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ADL incites violence against foes

Australian associates of the Anti-Defamation League are going all-out to keep LaRouche's ideas from spreading.

L he first major international conference in Australia sponsored jointly by the co-thinker group in Australia of U.S. statesman Lyndon LaRouche, the Citizens Electoral Councils (CEC), and EIR, has brought out into the open a violence-prone crowd seeking to shut the conference down, and exposed this group's connections to the Zionist lobby and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith (ADL). In light of the potential threat to the conference, civil rights leaders and others from around the world have been contacting Australian government officials to demand that a safe conference be guaranteed.

The conference, which will be held in Melbourne on May 28-29, is entitled "The Reconstruction of Sovereign Nation-States, Post-International Monetary Fund." Participating is a distinguished international panel, including leaders from Mexico, the U.S. civil rights movement, the German-based international organization "Civil Rights Movement Solidarity," and the CEC.

One of the first clues that the network of World Jewish Congress cochairman Isi Leibler was targeting the conference was reflected in the May 21 issue of the Australian Jewish News, under the title "Right-Wing Surge Causes Concern." It featured a picture of the Brisbane synagogue painted with a swastika and the words "Jew Scum" and "Holohoax," implying that the CEC and LaRouche were responsible. Dr. Paul Gardner, head of the Anti-Defamation Commission of B'nai B'rith (ADC), the ADL's equivalent in Australia, was

cited expressing concern at the "explosion" of "right-wing activity" in Australia in recent months.

Shortly thereafter, posters began appearing on Melbourne university campuses attacking the conference and threatening violent demonstrations to shut it down. The posters feature bold headlines such as "Who Are These Nazis?" and sentences such as "They believe Jewish people push drugs, run crime, and rule the world" and "They believe gay men should be bashed to death with baseball bats," clearly designed to incite violence.

A meeting to plan the demonstrations held on May 24 was chaired by Melbourne "journalist" David Greason, and attended by leaders of the violence-prone International Socialist Organization (ISO), gay rights activists, LaTrobe University students, and Peter Holding, an official of the Australasian Meat Industry Employees Union, which is dominated by the major power in the Australian meat industry, the Smorgon family.

Peter Holding had earlier been the point-man for the distribution of a five-page attack on the CEC that was circulated to every union in the state of Victoria. Holding read out to 100 delegates of the trade union movement a week before the conference a statement that said that his purpose was to "warn . . . against a growing extreme right-wing movement in Australia which is to hold a major conference in Melbourne." He claimed that the CEC was a "dangerous and very well resourced movement."

Holding's slander starts to collapse, however, with his admission

that "a number of us in this council chamber, including myself, would also be critical of many of the policies of the IMF [International Monetary Fund], the uncritical application of flat-earth free trade policies, and many of the activities of the multinational corporations." He demanded that union delegates stay away from LaRouche, "the most successful extremist movement in recent American history."

What is particularly vile about the "Nazi" slanders being thrown at the CEC, is that it was Greason who in the early 1980s founded the neo-Nazi National Action party. Investigations have shown that it is this National Action party which is, in fact, responsible for the recent Brisbane synagogue desecrations. There are some indications that Greason, who moves from the political "right" to the "left" with amazing agility and now calls himself a "socialist," may be an agent provocateur for the Australian Security Intelligence Organization.

What is certain is that Greason is a paid agent of World Jewish Congress co-chairman and Melbourne businessman Isi Leibler. Greason authored a 17-page diatribe against the CEC and LaRouche as "neo-Nazi" and "anti-Semitic" as the lead article for the November 1992 issue of Without Prejudice, the publication of the Australian Institute of Jewish Affairs. The AIJA is chaired by Leibler and has on its board the ADC's Dr. Paul Gardner and David Smorgon of the Smorgon family. Leibler personally started the most recent round of inflammatory remarks with his slanderous statement to the Australian Jewish News of November 27, 1992 that "LaRouche and his followers seem to be in step with the ugly recrudescence of the right-wing extremist neo-Nazism which has recently manifested itself in Germany."