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# The Soviet role inside Project Democracy

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As of today, April 27, 1987, we know from the sworn testimony of the pilots, and from corroborating facts, that Lt.-Col. Oliver North's "Contra"-support operations were using known drug traffickers to fly weapons to the "Contras," and to transport drugs sold by the "Contras" back into the United States, and were using U.S. military bases as the points of entry for this drug-smuggling operation. The "Contras" were (and presumably still are) a Soviet-linked drug-running operation. These facts were known to the U.S. intelligence services at the time that the National Security Council under John Poindexter was backing shipments of Soviet and other arms, and other forms of aid, to these "Contras."

Known former U.S. operatives involved in this arms trafficking into the United States include Rafael Quintero, John Hull, Octaviano Cesar, Max Gómez (aka Felix Rodríguez) and Barry Seal, according to accounts of the drugs-for-guns smuggling given by the CBS television program West 57th Street and the Long Island newspaper Newsday. Drug traffickers Michael Toliver and George Morales were among those interviewed on camera making the charges by CBS, which reported they would testify before Congress. The U.S. military base used for some of these Contra drug shipments was Homestead Air Force Base near Miami, according to the sworn statement of Michael Toliver, one of the pilots.

According to Toliver's eyewitness account, given to Independent Counsel Lawrence Walsh, Toliver landed a DC-6 containing "25,000 pounds of pot," at the Air Force base in mid-March 1986. A few days earlier he had flown the plane from Miami International Airport with 28,500 pounds of "military supplies" to Aguacate, a "Contra" air base in Honduras. A pilot for Morales appearing on West 57th Street reported: "I took two loads . . . of weapons to John Hull's ranch in Costa Rica and returned back to Florida with approximately 1,000 kilos of cocaine. . . . The cocaine was on the ground when we off-loaded the weapons."

Former Drug Enforcement Agency informant Bradley Ayers said in March that he had told Senate and House investigators of finding cocaine on five planes at the Miami facilities of the North-connected Southern Air Transport during 1985 and early 1986.

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The U.S. citizen, when faced with massive evidence of the links between the Soviet government and Project Democracy, usually reacts, "This doesn't make any sense to me. I thought these guys [Oliver North, Project Democracy, and so forth] were supposed to be anti-Communists." Similarly, when that citizen is faced with evidence that the Justice Department's raids on Leesburg, carried out published Soviet orders, beginning August 1986, for the Justice Department to take exactly such actions, the perplexed citizen asks, "How can I believe that U.S. Attorney William Weld, or Henry Hudson, are carrying out orders from the Soviet government?"

Although William Weld has documented business connections to Soviet intelligence, as well as ultra-left connections back during the 1970s, I have never thought that he or Alexandria U.S. Attorney Henry Hudson were carbon copies of the Justice Department's Neal M. Sher, acting on orders transmitted directly to them by the Soviet government. Rather, the pressure on them to act so, was transmitted through the channels of the same Project Democracy complex caught red-handed in the arms-drugs trafficking with the Contras. This complex includes an apparatus closely associated both with Soviet agent Armand Hammer, and with the circles of the late W. Averell Harriman.

The key to understanding such seemingly perplexing kinds of Soviet influence in our government, like the large number of high British officials who turned out to be Soviet agents, is a single name, the "Anglo-Soviet Trust" of the 1920s, as revived in a new form beginning the second half of the 1950s.

Harriman and Hammer are key personalities bridging the old "Trust" of the 1920s to the new forms of the "Trust" which have grown up since Bertrand Russell's 1955 London meeting with special representatives of Nikita Khrushchov.

This "Trust" connection is the key to "Irangate," and to Oliver North's connections to Soviet intelligence services in shipping weapons to the Cuba-linked Contras. It is also key to Israeli collaboration with North et al. in running both weapons to Iran and to the Contras, and to the way in which Moscow gained access to U.S. military secrets stolen by Israeli spy Jonathan Pollard.

