time into politics.

Supporting revolution does the most to support reform possible, so there is no trade-off, because that is what politics works. The political atmosphere changes first and then political opportunists called professional politicians jump in. There are no ultra-revolutionary tactics we can apply that can change that. The economic system itself delivers up the revolution and at that point there won’t be any squirm room for the bourgeois politicians much as they would like it. For now, they can dive into any u.$. situation and salvage a system itself delivers up the revolution and at that point there won’t be any squirm room for the bourgeois politicians much as they would like it. For now, they can dive into any u.$. situation and salvage a bourgeois political answer.

More important than the interaction with the imperialists’ own political system, there is much power struggle that goes on with journalists that most people do not understand yet. Most of us experience power struggle as backstabbing in white collar career atmospheres. MIM is talking about something different. Yet anti-war power struggle is something any number of people MIM has attempted to recruit could have done.

Yes, I am talking to you. Public opinion could have been marginally different in the last 10 or 15 years based on what you, a few individuals, did with MIM or didn’t do with MIM just on public opinion.

In addition, and more importantly, we would have been in better position to take up more varied and more advanced forms of power struggle short of armed struggle. But if you don’t believe me on that, because you don’t have the experience, I know you saw the 2000 election results too.

Instead of holding back condemnation of the puppet trial of Saddam Hussein, remember that most people do not undertake any kind of power struggle against imperialist war, but even Saddam Hussein’s sons died in armed struggle. As such, we at MIM hold Saddam Hussein and his sons in higher esteem than the American parasite left, the alleged anti-war movement and the educated elite of the country.

Edited for space. The complete article can be found at: http://www. etex.org/Politics/MIM/agitation/ iraq/educatedems06.html.

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