

Academy of the 100 elects Hecht, Tarpley

Dr. Wolter Manusajian, president of the Moscow-based Universal Ecological Academy, reports that at its Autumn 1995 General Assembly held on Sept. 28, Americans Laurence Hecht (right) and Webster Tarpley (left) were elected as expert consultants of the academy. Both are associates of the American economist and statesman Lyndon LaRouche, a full member of the Universal Ecological Academy. The organization is also known as the "Academy of the 100."

The 32 members present at the General Assembly voted unanimously to accord "expert" status to Hecht and Tarpley, after hearing a report from Dr. Manusajian that covered their scientific work, as well as

Hecht's incarceration as a political prisoner in the state of Virginia.

A certificate issued after the meeting and signed by Manusajian and Academy of the 100 Secretary Boris Rastorguyev, reads: "This diploma is issued to Larry Hecht (U.S.A.), certifying his election, at the assembly of the Eurasian Section of the Universal Ecological Academy, as an expert consultant on questions of the ecology of science-intensive technologies in the area of the structure of matter, as recorded in the Minutes of this session of the General Assembly." Tarpley was designated an expert consultant on questions of "the ecology of science-intensive technologies in the area of politics."



Hecht is one of five LaRouche associates serving outrageous prison sentences in Virginia on bogus "securities violations" charges (his sentence is 33 years). An associate editor of 21st Century Science & Technology magazine, he is the author of numerous articles on geometry and physical science. His most recent contribution to EIR was "Theory of Ice Ages, Not 'Global Warming,' Predicts Melting of Antarctic Ice Shelf' (May 19, 1995).

Tarpley's writings on history and cultural warfare are a regular feature of *EIR*. A recent example is "Britain's Pacific Plot Against the United States, and War Plan Red" (May 12, 1995).

additional borrowing capacity to make up the difference.

Currently, there are \$258 million in high-interest notes due in 2022 and 2026, held by a consortium of 10 institutional investors led by operations of three giant insurance companies, all with links to the British financial interests: Prudential, CIGNA, and John Hancock.

As well, additional monies were borrowed, also at high interest rates, from a consortium of banks, led by the North American branch of the City of London's Barclays Bank; this group also handed Magalen Bryant a \$40 million revolving line of credit for the project. This latter credit facility will come in handy to prevent a possible default, or worse, if motorists decide that it isn't worth it to pay the exorbitant tolls.

Should the project not default on its notes, and after all the loot has been extracted from the project, the Greenway would turn the road over to the state, for a nominal charge, in about 40 years. With the Gingrich-Gramm crowd in control of Congress, and privatization fanatics, such as Gov. George Allen, in various state governor's mansions, the privateers are expecting additional help in their looting efforts. Recently, the Greenway crowd made an proposal to take over operation of a state-operated toll road, which currently operates at a profit. Not surprisingly, the Allen administration looks favorably upon this proposal.

Meanwhile, the Greenway people and their backers appear to be having trouble selling the road to local motorists. Following a brief "free ride" period, initial usage is well below what had been projected. If the trend continues, the private road could go bust. And although no one is talking about it, especially state officials, the state would have to come in and take the Greenway over. Whether they would be so stupid as to repeat the debacle of the New York City subway scam and assume the private debt, or even a major portion of it, remains to be seen.

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