We continue now with the significance of the North operation's involvement in shipping Contra drugs into the U.S.

It is beyond doubt, that President Ronald Reagan was duped by those National Security Council and other subordinates, who concealed the true character of both the "Contras" and "Contra aid" programs from him. Certainly, neither Admiral Poindexter nor Donald T. Regan ever told President Ronald Reagan explicitly: "The Contras are running drugs into the United States on Southern Air Transport's planes."

However, if Admiral Poindexter himself did not know that, it was only because he refused to heed explicit and repeated warnings of the drug-running operations of the Contras. Certainly, the CIA knew this. It is unbelievable that an Oliver North so deeply involved in the details of major arms transfers did not know it. Officials of Southern Air Transport, a firm at the heart of the obstruction of justice case against officials in the United States Department of Justice, absolutely did know it. Fellows like Major-General Jack Singlaub also should have known it.

The officials of the Project Democracy arm of the National Endowment for Democracy knew this, and the Democratic and Republican party officials responsible for the National Endowment for Democracy should have known it.

About ninety percent of the slanders, libels, and legal harassment against me and my friends, since May 1978 to the present time, has come from those elements of the Republican and Democratic parties tied into the present organization of Project Democracy. The chief reason this attack was launched then, was my sponsorship of public exposure of those drug-trafficking operations to which the leadership of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) element of "Irangate," and others, were profitably connected. If they have attacked me so long, and so violently, because I went after the drug-traffickers, we must presume that their motive was to defend what I was exposing, especially since my friends' campaign against drugs was the initial, 1978, and continuing, through 1982, subject of attacks by Project Democracy elements and NBC-TV News.

There is a more recent link between Project Democracy and legal and other attacks on me and my friends, the issue of U.S. anti-drug policies in Central and South America. This involves my fight with certain elements of the U.S. Department of State, including both the U.S. Information Agency of Charles Z. Wick, a confederate of Soviet agent Armand Hammer, and USIA-conduited AIFLD, the flagship arm of Project Democracy on the ground in Central and South America.

Here, in connection with Caribbean drug-running, the Soviet connection to Project Democracy is a naked one.

## Soviet role in drug-trafficking into the U.S.A.

Soviet organization of international narco-terrorism appears to date from a secret speech given by Nikita Khrushchov in 1962. At this time, the height of the apparent Moscow-Beijing conflict, Khrushchov praised Mao Zedong's genius in using China's opium weapon successfully against the United States. China had penetrated the U.S. massively with such opium shipments during the period of the Korea War, and again at the beginning of the 1960s.

The present form of Soviet international narco-terrorism is known to date from approximately 1967, shortly after Yuri Andropov assumed leadership of the Soviet KGB. All of the East bloc states were ordered to participate in this, on the basis of a memorandum issued on the authority of Andropov. East Germany and Bulgaria are the key Warsaw Pact nations engaged in this, with President Hafez al-Assad's Syrian intelligence services the central control point for coordinating international terrorism since 1967. Also, Syria, in addition to being a coordinating point for international distribution of a large portion of the international narcotics trafficking, con-

trols a large supply of production of drugs through its operations in Lebanon's Bekaa valley.

Soviet narco-terrorist operations from the Caribbean into the U.S.A. zoomed under the permissiveness of the Carter-Mondale administration of 1977-1981, and have continued to climb ever since. Although Soviet drug-running assets in Central and South America receive only a small fraction of the drug-payments originating in the United States itself, the Soviet portion is vast in total, and is the chief source of funds used by Soviet intelligence operations in this hemisphere. No significant Soviet terrorist assets in Central or South America would be able to operate at the level they do, without both drug-trafficking revenues, and without also sympathetic wealthy and politically powerful forces, allied to Project Democracy's AIFLD, which hamper anti-terrorist and anti-drug operations of the local governments.

