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Lyndon H. LaRouche: a clearly uncomfortable presidential candidate

We are pleased to publish the following commentary by Dr. at-Law F. Guenther, of Losone, Ticino, Switzerland.

If I may, as a "consumer of background intelligence," interfere in the controversies that concern Lyndon H. LaRouche, and thereby perhaps make myself unwelcome here and there, I do it based on two considerations:

- 1) Who will be the successor of Ronald Reagan as President of the United States cannot be a matter of indifference to us, in the (still) free Western world—whether it will be a strong personality with a clear program, or a weakling, a Fabius Cunctator in the style of Jimmy Carter.
- 2) As a Christian, I feel bound to uphold the postulate of Justice, and therefore to take part in the fight against disinformation and slander—even if I receive from various quarters the (certainly well-meaning) monotone advice: "Hands off!"

As a subscriber to various private background intelligence sources, I have been able for more than one year to draw comparisons with the "EIR Strategic Alert Service" and the private intelligence agency Executive Intelligence Review, based in Wiesbaden, West Germany. It was not rarely the case—at least in retrospect—that I could ascertain [in other sources] an identity of content with the EIR's published at an earlier date.

Many months before the "Black Monday" of last October, Lyndon LaRouche had analyzed it as being inevitable if Ronald Reagan did not change his mistaken financial policy.

After I was able to conduct a personal discussion with Lyndon H. LaRouche, at his invitation, near Frankfurt, a conversation which gave me the opportunity to ask all possible questions without being asked anything myself, I feel justified to form my own judgment of this man, and I feel morally compelled to speak out about it. The impression I acquired of Lyndon H. LaRouche is that of a highly educated, far-sighted man. Additionally, I am in regular touch with Laurent Murawiec of *EIR*, a courteous, educated Frenchman of Polish origin.

In my knowledge, in spite of heavy accusations, no legally binding judgment has been issued against LaRouche.

To the contrary, in October 1986, parts of his organization have been assaulted by armed police in the U.S.A., and some closed down under the charges of alleged "obstruction of justice" and alleged "credit card misuse." Fines in the millions were slapped upon them without judgment. Against this piratical, anti-constitutional action, LaRouche is defending himself in a trial that started in September 1987 in Boston, which has had to be interrupted when it was revealed that the crown witness, Roy Frankhauser, could be proved to have brought LaRouche in touch with the CIA in 1983. How embarrassing!

Why is it, now, that LaRouche is considered by the KGB as enemy number one?

- 1) SDI: Since 1977, he has worked in a scientific capacity on this anti-nuclear missile defense shield, and is seen by the Kremlin as responsible for Ronald Reagan's adoption of SDI in his speech of March 23, 1983.
- 2) LaRouche is an ardent supporter of America's loyalty to NATO.
- 3) He is a vehement opponent of the INF Treaty, to be signed on the anniversary of Pearl Harbor by Reagan and Gorbachov. He calls this treaty a "New Yalta."
- 4) He is a convinced opponent of the counterproductive sanctions applied worldwide against South Africa.

Concerning this, LaRouche writes:

The Soviet motives for having me eliminated physically as soon as possible are obvious. They see my influence growing rather rapidly and know that were I to become President or to exert a strong influence on the President, their strategic game is ended. They would be forced to pull back from their present aggression and to accept the continued existence of a strong and economically healthy Western civilization for a long time to come.

From the U.S. side the threat to my friends and me is naturally somewhat different: to secure what it thinks are favorable terms for a "summit," the Reagan administration or any other must nail my hide to the barn-door as a price paid to Moscow as a part of the deal.

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The imputation of LaRouche being a disguised KGB agent must therefore be characterized as an absurdity. Should it be attempted, however, to call to the witness stand (besides the scandal-mongering magazine Der Spiegel), right-wing Social Democrat Roy Godson or the Heritage Foundation, their shady role in the Irangate scandal will have to be pointed to. LaRouche has always warned that, supported by Reagan's unfortunate government directive (Executive Order 12333), there also exists besides the constitutional administration, an apparatus, a secret parallel government, which deals in matters the President never comes to know of. Reagan's only honest and accountable collaborator, Caspar Weinberger, has left the stage in protest against the Reagan-Gorbachov accord on the removal of the medium-range missiles from Europe. It is clear that such uncomfortable people as Lyndon LaRouche who are aware of the deeper connections at play must be taken care of, minimally by character assassination. Hence the fact that in a U.S. slander trial, it is not incumbent upon the slanderer to bring proof, but upon the one slandered, who is compelled to prove his innocence! That is why so many libel suits in tthe U.S.A. can go on forever without conclusion.

In this context, it might be worth raising this question: How come, really, defecting Soviet citizens, including even former KGB officers, who babble abroad with full impunity, straight out of the Soviet "kitchen," could not be suspected of being themselves KGB agents in disguise?

A report by the international Commission to Investigate Human Rights Violations is perhaps of special interest. It includes a "Petition to the President of the United States" which lists in detail the anti-constitutional encroachments of police against LaRouche's organization. The Fact-Finding Committee includes more than 20 American personalities professors, judges, attorneys, generals, vice-admirals, etc. That John Weber of Hebrew Union College also is a member suffices to dispel any idea that LaRouche's organization could have anything to do with anti-Semitism. Among the European members of the Commission: Brig. Gen. (ret.) Prof. F.-A. von der Heydte and Vice Adm. K.-A. Zenker, former Chief of Staff of the German Navv.

Part IV of this report lists the various slanders printed in the Soviet press against LaRouche from 1983 through 1987. This includes the Soviet magazine New Times which appears in nine languages and millions of copies. In its issue of Oct. 19, 1984, the well-known and often-quoted Soviet functionary Vadim Zagladin wrote: "Designs of the Doomed. Here is a report from the United States. An organization calling itself the Schiller Institute (founded by Helga Zepp-LaRouche) was set up here in August. The list of sponsors includes organizations of the U.S. extreme right like the American Conservative Union and the Heritage Foundation, and also notorious West German reactionaries. . . . The choice of name suggests the noblest intentions but the Institute's neo-Nazi revanchist program shows that it was an act of sacrilege toward the memory of the great humanist. . . . The institute's purpose is to reestablish the Western alliance on a new positive basis, 'that of a healthy world order' (doesn't this recall Hitler's New Order?)"

The Sept. 15, 1986 issue of New Times even charges LaRouche with being guilty of the assassination of Olof Palme. . . .

Many such examples from the Soviet "kitchen" could be cited.

From the above, it can be adduced that LaRouche is being slandered from two sides: On the one hand, the Soviets call him a "neo-Nazi" and on the other hand, some Americans and Europeans call him a "KGB agent in disguise."

That he is neither the one nor the other can be proven on the basis of facts, and on the basis of the names and publications which can be read anytime.

In my view, Lyndon H. LaRouche is an intrepid fighter for the U.S.A. as the world's leading economic and military power. As he does not shy away from exposing the evils that exist in his country, he naturally makes many enemies. The Irangate scandal (Ollie North, Poindexter, the late Casey), the drug trade, and dirty money laundering offer indeed a rich material!

We hope that, in spite of all slanders, Lyndon LaRouche, in whatever position he may be, will be able to bring about the realization of his clear conception of a strong America, in the interests of the (still) free Western world!

