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THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES SEEKS US USSR TRUST AND PEACE

"The largest U.S. Christian church delegation ever to visit the USSR ended its stay here last week. The 266 church leaders, an interracial group pledged jointly with Soviet Christians to work for US? USSR trust and peace." (Daily World, June 26, page 5?D)

This is the opening paragraph in an enthusiastic report published in the June 26 edition of the US Communist newspaper, the DAILY WORLD. The US delegation was sponsored by the National Council of Churches and was hosted by the Russian Orthodox Church of the USSR.

The Rev. Bruce Riddon, the Presbyterian minister, who served as narrator of the laudatory program on the Russian Orthodox Church, which appeared on NBC television, and who is professor at McCormick Theological Seminary of Chicago, said that the pledge to work for US ?USSR trust and peace was a "personal commitment" as well as an organizational decision.

Trust

T rust involves taking the official statements of the rulers of the USSR seriously. For example, when Konstantin Chernenko stated as recently as December, 1982, that the first priority of the Soviet Union was to promote the world revolution and to establish the world dictatorship of the proletariat, he must be believed. Since the world dictatorship of the proletariat can only come to pass if a communist dictatorship rules over the people of the United States, we must expect the Soviet Union to do everything in its power to establish a communist dictatorship in this country. To expect otherwise would be a breach of trust.

The delegation should encourage trust and understanding of the determination of the Soviet Union to destroy the Christian Church. This is to be achieved by a process, not a sudden act. The process has three major steps: 1) Enslavement, 2) Utilization, and 3) Destruction.

The Soviets are presently in the stage of utilization. Having established their agents at the highest level of church administration, the communists can permit the church to function temporarily and use it to gain respectability and prestige by encouraging it to host delegations such as that organized by the National Council of Churches, with the confidence that many of the feted delegates will become unpaid propagandists for the Soviet Union on their return. Past experience suggests that their confidence is not misplaced. The service given by returning tourists is described well in the book "Political Pilgrims" by Paul Hollander.

The destruction of the church is to be accomplished by robbing it of future members. Worship by established believers is permitted, but active recruitment is prohibited. There are no Sunday school classes, youth groups, men's or women's organizations. The members of the church are even prevented by Soviet law from providing material help to any of the church members who are in need. By definition, there are no needy in the USSR. The state provides for all, and it is jealous of its authority.

While aggressive evangelism is prohibited, the other major source of future church members is rigidly controlled. The children and grandchildren of all church members attend Soviet schools where they are taught atheism and dialectical materialism from the kindergarten up. Those children who profess allegiance to the faith of their fathers are denied access to higher educational opportunities.

When parents teach their children the Christian faith so that they become fervent believers and place allegiance to God above their allegiance to the temporal authorities, they risk having their children taken from them.

Trust of the USSR demands an understanding of the communist program for the church. Failure to see the enmity of communism to the church is a betrayal of trust.

Peace

The quest for peace is a noble quest. It demands understanding of the meaning of peace. A single word often means different things to different people.

The communists have at least three meanings for the word peace: 1) The avoidance of nuclear war; 2) The promotion of wars of national liberation; and 3) Communist world conquest followed by the elimination of all sources of opposition.

These three interpretations are mutually contradictory, but the appropriate meaning can be used for the appropriate occasion. The communists regard the first two meanings and their associated programs as steppingstones to the third, which to them is lasting peace.

1. Avoidance of Nuclear War

This is the core of "peaceful coexistence". The communists affirm over and over again that peaceful coexistence is a form of class struggle. It demands a program of aggressive activity which will lead to the communist conquest of the United States without the physical destruction that a military war would bring to both the. United States and the Soviet Union. The formula for conquest by peaceful coexistence is: "External encirclement, plus internal demoralization, plus thermonuclear blackmail, lead to progressive surrender." Since no major military conflict between the USA and the USSR is involved in this formula, it is peaceful. It is conquest by peace.

2. Wars of National Liberation

The assurance that such wars constitute peace was given by the President of the World

Peace Council, Romesh Chandra, who is a leading communist of India, when he stated: "The

armed struggle in these countries is the peace movement." He was referring to the so?called wars of national liberation such as the one that is raging in El Salvador at the present time. To the communists, these wars are designed to break the grip of 'imperialism" so that the underdeveloped country will be in charge of its own destiny. A successful war of national liberation brings a national government to power. Ideally, this government will be dominated by the communists through their control of the victorious revolutionary army as is the case in Nicaragua. Such control is also planned for El Salvador. However, an independent and unaligned government may be established after a successful war of national liberation. In this case, a second revolution is necessary to destroy the bourgeois national government and establish a communist dictatorship of the proletariat.

