Editorial

No strategic blunder in Peru

The victory in Peru against the narco-terrorist deployment of the internationally backed MRTA must be seen as a victory for the principle of national sovereignty, in a world in which the international financial oligarchy has determined that nation-states must no longer exist. From the start, the terrorist deployment against Peru was an internationally spawned, and supported, operation, that was intended to break resistance to this oligarchical design.

Among the things which the London-centered terrorist cabal was counting on, was a well-advertised softness in the U.S. government, particularly within the policy precincts of the Department of Defense. These weaknesses were taken on by then-Presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche back in October 1995, in a document called "The Blunder in U.S. National Security Policy." The LaRouche attack on the dangerous false axioms behind some of the U.S. policies, was occasioned by the Defense Department's report "United States Security Strategy for the Americas," issued in September 1995.

What was the blunder which LaRouche identified? In sum, it was the adoption of "the irrationalist, 'therapy-group' technique of 'consensus-building,' 'sensitivity-training,' 'conflict resolution,' and 'mass-brainwashing,' which was introduced to the U.S. national-security bureaucracy by such typical 'New Age' perverts as the late Dr. Kurt Lewin, Margaret Mead, Gregory Bateson, and Brigadier Dr. John Rawlings Rees's London Tavistock branch of the British psychological warfare establishment." This technique itself rests upon the axiomatic adoption of a Hobbesian, sociological world outlook, that denies the truth about science, history, and economics.

From this blunder, LaRouche noted, the Department of Defense was led to deny the reality of narco-terrorism, and of the physical economic collapse being caused by current International Monetary Fund policy. In its place, these bureaucrats insisted upon "democracy" and "open markets" in name, even as the economic and political conditions they were imposing made a mockery of those terms. Should blackmail into quiescence by narco-terrorists be called "democracy"? Implicitly, the Pentagon would have said, "Yes."

This is precisely the concept which the Fujimori government rejected in the course of the more than four-month hostage standoff in Lima, despite a formidable mobilization of international "authorities" against him. Groups such as the Inter-American Dialogue and Human Rights Watch, British Commonwealth spokesmen such as the Canadian ambassador, and a shocking majority of the international media—CNN and Reuters, in particular—constantly pounded on him to treat the terrorists as "poor, oppressed" people, and to compromise the nation's security by giving in to their demands.

While Fujimori took his actions as a sovereign head of state, the fact that the United States government did *not* join in with the gaggle of compromisers, should not be minimized. Moral support from the United States was undeniably crucial to the success of the operation.

Fujimori's successful rescue mission has had a dramatic remoralizing effect throughout various besieged nations. All of the major Colombian newspapers ran positive editorials, for example. Professional, heroic military action against terrorists who *every day* carried out a mock execution drill against their captives, was a reassertion of the proper mission of the armed forces in a sovereign nation-state.

Now that the blunder LaRouche identified has been neutralized, it's time for the next step. Thanks to *EIR,* numerous press outlets in Peru have honed in on the support which the British Privy Council, and especially the House of Lords, have given to the narco-terrorists in Ibero-America, including the MRTA, and even the more infamous Shining Path. That support network has been delivered a sharp blow, but a knockout one requires what LaRouche has called for repeatedly: a public identification of London as the center of international terrorism, with appropriate messages delivered to ensure that it stops harboring terrorists, or else.