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Japanese, Germans support global negotiations on oil

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter) — Japan and West Germany yesterday endorsed proposals for global negotiations on energy, simed at greater stability in the pricing and supply of oil.

West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher told the United Nations General Assembly:

'We cannot evade an energy dialogue

Saburo Okita, the delegate of Japan, said measures should be devised to recycle surplus oil funds to to recycle surplus oil funds to developing countries lacking oil

Okita welcomed the initiative of ne developing countries' Group of 77 o include energy in comprehensive conomic negotiations, due to start in

January.

They were addressing the assembly on the third day of a special session on Third World development problems.

In his statement, Genscher said there could not be a smooth transition from the oil age to alternate sources of energy unless oil-exporting and oil-importing countries couperated in oil-importing countries cooperated in a spirit of joint responsibility.

"Although rising prices for a commodity (oil) that is becoming increasingly scarce may be unavoidable, abrupt price increases and sudden problems of adaptation which cause severe setbacks in economic activity must be avoided," he said.

Genscher thus echoed US Secretary of State Edmund Muskie, who appealed here Monday for stable oil

prices and supply.

Muskie said the oil nations bore a unique responsibility for the world's economic plight.

But in a speech, yesterday, a leading Asian statesman laid the blame

Mahathir Bin Mohamed, deputy Mahathir Bin Mohamed, deputy prime minister of Malaysia, said: "Recession is mainly the result of an extreme lethargy and the result of an extreme lethargy and industrialized nations. Having got used to an easy life at the expense of the rest of the world, they are not willing to work for a living any more. They would like the world to provide for them, as in the days of colonialism."

Ethiopia invades Somalia

NATRORI (Renter NAIROBI (Reuter) — Ethiopian troops backed by fighter-bombers in-vaded north-west Soma-lia yesterday, Mogadishu radio said.

The radio, monitored here, said Ethiopian troops crossed the border near the town of Borama. Ethiopian jets raided other towns in the area, the radio said.

It added that Somali forces had stopped the Ethiopian advance, but fighting continued.

One Ethiopian aircraft was shot down and the pilot died instantly, the broadcast quoted the defense ministry as saving.

It was the first time in their protracted terri-torial dispute that Soma-lia had accused Ethiopia sending troops across e border. The Mogadishu

government has previous-ly said that Ethiopian jets struck at targets along the border, Aid workers have verified

Polish crisis spreads; military maneuvers by NATO. Warsaw Pact slated

GDANSK (Reuter)—Support for the strikers who have paralyzed Poland's Baltic port of Gdansk grew yesterday with stoppages by workers in the industrial cities of Lodz and Wroclaws.

Leaders of the 14-day strike in Gdansk showed no signs of backing down on their demands as the government's chief

government's chief negotiator returned to the port for fresh talks. The strikers, pressing Poland's communist rulers for political re-forms, have crippled industry in the north of

the country.

American east coast dock workers said they dock workers said they were starting a boycott on trade with Poland in solidarity with the

strikers. The action will disrupt grain shipments in-tended to ease Polish

The United States also disclosed that Polish leaders have asked Washington for credit worth \$675 million to buy

As the stoppages spread, 20 enterprises were reported struck in Wroclaw and 10 in Lodz where workers issued a list of demands similar to those formulated in Gdansk.

These include the right to strike, the right to form free trade unions and the abolition of cen-

An offer of free trade union elections and the possibility of the right to strike were rejected as insufficient yesterday by leaders of the Gdansk

leaders of the Gdanak stoppage.

Strike leader Lech Walesa was in defiant mood as be and col-leagues prepared for gaining with the govern-ment's chief negotiator, deputy prime minister Mieczyslaw Jagielski.

"We are demanding, not pleading;" the said. ment's tactics have been conciliatory up to now, as

conciliatory up to now, a leading political com-mentator warned the strikers on television last night not to go far. Although there has

Afghanistan boosts its forces with volunteers

NEW DELHI (AFP) -he Soviet-backed decided to raise a force of 10,000 to 15,000 armed volunteers to counter the rebels and Indian foreign office here say that the efforts have met with initial success. So far an estimated 4,000 volunteers from various Afghan provinces have been enlisted and are being given crash

various Afghan provinces have been enlisted and are being given crash courses in weapon train-ing and guerrilla warfare, the sources, who asked not to be named, said. The decision to raise

the volunteer force the volunteer force — the idea was first mooted in Moscow — was taken at the high-level meeting Afghan President Babrak Karmal and his military generals had with a visiting high-powered Soviet military delegation in

been no official shift in the censorship position, Polish newspapers are now carrying extensive reports of the Gdansk strike.

one newspaper pub-lished for the first time all 21 demands made by the strikers.

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But the Krakow
Roman Catholic weekly
Tygodnik—Powszeechny
said censors had refused

said censors had refused to let it publish a letter from Pope John Paul in which he prayed for his native country.

Editor Jerczy Turowicz said no reason was given. In London, banking sources said the labor saffect Polandk credit worthiness although the strikes would prevent it reaching economic targets.

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The strikes are not expected to endanger a West German loan package of 1.2 billion marks (\$660 million) which is likely to be signed within the next three weeks, they said.

Soviet news agency Tass said that "anti-socialist element" in Poland were trying to divert the country from socialism.

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It said party workers and working people in Poland were calling for effective steps to resolve the crisis.

The crisis, it is noted here with some apprehension, will be coinciding in early September with European military maneuvers of impressive size both by the Warsaw Pact and the North Atlantic Treaty Organiz-ation (NATO).

In the case of NATO,

In the case of NATO, the exercise being organized now foresees the deployment of 50,000 men in West Germany in the most ambitious such operation in 11 years.

At about the same time, but in East Germany, the Warsaw Pact forces as of Sept. 8 will open maneuvers baptized "comrades-in-arms 80" involving an estimated 40,000 Soviet, East German, Bulgarian, Bulgarian, Bulgarian, Bulgarian, Bulgarian, German, Bulgarian, Czechoslovakian, Hunga-rian, and Polish forces deployed in the Baltic areas some 100 kilo-meters from the Polish

Moynihan denies link with drug smuggling ring

A British peer living in the Philippines yesterday challenged an Australian judge who accused him of involvement with drug

judge who accused him of involvement with drug amugglers to repeat his allegations outside Parliament or withdraw them. Was accused in a Royal Commission report tabled in the New South Wales Parliament this month of having connections with a major Sydney drug of heroin from the Philippines to Australia.

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Bangladesh looks more beyond its own borders

Rahman who came to power in 1975. The 44-year-old gen-eral, who has kept his army on a tight rein thus giving some degree of army on a tight rein thus giving some degree of political stability to the country after a series of bloody coups, is embarking on more and more overseas visits — last month to China, this month to the United States and now to

France.

Next month President
Zia will travel to New
Delhi for the commonwealth conference but
his relations with India,
which in 1971 backed up
the Bangladesh fight for
independence from Pakistan with troops, have
worsened considerably.
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NEW DELHI (AFP) sive economic aid.

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The young turks in the Bangladesh army who assassinated Mujib, all his family and his main advisors have had to bow to a new strong-

After having lifted martial law and organized presidential elections followed by legislative elections followed by legislative elections last year, President Zia seems to be firmly in the saddle.

This has not prevented at least two coup attempts against him. Despite the landside victory of President Zia's nationalist party the op-

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The sources, however, confirmation.

could not say if the majority of the volun-teers belonged to the Babrak Karmal's Par-cham (FLAG) faction of the PDPA. Afghan the PDPA. Afghan sources here believe that a majority of the volunteers belongs to the Parcham faction. There was, however, no independent

