Seitz continued, "I know of no precedent, in my long association with the American Physical Society, for the issuance of so seriously flawed a document as this. . . . What we see here is a lowering of the standards of publication in the journals of one of our most respected scientific organizations, in respect to an important defense program that happens to be unpopular with a number of American physicists. . . . In my view, this report is not worthy of serious consideration."

Seitz is chairman of the Science Advisory Committee for the SDI. His remarks were quoted in a commentary in the *Washington Times* June 16 by Maj.-Gen. (ret.) Henry Mohr.

EIR's critique of the APS report was published in our May 29 issue ("'Flat Earth Society' mounts feeble comeback").

Janice Hart rips Illinois AIDS bill

LaRouche Democrats Janice Hart and Susan Johnson held a press conference in Springfield, Illinois on June 16, to announce a lobbying effort for legislation to combat the AIDS crisis. A package of AIDS legislation is now before the state Senate.

Hart won the Democratic primary nomination for secretary of state of Illinois in 1986, unleashing the fury of the liberal Democratic machine around Adlai Stevenson III. Her campaign centered around AIDS, the War on Drugs, and the economic crisis.

One reporter told Mrs. Hart, "I've got to hand it to you people. You were the first to put AIDS on the agenda."

Asked about the bill before the state legislature, Mrs. Hart stated: "Not only is the legislation inadequate, but it must address the economic questions facing this country and the world. If people think the government is committed to saving their lives, they'd better think again. It is becoming apparent to all, that people within the government and the medical profession are covering up the truth about AIDS. The government is only interested in balancing the

books, not saving lives. For this reason, 'country club' Republicans and 'Project Democracy' Democrats are sticking with the condom approach. We are here to meet with these legislators to bring them reality."

Asked what is the most important thing the legislature could do, Hart replied: "Deal with the question that the economy is bankrupt, and if we don't deal with that, the AIDS disease will spread like wildfire. We are in a war against poverty, AIDS, and disease. If you go into battle wearing only a condom, you're going to get killed."

Edwin Wilson claims Irangate coverup

Former CIA agent Edwin Wilson, who has been in jail since 1982 for smuggling arms to Libya, said in a TV interview on CNN June 17 that congressional Irangate investigations have so far failed to uncover the full story behind the scandal. The key to the Iran-Contra deals, he said, lies with forcing full testimony from former State Department consultant Michael Ledeen and Associate Attorney General Mark Richard.

Ledeen is a kingpin of the Israeli Mossad's Irangate apparatus. Richard is an operative of Project Democracy's parallel government within the Justice Department.

Wilson said they are the "two men who know the full story." He announced that he is filing a RICO suit against four Irangate principals, Theodore Shackley, Richard Secord, Albert Hakim, and Thomas Clines.

According to Wilson, the Irangate coverup stems from efforts to limit the investigation to the period from 1985 to the present, whereas the weapons-to-Iran apparatus (in which Wilson himself was a participant) was actually established in 1978. It centered on the formation of the Eatsco company, a CIA proprietary involved in shipping arms to Iran.

According to a report in the *New York Times* June 18, "Wilson's ring formed much of the structure for the private foreign policy selling weapons to Iran and providing money to the Contras that was run by Oliver North."

Briefly

- ELLIOTT ABRAMS met with Gabriel Lewis Galindo, the leader of the effort to destabilize the government of Panama, in mid-June. No details were released, but Lewis Galindo was in the United States to seek support for ousting Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega, chief of the Panamanian Defense Forces.
- JESSE JACKSON called for the resignation of the State Department's Elliott Abrams, in a press conference in New Hampshire. "I believe he should be removed, but Abrams was simply the mailman for others," Jackson said, in response to a question from a journalist.
- ◆ ARMAND HAMMER, who was to accept a National Medal for the Arts award at the White House, slipped in his bathtub and fractured a rib on June 18. He was confined to bed and was unable to pick up his award in person. Commenting on the award, Hammer said, "I'm just back from Moscow, where I got an award from Physicians to Prevent Nuclear War, the Nobel prize winners, and then I was in Budapest, where I received another award. . . . This one that the President has honored me with is the one that I prize most highly."
- U.S. ATTORNEY Robert Barr announced on June 17 that there was insufficient evidence to indict Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young for obstructing a police investigation of drug-use allegations, laid by Mrs. Alice Bond against Julian Bond, Young, and other black Atlanta politicians. The drug charges will be pursued, however, Barr said.

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islation requiring economic sanctions against South Korea. At a news conference with Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-Md.),

Reagan administration "tilts toward the Chun Doo Hwan regime" and "has shown contempt for the struggle for democracy."

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