The long?term objective is to militarize these countries and to integrate them into the "socialist camp" so that they form part of the forces encircling the United States.

Since these wars of national liberation will increase the encirclement of the USA and thereby increase the probability of surrender, they will diminish the likelihood of nuclear conflict between the US and the Soviet Union. They are, to Romesh Chandra and millions of other communists, the essence of peace.

3. Communist World Conquest

asting peace will come when the communists have conquered the world. They envisage a world with a single army controlled by the World Communist Dictatorship. No other armed forces will be permitted. All groups that could conceivably oppose them will be destroyed. Permanent peace will prevail. Until this comes to pass, universal conflict is inescapable. Karl Marx and Frederick Engels began chapter one of the "Communist Manifesto" with the statement: "The history of all hitherto existing societies is the history of the class struggles." The communists, who are Marxists, believe that the central fact in the world is the existence of classes and class struggle.

In capitalist society, the class struggle is between the bourgeois or bourgeoisie and the proletariat. Marx defined bourgeois and proletariat thus:

"By bourgeois is meant the people in the class of modern capitalists, owners of the means of social production and employers of wage labor. By proletarians, the people in the class of modern wage laborers who, having no means of production of their own, are reduced to selling their labor power in order to live."

The scenario envisioned by the communists is as follows:

As the class struggle develops in each capitalist country, the proletariat gives birth to the communist party which

functions as its vanguard. The communist party provides the officer corps which directs the proletarian struggle and the armed revolution which frequently develops.

When the proletariat is victorious in a given country, it unites with other countries, where he proletariat is in power, in an alliance known as the "camp of socialism". In this way the class struggle extends from conflict within an individual country to worldwide conflict between "the camp of socialism" and "the camp of capitalism".

Capitalism inevitably becomes international. Its internationalism is expressed by "imperialism" which Lenin defined as the "highest stage of capitalism".

Imperialism is defined as the system whereby the developed capitalist countries plunder and rob the underdeveloped countries through the export of capital which is used to extract the agricultural and mineral wealth of the underdeveloped countries and transfer it to the capitalist countries.

The imperialist countries protect their capital by armed forces which, when necessary, invade the underdeveloped countries and slaughter the people. Thus, imperialism generates a multitude of wars and, while imperialism exists, wars must likewise exist.

Fortunately, the ravages of imperialism generate national liberation movements and inevitably these prevail in country after country, thereby enlarging and strengthening the camp of socialism while diminishing and weakening the camp of imperialism.

The final outcome is not in doubt, as the victory of the proletariat over the bourgeoisie is historically inevitable; and in the near future imperialism will be defeated and the dictatorship of the proletariat will prevail over all the earth.

With the defeat of imperialism, the cause of war will be eliminated and permanent peace for all mankind will prevail. Truly, it is a seductive vision.

You may ask: What happens if members of the socialist camp fall out and fight each other? Won't this result in war? In communist theory this is unthinkable and impossible. War is caused by capitalism and is abolished once capitalism is abolished.

Unfortunately for the communists, historic events do not conform with communist theory, as proven by the Soviet invasions of Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Afghanistan, and the battles between the communists of the Soviet Union and Communist China, the communists of China and Vietnam, as well as the war between Communist Vietnam and Communist Cambodia.

Nonetheless, the theory remains persuasive to the communists and many other people since it is regarded as axiomatic that communist world conquest will bring universal lasting peace.

Working For World Peace

When the communists say they are working for world peace, they are often working simultaneously for all three varieties of peace. They promote and support revolutionary wars while they try to prevent these developing into thermonuclear war between the USSR and the USA. With their pursuit of peaceful coexistence, they approach their goal which is the conquest of the USA by surrender.

It has been said that to understand all is to forgive all. But when the outcome is tragic, understanding should provide a guide to prevention. If one understands that smoking causes cancer, one does not need to be a genius to know that it is advisable to stop smoking. When we understand that all the resources of the communist empire are being utilized for our conquest, and that the communist pathway to peace is surrender, the advisability of programs to prevent the communist conquest of countries which will increase their military might and the encirclement of the USA is obvious. Once it is understood that the demoralization of the USA and the weakening of the national will are essential elements in the communist program to establish their dictatorship, the desirability of programs to strengthen the moral fiber and the national will is apparent. Self?indulgence is the path to self? destruction.

