gent basis for launching Great Projects in infrastructure such as the Eurasian Land-Bridge. Better to end the IMF cure, before it ends us.

LaRouche in 1997: 'Brazil will be next'

During 1997, when the "Asian financial crisis" was exploding, Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. repeatedly forecast that Brazil would be the next target of the global financial oligarchy. The following are excerpts from radio interviews he gave to "EIR Talks":

July 15, 1997: 'the hottest situation'

The situation in Brazil, is, in terms of potential impact, the hottest strategic situation presently in the Western Hemisphere. What is it? Brazil is being targetted for a takeover of its raw materials assets by British interests, the same British interests which have raped Africa, that is, the raw materials cartel, the London strategic minerals cartel, and so forth, and the petroleum cartel, and it is targetted, as has been Colombia, which is virtually under the control of the British government now—the drug trafficking in Colombia, under the control of the British government, which is being run through mercenaries — the same British mercenary operation run under the London Privy Council of the Commonwealth, which is running the genocide in Africa. So, Brazil is targetted for this kind of takeover, the kind of takeover which occurred in Central Africa, in Burundi – first Rwanda, then Burundi, then Zaire, and now going on to other places. Brazil will come to a blow.

Ricky Cardoso, the President, is a darling of the British, and has been fostering this takeover and *rape* of his own country, by these British interests that have looted and are looting Africa. It's coming to a head. The United States actually should at this point, intervene, to get the British *kicked out* of the Western Hemisphere, because if Brazil comes to a point of crisis, either Brazil will disintegrate, which will represent for the President of the United States, Clinton, a quagmire at the Rio Grande border of the United States, because it won't stop in Brazil. It will come sweeping up through Central America to the Mexican border, and so forth, and so on, which we cannot tolerate—a quagmire beyond belief! Very much like the quagmire that the British and the French are trying to build up against Clinton in the atrocity which the British are conducting in Africa.

So, this is a *hot situation*, and the United States must put its weight behind the sovereignty of Brazil and its institutions against the efforts of the British to use an eminently corruptible President, Cardoso, as a vehicle for facilitating—being done in Ibero-America, starting with Brazil—what it's done in Africa. This is a *very hot* situation.

Nov. 18, 1997: 'no bottom to the crisis'

People who've been following Executive Intelligence Review during the past couple of months, are aware of the fact, that the financial crises in Mexico, and in South America, like those which are occurring in the Far East—in Southeast Asia and in Japan—are actually organized out of the British Commonwealth, centered in London. That is, if you look at the financial institutions and agencies, such as George Soros, which are running these operations, which are resulting in triggering this depression, you will find that 80 to 90% of all of the forces involved, are British. So, this is a British operation.

Brazil is exemplary of that. There is virtually nothing in Brazil of any significance, behind the Brazilian crisis, which is not British—and that includes George Soros.

The Brazil crisis, on the surface, has no bottom. Brazil is a large nation; it's the largest nation outside the United States, in the Western Hemisphere, as an economy. Unless you have a military coup d'état, which establishes some degree of sovereignty over the country, there is no bottom to the Brazil crisis.

Now, the Brazil crisis will hit while the crises in Southeast Asia, Taiwan, Japan, Korea, are hitting with utmost force. While we're looking at the conference now going on in the Philippines, in Manila, which is trying to pick up the pieces from the crisis so far, which will not work. Nothing good will come out of Manila. . . .

In the meantime, all of eastern Europe is blowing up, including the former Soviet Union. There's a crisis in Russia, which is *major*. And which can hit the European markets hard and fast. The bonds which are issued by these cities within Russia, these city bonds, these can go into a chain-reaction effect. And under present conditions, with the other things going on, Europe can be hit.

In other words, we can, before Christmas, we can find a big hole, and nothing much more, in the Christmas stocking—that's the way it's going. And the developments in Brazil are one of the big bombs, the big detonators, which can blow out the U.S. financial market.

Dec. 23, 1997: 'Brazil is the target'

When these European interests, which are involved in hedge-fund attacks against the currencies and economies of East and Southeast Asia — when these packs of hyenas, begin to move beyond Southeast Asia, their next target, right now, is Brazil. So, get ready for the explosion of the biggest economy south of our borders. And Brazil can go bankrupt, faster than you can say, "South Korea."

Remember, it wasn't so long ago, that South Korea was the A-number-1 economy of the region: the great tiger. And look at it today.

Brazil is in a much *poorer* condition than South Korea. So, you can imagine what that means. And you can imagine what the cascading effects of a Brazil blow-out will mean to the interests of the United States....