

## Where is Fausto Amador?

The revisionist Socialist Workers Party has the unmitigated gall and the unlimited hypocrisy to publish in the latest issue of its press *The Militant* a front page editorial entitled "Victory in Nicaragua."

Just a few weeks ago, this same organization was publicly urging the Sandinista Liberation fighters to lay down their arms and surrender to the dictatorship of General Anastasio Somoza.

It took this position by publishing in its weekly magazine, Intercontinental Press an article by one Fausto Amador which denounced the Sandinistas for engaging in an "irresponsible military campaign" which would inevitably produce "disastrous defeats for the Nicaraguan masses."

Fausto Amador is a known and proven collaborator of the Somoza dictatorship. But the article in the Intercontinental Press represented not just his own opinions but those of the CIA and of the SWP itself.

The name Fausto Amador first surfaced in the Socialist Workers Party when he was the subject of a six-page interview in the June 27, 1977 edition of the Intercontinental Press.

Intercontinental Press was directed by the late Joseph Hansen, long time double-agent and leader of the SWP, as an international recruiting agency and spy network for the FBI-CIA.

Hansen was unmasked by the International Committee of the Fourth International's four-year investigation into Security and the Fourth International. The investigation proved that Hansen had worked for forty years as a double agent first for the Stalinist GPU and then for the American FBI. Amador was a prize agent for Hansen's network.

On May 4, 1979, the International Committee published a statement on Amador. Reprinting the revisionists' own docu-

ments, the statement proved that Amador, "betrayed countless former comrades among the guerrillas in the Sandinista Front — including his own brother, Carlos, who was murdered by the brutal Nicaraguan dictatorship in 1976.

Hansen and the SWP promoted this wretched traitor and agent as a 'leading Latin American Trotskyist' and their 'Nicaraguan section.'

A few days after the publication of the International Committee statement Amador used the pages of the Intercontinental Press for the SWP's new operation against the Nicaraguan revolution.

As the Sandinistas launched the offensive which two months later toppled the Somoza regime and smashed his hated National Guard, Amador wrote ...the social situation in Nicaragua makes it enormously more difficult to achieve a second victorious offensive against Somoza. He went on to write the cynical denunciation, "The great offensive that the Sandinista Front announced with such fanfare has become an intolerable war of attrition," and that, "A strong dose of emotionalism obscures political clarity. But this makes it no less necessary to resist such disastrous and suicidal conceptions.

Amador portrayed the 'social situation' as one in which "the masses will to struggle had been broken." He issued a ringing appeal for the Sandinistas to halt their struggle.

With the fall of Somoza barely two months later, the Socialist Workers Party wrote in the current Militant: "Nicaragua shows once again the readiness of the world's exploited masses to challenge the imperialist colossus, to

sacrifice their lives for economic and social justice, for freedom from colonial domination!' The article goes on to add, "Faced with the advancing struggle of the Sandinista rebels, President Carter tried to play for time."

The fact is that Carter, the State Department and the CIA were not alone; they had the full assistance of the FBI leadership of the SWP and their Central American agent Fausto Amador.

The Nicaraguan masses not only 'challenged the imperialist colossus,' they rejected the imperialist inspired advice of the SWP's representative Amador. If Amador's perspective had been followed the only victors would been Somoza and US imperialism.

As the Sandinistas drew ever closer to victory over the dictatorship, the name Fausto Amador has quietly disappeared from the pages of the Militant and the Intercontinental Press.

Where is Amador today? Has he joined Somoza and his cronies in Miami to get his share of the estimated \$900 million which the dictator looted from Nicaragua?

With their silence, the revisionists are trying to protect their valued agent, Amador, so that he can be used at a future date for operations against the Nicaraguan revolution.

The fact is that everyone in the SWP leadership and all those associated with Intercontinental Press deserve to be investigated. It has been established that there are more than 100 agents in the SWP. There is no doubt that these agents direct the SWP as a vital instrument of the world counter-revolution.

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SAN FRANCISCO 4680 Mission 7:30 PM In 1976, the SWP used the pages of the Intercontinental Press to denounce the MPLA-led national liberation struggle as a 'fratricidal civil war' and to give tacit aid to the CIA puppet armies of Holden Roberto and Jonas Savimbi.

Throughout this year they have conducted a non-stop campaign of slander and provocation against the Iranian revolution in complete coordination with the destabilization efforts of the CIA. Their close associate Ralph Schoenman was expelled as an imperialisagent, and members of their Iranian section have been arrested on similar charges.

For its part, the Workers League pledges its complete solidarity with the anti-imperialist fighters in Nicaragua, Iran and around the world and to deepen its struggle in solidarity with the International Committee of the Fourth International to unmask the Fausto Amadors and all the imperialist agents within the SWP.