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1. SUMMARY: SECOND SESSION OF BERTRAND RUSSELS TRIBUNAL ON

LATIN AMERICA WAS HELD IN BRUSSELS JANUARY 11-18. AFTER DECLARATIONS AND TESTIMONY BY "WITNESSES" FROM US, EUROPE AND LATIN AMERICA, TRIBUNAL CONDEMNED US LEADERS FOR COUP D'ETAT IN CHILE, CHARGED MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS WITH EXPLOITATION OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, CALLED FOR CESSATION OF RELATIONS WITH AND AID TO CHILE, AND FOUND GOVERNMENTS OF NUMEROUS LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES GUILTY OF CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY. END SUMMARY.

2. SECOND SESSION FO RUSSELL TRIBUNAL ON LATIN AMERICA AND MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS CONCLUDED IN BRUSSELS JANUARY 18 AFTER WEEK OF DECLARATIONS AND TESTIMONY BY "WITNESSES" FROM US, EUROPE AND LATIN AMERICA. WORK OF TRIBUNAL WAS BASED ON THEME THAT PUBLIC OPINION MUST BE MOBILIZED AGINST FORCES WHICH CAUSE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND AGAINST UNRESTRICTED EXPLOITATION OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES BY MULTINATIONALS.

3. TRIBUNAL HEARD DENUNCIATION OF MULTINATIONALS BY FRENCH SOCIALIST MICHEL ROCARD, BOLIVIAN PROFESSOR JAIME PAZ ZAMORE, HAITIAN WRITER RODOLPHE MOISE, AND DELEGATION OF COLOMBIAN INDIANS. CARL WILMS-WRIGHT AND ALBERT NEBBOT OF ICFTU ALSO PRESENTED REPORT CRITICAL OF MULTINATIONALS. JOSE GONZALEZ, MEXICAN ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL OF WORLD CNFEDERATION OF LABOR, DENOUNCED SUPPRESSION OF RIGHTS OF LABOR BY GOVERNMENTS OF BOLIVIA, URUGUAY, PARAGUAY, NICARAGUA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, COLOMBIA, MEXICO, GUATEMALA, AND ECUADOR. HAITIAN SOCIOLOGIST LUC MORIN DREW CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION WITH HIS REPORT THAT HAITIAN MINISTER OF INTERIOR (CAMBRONNE) IDENTIFIED BY PRESS AS FNU IS BEHIND SCHEME IN WHICH UNEMPLOYED HAITIANS SELL BLOOD FOR THREE DOLLARS PER LITRE TO ORGANIZATION, HEOM CARIBBEAN OF HAITI, WHICH PROFITS FROM FURTHER SALE, IN US AND CANADA. ON BRAZIL, PROFESSOR ANDRADE OF UNIVERSITY OF VINCENNES DENOUNCED IMPERIALIST ECONOMIC DOMINATION, LABOR ACTIVIST JOSE IBRAHIM OF SAO PAOLO SPOKE OF SUPPRESSION OF LABOR MOVEMENT, AND DR. APOLLO HERINGUER REPORTED GOVERNMENT DELINQUENCY IN FIELD OF HEALTH. AGRICULTURAL EXPERT BRUNO TALEIKS AND MARSHA MILLIMAN, UNIVERSITY RESEARCH ASSISTANT FROM LOS ANGELES, CHARGED US AND BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENTS WITH COMPLICITY IN PILLAGING BRAZIL'S NATURAL RESOURCES. FORMER CIA AGENT PHILIP AGEE TESTIFIED THAT AIM OF AGENCY IN LATIN UNCLASSIFIED

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AMERICA IS TO SUPPORT US ECONOMIC EXPANSION. TO THIS END, HE SAID, IT PROTECTS AND SUPPORTS MULTINATIONALS AND WORKS TO UNDERCUT LABOR MOVEMENT.

4. LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRY DRAWING MOST ATTENTION WAS CHILE, WITH PRESENCE OF LATE PRESIDENT ALLENDE'S WIDOW AND DAUGHTER AND TESTIMONY OF WITNESS INCLUDING CHILEAN WOMAN CARMEN CASTILLO, WHO TOLD OF BEING TORTURED BY AUTHORITIES WHEN SHE WAS

PREGNANT, AND RENE PLAZA, WHO CLAIMED THAT LOT OF WORKING CLASS UNDER CHILEAN JUNATA MUCH WORSE THAN UNDER ALLENDE. UNIVERSITY OF PUERTO RICO PROFESSOR JEAN ECHEVERRIA EXPOUNDED ON ALLENDE GOVERNMENT'S RIGHT UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW TO DEDUCT FROM COMPENSATION FOR NATIONALIZED COPPER MINES ANY "EXCESS PROFITS" ENJOYED BY FOREIGN COMPANIES. FORMER EEC PRESIDENT SOCCO MASSHOLT RESERVED PARTICULARLY HARSH WORDS FOR US LEADERS, CHARGING SECRETARY KISSINGER WITH PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR OVERTHROW OF CHILEAN GOVERNMENT.

5. TRIBUNAL'S "VERDICT" WAS HANDED DOWN BY ITS PRESIDENT, ITALIAN SENATOR LELIO BASSO, ON JANUARY 18. VERDICT CONDEMNED PRESIDENT FORÉD, SECRETARY KISSINGER, AND EX-PRESIDENT NIXON "FOR HAVING ENCOURAGED AND SUPPORTED FOREIGN ECONOMIC DOMINATION OF LATIN AMERICA AND FOR HAVING PROVOKED THE OVERTHROW OF THE CHILEAN GOVERNMENT OF MR.ALLENDE." IT REPROACHED IN PARTICULAR SECRETARY KISSINGER, "WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY IN THE FACIST CHILEAN COUP D'ETAT APPEARS EVIDENT." TRIBUNAL CALLED ON "DEMOCRATIC FORCES AND FREE MEN" OF WORLD TO DEMAND THAT THEIR COUNTRIES BREAK RELATIONS WITH CHILE AND THAT US CEASE AIDING THAT COUNTRY. TRIBUNAL REITERATED "MORAL CONDEMNATION". PRONOUNCED IN 1974 SESSION IN ROME AGAINST BRAZIL, CHILE, URUGUAY, AND BOLIVIA FOR "CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY." TRIBUNAL DECLARED GUILTY IN SAME TERMS "DE FACTO AUTHORITIES" IN GUATEMALA, HAITI, PARAGUAY, AND DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. IT ALSO ACCUSED BRAZIL OF CARRYING OUT GENOCIDE AGAINST AMAZON INDIANS.

6. TRIBUNAL'S VERDICT ALSO CONDEMNED MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS, ESPECIALLY ITT, FOR MANIPULATING AND DOMINATING COUNTRIES IN LATIN AMERICA IN ORDER TO INCREASE PROFITS. IT ALLEGED THAT "AMERICAN MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS ORGANIZE FOR THEIR PROFIT THE PILLAGE OF ALL SORTS OF RESOURCES IN LATIN AMERICA," UNCLASSIFIED

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AND THAT "VIOLATIONS OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF MAN WHICH ACCOMPANIED THIS PILLAGE HAVE BEEN DEMONSTRATED."

7. IN SUMMING UP WORK OF TRIBUNAL, VICE PRESIDENT FRANCOIS RIGAUX, BELGIAN PROFESSOR AT UNIVERSITY OF LOUVAIN, DECLARED THAT POWER TO ENFORCE VERDICT RESTS WITH PEOPLES OF WORLD. HE URGED ORGANIZATIONS OF WORKERS, PROFESSORS, YOUTH, WOMEN, ARTISTS, AND INTELLECTUALS AND OTHER PROGRESSIVE FORCES TO MOBILIZE PUBLIC OPINION TO PUT DECISIONS OF TRIBUNAL INTO EFFECT.

8. PRESIDENT BASSO TOLD PRESS THAT THIRD SESSION OF TRIBUNAL ON LATIN AMERICA IS PROBABLY,IT MAY MEET AGAIN THEREATER, POSSIBLE ON PALESTINE OR SOUTH AFRICA, BUT MUST HAVE AGREEMENT OF RUSSELL FOUNDATION TO DO SO UNDER

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