itself. He advocates harsh austerity for France and, having come increasingly under attack by the Mitterrandists, is now threatening to resign should he be unable to carry out his plan after the March elections. Delors is a long-time associate of Maire, with whom he had helped build the CFDT out of the old "Solidarist" Catholic union, the CFTC. Moreover, Delors is associated with the French "Futuribles" movement built by old-time Mussolini associate Bertrand de Jouvenel, the person the international futurist movement credits with having created the Club of Rome!

Michel Rocard, the ambitious planning minister, has long been known as the head of the anti-Mitterrand faction in the Socialist Party. He is the darling of the DSOC (Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee) crowd here, a French Jimmy Carter, with more teeth and an iron grip. Rocard is the hope of Michael Ledeen, the former State Department European "expert" now at Georgetown's CSIS, who has been linked to the Nazi International in the Italian P-2 investigation. Ledeen is an expert on and associate of the futurist movement for which, he has stated in his books, he carries hopes for a new fascism, stripped of the "nationalist and bureaucratic" content which he says hindered the Mussolinian revolution. Rocard and Delors are the favorites of rightwing French business circles who want the Communist Party out of government and a muzzling of the unions, especially the powerful Communist-run CGT federation.

Jean-Pierre Cot wrote in the Feb. 8 Le Monde that the Socialist Party should further distance itself from the presidency, and warned Mitterrand that, unlike previous Gaullist administrations, the President's power is not independent on the party apparatus. This is rather wishful thinking on the part of Cot, but is also a clear threat against Mitterrand's government, especially as Cot went on to examine how, in other countries, social democratic parties have, at times, brought down socialist governments, such as Helmut Schmidt's in West Germany.

Jean-Pierre Cot was fired this fall, after his involvement in a "human rights" campaign in Africa to subvert Mitterrand's policy in the region. Cot is a close friend of agronomist René Dumont, a top Club of Rome asset who has spent the past 30 years trying to undermine developing countries in North Africa (he was thrown out of Algeria), in Asia (he was expelled from Vietnam) and in Latin America. Dumont's latest book, a study of Africa, sees no hope for the continent unless the "selfish" city-based African elites are eliminated, and the natives expulsed from the cities, Pol Pot-style.

Cheminade: 'The path to slavery'

"It is our conviction that those plotters must be stopped today, for we defend the present policy of the President of the Republic from that same standpoint from which we have attacked Mitterrand in the past, when his actions, along with those of Delors, Rocard, and Maire, were indeed very questionable," explained POE leader Cheminade.

Spain blackmailed by the State Department

by Katherine Kanter in Paris

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In Mainz, West Germany, on Oct. 29, 1982, the day after the Spanish Socialist Party's landslide electoral victory, *EIR* Contributing Editor Lyndon H. LaRouche stated that the new government was on a six-month lifeline, during which outside forces in East and West would help provoke a military takeover under conditions of internal chaos. In Madrid, during public and private mid-December meetings, LaRouche reiterated that the only way for Spain to climb out of its open coffin was to become an international spokesman for the Operation Juárez debt-cartel perspective and reorganization of the world monetary system to eliminate the IMF.

If the Spanish Socialist Workers Party (PSOE) government, backed by truly patriotic elements in the present opposition, were to adopt publicly and vociferously such a courageous policy as Felipe González intimated in his interview to Radio Caracol of Colombia in January, the potential impact among Ibero-American nations, where Spain carries a unique moral authority, could trip the balance toward the realization of a New World Economic Order.

However, in mid-January senior government officials expressed to this correspondent extreme doubt and fear concerning what they see as the "limited sovereignty" of Spain due to "geographical pecularities" (translated as U.S. military bases), the NATO problem, and what was explicitly described as "the heavy hand of the U.S. State Department." These constraints, EIR was told, might go so far as to prevent the government from participating in any fashion in the New Delhi Non-Aligned summit in early March, just as flagrant intervention by the State Department yanked Spanish representatives at the pre-summit meeting in Managua, Nicaragua on Jan. 10-16 back from supporting the Mexican proposal for mediating the Central American conflict. While the Madrid government looks toward alignment with partisans of industrial development in Ibero-America, it faces continued challenges at home, centered around Basque terrorism.