Peace is a wonderful, but dangerous word. The Bible warns: "When they say, peace and safety, sudden destruction comes upon them." The danger that the uninformed desire for peace may lead to war has never been greater.

The quest for US? USSR Trust and Peace must be leavened with knowledge, understanding, courage, vision, and appropriate action.

[I suggest that you send those who are seeking to develop US ?USSR "trust" a copy of my book, "You Can Trust the Communists (to be Communists)".]

NO FIRST USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

The communists promise repeatedly that they will never be the first to use nuclear weapons in a future conflict.

This promise is meaningless because of official communist morality. They proudly proclaim their adherence to the statement of Lenin, their founder, that, "Our morality is entirely subordinated to the class struggle of the proletariat." (V.1. LENIN: Our Socialist Ideology and Culture, page 62, Foreign Languages Publishing House, Moscow)

When the class struggle demands it, a lie becomes the truth.

UNESCO AND SOVIET PROPAGANDA

The United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) has shown consistent bias towards the Soviet Union and hostility towards the U.S.A.

In protest, the U.S.A., which provides 25 percent of UNESCO's budget, has announced that it will cease payment after this year.

Typical communist propaganda is contained in a special report published by UNESCO which is captioned: "FEATURES??A Bulletin for the News Media" No. 69 (1984). It consists of an article by the editor of the Soviet newspaper, IZVESTIA, M. L. Tolkunov. He gives the Soviet view of the function of news and the press, and provides statistics of Soviet press, radio and television.

Propaganda

Tolkunov states that the main function of the press is propaganda and persuasion:

"Lenin felt that the main function of the press was persuasion, propaganda based on facts...

"The very purpose of the Soviet information is precisely to help organize work on novel lines and train the man of communist society as a fighter for peace and progress." (Page 2)

He provides impressive statistics of Soviet propaganda:

"The main Soviet news agency for foreign policy is Tass (Telegraph Agency of the Soviet Union). The scope of its activities is indeed impressive. It produces a daily volume of news equivalent to 500 newspaper columns, transmitting and receiving 2.5 million words. The length of its domestic teletype lines is about 300,000 kilometres. Tass information is received by 330 foreign subscribers in 90 countries. It has teletype links with 30 European countries and the U.S.A. and has more than 200 foreign correspondents.

"Another Soviet news agency, the Novosti Press Agency (organ of Soviet public organizations), maintains contact with 4,000 information organizations in more than 100 foreign countries. It produces about 25,000 original items of information material in the course of the year, mostly analytical. About 50 illustrated magazines and 190 press bulletins in 56 languages use Novosti news material destined for foreign consumption. The total yearly circulation is about 3,000,000 copies. The Novosti Agency has more than 140 bureaus abroad and in the USSR.

"In addition to the news agencies a further very important source of information and foreign propaganda is the Soviet radio. Today it broadcasts to 150 countries in 78 languages.

"The State Television and Radio Committee works with 136 television and 117 broadcasting companies in 120 countries. It has its own correspondents in 46 countries.

"The USSR publishes about 14,000 periodicals; it has 212 central and local publishing houses; 8,000 newspapers (with a daily circulation of 170 million) and 4,860 magazines and newspaper?type periodicals with a yearly circulation of more than 13 billion." (Pages 4 and 5)

Attacks on the U.S.A

The U.S. A., classed as imperialism, is attacked:

"Problems of international information exchange have become particularly acute today as the ideological struggle in the world arena grows more intense and the world situation deteriorates and becomes, through the fault of the imperialists, more threatening. A new crusade, unprecedented in scale or cynicism, has been unleashed against the socialist countries. The determination to upset the strategic balance and achieve military supremacy is parallelled by unceasing cant about a Soviet military threat.

"Radio diversions by the West against the Socialist countries have got quite out of hand. Imperialism has embarked upon a policy of unbridled gangsterism on the air and is trying to organize direct intervention against us using propaganda and information as a tool. It is also using radio and television to undermine our positions, as well as for other warmongering activities." (Page 5)

It is obvious that the Soviet Union fears the power of impartial truth.

Suggestion: [Write to the President, Senators, and Representatives to ask that the money saved by ceasing payments to UNESCO, be allotted to a worldwide truth campaign.]

NUCLEAR BLACKMAIL

The communist strategy to conquer the U.S.A. prefers nuclear blackmail to nuclear conflict. The communists desire neither the destruction of the U. S. S. R., which they already own, nor the U.S.A. which they aspire to own.

