Interview: Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.

Clinton must give up 'Slick Willie' image and become President Clinton

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EIR: You mentioned that President Clinton's plan for the Balkans is somewhat different than Lord Owen's plan. This news service has been involved in many, many different interviews with Croatian and Bosnian patriots who have claimed and asserted that James Baker III [as Bush's secretary of state] and Lord Owen are responsible for the conflict currently taking place in the Balkans. How does Mr. Clinton's current policy of airdrops conflict with Lord Owen?

LaRouche: Let me say something very plainly about President Clinton. President Clinton has got to look at himself in a mirror some day very soon, if he wants to become successful as a President. He has to say, "Willie, you've been 'Slick Willie' too long. You're now President. You are not the governor of Arkansas any more. You've got to become President Clinton, not 'Slick Willie' from Arkansas."

Often President Clinton—as Governor Clinton and as President to date—seems to have more of a political weathervane functioning up there on top of his head, than a conscience. That is, he goes with the political winds and considers that the smart thing to do politically, and well, if you are in power, and you have the power, then you have the power to do some good.

But the problem is that the political weathervane says, to get power and keep power, you just don't get around to doing good or doing it for very long. Bill is going to have to look at himself in that way and say, "It is a tough way to go, Bill, but if you want to do something good for this country or the world, you are going to have to stop being 'Slick Willie.' And you are going to have to take good, firm positions—

moral positions—on the basis of conscience, and stick to them."

Bill Clinton had a moral, shall we say, impulse toward the Balkans situation. At least that is what he put forward. Then, under pressure from Britain and New York financial circles and others, he backed down and he supported the Owen-Vance plan critically—not fully, but critically. In order to retain some semblance of a conscience-guided idea to assist the Bosnian victims of this Serbian fascist aggression, he decided on this airdrop business. He was going to give an armed escort and he was told he couldn't do that, so he didn't do that. It is an unarmed escort.

So there you see an impulse in the right direction—a humanitarian impulse, which is commendable in itself—but it is so diluted and so ineffective that it does not really address the situation. Therefore, while it might do some good for some desperately hungry Bosnian here or there in East Bosnia, in the long run it will not solve, or contribute to solving the fundamental problem which has to be addressed.

EIR: We are seeing a new type of warfare, perhaps. Maybe it is not new, maybe it is old: this "ethnic cleansing" approach of the Serbians. You have received journalists from Croatia, and they have given you reports on this. How do you characterize this form of warfare?

LaRouche: This is an extension of what [former Secretary of Defense Robert | McNamara and Kissinger and similar people did in Vietnam. This is an extension of what Oliver North, the Marine, and his sidekick, Donny Moore, of "Kidnappers, Inc.," did in Vietnam. In Operation Phoenix, people went in and cleaned out villages. I know some of the people who did it. I am not talking about news reports. I knew Adm. Payton Magruder, now deceased, who was working under [then-CIA director] Bill Colby to get a 1,000-a-day body count, under Phoenix. And Magruder, who was a naval officer from a distinguished family of service to the United States over many generations, became a drunk, and died as a result of drunkenness and alcoholism brought on largely by this experience, this disgust every day, with this body count. I have known other people who were involved in this body count business, who were in the Special Forces and things like that; officers who were stuck with this thing.

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At a later stage, they had the kind of operation which Donny Moore as a U.S. Special Marshal and [Loudoun County, Virginia] deputy sheriff planned to do to me in 1986, which is called a spike team operation. Go into a village, pinpoint some targets, people who are influential in that village, and sneak up one night and kill them. Or drag them off and torture them to death—for pleasure as well as for political effect. That is the kind of mentality.

You have people like [the leader of the Serbian irregular forces in Bosnia] Radovan Karadzic, who is notorious there, a bunch of psychiatrists, who were originally based around Croatia, who are part of the old Yugoslav Federal Army, guerrilla warfare/psychological warfare division and counterintelligence section. These people were trained by the Tavistock Institute, they were trained by the friends of Hannah Arendt, people like Martin Heidegger, her lover, and they simply came up with this kind of terror. . . .

EIR: You brought up the similarities between the Serbian policy of ethnic cleansing and Operation Phoenix. Can you please develop that a little bit more?

LaRouche: I said something, and I had better clarify it, so that some listener does not think that I might be exaggerating, or off the wall or something.

On Oct. 6-7, 1986, the U.S. government, under pressure from Moscow to commit itself to my imprisonment, launched a 400-plus man armed raid against my associates in Leesburg, Virginia.

Under the cover of that raid, according to his own bragging and corroborating information, Don Moore, who had been a U.S. Special Marshal in operations against me, and who was still, and who was also a deputy sheriff in Loudoun County, was part of the team which was committed to killing me, assassinating me under that cover.

Recently, there were tapes from the summer of 1992, in which Don Moore was bragging (unwittingly, however), into FBI tape recordings. And Don Moore bragged about what he was going to do to me [on Oct. 6-7, 1986]. He was coming in with a small team, a spike team, as he described it, to take out the guards around the place where I was located, and to move in and to personally put a couple of slugs into me—to kill me. [The tapes LaRouche is referring to were made by an FBI informant, after Moore solicited the informant to become part of a team to kidnap and "deprogram" a LaRouche associate, Lewis du Pont Smith. The full story of "Kidnappers, Inc." is told, in the kidnappers' own words, in the forthcoming EIR book Travesty: A True Crime Story.—ed.]

From the paperwork we have from the past couple of years' discovery, we know that the government had to talk the sheriff's department and Mary Sue Terry, who was then Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Virginia, out of doing this operation. But Moore and company were determined to go ahead with it anyway, under some pretext. There



Robert Strange McNamara, a sponsor of the genocidal Operation Phoenix: photographed in 1985 when his public obsession was to sabotage Lyndon LaRouche's Strategic Defense Initiative.

were some people on the federal side, who were also obviously involved in that.

Moore was operating, all this time, as an enemy of mine, as a friend of his buddy, Ollie North, and Ollie North says he was part of the operations against me because of our exposure of his dope running, his drug running, into the United States, through a special operation which was centered in Room 2C840 in the Pentagon and down in the Kennedy Center at Fort Bragg. So this operation was continued. It's an example of this kind of terrorist operation.

Now back to the Yugoslav situation. The reason for this rape operation against the Islamic population, the women and children—little boys, too—of Bosnia by Karadzic, a psychiatrist, and his killers, is that in that particular culture, if a woman is raped, she is disowned by her family. This perverted Freudian psychiatrist, Karadzic, trained by the friends of Hannah Arendt and by people in the United States, this swine, has used this operation to demoralize and discredit the families of the population of Bosnia. Cutting off the heads of children—babies—in front of their mothers, then raping the mother. This is typical, which many eyewitnesses, including official eyewitnesses, official agencies, or NGOs on the scene have recorded.

This is a hideous operation. But this is the *ultimate continuation* of what we did in Vietnam, and a continuation of the kind of terrorism which was done with NATO consent and then conveniently blamed on the Soviets, in every case, back in the 1970s and early 1980s.