As is merely symptomized by the recent cocaine-dealing arrests of Wall Street brokerage employees, significant portions of the politically potent U.S. financial community are sympathetic to the drug-traffic. Also, the influential Inter-American Dialogue is on public record as supporting the legalization of the drug export-traffic of Central and South America. In Colombia, for example, USIA's Project Democracy arm, AIFLD, supports local officials who are openly politically allied with the same drug-traffickers the U.S. drug-enforcement agencies have sought to extradite for drug-trafficking crimes in the United States.

The Soviets have two purposes in promoting the Caribbean drug-trafficking into the United States. First, like Mao Zedong, they are using drug-trafficking as a way of subverting the United States morally and economically. Already, in 1978, revenues from the international drug traffic had reached the level of \$200 billion annually, the greatest portion of this revenue originating inside the United States. It is probably more than \$500 billion annually today. It is probable that Americans spend more on drugs than they do for national defense. Secondly, the Soviet assets' share of these revenues funds terrorist and political-subversion operations inside the United States, and within the nations of Central and South America.

Soviet drug-operations are a pre-war stage of irregular warfare against the United States, and were consciously designed for this purpose by Mao Zedong, Khrushchov, and Andropov. The object is to undermine our political system and our economy to the degree that we are either unable to resist Soviet imperial aggression in various parts of the world, or simply lack the will to attempt to resist.

Does Project Democracy know this? Certainly, this is very well known at the highest level. None of the major U.S. financial institutions conduiting billions of dollars of hot money annually through cooperation with Swiss bank accounts and Caribbean and other "offshore" banks, could receive such sums year after year, without knowing whence

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those amounts are originating.

During 1985, my friends and I collaborated with a Central American government, in helping to set up a model antinarco-terrorist operation. We did this to assist a friendly government which wished technical assistance, and also to provide the U.S. government with a model of the way in which narco-terrorism could be fought. The operation was most highly successful, and proved its point conclusively. This was the best way for the U.S. government to proceed, in cooperating with Central and South American nations against narco-terrorism. It was very near to being adopted as U.S. policy.

My thesis was this. Since terrorist operations in the Caribbean and adjoining nations depend chiefly upon revenues from drug-trafficking for their logistical support and weapons, if the drug-trafficking is shut down, as we have the means to do this very effectively, the effect of blocking the production, processing, and shipment of drugs will cripple and isolate the terrorists to the point that they disband operations, or are easily mopped up. By assisting these nations in their economic development programs, by means at very little cost to the U.S., we would strengthen the stability of these nations, and thus strengthen their individual and regional security.

This approach was sabotaged by Project Democracy and by the State Department's Elliott Abrams. I have numerous names, dates, and places, showing Project Democracy's direct political collaboration with drug-trafficking interests, and for the purpose of sabotaging the efforts of both U.S. agencies and local governments in the fight against narcoterrorism. This information has been supplied to official, relevant U.S. government agencies, and information to the same effect has been supplied in large quantities by other sources.

This brings us back to the questions: "How is Project Democracy involved in Soviet-directed drug-trafficking into the United States? Is there some financial connection?" A few ABCs of the banking side of drug-money laundering help to explain it: how laundering of OPEC petrodollars was used as a model for laundering billions of drug money through U.S. financial institutions.

Following the formation of OPEC, Swiss banks set up a system of fiduciary accounts. Instead of allowing the funds of OPEC tycoons to be placed in Swiss banks as regular deposits, the shrewd Swiss merely held the money for a while, without including the amounts as deposits for which the banks would be responsible to the OPEC tycoons. The banks accepted a very small percentage, as commissions, for placing the money in these fiduciary accounts with other lenders, such as the New York banks. These special sorts of funds, flowing into New York and other banks through such fiduciary accounts, became known as "petrodollars."

So, today, when OPEC tycoons go to Swiss banks, asking

for return of the money placed in fiduciary accounts, the banks reply, "We don't owe you the money; the New York banks have loaned it to Brazil. You will have to get it from Brazil, if you wish it returned." Actually, the New York banks did not actually loan the money to Brazil; they used it to pay themselves the interest Brazil owed them, and charged this as a new loan to Brazil at inflated, "above LIBOR" interest-rates. Cute, is it not?

