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MAYDAY! MAYDAY! MAYDAY!

This universally recognized distress signal captions an article in the Marxist?Leninist newspaper, the Guardian in which the editors plead for financial assistance so that the paper may survive and continue to give its anti?American and pro?Communist message. The editors state:

"We simply must do better in our fund appeal or the paper is going to have to implement cutbacks in size and scope in the immediate weeks ahead. Not too long after, our very survival may be at stake."

Claiming to have the approbation and good will of many people, the writers continue:

"We are having a difficult time, however, translating this known reservoir of good feeling into sufficient cash to prevent cutbacks and keep publishing.

"The inflation rate in our industry has been running about 20% recently, pushing our operating budget up to about \$1 million a year." (April 15,1981, page 23)

While the Crusade philosophy and message is diametrically opposed to that of the Guardian, we are facing similar problems. I have the assurance that the Crusade, its message, its ministry and, yes, its leadership, possess the approval, good will and affection of a large constituency. Nevertheless, it remains difficult to transform this goodwill into the money necessary to maintain and expand our work.

A National Truth Campaign

I have been proclaiming the urgent need for a worldwide truth campaign to combat the deluge of lies with which the communists are flooding the nations of the world. Irrefutable evidence that the communists are investing enormous sums in the war of ideas has been presented, proving that they are producing superb literature which slanders the United States and portrays life under communism falsely and seductively; that they are filling the air waves with radio messages in many languages which give similar false information; that they are recruiting, training, equipping, and supporting national workers in numerous countries to convey this same message; and that they are investing, not millions, but billions of dollars in this program.

I have urged our readers to write to the President, Senators, and Congressmen to request that a sum equal to one percent of the military budget be invested by the U.S. in a worldwide truth campaign. With this investment of approximately \$1?1/2 billion, enlightened authors could be supported while they wrote books, magazine articles, pamphlets, tracts, and slogans presenting the evil doctrines, hideous history, deceitful methods, seductive programs, and repulsive objectives of communism in words and images that could be readily understood; an army of translators could be kept busy translating these messages and preexisting anti?communist books into major languages; skilled artists could prepare photographs, drawings, and cartoons; and the finest printing presses could produce a superb product for worldwide distribution. Radio messages could be prepared and broadcast in a multitude of languages; fine films could present a message that could be understood by both the literate and the illiterate in every country; thousands of workers, who would take the message into every village and hamlet, could be supported.

Many have greeted this project with unqualified approval, but relatively few have translated this approval into letters which have reached the President, Senators, and Congressmen. Those who have done so deserve and receive special thanks. The majority have been satisfied to give passive approval to the project and hope it comes to pass.

The Crusade Truth Campaign

While advocating this national program, the Crusade has been conducting its own worldwide truth campaign guided by the conviction that example is better than precept. To support this campaign, I have pleaded for contributions for the establishment of a million?dollar truth fund to conduct specific and fruitful projects. Originally, the response to this appeal was encouraging, but recently the flood of contributions has diminished to a trickle. I am writing this letter with the prayerful hope that it will stimulate those friends who applaud our concepts and activities but who have not yet given.

In our March 15 letter, I asked for \$25,000 to provide 50,000 copies of the Italian translation of the book "You Can Trust the Communists (to be Communists)" for distribution to priests, politicians, educators, and opinion?molders in Italy. I have no doubt that this project has the approval of a majority of our readers. Nevertheless, the financial response has been infinitesimal.

Specific projects include:

1. The distribution of anti?communist literature in Spanish. We now have the booklet, "Why I am Against Communism" (Por Que Estoy En Contra del Communismo), in the Spanish translation.

We plan distribution to the following: a) The Spanish?reading within the United States; [These will shortly form the largest minority in this country, and every communist group is endeavoring to reach them. All major communist parties have publications in Spanish.] b) Puerto Rico; c) Mexico; d) Central America; e) The Caribbean; f) South America; g) Spain.

The magnitude of the potential audience is only surpassed by the magnitude of the need. Our immediate aim is the distribution of at least one million copies. This would cost at least \$250,000.

- 2. In our April 15 letter, I appealed for support for 10 students and teachers who would crusade against communism in each of the 8 universities of Andhra State, India. We have chosen Andhra State because the workers are presently available there, and we have a tried and trusted leader, Devananda Rao, with whom we have cooperated for 25 years, to select and direct them. We need to grant a scholarship of \$50 per month to support each worker. The cost of this project is \$48,000 per year.
- 3. In our April 15 newsletter, I also asked for support for an additional 60 anti?communism workers to travel by bicycle and foot to the villages in India to preach the Christian Gospel and expose communism. A worker can be supported for \$25 per month. I thank you if you responded, but most of these workers remain unsupported.
- 4. At present a Crusade team, led by my foster son, Dr. John Whitehall, who is a pediatrician in Australia, is visiting the Philippines to consult with anti?communist leaders concerning more effective anti?communism campaigns.

We have requests for help from intelligent, gifted, and devoted anti?communists in scores of countries. Should we respond to their pleas? They usually ask for literature, but sometimes they also request help with transportation by the provision of bicycles and occasionally automobiles. We are constantly asked for tape recorders and tape recordings, and not infrequently for films and film projectors. Frequently they seek financial support

As you can see, there is no dearth of projects in which to invest our million?dollar truth fund.

At present, a minority of our readers carry most of the financial load. Some give with unexampled generosity, and, without their help, our work would be impossible. I invite you to join this select and cherished band.

