Fulani blows cover, embraces racist Lamm

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Richard Lamm, the former Democratic governor of Colorado who is seeking the Presidential nomination of Ross Perot's Reform Party, received a ringing endorsement from radical left-wing feminist Leonora Fulani, who simultaneously accused African-American leaders Louis Farrakhan, Ben Chavis, and Al Sharpton of "misleadership," for failing to break with the Democratic Party and President Bill Clinton. The Lamm-Perot-Fulani alliance is intended to block Clinton's re-election by pulling votes away from his core constituencies, including African-Americans.

Writing in the July 26 Philadelphia *Tribune*, Fulani—who recently merged her New Alliance Party with Perot's Reform Party—charged that Farrakhan, by capitulating to "pressure to make yet another mournful attempt to persuade Bill Clinton . . . to heed a Black Agenda," was committing "political mistakes which have grave ramifications for the African-American people," and that Reverend Sharpton was providing a "militant cover that Clinton et al. need to keep African-Americans in check."

She also slammed Farrakhan for pursuing "his political interface with the neo-fascist charlatan Lyndon LaRouche," who "has cozied up to the Nation of Islam . . . to secure an outlet for his destructive agenda in the black community."

Fulani then turned her attention to Lamm: "U.S. politics are realigning," she wrote. "The current two-party arrangement will not last. When a major Democratic Party leader, officeholder and friend of Bill Clinton such as Gov. Dick Lamm enters the Reform Party primary, it is clear that political insiders at the highest levels see that realignment coming." Fulani ended this panegyric on a truly ludicrous note, claiming that "Lamm himself has a long record on behalf of civil rights and affirmative action—one which surpasses that of Clinton's."

Fulani's fulsome praise for one of the leading advocates of Nazi-style economic and social policies, should shatter the image of the "savior of black America" which she has striven so hard to create for herself. Lamm's program—killing off the elderly, denying medical care to the handicapped and terminally ill, slashing welfare, Social Security, and Medicare, and backing the pro-eugenics Federation for American Immigration Reform—is a direct attack on the most fundamental of civil rights, the right to life, and would, most immediately

and adversely, affect the black community.

Moreover, Lamm has shown utter contempt for the fate of Africa. In 1985, for example, he asserted that Africa and the rest of the so-called Third World "are not developing countries, but they are 'never-to-be-developed' countries. . . . Most don't have the capital, don't have the culture, don't have the knowledge ever to become 'developed' countries. They will sink into squalor, disease, and death."

Fulani's pathetic effort to peddle the otherwise unsellable Lamm to African-Americans may well backfire against both of them. By backing Lamm, "a guy's who's the most shameless, most disgusting, fuzzy-mouthed, but vicious, fascist.... Fulani has blown her cover," Democratic Presidential precandidate Lyndon LaRouche said on July 30.

A few days earlier, LaRouche issued a statement entitled, "Dr. Fulani's Lamm Stew," in which he pointed out that "she libels a Democratic Presidential candidate, myself, a well-known anti-fascist, as a fascist, and endorses, as her political ally, an ex-Gov. Richard Lamm, a figure best known for demanding the early deaths of the aged: hence, a fascist."

Lamm's 'insiders': what a crew!

In his July 30 interview with "EIR Talks," LaRouche raised the issue of one of Lamm's backers, the billionaire oilman Marvin Davis. Davis pals around with the British royal family, when he isn't rubbing shoulders with Henry Kissinger, whom he placed on the board of Twentieth-Century Fox after buying the movie studio in the early 1980s, or doing business deals with fugitive financier Marc Rich.

Indeed, Davis may well be one of the "insiders at the highest level" whom Fulani referred to in her *Tribune* commentary. If so, she'll have an even harder time defending Lamm's record on civil rights. In 1977, Davis threw a birthday party for himself, with Lamm, then governor, among the guests. According to *Newsweek*: "The grounds were decorated in an Old South motif, featuring a mini-steamboat in the pool.... But what many people remember most was a group of young blacks hired to sit on cotton bales and eat watermelon. Behind Davis's back, the affair is still referred to as 'the pickaninny party.'"

Another "insider" to whom Fulani may have been referring is Peter Peterson, U.S. commerce secretary in the Nixon administration, and currently a wealthy Wall Street financier. Like Lamm, Peterson has been in the vanguard of the campaign to slash spending on entitlement programs, primarily Social Security and Medicare, on the spurious grounds that there are too few resources available to keep "useless eaters" alive. Peterson and Lamm have collaborated on such efforts as "Lead or Leave," a group set up in 1992 to foment a generational war by the young against their "greedy" elders.

Columnist Robert Novak reported in early July that Lamm would like Peterson to run as his vice president if he wins the Reform Party nomination in August—which would be like having Mussolini and Hitler on the same ticket.

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