Then came the Carter-Mondale administration. Suddenly, there was a flood of hundreds of billions of drug-trafficking dollars on the world market, mainly building up inside the accounts of so-called "offshore," unregulated banks. Some wise guy said, "Let's deregulate U.S. banking, so that we can process this new source of money as easily as we are now processing petrodollars."

The first step toward deregulation, was allowing the drugtraffickers' favorite Far East bank, the HongShang, to operate inside the U.S. This effort was launched in 1978, about the time that the Heritage Foundation and the Anti-Defamation League were co-deployed for operations against my friends and me. After Carter appointed Paul A. Volcker chairman of the Federal Reserve, this deregulation was pushed through. As much as hundreds of billions of dollars annually, from the international narcotics traffic, were now free to flow through U.S. banks and brokerages in much the same way as petrodollars.

These drug-funds, conduited in this way, were politely classed as "Eurodollars," mixed up with other Eurodollar accounts in such a way as to launder the portion otherwise easily traceable to drug-trafficking sources.

In the midst of these operations were the Swiss banking connections of U.S. organized crime's Meyer Lansky, and the Caribbean apparatus which Lansky had built up in Cuba during the long period Lansky owned both Fulgencio Batista and the Communist Party of Cuba. This cut into the U.S. Anti-Defamation League (ADL) through a scam centered around Robert Vesco and the ADL's law firm, Willkie, Farr, and Gallagher. Through a deal with the U.S. government, the ADL's crony, Vesco, was sprung from a Swiss jail, and shipped into the Caribbean, sitting today in Fidel Castro's Cuba, financially in the middle of the Caribbean drug-running into the United States.

The ADL is a Soviet KGB-linked, key component of Project Democracy, with official ties to the U.S. Department of Justice, including the Civil Rights Division and Neil M. Sher's official Soviet conduit in that Department, the OSI. The ADL's links to the Department and the FBI are run chiefly under the covers of the ADL's alleged role in investigating "right-wing organizations," some of which the ADL created and ran through its paid agent Jimmy Rosenberg, and through the ADL's direct links to the KGB and East Germany intelligence arms such as the VVN, in targeting alleged "Nazi war criminals" on the basis of Soviet-forged documents. The

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ADL is a key part of Project Democracy, together with the mother-in-law of the State Department's Elliott Abrams—it is a small world.

The ADL is an integral part of the apparatus of former top Soviet intelligence operative Jay Lovestone, the apparatus which created and controls both the AFL-CIO's international department and AIFLD. Other important aspects of the ADL's connection to the offenses documented in the "Irangate" scandal are summarized in EIR's 341-page Special Report on Project Democracy, the major privately-published

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supplement to the Tower Commission Report. By adding the facts in the *EIR* report to the Tower Commission Report, and the reports on the Pollard case, the general picture is clearer.

#### The new and old 'Trust'

Is Project Democracy's leadership aware, that it is playing the part of a conduit for Soviet influences into the Americas? The answer is a loud "Yes!" There is not the slightest margin for doubting that the complicity is fully conscious.

For example, the key figures at the top of Project Democracy are the circles of former Communist Party U.S.A. leader Jay Lovestone. Lovestone was a high-level Soviet intelligence agent, on the inside of Bukharin's and Stalin's operations against the United States during the 1920s, into the middle of the 1930s. Lovestone and his ex-Livonian cronies from those days, have been very highly placed in U.S. Intelligence since the late 1940s, and have high-ranking positions of influence over U.S. intelligence today. They do not own Project Democracy as a whole, but they are the most highly placed officials in Project Democracy's intelligence apparatus, an apparatus larger than the operations capabilities of the CIA.

Lovestone, operating since the 1930s out of the late David Dubinsky's International Ladies Garment Workers Union (ILGWU), controls the intelligence apparatus of the AFL-CIO, controlling both the industrial department's domestic intelligence capabilities, and the powerful intelligence apparatus deployed by the AFL-CIO's international department. This AFL-CIO component of Lovestone's intelligence empire overlaps the League for Industrial Democracy (LID) of Jeane Kirkpatrick, Michael Novak, et al.

