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Is Henry Kissinger a Soviet 'agent of influence'?

In a nationwide broadcast on ABC-TV, I summarized the documentation showing that former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger is a Soviet "agent of influence," and also indicated the precise meaning of the term as distinct from "Soviet agent." The nub of the matter is that the late Bertrand Russell and others reached certain back-channel agreements with Soviet dictator Nikita Khrushchev and that Mr. Kissinger has worked to impose those agreements upon the United States and NATC for more than 25 years.

Naturally, Tom Braden, a close friend of the Kissinger household. denies all these charges flatly. In only one point of his column ["Lyndon LaRouche as newest in nuts," April 6] does he appear to reject any of the evidence presented during my broadcast. Mr. Braden held a high-ranking position under the late CIA Director Allen Dulles, and this during the period that Mr. Russell's intimate dealings with Mr. Khrushchev were being conducted through Mr. Russell's World Association of Parliamentarians for World Government and the Pugwash Conference series. The facts that Mr. Braden denies so vigorously now were facts coming across his own desk during his period of service with Mr. Dulles at CIA.

Unless Mr. Braden has suffered

astonishing memory-lapses he knows that nuclear deterrence, flexible response, and detente generally were each part of a package-deal under which Mr. Russell, Leo Szilard, and others offered to give the Soviet empire a much larger chunk of the world than had been awarded to Joe Stalin during the Yalta Conference.

Everything I stated on the broadcast respecting Mr. Russell's role is true, and therefore what I stated respecting Mr. Kissinger's continued support of Mr. Russell's agreements with Mr. Khrushchev is also true.

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