A friend has written protesting that the real and present danger is nuclear conflict and that nuclear blackmail is a phantom. He is blind to both the proven power of nuclear blackmail and to its potential.

Blackmail can be active or passive, positive or negative.

Active blackmail takes place when an armed robber points a gun at an individual and demands his wallet and watch. If he does not shoot, he obtains his objective by blackmail.

Passive blackmail operates if the victim knows the robber has a gun in his pocket even if it is not displayed. The knowledge that the gun is there leads to the surrender of cherished possessions.

Positive blackmail takes place when the victim is forced to do something he does not wish to do.

Negative blackmail prevails when the victim is persuaded to refrain from doing something he wants to do.

There are many illustrations of the successful use of passive, negative nuclear blackmail by the Soviet Union. When the Soviet forces invaded Hungary and Czechoslovakia, many in the U. S. A. desired to help the Hungarians and Czechs. Any action was inhibited by the fear of provoking a nuclear war.

Detente was an example of passive, negative blackmail. It was designed to prevent situations arising which might result in nuclear war. This led to programs which fed, financed and armed the enemy.

The communists are counting upon the power of passive, negative nuclear blackmail to inhibit actions which would prevent the success of their program to encircle the U. S. A. and ultimately procure the peacemeal surrender of a demoralized nation.

CHINESE COMMUNISTS AND PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE

The Chinese Communists have recently disinterred the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence and are now professing undying devotion to them They were first enunciated during the heyday of Mao Zedong, but were rarely mentioned during the years of the Great Cultural Revolution.

An article in the July 2 edition of the BEIJING REVIEW discusses the Five Principles.

Statement of Five Principles

"The well?known Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence??mutual respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, mutual non?aggression, non?interference in each other's internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit, and peaceful

coexistence?were jointly initiated by China, India and Burma on June 28 and 29, 1954. For the past 30 years, China has always insisted that these principles are the basis for developing these relations. China also advocates that all countries follow these principles and make them truly universal norms for guiding international relations.

Basis of Relationship With U.S.A and Japan

These principles were also affirmed in the 1972 Sino?US Shanghai Joint Communique, the 1979 Joint Communique on the Establishment of Sino?US Diplomatic Relations, the 1972 Sino?Japanese Joint Statement and the 1978 Sino? Japanese Treaty of Peace and Friendship."

Plea to Soviet Union

"China also sincerely desires that the Soviet side remove the serious obstacles with which it has hindered relations between the two countries so as to normalize the Sino?Soviet relations on the basis of the Five Principles."

Possibility of War Between Socialist Countries

"The Five Principles are not only applicable to relations between countries with different social systems, but to those with similar social systems as well, such as relations between socialist countries or between capitalist countries... 'If the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence are adhered to, countries with different social systems can live in harmony and maintain amicable cooperation, but if not, even countries with similar social systems may come into sharp confrontation or even conflict'."

Attack on the U.S.A. and the Soviet Union

"There is a strong trend in world opinion against criminal aggression and expansion, intervention in other countries' internal affairs, bullying of weak countries by the strong ones, and high?handed treatment of small countries by the big ones.

"However, some quarters disregard the trend of the times. This is what the superpowers and hegemonists are doing. They have intervened in other counries' internal affairs, invaded and occupied the territory of sovereign states, brought other countries into their sphere of influence and developed regional or global hegemony. The global scramble between the United States and the Soviet Union, the Soviet aggression in Afghanistan, the Vietnamese occupation of Kampuchea, and the US invasion of Grenada, and the Israeli incursion into Lebanon are the most conspicuous examples of such wrong?doings in recent years, and have gravely threatened world peace."

False Self?Righteousness

"In the 30 years since the Five Principles were proclaimed, China has not invaded one inch of another nation's land."

It would be hard to persuade the people of India, Vietnam and Tibet of the truth of this statement. All have experienced invasion by Chinese forces since 1954.

I am reminded of the statement attributed to Lenin: "Sometimes we talk peace, sometimes we talk war, but always we move towards world revolution."

THE CANONIZATION OF SAINT MAURICE BISHOP OF GRENADA

The communists are seeking to make a saint out of the late communist leader of Grenada, Maurice Bishop. They are downplaying the fact that he was killed by Grenadian Communists, who thought he displayed inadequate communist zeal, while they focus blame on "U.S. Imperialists".