When Project Democracy operates on behalf of Sovietdirected operations in the Western hemisphere, Lovestone's immediate cronies, including the influential Leo Cherne, are fully aware of exactly what they are doing.

During and following the period of the original U.S. branch of the Anglo-Soviet Trust, the U.S. partnership with Moscow operated out of Manhattan's 120 Broadway. Initially, the relationship to Moscow was through Leon Trotsky and Soviet intelligence chief Felix Dzerzhinsky. Later, the relationship shifted to Bukharin, and to Stalin. In the midst of this was the shadowy figure of Vincent Astor and the Astor Trust, the same Astor who created the form of organized crime headed, after the death of Arnold Rothstein, by Rothstein's successor Meyer Lansky. So, the 1920s links between New York financial circles and Soviet Russia, on the one side, and the so-called Mafia which Lansky controlled top-down until his death, on the other, are part of the background to be understood to recognize the way in which Project Democracy's links to the KGB were set up after 1955.

There was a break between the Anglo-American side of the original "Trust" and Stalin during the period of the 1930s Moscow Trials. The breaking-point came in 1938, after the butchery of Bukharin's circles, and 1938 signs of the anti-West deal between Stalin and Hitler. Up to that time, the Bukharinite Communist International Right Opposition, an intelligence apparatus which had worked with both Soviet and U.S. State Department intelligence since the early 1930s, broke with Stalin, and became integrated into U.S. intelligence as "State Department Socialists."

After Stalin's death in 1953, an effort was made to reestablish the "Trust" partnership with Moscow, an effort spearheaded by Bertrand Russell. Russell reached initial agreements with Khrushchov in 1955, agreements consolidated in the context of the second and third Pugwash Conference, the former held in Quebec, the second in Vienna, in 1958.

The agreements made among these circles during the late 1950s, were centered around the introduction of the doctrines of "nuclear deterrence" and prohibition of development of anti-ballistic missile defense systems. These late 1950s agreements were pushed through the U.S. government, step by step, over the period 1962-1972, becoming known as "détente" and "arms control."

The purpose of these arms agreements was to establish what is sometimes called a "bi-polar world." The proposal was, to place the entire world under the rule of agreements

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reached between the two superpowers, plus a special role assigned to the Peoples' Republic of China. The issue of China's role within such a bi-polar arrangement, was the cause of the 1955-1962 rift between Beijing and Moscow. In other words, with the special case of China excepted, the agreement was, that the world was to be divided between the respectively autonomous Eastern and Western divisions of a single world empire, with Moscow ruling the Eastern division, and the Anglo-American Establishments the Western. Both would negotiate agreements on global matters, which both would cooperate to enforce on other nations, but the issue of boundaries between the spheres of influence of the Eastern and Western divisions of the world-empire would be subject to continual "crisis management" negotiations on "regional matters."

The initial agreements of the late 1950s, were supplemented by a new dimension of agreements during the 1960s. Over the 1963-1969 interval, the Eastern and Western partners came to agreement on the promotion of what is often called "neo-malthusianism." The proposals originated with the circles of Bertrand Russell, leading to the establishment of Soviet cooperation in the coordinated founding of the Club of Rome, the Laxenberg, Austria, International Institute for Systems Analysis, and the Moscow KGB section known as the Global Systems Analysis group now under the direction of Ivan Frolov.

Out of this came several shifts in U.S. federal policy during 1966-67. "Population control" was adopted as policy of the U.S. State Department's outlook toward developing nations. The causes of "consumerism" and "environmentalism" were used, under the slogan of "Great Society," to tear down U.S. aerospace research and development, beginning 1967, and to introduce the doctrine of "post-industrial society" to U.S. long-range policy-shaping.

