



Hua in Europe

Able Emissary of Imperialism

"We have always considered a strong and united Europe an important factor for the maintenance of world peace and stability"

With these words Hua Guofeng kicked off his three week tour of France, Germany, Britain and Italy. His stated purpose is to "promote understanding, deepen friendship, expand cooperation and defend peace." But after the diplomatic dinners are over, talk shifts to investments, loans and credits and a plan for Europe to bolster its military apparatus and step up war preparations.

Europe plays a central role in the Chinese global plan. The plan revolves around the unification of Europe, strengthening it militarily and cementing an alliance between Europe and the colonies and neo colonies, all of which are to be aligned with US imperialism in opposition to the Soviet Union.

China aims to head up the bloc of "third world" countries, placing itself in an advantageous position to the other imperialist powers. As head of such a bloc, China would be in a position to contend for superpower status.

Promoting the strengthening of the military apparatus in Europe in alliance with US imperialism, the Chinese are working to achieve a situation where the US and its allies could defeat the Soviet Union in an imperialist world war, removing it as a world contender.

Pursuing this line, Hua called on the European countries to conduct dialogue and cooperate with the "third world." This cooperation Hua is so fond of advocating disregards the imperialist nature of France, Britain, Germany and Italy. It denies the history of revolutionary anti-colonial wars which have been waged against these imperialist powers, precisely because the people demanded an end to imperialist domination. Neither the imperialists' ambitions nor the oppressed people's aspirations have changed. What has changed is China's desire to act as the intermediary between the "second and third worlds" in order to build her own world position.

Hua pleaded with the European bourgeoisie to build a united and strong Europe. The Communist Party of China's revisionist glorification of a strong Europe denies the historical struggle of the European working class against such a unified front of the European bourgeoisie. The bolstered military apparatus Hua clamors for bears down upon the European working people. Every spring and fall, the German people are killed, crop lands are destroyed and ideological aggression is waged during NATO maneuvers. Yet despite all this, Hua demands more.

Eyeing Hua warily from its position of self interest, the German bourgeoisie was forced to make some disclaimers regarding Hua's warmongering. A government

spokesman said he hoped that the Chinese delegation would not "carry onto the soil of the Federal Republic their quarrel with the Soviet Union." Although the German bourgeoisie is aligned with US imperialism, like the US bourgeoisie itself, it sees the gains to be made at this time through collusion with the Soviet social imperialists.

During his trip, Hua investigated the latest industrial and military wares offered by the European bourgeoisie this season. But purchase of these goods requires more loans and credits to the already over extended Chinese capitalists.

During Mondale's recent trip to China a \$2 billion loan was

signed. US, Japanese, Italian and Canadian banks agreed to a series of loans earlier this year. Now Hua asks for more. When asked about repayment, Vice Premier Gu Mu stated "China is rich in natural resources so there is no question about our ability to repay the loans." The exchange of lands, credits and manufactured goods for natural resources is the longstanding relationship between the colonizer and the colonized. The greater the indebtedness to imperialism, the greater the subjugation and exploitation of the recipient.

In addition to offering China's natural resources, Hua offers the European bourgeoisie access to vast profits. Hua went to Europe



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with a new Chinese law on foreign investment in hand. As stated by the Vice Premier, capitalists who are involved in joint ventures or who are sole owners of industry in China will "not get less from their investments in China than in other countries. We shall create favorable conditions so that their management experience and technical expertise will be brought into full play."

These enticing conditions are none other than the complete subjugation of the Chinese working class in order to ensure a stable and peaceful labor force from which the imperialists will reap their superprofits.

These are the messages Hua Guofeng brings to the European bourgeoisie. There is nothing in common with peace, friendship or cooperation of the socialist type about his trip. But there is everything to do with imperialist war, exploitation and oppression. Hua Guofeng went to Europe as an emissary, not of communism, but of imperialism. ■

The Carter Doctrine in the Caribbean — Monroe Doctrine Rehashed

U.S. Marines 'Invade' Guantanamo

The Marines landed in waves. Helicopters brought them to either side of the harbor, while amphibious landing craft appeared out of the mist on the beach. Positions were taken, foxholes filled with rain-drenched soldiers. The "invasion" of Guantanamo Bay had been completed. 1800 Marines landed at the US's only base on Cuba in a demonstration of military prowess aimed at counteracting the existence of Russian combat troops on the island.

"Just a routine maneuver", said one newspaper. "Purely a training exercise", stated the Defense Department. But Rear Admiral Replogle of the newly established Caribbean Contingency Joint Task Force was more straightforward. "This is only the first exercise and I'm sure we'll have quite a few more."

