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Of course, the West German ruling circles at present still have to rely on U.S. support in many respects, particularly in the political and military spheres. Therefore, they have misgivings about the stepped-up collusion and contention between U.S. imperialism and Soviet revisionism in an attempt to redivide the world. They fear that U.S. imperialism will make counter-revolutionary deals with Soviet revisionism at the expense of West Germany. That is why amidst the intense preparations by U.S. imperialism and Soviet revisionism for "strategic arms limitation talks," West German Chancellor Kiesinger made a hurried trip to Washington and held talks with U.S. imperialist chieftain Richard Nixon for two days. After mutual glorification and professions of "kinship," Nixon once again assured Kiesinger that as regards the U.S.-Soviet talks, the United States would have "full consultation" with and "take full account of the interests of" West Germany. To placate West Germany, Nixon reached agreement with Kiesinger on the establishment of a "hot line" between the White House and the chancellor's office so as to "stay in close communication with each other." But with the growth of West Germany's strength, its tendency to fall away from U.S. imperialism will inevitably increase.

Our great leader Chairman Mao has pointed out long ago: "The epoch we are living in is an epoch in which the imperialist system is heading for total collapse, the imperialists have fallen inextricably into crisis." The manoeuvres and struggles among the imperialist countries to realize their own ambitions are aggravating the division of the imperialist bloc, thus accelerating the doom of the imperialist system.

**GANGSTERISM IN U.S. SHIELDED BY OFFICIALS**

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[Text] Peking, August eleventh (NCHA) -- Frenzied American criminal gangs are working hand in glove with the U.S. officials and big monopoly capitalists to loot the people. The trinity of government officials, businessmen and gangsters has become one of the characteristics of the decadent capitalist society of the United States today.

With accelerated corruption of the U.S. society, gangsterism has been increasingly rampant there. To cover up the government support and shielding of gangsterism, U.S. imperialist chieftain Richard Nixon remarked recently that gangsterism "has deeply penetrated broad segments of American life." He admitted that in U.S. cities gangsters have unscrupulously carried out such criminal activities as "illegal gambling," "racket," "narcotics traffic" and "loan sharking." He also admitted that "illegal gambling" alone, organized gangsters have an annual take from 20,000 million to 50,000 million dollars.

These criminal gangs have every connection with the U.S. official circles. Their activities are virtually carried out under the shielding and connivance and with the participation of the U.S. official circles. The narcotics traffic goes on with close collaboration from the police and the operation of secret gambling dens relies fully on police shielding. It was revealed that the bribes to the police from "Mafia" for its secret gambling operations amount to some 4,500 million dollars annually, exceeding the total annual pay for police in the country. Racketeering can by no means be divorced from U.S. official protection and cooperation. A recent scandal involved the seemingly honest U.S. Supreme Court Justice Abe Fortas who agreed to a lifetime fee of 20,000 dollars a year from a convicted "financier" of stock manipulation.

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Furthermore, the criminals often resort to "campaign contributions" to buy over and bribe politicians. Once being "elected" congressmen, "governors" or "mayor," these politicians will use official authority to shield their crime.

In fact, the ruling monopoly capitalist group is itself the biggest gang of criminals in the United States. The political power it holds dons a "legal" cloak over its plunder, deception and oppression of the broad masses of the American people. Taking "gambling" as an example, there are both "illegal gambling" and "legal gambling." Gamblers have only to pay the government a "tax" to make their operations legal. Nixon himself recently proposed the annual federal operators tax on gamblers be increased from 50 to 1,000 dollars to boost government revenues. Las Vegas, Nevada, is one of the cities known for its gambling dens. The municipal government of the city collects over 1,600 million dollars from its "tax on gamblers" which becomes its main revenue. It was reported that another U.S. Supreme Court Justice William Douglas was once president of the "Albert Farvin Foundation" founded by a company which owns three casinos in Las Vegas. Gambling in the United States maintains close relations with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, an espionage set-up.

An ever increasing number of murder cases is also inseparable from the connivance of the reactionary U.S. ruling circles, which are themselves the ring-leaders in this respect. They instruct police and national guardsmen to conduct bloody suppression of the lynchings (lynchings American people). The U.S. monopoly capitalist class planned the sinister brutal murder of the Afro-American fighter Malcolm X, and did not show any tolerance even towards the Afro-American clergyman Martin Luther King, an exponent of non-violence. In addition, to compete for power and wealth, various monopoly groups repeatedly conducted political murders. The monopoly capitalist class also sets its propaganda machines in motion to advocate murder. In Los Angeles alone, scenes of murder appear on more than 1,200 occasions in television each week. No wonder gangsterism is running wild. According to U.S. official data, more than 10,000 people are murdered in the United States a year (not including those killed by the U.S. reactionary government).

Year after year chieftains of the gangs of criminals invest in enterprises the loot of thousands of millions of dollars they have plundered. They buy up banks and industrial and commercial enterprises, they pretently changing into "prominent social figures." It was disclosed that organized gangsters have been in control of a number of enterprises, big or small, in Chicago in such important sectors as food processing, restaurants, real estate, auto sales, brokerage houses, travel agencies, shopping centers and radio and T.V. manufacturing. A U.S. bourgeois news agency said that many U.S. corporations look like business headquarters, but private conversations inside their so-called offices concern murder, corruption and rackets.

It is not surprising to see collusion among gangsters, government officials and politicians, and wealthy merchants. Karl Marx long ago pointed out that "capital grows dripping from head to foot, from every pore, with blood and dirt." He also quoted T. J. Dunning as saying that "with adequate profit, capital is very bold...100 percent will make it ready to trample on all human laws; 500 percent and there is not a crime at which it will not scruple, nor a risk it will not run, even to the chance of its owner being hanged."

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The situation of organized crime in the United States is precisely the same. Criminals and monopoly capitalists are virtually jackals of the same lair.

The capitalist U.S. society is shaking and reeling to the core. But the American workers and the broad masses of American people are fast awakening. A revolutionary storm to sweep away all the pests will sooner or later rise in the United States. The days are numbered for the U.S. monopoly capitalist class and all sorts of its henchmen when they can ride roughshod over the American people.

**NEW ZEALANDEES DEMONSTRATE AGAINST ROGERS**

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[Text] Wellington, August tenth (UPI/REPA)--New Zealand's progressive people angrily demonstrated today and yesterday in protest against the arrival of U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers in New Zealand to carry out conspiratorial activities.

Rogers arrived in Auckland yesterday from Canberra by plane after he participated in an ANZUS pact meeting.

When Rogers, accompanied by New Zealand Prime Minister Holyoake, arrived at the International Hotel where he stays during his visit, he was loudly booed by more than 200 demonstrators at the street opposite the hotel.

Waving placards reading "Get back to the U.S., Rogers," the demonstrators hurled eggs and mud at the car of Rogers and Holyoake and shouted "Rogers, go home!"

The frightened Rogers hastily entered the hotel under the protection of a large number of secret servicemen. Twelve demonstrators were unjustifiably arrested by the police.

In Christ Church, about 500 people held a meeting today in protest against Rogers' visit to New Zealand. Later, some 150 women and youths marched in the streets in protest against the arrest of the 12 demonstrators in Auckland.