Kissinger and Shultz

In 1973, Henry Kissinger made it clear to Prime Minister Carrero Blanco, that the wages for opposing State Depart-

ment policies are death. Carrero Blanco was assassinated soon thereafter, in a spectacularly professional operation whose instigators have never been officially identified or charged. It is no secret in Spain that the U.S. embassy in Madrid was aware of every single technical detail of the assassination preparations against the Prime Minister. George Shultz, a trimmer, quieter version of his predecessor in the State Department, cornered the unfortunate present interior minister, José Barrionuevo, in a closed-door tête-à-tête when Shultz arrived in Madrid on Dec. 15, 1982, to make the extraordinary statement that the United States opposes the developing special Franco-Spanish collaboration on security matters-especially counterterror intelligence-and unless that cooperation were broken up, the State Department would not be responsible for the consequences. As recompense, Shultz offered to release CIA information on the Carrero Blanco assassination and other matters which, he admitted, had previously been kept out of Spanish hands. As the local Trilateral Commission mouthpiece Diario 16 commented on Jan. 12, the State Department has been prudently withholding information on precise movements and whereabouts of ETA Basque terrorists so that it may now dribble this information out on a drop-by-drop basis—in exchange for Spain's agreement to make a clean break with the French. Specifically, Mr. Shultz proposed that a commission be formed of highest-level Spanish security and military officials in consort with U.S. embassy officials on the Basque terrorism problem. One is reminded of the Bertrand Russell gang setting up, with British tongue-in-cheek, its "Who Killed Kennedy Commission."

While Mr. Schultz was putting on his performance in Barrionuevo's office, a campaign was set loose against the credibility of the Interior Ministry through the mediation of that shopworn British agent Joaquín Ruiz-Xímenez, just nominated to the post of defensor del pueblo (ombudsman), which unfortunately carries some constitutional power. Aiding Ruiz-Xímenez is Justice Minister Ledesma, his collaborator from the biggest British Fabian socialist operation of the 1960s in Spain, the club Cuadernos Para el Diálogo.

The gameplan erupted along the same lines as the long-standing conflict in France between that country's Interior Minister, Gaston Defferre, and the Justice Minister, a von Opel family operative (and Henry Kissinger's intimate) Robert Badinter. The kidnapping of Mikel Echeverría, son of an industrialist notorious for having paid the barbarous revolutionary tax to ETA for years, was probably a setup from the outset. It splashed all over the press the details of how morally intolerable the Basque situation has become.

In print, industrialists are admitting to paying the revolutionary tax to three or four different terrorist groups; doctors and lawyers who cannot afford bodyguards say they are fleeing the Basque area to avoid having to choose between death and the revolutionary tax. Meanwhile, Luis Olarra, a crony of Alianza Popular strongman Fraga Iribarne, boasts to high heaven about the creation of his own personal death squads

"against terrorists." Well-known political figures of both right and left are quoted as admitting to earning a share of their income from the commissions from acting as professional intermediaries in kidnap cases, and of course, the Madrid magazine Diario 16 and the Madrid daily El Pais, speaking for the Trilateral Commission and the KGB respectively, are defending the intermediary mafia on humanitarian grounds. This is a world of madness pretending to be orderly, a world indicating beyond doubt that the Basque region as a whole has constituted for some years a virtual insurrectionary state within a state, a mere plaything of hostile foreign powers, where the rule of law no longer prevails.

Intervening into this chaos, the Interior Ministry suddenly announced that intermediaries would now be prevented from operating, and that, on the Italian model, bank accounts of kidnap victims would be frozen so that ransom money cannot feed the treasury of the ETA. José Félix Feriz, intermediary in the Echeverría case, was arrested. Feriz, however, invoked that sacred cult Masonic figure Ruiz-Xímenez, who defended him with a bolt from Mount Olympus. Justice Minister Ledesma refused to condemn the intermediary, and said that the extraordinary measures against bank accounts of private individuals were unnecessary. Feriz was released.

Meanwhile, there are reports that González is reorganizing his personal security along the lines Mitterrand has employed.

Almost simultaneously, the Justice Ministry announced that it had granted the French government's petition requiring that the ex-head of the Mando Unico de la Lucha Contra-Terrorista (Joint Counterterror Command), Manuel Ballesteros, be handed over to France to testify in the Hendaye trial on the shootout between Spanish police and ETA on French territory. These moves by Ledesma were correctly understood as a slap in the face to attempts by the Interior Ministry to pacify the mainly right-wing security forces, and to initiate a crackdown in the Basque region.

These are not marginal, purely internal policy issues. The survival of the Spanish nation hangs on defeating the Basque operation, which is run along the precise lines used by the Venetians to split off Portugal in the 15th century as a permanent oligarchical base. The Basque issue cannot be solved from within Spain alone, however, because it is the express will of London, the U.S. State Department, and allied factions in the Soviet KGB to use the Basque separatists to crack Spain's nationhood. In early February there was a fresh upsurge of terrorism both in the Basque and in other provinces, including attacks against the U.S. embassy in Madrid and the French consulate in Barcelona claimed by ETA and GRAPO respectively.

The 'nationalist coup' pipe dream

Otherwise patriotic, but extremely confused and limited individuals within security-linked and military circles have swallowed the line that, since terrorism will probably be out of hand within six months—and since Finance Minister Mig-

uel Boyer's national and international policy is in fact bankrupting the country—the only honorable alternative to Basque secession and IMF receivership is a pre-emptive nationalist coup.