The proposal was Russell's argument since the early 1920s, that the white race faced a strategic danger in the increase of population of darker-skinned races, not only in Africa, Asia, and Ibero-America, but also an alleged "excess" of Mediterranean ethnic stocks, including Arabs, Turks, Greeks, Italians, and Hispanics. "Population control" was to be directed to reduce the world's total population to agreeable, fixed levels, of between one and two billion. Technological progress was to be held back, and industrial development cut drastically in favor of growth of low-paid employment in so-called "service industries."

As part of this, not only was malthusian propaganda used to organize anti-nuclear, anti-technology movements in the West, but the systematic promotion of a rock-drug-sex counterculture was used to undermine traditional, pro-technology, family and individual social values of Western nations. Moscow exploited the promotion of the counterculture within the West, to launch its international narco-terrorism operations.

It is true, that many of the powerful interests which either

sponsored or merely condoned this systematic erosion of Western society are now reconsidering this policy. Many are becoming aware, that Moscow does not intend to honor a bipolar division of the world indefinitely, but merely to exploit the advantage of "détente" and malthusian agreements, to assist Moscow in bringing the entire world under a single imperial power, and to loot the present nations of the Western industrialized and developing sectors in much the same way Moscow loots Poland, East Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania, and Bulgaria today.

This awakening to the imperial danger to the West, from Moscow, has been heightened by the imminence of the worst financial collapse in history. Eighty percent of the financial holdings of the wealthiest organizations of the West are now at the brink of being wiped out of existence by a new financial crash. The Establishments of the West are now in the process of being ripped apart, into bitterly opposing factions, over these issues. A desire for a return to traditional family values, mixed with a fear of becoming helplessly, virtual Soviet slaves, and bankrupt slaves at that, has aroused a growing number of our Establishment as well as the general citizenry to the sense that perhaps we have made a few major blunders in policy over the past twenty-five years, policies we must change very quickly now, if we are to survive.

This is the key to the "Irangate" scandal. The chief elements of the scandal, the support for Khomeini's Iran and the Contra operations, have been continuous over years, in the case of Iran since Carter backed Khomeini's rise to power in 1978. The Reagan administration merely continued policies established under the Carter-Mondale administration. The "Irangate" crisis erupted, not because someone suddenly discovered what had been ongoing for years, but because the policies involved in these dirty operations were no longer to be tolerated. The motivation for blowing the scandals open, right after the November 1986 elections, was "Enough! The country is in danger. This sort of thing can be tolerated no longer."

This produced a sharp clash between the traditional patriots and more practically-minded Establishment factions, on the one side, and the Project Democracy section of the Establishment, on the opposing side. The patriotic faction knows that Project Democracy represents a faction committed to a continuing "deal" with the Soviet Union, and knows that the power of Project Democracy's faction must be broken, or the United States can not be saved from the early threat of Moscow's rapid progress to imperial world-domination.

Since many of the patriotic faction of the Establishment are habituated pragmatists, they do not act by coming forth openly to name the name of the game. The factional struggle over the future of the United States takes the form of behind-the-scenes warfare, with only aspects of this behind-the-scenes fighting coming directly into public view.

It is obvious, from the pattern of stepped up legal and

other harassments since August 1986, that I am personally at the center of this fight.

#### How Moscow directs Project Democracy against me

Beginning April 1983, Moscow officials at the highest level, ordered a campaign to eliminate me from the political scene in any way possible. The immediate issue was the U.S. SDI, which Moscow blamed me for designing. NBC-TV was then negotiating a juicy contract with Moscow, so NBC was chosen to lead a news-media attack on my 1984 Democratic presidential campaign, under the direction of Project Democracy, with the drug-trafficker-linked ADL in the foreground.

Unfortunately, since the Reagan administration was using the ADL both for 1984 election-campaign deals and for its operations in such connections as arming the Contras, the apparatus of government, including Project Democracy elements in the leaderships of both major parties, was used to rig legal problems in my actions against NBC and the ADL, and to pre-rig a major frame-up against me organized through the Boston office of the Department of Justice, planned, by July, to occur immediately after the November elections.