These extracts from a speech made in Havana, Cuba, in late April by George Lamming, a writer from Barbados, is typical:

"After the invasion of that small island by 6,000 American soldiers, the American Secretary of State Mr. Shultz arrived, and his first observation was simple and complete. He said: 'This is a delicious piece of real estate.' The anguish and tragedy of an island, of an entire region, was reduced to this simple and barbarous definition: 'a delicious piece of real estate.'

"Today these aggressors prepare for a temporary feast over the corpse of the Grenada revolution.

"But it is a certainty they will not succeed in cannibalizing the spirit and tradition which created Maurice Bishop. For Bishop was the product of a certain political culture which had known slavery and the history of slave rebellions; a culture which has consistently fought to break the chain of colonial oppression and cultural insult.

"During those four short years of revolutionary struggle, Grenada became a name inseparable from Nicaragua, as Nicaragua is inseparable from Cuba. Fidel had welcomed Bishop in Havana with the same joy that Bishop welcomed Ernesto Cardenal in St. George's, Grenada. This small island, once anonymous and indecipherable on the ocean, created its own Ceremony of Souls where the spirits of the hemisphere (Cuba, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guadeloupe, Mexico) met and discovered their own space for reconciling differences of language, history and culture.

"The defeat of the Grenada revolution has left a wound in the conscience of the hemisphere and a scar of infamy on all who contributed to its dissolution. But Maurice Bishop and the martyred of Grenada and Cuba who fell with him survive in our gratitude and esteem." (Intercontinental Press, June 25, page 383)

A new political party, known as the Maurice Bishop Patriotic Movement, was formed in Grenada, May 27. The Trotskyist newspaper, INTERCONTINENTAL PRESS, reports it thus:

"The Maurice Bishop Patriotic Movement (MBPM) was launched at Victoria, St. Marks, Grenada on Sunday, 27 May 1984 at the rally marking the 14th annual celebration of African Liberation Day in Grenada, the 150th anniversary of the abolition of slavery, and in honor of the 40th birthday of Maurice Bishop.

"The new political movement has been named in honor of Maurice Bishop as he provided the most outstanding leadership to our nation and was murdered defending the cause of the freedom of our people." (June 25, page 382)

The founders are confidently hoping that the MBPM will become a household name like the 3andtnistas in Nicaragua and the Farabundo Marti Liberation Front (FMLN) in El Salvador.

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Christian Anti?Communism Crusade

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Dear Friend.

Mr. Ben Friesen of Seattle, Washington has sent the following suggestion with his generous contribution:

"The lead article entitled "Why Communism Kills" in the June 15 edition of the Crusade

newsletter is, in my opinion, by far the most enlightening on the subject I have ever read.

"I trust it can be made available for distribution in booklet form."

I think this is an excellent idea, and I hope you do too. Far too many people retain dangerous delusions concerning the nature of communism. Like Satan, communism adorns itself in heavenly garments and deceives many.

My mind goes back to a television debate I had with Ben Dobbs, Executive Director of the Communist Party of California. Ben Dobbs opened by asking me the following series of questions:

"Dr. Schwarz, what's wrong with communism? We communists believe in full employment; What's wrong with that? We communists believe in free medical care for the sick and the elderly; What's wrong with that? We communists believe in the end of war for all time; What's wrong with that? We communists believe in universal peace and human brotherhood; What's wrong with that?"

Looking me straight in the eye, he said: "Don't you believe in these things, Dr. Schwarz?"

I replied: "That reminds me of the mackerel which sees a delicious piece of fish floating

towards it as it swims along the coast. It says to itself, 'High protein content, what's wrong with that? Delicious aroma, mmm, what's wrong with that? Highly nutritious, it will build splendid fish tissue what's wrong with that? Just the right size, I can take it in one mouthful, what's wrong with that?'"

Looking him straight in the eye, I said: "What's wrong with that, is the hook in it; and what's wrong with what you have just said is the hook of communist dictatorship, monopoly, tyranny and classicide which it contains."

We must redirect attention from the seductive communist bait to the deadly hook concealed within.

I would like to print one million copies of the message, "Why Communism Kills", in an attractive booklet which can be enclosed in correspondence envelopes, for mass distribution both within the U.S.A. and throughout the world.

This will cost approximately \$100,000. If you agree that this is an excellent project, please send a generous donation to make it possible. Knowledge of truth about communist cruelty and mass killing will prevent the recruitment of thousands of idealistic youth into the communist ranks. Could you make a finer investment?

I await your response with expectant hope.

With Christian love,

Fred Schwarz