This is a pipe dream. No such coup will be allowed to occur in Spain. If there is a coup, it will be run top-down by NATO elements under British orders, and an IMF military dictatorship will ensure that Spain remains creditworthy. The fantasy of a nationalist coup is fostered by elements of the local landed oligarchy in open rebellion against the implications of Felipe González's policy toward Ibero-America should this threaten to be carried out in coordination with France.

Can the Allende syndrome be avoided?

The answer is yes, but certain tough measures must be taken.

First, the PSOE government must crush left-extremist elements now forcing through legalization of abortion, sex education, and free contraception, moves which are creating overnight a climate of intense panic among even those sectors of the population which voted PSOE. These agents provocateurs, clustered around the leadership of the Socialist youth, have demanded that abortion be granted as emergency legislation though Spain has somehow survived as a nation for over 700 years with no such legislation.

The Socialist youth also demanded at their congress earlier this year that the government legalize marijuana and create a state monopoly for the sale of narcotics which gives one an idea of the muscle of the monetarist–IMF agents within the Socialist Party structure.

Newspapers, radio, and television have carried virtually nothing else but abortion and birth control debates for over a month now, plunging unfortunate Spaniards (who might be wondering what ever happened to the Ibero-American debt issue) straight back into the arms of "mother" every time they open their morning newspaper. The Spanish military tends to be extremely conservative, and its members are surrounded by still-more-conservative wives and mothers now whipped to fewer pitch by their Catholic family associations.

To understand the right-left polarization, the vital interests of the Spanish nation demand that one examine the connections between precisely those factions in the Church pushing the abortion issue as the only issue of relevance—the Andalusian landed oligarchy, including those British sherry families like Osborne and Terry—and the IMF barnacles clamped to the Finance Ministry and the Banco de España. Seeing how this ties into the mafia structure of British-Basque financial operations, including drug-money laundering operations, and noting intelligence reports that the U.S. State Department's Madrid embassy is funding the extremists in the abortion fight, one begins to know who is behind a military dictatorship scenario.

The central bank, the Banco de España, is also complicit in undermining Spain. Who does the bank work for?

This is no rhetorical question. The central bank, founded by Charles III on American System principles, is now the headquarters of the Friedmanite conspiracy against Spain, centered around the Servicio de Estudios, through which passed Enrique Fuentes-Quintana, architect of the economic collapse of the previous government, as well as the chief economist of Alianza Popular, Pedro Schwartz, and Finance Minister Boyer. The internal austerity policy of Boyer is creating precisely those conditions of working-class unrest into which the communist unions are moving, as the recent general strike at Gijon showed.

The Boyer policy, identical in all essential features to that of Jesuit operative Jacques Delors in France, involves rapidly running up Spain's currently manageable \$33 billion debt into something wildly unmanageable over the next six months. At that point, the country is to be handed over to IMF surveillance. Meanwhile, a wage freeze and punitive measures against "waste" by public sector employees is enraging the petty bourgeoisie into a pre-Allende "pots and pans" state of mind.

The Ministry of Industry has further announced that, given the rate of industrial collapse, energy consumption has fallen to the extent that fulfilment of the nuclear program is unnecessary. This is quite literally suicide for Spain's heavy industry. Worse, it eliminates at a stroke of the pen the only crucial export capacity Spain has toward Ibero-America and North Africa, apart from shipbuilding.

The second, major step which the government must take is to de facto and not merely de jure nationalize the Banco de España, to muzzle Boyer and the Fuentes-Quintana monetarist crowd operating through the *cajas de ahorro* (savings banks) network to bankrupt the country.

The third way to defeat the British gameplan is to reach "critical mass" in Franco-Spanish collaboration on counterterror, since these two nations together have the international blackmail capability to buck the British. Also, only France and Spain in Europe, faced with a power vacuum in the White House and active sabotage from the State Department, have the freedom of action to light the spark of the LaRouche policy for the Third World.

At the time of writing, Thomas Enders, popularly known as the Butcher of Cambodia, where he served under Henry Kissinger in the critical 1973–74 period, and Luigi Einaudi, one of the key State Department officials responsible for the Pinochet coup in Chile, have landed in Madrid to propose that Felipe González keep Spain out of the New Delhi Non-Aligned summit in exchange for slightly less State Department bloodshed in Central America. Einaudi expressed his displeasure at the close relations between Spain and France. At the same time, it has become known that should the Spanish government decide to change one jot or tittle of the U.S.-Spanish friendship treaty up for renewal this year, and should the Spanish government maneuver on the NATO issue in this context, all support of any kind whatsoever, say authorized sources, may vanish from the U.S. side.