EIR: Let me read for you a quote from an interview with Lyndon LaRouche yesterday. "We should say clearly what is the truth, that Vance and Owen, and Lord Carrington before, are worse criminals than Neville Chamberlain and Edouard Daladier at Munich in 1938. We should treat them with contempt. The U.S. government and the Europeans should simply say that whatever Boutros-Ghali and his crew think they are doing in setting up a U.N. world empire, we are not going to tolerate it."

Veledar Campara: I agreed completely. Actually, we must say that Warren Christopher took the opposite position. I have been saying for quite some time that when many countries realize what the U.N. is all about, they are going to pull out.

I want just to remind you about the expulsion of the Palestinians lately and how the U.N. dealt with it. But more in general, what have they done with the Palestinians? They have created terrorists out of them. Their lands were taken. The U.N. was supposed to protect them and go after these people who occupied their lands. But they did not do anything. This reminds me closely of the case of Bosnia. They want to create terrorists out of us. We are already like the Palestinians—we have no place to go back to, no home, no homeland. Actually, they came out with the story that the Palestinians are all terrorists because they fight for their land. You see? And that's what they are doing to us. So why does the U.N. exist? What did they do with Iraq, with Kuwait? Tell me that the situation couldn't be solved in a peaceful way. But they didn't even try. Yes, these people are worse than Chamberlain. I agree completely with Lyndon LaRouche.

Corkovic: I also cannot but agree completely with Mr. LaRouche, especially considering that before World War II there was no television, no possibility of press reporting like now. After the Nuremberg trial, these western powers solemnly stated: never again. And at the first opportunity they had, when the genocide was reported in detail on the TV screens and they had all the evidence and proof, what did they do? They behaved worse than Chamberlain. Yes, these people are worse than him. And let me say that the position of Warren Christopher is the continuation of the same thing. Veledar Campara: I did not really expect something. During the presidential campaign, we thought that what Clinton was promising was propaganda to get more votes, but still we had some hope that maybe he would do something. And now we must say that either he was a liar all along or he did not really understand the situation in Bosnia, he had no preparation. You must understand how people feel now, after the illusion of any help from the United States has been crushed again. But at the same time, this makes things clear, and we must have an alternative. We cannot be stuck with an illusion. Our government needs a lot of help, we are going

Corkovic: Although we feel bad about the position taken by Christopher, we are not surprised. We will try our best, to do what we think is right.

Interview: Dr. Ibrahim Rugova

Serbian war machine is threat to Europe

The following is part of an exclusive interview given to Raynald Rouleau of Nouvelle Solidarité, by the President of Kosova, Dr. Ibrahim Rugova. The interview was conducted in French on Feb. 16 at the Capitol Building in Washington, D.C. It has been translated and made available to EIR.

Q: In view of the inaction of the western countries like France, the United States, Canada, Germany, etc., in the face of this genocide by the Serbs, what would be the world impact if dictator Slobodan Milosevic decided to do to Kosova what his regime did to Bosnia?

Rugova: If they decide to attack Kosova, to open an armed front in Kosova, the impact would be much greater, because we are a little country with a great density of population, without any protection. We do not have any local police or defense forces, no self-defense. On the other hand, the Serbs already have a large number of troops stationed in Kosova. If something like that happens, it would be much more of a catastrophe than Bosnia or Croatia. Meanwhile, we have this continuing daily repression; weapons searches, arrests of [ethnic] Albanians, repression, imprisonment, etc.

Q: Why do you think that the western countries haven't done anything significant to stop this genocide in the Balkans? Are we reliving the era of Neville Chamberlain?

Rugova: There are many factors. Among other things, ex-Yugoslavia is a country that wasn't known. It was seen as one of the eastern European countries, but more moderate. Europe has learned slowly what was happening, what the problems were there in this ex-country. . . . The European Community, the United States, the international community must stop this war machine. Because if it continues, it will also destabilize Europe.

Q: This leads to my last question. Do you think that the present situation could lead to World War III?

Rugova: If this Serbian war machine continues, this National Communist [machine], it will also destabilize Russia. Because the opposition forces, hidden beneath the surface in Russia, will feed themselves with this Serbian nationalism and one day, do crazy things to the [former] Soviet Union.