New Camouflage for the Monroe Doctrine

Since 1823, the infamous Monroe Doctrine has guided US relations with its neighbors in Latin and South America, and the Caribbean. At that time, President Monroe stated that any attempt on the part of European powers (then the main rivals to growing US capitalism) to penetrate into the Caribbean or Latin America would be considered "dangerous to our peace and safety." Under this guise for over a century US imperialism maintained an iron grip on the regimes and peoples of the region, dictating their governmental form, standard of living, economic and cultural development and political role. All other powers have been warned to keep their hands off US imperialism's private sphere of influence, its "backyard."

Since the end of World War II, this Doctrine has started to break down. The revolutionary struggles of workers and peasants in Latin America and the Caribbean have

exposed the vicious domination of their countries and demanded "Yankee, go home!" The revolutionary movements which have developed in the post war years forced the US to supplement the Monroe Doctrine of open and direct military intervention in the Western hemisphere with other tactics — economic "aid" (with plenty of strings attached), military blackmail, CIA instigated coups and diplomatic maneuverings on questions such as the Panama Canal.

The Monroe Doctrine has been given a new facade — "human rights" and "democracy for all."

The Carter Doctrine

Another major chunk in the US sphere of influence developed with the growth of ties between Cuba and the Soviet Union. No longer is US imperialism uncontested in its own "backyard." The Caribbean and Latin America are more and more becoming a focal point of contention between the Soviet and US imperialists.

The most visible signs have been the highly publicized "Cuba episodes" in October 1962 and again in October 1979. This most recent crisis over Cuba has been brought to a timely head by the "discovery" of Soviet combat troops on Cuba.

On October 1, President Carter gave a major policy speech to the nation on the Caribbean and the Cuba situation. The main purpose of this speech, buried deep in rhetoric of world peace and national security, was to reaffirm the policy by which the US imperialists plan to combat Cuba's, and ultimately the Soviet Union's, influence in the Caribbean and Latin America. Two trends were apparent in this speech, both of which are component parts of the Carter Doctrine.

Steps are being taken to beef up military presence and surveil-

lence in the Caribbean. Under the guise of protecting Latin America from Soviet or Cuban pressure, the US is reinforcing the apparatus which was used to invade the Dominican Republic, used for the Chilean coup and with which it continues to police the entire region.

On the other hand, "economic assistance" is being offered to "alleviate unmet economic and human needs and further to insure the ability of troubled (!) peoples to resist social turmoil and possible Communist domination." In other words, the crumbs from the imperialist banquet table must be spread a tad more widely in order to prevent an increase of Soviet influence in the region.

Military threats to Cuba, backed up with the "invasion" of Guantanamo, go hand in hand with promises of aid to countries "friendly" to US imperialism. Furthermore, the US is registering its displeasure with Cuba for concealing Soviet troops by halting recent efforts at normalization of relations between the two countries. Instead, old time, hard line talk is re-emerging from the White House about Cuba's "constant interference" in other countries' affairs. Alternately, blackmail and sweet talk are applied to all countries in the region.

Peace or Militarization?

Summing up the steps which he plans to take in response to Soviet troops in Cuba, Carter stated, "These steps reflect my determination to preserve peace, to strengthen our alliances and to defend the interests of the US. The greatest danger to all nations of the world is the breakdown of a common effort to preserve the peace, and the ultimate threat of a nuclear war. Let us act wisely now, and preserve the world."

Unfortunately for Carter's image as "human rights" champion, the steps he is taking clearly add up to something altogether dif-

ferent. They add up to an excuse to increase the militarization of the Caribbean and Latin America, and a convenient reason for future intervention in these countries to suppress revolution under the guise of "repelling the Soviet threat." They add up to increased US troop presence in the Indian Ocean and around the world. The Cuban "crisis" itself has justified a substantial increase in military expenditures aimed at buying off SALT opponents in the US Congress.

These steps do not even hint that the US seeks to preserve world peace. They point clearly and openly to the intention of US imperialism to retain its domination over the countries of the world, and to step up its deadly competition with the Soviet social imperialists. These steps provide extra justification for the development of MX missile bases, and the establishment of a permanent new military headquarters in Florida.

Guantanamo is only a very short chapter in a long story of coups, deals, maneuvers and schemes aimed at maintaining the oppressed status of the Caribbean and Latin American countries and suppressing the revolutionary movements there. It is a minute part of the contention between the two superpowers, a matter which is beyond their control and based on the objective development of imperialism as a system, which threatens to engulf the world in devastating war.

President Carter said in his speech, "Politics and nuclear arsenals do not mix. We must not play politics with the human race."

Mr. Carter, for over a hundred years US presidents representing US imperialism have "played politics" with the lives of the people and countries of Latin America and the Caribbean, and there are certainly no indications that you intend to stop now. ■