The October 6-7, 1986 raid on Leesburg, was specifically ordered by Moscow, including openly stated specifications for such Justice Department action published in leading Soviet publications during August and September. The most recent operation, to shut down my friends' newspaper, was also directly ordered from Moscow in the same way Moscow ordered the October 6-7 raid.

How does this work? It works in part through Soviet diplomatic channels pressuring the U.S. and other Western governments on the issue of "eliminating LaRouche." This is done through conduits such as Armand Hammer, or as private, off-the-record observations to U.S. diplomats and others. This is backed up by confirming public attacks upon me in the Soviet press, a news-media operation known in intelligence jargon as "signal pieces," published items which show an overt Soviet commitment at the highest level to what is requested privately. The coordination of the action taken, involves the top levels of Project Democracy.

For example, a Soviet agent would never go in the front door of the FBI headquarters, or to U.S. Attorney Henry Hudson, and order "do this and so." Henry Hudson might get his back up in that case.

Rather, highly respected figures, including those associated with prestigious, intelligence-community-linked Washington law firms, move through various channels, moving in on a Hudson, for example, sideways. In effect, they "brainwash" Hudson into believing what they wish him to believe, get him all worked up by pushing on the right psychological buttons, to the point he works out for himself exactly the action desired, at the time Moscow desires it to occur. Hudson knows he is corrupt, of course, in the sense of doing illegal actions out of the malice his manipulators have in-

duced in him; he does not know how he is really controlled, and that as effectively as if he were a programmed zombie. The Project Democracy apparatus arranges the way it is done.

It is Soviet penetration of high levels of our intelligence community, including the CIA, which makes the arrangements on Soviet request.

Naturally, Project Democracy hates my guts, and has tried to "eliminate" me in various ways over the years, especially since my friends successfully defended themselves against Communist goons back in 1973. Certain leading bankers also hate my guts, usually bankers tied to Project Democracy's dirty operations. Let us say that they have their own reasons for not being unenthusiastic about carrying out Moscow's demands.

Moscow made the following explanation of its motives to the highest levels of a certain nation in Europe. "The danger is LaRouche. He is the only political figure in the U.S. who could be a threat to us." For zest, the Soviet diplomat added the scare-theme, "He would be the only President who would push the button." Moscow does not actually believe I intend to push the button. It believes that I am the only 1988 presidential candidate who has the knowledge and will to rebuild the Western economies and defense capabilities up to the level which would prevent Moscow from daring to start World War III, or attempt to grab up Western Europe piecemeal. Moscow wishes me out of the way immediately; Project Democracy, and dupes such as Henry Hudson, are willing to oblige.

That is how things really work.

Does President Reagan understand any of this? I am not certain. I know that Moscow has brought up the "LaRouche question" with the State Department, at the highest levels, repeatedly, and through regular Moscow channels into the U.S. Department of Justice. I would doubt that they would bring up my name explicitly with the President; it is not the way these things are arranged, and is definitely not the way to approach a person as ideological as President Reagan.

Does the President understand Project Democracy? He doesn't like socialists very much, even right-wing ones such as Jeane Kirkpatrick. He knows he has made deals with them, including deals with Lansky's old bunch, and the ADL. I would guess, however, that he doesn't like them personally very much. He knows that he is suffering "Irangate" because of rotten deals he made with Project Democracy, beginning back in 1980; the rest, I think he genuinely does not comprehend.

The President is an amiable, but rather simple man, not long on anything which takes more than two short paragraphs to read through. He is terribly simplistic on economics, as his refusal to recognize the disaster of "Reaganomics" tells us. He is a middle-class populist, who believes that everything has a very simplistic, ideological explanation. The truth is much too complicated for him. That is how Poindexter and others duped him.

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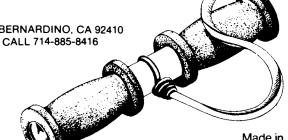
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