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London's drive to manufacture 'failed states'

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On Dec. 8, 1997, Danielle Mitterrand, the widow of former French President François Mitterrand, visited strongholds of the Zapatista National Liberation Army (EZLN) in the state of Chiapas in southeast Mexico. Long a fervent supporter of the British-sponsored EZLN uprising in oil-rich Chiapas, Mitterrand proclaimed that the Zapatista-dominated municipality of Chenalhó (population 30,000) "is similar to Kurdistan."

Kurdistan is a cross-border area of Iran, Iraq, and Turkey, where the British have fomented an insurgency among the Kurdish inhabitants to try to carve out a separate, ethnic-based state. Like Chiapas, Kurdistan is swimming on a sea of oil.

Madame Mitterrand is not considered a friend of Mexico by patriots of that country. The national daily *Novedades* responded editorially to her "Kurdistan" provocation, by charging that she was trying to create a fraudulent "Mayan nation" out of parts of Mexico, Guatemala, and Belize. She should be declared *persona non grata*, they argued, and expelled from Mexico.

About two weeks after Mitterrand's visit to the Chenalhó region of Chiapas, the village of Acteal in that same municipality was the scene of a cold-blooded murder of 45 people, 15 of them children.

Coincidence? Not if you know Mitterrand's historical and philosophical pedigree, as Lyndon LaRouche explains in his feature piece below. And not if you know her British masters' ultimate strategic objectives. In the following pages, *EIR* explores these deeper aspects of the Chiapas story, which has been so prominently, and misleadingly, featured in the international media over recent weeks.

Chiapas has been invaded from abroad, and has become a laboratory for a policy which the London-centered financial oligarchy is implementing globally. This policy can be summarized as *intentionally manufacturing "failed states"*, in order to justify the elimination of national sovereignty, and the takeover of their natural resources by London-run supranational institutions. If successful, this will transform these nations into a no-man's-land of marauding narco-terrorist bands, private mercenary forces, and supranational invading armies — with the gravest of







Leading lights of the Anglo-French operation to destroy Mexico (top *left, bottom left, right):* Fidel Castro, George Soros, Danielle Mitterrand. The French Synarchist beliefstructure was summed up by intelligence agent Jacques Soustelle: "It is difficult for us to understand what human sacrifice meant to an Aztec....Human sacrifice among Mexicans was not inspired by cruelty or hatred" (in Daily Life of the Aztecs, 1956).

security consequences for the United States as well.

The British strategy has three main components, all of which are on display in Chiapas, and in the other case study we present here, that of Colombia:

1. Manufacture ethnic, narco-terrorist and other insurgencies to balkanize the targetted nation or region, and establish self-proclaimed "autonomous zones."

To this end, the oligarchy has deployed millennia-old religious cults and slightly more modern indigenist movements, through the likes of Mitterrand and her friend Fidel Castro. The Castro-run São Paulo Forum is the umbrella organization for the EZLN and like-minded narco-terrorist groups across Ibero-America. Mitterrand, following in the footsteps of French "Action Anthropologists" Jacques Soustelle and Paul Rivet, spends much of her time shuttling between Chiapas, Havana, and the northeast of Brazil, where she plays godmother to the Zapatista-like insurgency of that country's Landless Movement (MST). She says of the EZLN, "The world which they wish to build, is the world I believe in," and her France Liberté Foundation (which bankrolls such movements worldwide) describes the pro-EZLN mayor of Mexico City, Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas, as a "friend and partner."

2. Destroy the targetted nation's sovereign capability for dealing with the assault, by discrediting and then dismantling its military and police institutions.

Non-governmental organizations such as British intelligence's Amnesty International, Prince Philip's Transparency International, and George Soros's Human Rights Watch, take the lead, by running campaigns which charge the military and

police with "human rights" violations and institutional hostility to "democracy." *EIR* has extensively documented this aspect of British strategy in its 1994 book, *The Plot to Annihilate the Armed Forces and the Nations of Ibero-America*.

3. Demand UN or other multinational troop deployments, and/or British-run private security company involvment, to "solve" the crises thus manufactured.

A 1994 report issued by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) was among the first to present the notion of "the failed state," and included Mexico on a list of nations where they claimed to see "early warning signals of the risk of national breakdown." Curiously, a UNDP team had visited Chiapas and carried out an in-depth study there, seven months before the Zapatista revolt of Jan. 1, 1994.

This policy is not without opposition in the Americas. One indicator, is the level of vitriol and hysteria employed by London's minions in their repeated slanders against LaRouche and his influence in Ibero-America. For example, the Mexican daily *El Universal*—which has editorially called for UN troops to be deployed into Chiapas—on Jan. 6 ran an article denouncing LaRouche because he "asserts that in Ibero-America there is a satanic and pagan movement out to destroy Western culture." And on Jan. 12, Teresa Jardí, an ally of Bishop Samuel Ruiz, the real "Comandante" of the Zapatistas, and one of Mexico's most prominent drug legalizers, complained in *Crónica:* "*EIR*, LaRouche's magazine, enjoys particular support in Mexican military circles. I know this, because I saw it in a general's office.... Already [back in 1994] it had become something like a 'bible' of the national Army."

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