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LaRouche movement must rebuild U.S. institutions, for the benefit of all

This speech was given by Mr. Mitchell, a state senator from South Carolina, to a conference of the Schiller Institute in Berlin on Nov. 22.

I bring you greetings from the good and decent people of the United States of America. There are, by the way, more of them, than of the not so good and indecent! Allow me to thank the Schiller Institute and Mrs. Helga Zepp-LaRouche for extending this invitation to us. I hope that we will be able to continue to work with this fine institute, as we go about the business of taking back our world, for decent people and children to live in. To those who feel that the U.S.A. is a place brimming with milk and honey, and streets paved with gold, I am here to to say that there is nothing rivaling truth. While the U.S. is a great nation still, it is far from the paradise many think of now as the great land of opportunity, under today's leadership of George Bush. Homelessness, hunger, malnutrition, unemployment, infant mortality, greed, arrogance, and the abuse of power are rampant.

I am proud of my American citizenship, yet remorseful in knowing the nation isn't what it should be, and with God's help, will be—because some of us view America as being indispensable to a fair and just "new world order." It is indeed shameful to those of us who have knowledge of existing conditions, as well as circumstances of affirmative neglect of both [America's] people, and its neighbors in foreign states. Especially its minorities and Third World nations.

Today, there is great anxiety about the direction of this country—race relations, and especially the economy. Unfortunately, too many Americans believe that all of our economic problems are the result of preferential programs for blacks. The real problem is that the economy is not growing there, and hardly elsewhere.

It has become increasingly and abundantly clear, that the economic pain now experienced by millions is diabolically manipulated by the factor of race and exacerbated by an unfair system of taxation, a dangerously low saving rate, and a loss of industrial competitiveness, among other factors, all contributing to an overall diminution in the standard of living. New on the American scene is a neo-Nazi and former Grand Wizard of the KKK, from the state of Louisiana. He identified with the party of President George Bush, the Republican Party. He minces no words, and exploits media

attention, driving home the rhetoric of racial and disadvantaged intolerance, exploiting racial fear and prejudices, which doors were opened by President Bush, by his chance words in the last election. . . . I mean words such as welfare, affirmative action, crime in the streets, illegitimacy, and others. Having won over 55% of the white votes for governor of Louisiana, this neo-Nazi has now turned his sights towards the presidency of the U.S.A., justly claiming dissatisfaction with the administration of George Bush, his mentor, as do many of us. But we do not, nor will we, exploit the issue of race, ethnic, and class intolerance.

Also entering the political arena, is news commentator Patrick Buchanan, a right-wing conservative Republican, who is challenging Bush for the Republican nomination because of his belief that Bush has been overly passive to economic ruination and timid with an economic plan. The "Reagan Revolution," which preceded Bush, was brought about largely due to the cowardice and timidity of the Democratic Party, resulting in a decade of stagflation and disaster in the nation's economy, and causing the moral bankruptcy of the nation's leadership. The administration of George Bush, as [that of] Reagan, has made no secret of its pro-rich, racist, anti-poor, anti-labor philosophy and policies, both resulting in over \$2 trillion in red ink that our children and grandchildren will inherit, while participating in the savings and loans and BCCI scandals.

LaRouche's 'legendary' foresight

Long ago, Lyndon LaRouche had the audacity to tell the nation and the world that Reaganomics was fatally flawed and destined to fail, and would drag the world's economy down. Failures which he correctly prophesied would exact a painful toll on poor and working people, the fragile middle class, and ultimately, the entire nation, and the world. LaRouche's foresight is legendary, with his insight and vision yesterday of today's problems on course. It was Lyndon, in the early 1980s, who predicted that AIDS would become the global menace it is today, fostered by the IMF's policies, and heavily weighted against the development of Third World nations, and subtly implementing the malthusian principles of genocide against Third World people.

Today's intolerance for the world's people by the Bush administration can only be worsened by the callousness and

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indifference of powerful people. The increasingly spineless political institutions must be given a ray of hope, if America is to survive with any degree of dignity, integrity, and honor. This ray of hope is the Lyndon LaRouche principles for economic revival. He is a visionary with dreams for his nation, his world, co-existing with people who are above all tolerant of each other and respect the rights given by God to all men.

Who would have envisioned the world being more of a neighborhood today, than last year? No wall separating the great German people, less nuclear-tipped missiles confronting the peoples of the East and West from hostile frontiers. But for the world to be at peace, it must be in a reasonable balance, politically and economically. Free trade and overburdening the Third World nations with debt, minus infrastructure development, have contributed nothing but chaos, confusion, and death. The economic revival of the U.S. must be done in a global context, for the world is a true neighborhood for the first time. An extraordinary methodology is needed to cope with this "new world order."

Anyone who leads the U.S. into the 21st century must be able to project, predict, and predicate policies manifesting fairness and humaneness. Only one person has a policy which makes sense: Lyndon LaRouche. We must, among other things, forgive Third World debt, extend credit, and develop infrastructure; also, establish in America a new National Bank, to implement policies, lend money, to help and not hobble developing new nations; we must abolish the IMF.

Neither of the two major parties, Democratic or Republican, has an economic plan. Neither has a candidate who has any remote idea of how to clean up the Republican economic mess. LaRouche does.

We must be allowed to espouse his idea of global recovery. In his absence, then we must advance it for him. This movement must be more serious now than at any other time. These are fertile moments. We must be in the vanguard of advocacy for those who are left out and locked out of the political process, all over the globe. We must breathe life into worthy old institutions, and revive and reform them when and wherever possible, and abolish those such as the IMF. We must challenge the Establishment and a system which cripples and destroys people and makes political prisoners, like Lyndon. We must be active at whatever level we can, until the movement shapes the "new world order" to fit the needs of most of the world's people, giving them hope, a sense of purpose, a reason for living. We must shape policy affecting both the political and economic future as well as the social development of both the established and emerging nations. We must vie for leadership roles and positions in the wake of the tragedies of greedy, evil, and vile men. We must cultivate an attitude of tolerance for our fellow men, no matter who or where. We must protect the environment from those who would exploit and destroy it for profit and greed. We must elect leadership with global perspective.



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In 1992, the U.S. presidency is attracting an array of hopefuls, ranging from traditional politicians to Nazis and news columnists—none seemingly having any idea of how to help the nation recover economically. This also includes the Democratic contenders. If such a lackluster crowd can vie for this office with no program, then certainly Lyndon can and should. He must be allowed the forum to present his plan. If the media can make a KKKer, a neo-Nazi a national personality, then it can make a sensible economic plan a national priority, which puts people back to work, imposes fair taxes, and develops a meaningful global plan for trade.

'Bring us back together'

During the Vietnam War, when the nation was bitterly divided, a presidential parade was held, during which a little girl held up a sign reading, "Bring us back together again." The President of that time was moved by this, and made comments on that sign, and pledged to work toward that objective, which has yet to be achieved.

While we, who are informed people, know about the special interests in the world, we also recognize that until and unless we solve some basic problems now existing, such as enhancing the quality of life of more people, we in America will never come back together again. The U.S. Democratic Party, once a progressive force which moved beyond the sterile confines and constraints of today's America, must again emerge with bold and imaginative leadership to fight for social, political, and economic transformation. It is imperative that this be done, for it is a strategic imperative at this critical moment in history. As a movement begun by Lyndon LaRouche, we must not rest until the world has been reclaimed by the decent people, so that peace and prosperity will again be in place as we begin the new millennium, in using our Earth as it was meant by Him to be used, for the good of all His children.