Editorial

The role of Executive Intelligence Review

"It is only *EIR*, read increasingly by officials and agencies of the Mexican government, as well as by Mexico's most important businessmen, given its strategic importance," wrote *Excélsior*'s veteran columnist José Neme Salum on Nov. 3, which has reported on the proposals of Malaysia's Dr. Mahathir, and their support from inside Japan.

Neme wrote this in the context of discussing Dr. Mahathir's actions against globalization, noting that the modern version of Hamlet's dilemma, is "to be a heretic or a colonial subject." Individuals like Dr. Mahathir have chosen not to be actors in a new tragedy, Neme added, and now proclaim to the world, "it is better to be a heretic than a colonial subject." The sane people of the world have to agree with Mahathir, he continued, and this is why he has recently received the support of Noburu Hatakeyama, president of Japan's JETRO, and also of Japan's Deputy Finance Minister, Eisuke Sakakibara.

José Neme's de facto endorsement of *EIR*, whose writings, especially those by Lyndon LaRouche, he cites regularly, is right on the mark. *EIR* is the only international journal which publishes, and even promotes, the views of those government officials, professionals, political leaders, and others internationally, who are committed to replacing the murderous and bankrupt international financial system with a new just world economic order. In effect, *EIR* is the informal point of coordination for those forces who are fighting for economic justice.

It is extremely doubtful that a statesman, or policy-maker, could make a competent judgment on what is happening on international financial policy (among other areas) without reading *EIR*. Who but readers of *EIR* know about the thinking that has gone into the proposals coming from the Russian government? Who but readers of *EIR* know about the debate on reestablishing national controls and projects for economic reconstruction which has been going on throughout Asia, from Malaysia, to Thailand, to China and Japan? Who but readers of *EIR* know about the thinking among the Mexican and Brazilian elite toward reviving the Hamiltonian tradition?

Most importantly, of course, no leading thinker would have the benefit of the thinking of the world's foremost economist, Lyndon LaRouche, unless he or she were regularly reading *EIR*.

And how does this apply to the United States? someone will undoubtedly ask. LaRouche may be popular in these other nations, but here in the United States, he's still under a significant pall, thanks to the legal persecution against him, and the blackout policy of the news media.

Such a question reflects some very false axioms about the relationship of the United States to the rest of the world. No matter what the stock market is doing today, we are in the same boat as the rest of the world! That boat is sinking, due to the effect of disastrous financial and economic policies over the past 30 years—and the United States needs to study the alternatives to the decaying system just as seriously as do statesmen from other nations.

EIR represents the thinking of the post-globalization world, the world of nation-states collaborating to rebuild their physical economies, and to conquer new frontiers of science and technology. The United States will either shift policy to be a part of that world, or it is virtually assured that the entire planet is going to sink into the hell of a New Dark Age.

There are policy circles in the United States which recognize, more quietly than José Neme, the importance of *EIR* and its founding editor. In Washington, D.C., as well as other major capitals around the world, LaRouche's evaluation is considered a significant factor in the political environment and decision-making process. Over the past year, this has become increasingly the case—despite fervent wishes that it were not so.

One might hope for Americans and others to show the honesty of a José Neme, but in the meantime, the necessity for expanding the readership of *EIR* becomes more and more urgent. Spread the word and the magazine. If your leaders are not reading *EIR*, they don't know what's happening, and they won't make the necessary policy changes. These days, that's dangerous indeed.

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