

LaRouche citizens' movement tops 2,000 candidates worldwide

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In the first weeks of January, well over 2,200 citizens in the United States, Western Europe, and Ibero-America, rallying around the presidential campaign of Lyndon H. LaRouche, have declared their campaigns to run for political office in their respective nations.

In the United States, over 2,100 "LaRouche Democrats" and "LaRouche Republicans" have publicly joined the *bi-partisan* "citizen candidates movement" and have already announced their campaigns in 36 states for political offices ranging from U.S. Senate and Congress to local Democratic Party precinct captain posts. Coordinated by the National Democratic Policy Committee (NDPC), a multi-candidate political action committee, the LaRouche candidates movement has been growing at a national rate of over 100 new candidates a day since LaRouche's historic nationwide television address on January 21.

The National Democratic Policy Committee has set a goal of mustering a LaRouche candidates slate of 10,000 candidates nationwide, including a full slate of candidates for all upcoming senatorial and congressional races. In the state of Pennsylvania alone, where LaRouche will be running in the Democratic presidential primary on April 10, the NDPC is deployed to field a slate of over 400 candidates by the filing deadline. Well over 400 LaRouche candidates have already declared their campaigns in each of two states—California and New Jersey. Over 100 LaRouche candidates have declared in Massachusetts, Illinois, and Texas, respectfully. In addition to the growing emergence of the LaRouche wing of the Democratic Party in fierce combat with the "Neville Chamberlain" Democrats like Mondale, Harriman and Manatt, the LaRouche movement now also includes several hundred "LaRouche Republican" candidates.

The candidates' policy

The National Democratic Policy Committee has established an "international war room" in its New York headquarters to coordinate the campaign activities of the candidates movement. All of the LaRouche candidates from the United States, Europe, and Mexico are now jointly mobilized to:

1. Save West Germany and all of Europe for the Western Alliance by forcing the firing of the treasonous U.S. Ambassador to West Germany Arthur Burns, and by having the

United States irrevocably disassociate itself from the Kissinger/McNamara policy of Mutually Assured Destruction (MAD) and "Flexible Response";

2. Force the United States to declare a national defense emergency mobilization to initiate a full-scale crash development program for laser- and particle-defense systems as the basis for ushering in an era of Mutually Assured Survival (MAS) between the superpowers;

3. Destroy the evil Nazi-Communist networks worldwide, as epitomized by the satanic National Action Party (PAN) of Mexico, which narrowly failed in a savage premeditated New Year's Eve assassination attempt on a LaRouche spokesman in Sonora;

4. Destroy and dismantle the International Monetary Fund,



Members of the National Democratic Policy Committee demonstrate in Los Angeles.

the Club of Rome, and their affiliated genocide institutions. The task is to end the hideous genocide programs threatening the bulk of mankind in the current world depression. The overall policy is to establish a New World Economic Order based on the LaRouche plan for global monetary reorganization and an economic development and industrialization perspective of "great projects."

The scope of the movement

As the worldwide strategic, military, and economic crisis deepens, an international republican network "in the footsteps of Ben Franklin," is rallying around LaRouche. The LaRouche candidates are ordinary citizens of their respective nations who realize at this moment of great peril that they must take personal responsibility for the fate of their nations and the world—above family, above party, above everyday concerns. They respond like the Roman farmer Cincinnatus, who several times had to put down the plough and lead the threatened republic. The candidates embody the principle of the great German republican dramatist Friedrich Schiller, being at one and the same time patriots of their own nations and world citizens.

The American patriots who have already joined the LaRouche citizens political militia include the following approximate distribution by region of the country:

Northeast: 653 candidates	Southwest: 141
Mid-Atlantic and Southeast: 452	West Coast: 613
Midwest: 350	

In Western Europe LaRouche's associates in the European Labor Parties of Italy, West Germany, France, Denmark, and Sweden are now forming slates that will eventually total 2,000 candidates. Already nearly 200 citizens of various nations have joined the LaRouche candidates movement for races from the European Parliament elections to various state and local elections in the following approximate distribution:

West Germany: 80 candidates	Denmark: 5
France: 82	Italy: 15
Sweden: 15	

In Latin America the LaRouche candidates movement has already elected and inaugurated the mayor of Paramonga, Peru—Cesareo Perez. In Colombia, LaRouche's associates are in the midst of organizing slates of candidates for city council, state, and legislative positions in three targeted states. Nightly walking tours and rallies have begun to initiate the candidates drive which aims to sign up hundreds, especially from trade union strata.

In Mexico, LaRouche's allies in the Mexican Labor Party (PLM) are now registering as an official party in the states of Sonora and Nuevo Leon. To qualify as a party in the two states the PLM is engaging in a membership drive to sign up 10,000 affiliates in each state. Their battle cry is "Join the PLM registration campaign to have candidates to defend the

republic and the continent." The PLM's goal is to run hundreds of candidates for state, local, congressional, and municipal elections while preparing for the Mexican national elections in 1985.

Expansion of the movement

The rapid acceleration of the growth rate of the LaRouche citizens candidate movement can be seen by comparing its dimensions in the United States in all of 1983 with only the first four weeks of 1984. In 1983 the NDPC fielded a slate of 700 candidates in primaries and general elections. During these elections, which spanned 27 states, approximately 700,000 votes were officially tallied for the candidates, despite expenditures of millions of dollars for "containment" operations that included thuggery, vote stealing, vicious slanders, and dirty tricks against the LaRouche Democrats by the "KGB Democrats" under Democratic National Committee Chairman Charles T. Manatt. During these elections, 27 of the LaRouche Democrats won their elections outright.

In the first four weeks of 1984, the NDPC has already mustered a national slate over three times the size of the one for the entirety of 1983. A state-by-state comparison as of January 25, 1984 by the NDPC's international war room reveals the growth of the LaRouche movement:

	1984		1984		
	1983	Candidates	1983	Candidates	
	Candidates (approx.)		Candidates (approx.)		
Ala.	2	15	Minn.	1	25
Alaska	0	18	Miss.	2	2
Calif.	217	480	Nebr.	1	n.a.
Colo.	4	1	N.H.	6	n.a.
Conn.	0	40	N.J.	35	451
Del.	0	1	N.Y.	135	17
D.C.	1	20	N.C.	2	9
Fla.	1	68	N. Dak.	1	n.a.
Ga.	0	1	Ohio	1	14
Idaho	0	3	Oreg.	1	17
Ill.	107	118	Pa.	2	314
Ind.	1	93	S.C.	0	2
Kans.	1	n.a.	S. Dak.	1	n.a.
Ky.	0	5	Tenn.	0	1
La.	8	1	Tex.	13	135
Md.	16	15	Va.	4	3
Mass.	10	147	Wash.	40	95
Mich.	2	13	W.Va.	0	1

When Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. announced his 1984 presidential candidacy last September, he declared that one of the principal purposes of his campaign would be for it to serve as a national and international "rallying point" for an American national defense emergency mobilization for laser and other energy beam defensive systems and for a New World Economic Order based upon a "Franklinesque" flourishing of scientific, industrial, and agricultural progress so as to increase the prosperity, numbers, lifespan, and overall well-being of all mankind. The scope and growth of the worldwide LaRouche citizen candidates movement demonstrates considerable progress toward achieving LaRouche's overall design.