AIDS: Behind the Chazov scandal

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In an outrageous affront to the security of Western nations, on Dec. 11, 1985 Dr. Yevgeny I. Chazov was allowed—stormy protests notwithstanding—to receive the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize.

Chazov has not only been a member of the Communist Party Central Committee since 1982, a deputy Soviet health minister, and the senior personal physician to the last several Russian party chiefs. In the Soviet chain of command, he is, strictly speaking, the supervisor of the work of the notorious Soviet nest currently controlling AIDS policy at the Genevabased World Health Organization.

The Soviet nest at the WHO was first exposed by this author in an EIR cover story Oct. 25, 1985 entitled "Soviet Role in Covering up the Deadly Threat of AIDS" and provoked an immediate howl of protest by the journal Literaturnaya Gazeta (see issue of Oct. 30, 1985, the subsequent issue on the eve of the Geneva summit, and the issue of Dec. 12 for three direct Soviet responses to EIR's charges). The substance of the preposterous Soviet counterattack to EIR was to charge that our journal and its founder Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. were only "exposing" the notorious Soviet AIDS nest in Geneva to "cover" for the Pentagon/CIA, who had synthesized AIDS as a biological weapon and then unleashed it on the U.S. population and Western nations, thereby crippling the West while only giving the Warsaw Pact nations a few token cases.

An Off-Off Broadway performance

Apparently the KGB and Soviet military believe that the West is stupid enough to buy any story, so, on top of this concoction, they staged a Grade-B skit on the eve of the Nobel Prize award, when, during Chazov's press conference, a Soviet journalist dramatically clutched his heart and fell to the floor. Demonstrating his heroic reverence for life, Dr. Chazov, in true Superman fashion, ripped off his jacket and, aided by the American fellow-traveller **Dr. Lown**, saved the life of the journalist. Obviously, the Soviets are going not only for the Nobel Prize but the Academy Awards as well. This performance by Dr. Chazov not only gave him hero reviews in most of the world's press; it also created just enough room for him to sneak into a side door of main hall of Oslo University the next day—thereby avoiding a demonstration against his award—to deliver a Soviet propaganda

speech denouncing the U.S. Strategic Defense Initiative and rehashing the old Soviet position of massive military buildup of Warsaw Pact forces "in exchange" for a vast reduction of Western military capabilities.

The bad theater aside, the reality of the situation is that when Chazov's Nobel Prize award was first announced, he was in Geneva at the WHO building involved in a series of discussions with Dr. Sergei Litvinov and other Soviet moles there. Thus the real story of Chazov's crimes is by no means limited to his sordid role in the Sakharov affair.

Here are a few further facts on the matter of Chazov and friends' biological warfare capabilities, without even getting into the notorious work of Vlail Kaznacheyev and Ludmila Michaelova in Novosibirsk and the experiments at the Institute of Physiology and Biophysics and the Frank Institute in Pushchino just outside Moscow:

- 1) This week the Soviets are sending a top scientist, **Dr.** M. I. Parfanovich of Moscow's Ivanovsky Institute of Virology to a special meeting on AIDS hosted by Litvinov's Communicable Diseases Division of WHO.
- 2) Litvinov's Operations Officer in Geneva is **T.A. Bektimirov.** Before his career in Geneva, Bektimirov in the early 1970s did extensive research reported in such papers as one entitled "Isolation of a Leukovirus from a Continuous Human Cell Line" (*Arch. Gesamte Virusforsch* 39:309-16, 1972).
- 3) T. A. Bektimirov's scientific co-worker V. M. Zhdanov was an intimate collaborator of the notorious Boris Lapin, the Soviet Union's retrovirus expert stationed at the Sukhumi Primate Center, who as early as the late 1970s was experimenting with the AIDS related virus disease—Simian Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, or SAIDS—in his African Green Monkey colonies. In the early 1970s, Doctors Lapin and Zhdanov published numerous joint papers on animal RNA tumor viruses being expressed in human cells; in other words, Lapin and Zhdanov published numerous papers on infecting human cells with deadly animal retroviruses. In short, the scientific nest currently controlling AIDS policy at the WHO belonged to the Soviet scientific network which investigated retrovirus "species jumps" from primates to humans. The AIDS virus HTLV-III/LAV is, of course, the most famous such retrovirus which made a species jump.
- 4) On Nov. 22 and 23 at the Brussels, Belgium Conference "On African AIDS," the Warsaw Pact sent a specialized delegation under the direction of V.P. Sergeyev and G.P. Zarubin of the Moscow Ministry of Health. While contributing no scientific information to the conference, the Warsaw Pact team focused on manipulating African delegates into believing that AIDS was a CIA-Pentagon biowarfare agent which the Americans now wanted to blame on Africa.
- 5) Sergei Litvinov himself was stationed in Ghana, Africa from 1973-77, where he coordinated a number of activities including population-reduction programs run out of the University of Ghana Demographic subsection of the Geography Department and the Russian medical facility founded in the late 19th century in Africa.