Can you give regularly? Some contribute each month as they are able. Monthly donations vary from \$500 to \$1. For our monthly givers, we have designed an imitation bank passbook in which these gifts are recorded. We will gladly send you one of these passbooks.

Are you one of those privileged individuals who could give \$10,000, \$5,000, or \$1,000?

Communist Propaganda in U.S Schools

The communists are active both without and within the United States. Internally their program is most successful in the prestigious schools of the United States. This morning I received this letter from a student at one of the most prestigious Ivy League Academies. I refrain from publishing the name of the student as his letter may prove a source of embarrassment to him when he matures. Here is his letter:

I first asked to receive your CACC newsletter some months ago because I was curious about the "lunatic fringe of the militant war?mongering right You sign your letters, "With Christian love", but I think that I, an agnostic, have a better understanding of this term than you do. Jesus did not tell people to kill, to spy, to oppress, to exploit. He told them to be just, kind, and nonviolent. Are you unaware that the United States in order to guard the freedoms you cherish and the wealth you enjoy, has for years and probably will for years take advantage of the poor in this country and abroad Is this justice? The oppressed of the world look for equality. This should not surprise you, since we ourselves began as revolutionaries. Yet when they look to the US, which should support those who seek basic rights, they find that the CIA and the Department of "Defense" are poised for a conflict in Vietnam, in El Salvador, in Chile, in Korea, yes, perhaps even in South Africa. So these people look to the USSR and find what they need moral economic and military support When the oppressed people of Biafra tried to win their independence they were all killed Where was the US We remained "neutral" while our NATO allies gave vast amounts of military aid to the genocidal government forces. The people of Cuba are today not free by our standards but they are happy in the prosperity, health and literacy brought by Castro The people of Poland have found that they like socialism which was initially forced on them by the USSR but that they want to revise certain aspects of it In effect, they want freedom. Where do they turn? To their own power as nonviolent protesters. They feel that Caspar Weinberger with his extravagant remarks is hurting their cause, not helping it.

So where does this leave me? I cannot endorse the extremes of Communist repression, but neither can I endorse your "hawkish" stance. I believe that the answer lies not in institutions but in individuals The CIA and the army are not going to do me any good with their bloated budgets, their abuses of power, and their eagerness to kill. They cannot serve justice. Justice must come from within me, in my own decision not to serve the ends of war and of hatred. Thus, I will, I believe, join the great tradition of agnostic Quakers. I will oppose the draft, the arms race intervention, and all the other remnants of man's sad history of warfare. I will support whoever supports freedom and equality and non? violence through activities such as those sponsored by Amnesty International. While you urge those younger and poorer than yourself to kill and die, I will do the only thing a person really can do: refuse to contribute, by my own actions, to injustice. Please cancel my subscription to your Newsletter; it is not Christian.

The ideas of this student are not unusual. They are shared by thousands of the most privileged youth.

I replied to him as follows:

I read your. letter with great interest, and I thank you, for writing to me. You are obviously intelligent and idealistic. I ask you to use your intelligence to criticize yourself and your letter with the same honesty and perceptiveness that you would use when criticizing the letter of an opponent.

Does not your letter reveal: 1) Prejudice? 2) Confusion? 3) Evidence that you have been duped by communist propaganda? 4) Arrogance? Consider the evidence:

- 1. Prejudice: You state that you asked to receive the Crusade newsletter to satisfy your curiosity about "the lunatic fringe of the militant, war?mongering, right." Does this not indicate that you had judged the Crusade prior to studying the evidence?
- 2. Confusion: You berate the United States for interference in the internal affairs of other countries and also for failing to interfere in the civil war in Nigeria during which Biafra sought independence. How can you, have it both ways? What you are actually saying is: "The. United States should interfere if I approve but only if I approve.
- 3. Evidence that you have been duped by communist propaganda: You state: "The United States, in order to guard the freedom you cherish and the wealth you enjoy, has for years and probably will years take advantage of the poor in this country and abroad."

This is a repetition of the slander of the United States which is a main theme of the communist propaganda. The

accusation that the United States is taking advantage of the poor abroad is one of the themes of the Leninist doctrine of Imperialism. With regard to the poor within, the United States has taken extraordinary measures to improve their well? being. The percentage of the U.S. population classified as poor has diminished spectacularly during the past generation.

You also state that the oppressed of the world receive what they need from the Soviet Union. Is Afghanistan an example of this?

4. Arrogance: By what extraordinary process do you know what the people of Cuba and Poland think and feel? You make the categorical statements that the people of Cuba are happy in the prosperity, health, and literacy brought about by Castro and that the people of Poland have found that they like socialism.

You and I do share one conviction. I agree with your statement: "I believe that the answer lies not in institutions, but in individuals." I pray that the grace of humility may be added to your positive qualities of intelligence, idealism, and compassion. I also ask God for His gift of humility.

We must not surrender young, intelligent and idealistic minds to the communists. Increasing efforts must be made to reach the students in colleges and high schools with the liberating truth. Mass distribution of the booklet, "Why I am Against Communism," can, with your help, be commenced immediately.

Actions speak louder than words. Please send your best sacrificial gift to inform me of your agreement with the Crusade message and ministry and your determination that the communists shall not succeed in conquering this country and administering treatment similar to that given to the people of Cambodia.

With Christian love.

Fred Schwarz Editor