## **Editorial**

## Why the anti-IMF charades?

The April 8-17 demonstrations and planned riots in Washington, and the simultaneous "Group of 77" blabfest in Havana, are not really directed against the International Monetary Fund or the World Bank, as many wrongly suppose. They are actually directed against Lyndon LaRouche. Some would try to dispute this, by citing the fact that there are many well-meaning people involved. Why, of course there are! That's precisely the point! If they couldn't ensnare well-meaning people into them, the enemy—the London-centered financier oligarchy—would have had no reason to stage these events in the first place! The whole point is to destroy Democratic Presidential pre-candidate LaRouche, who is viewed as a terrible, immediate threat, now that the crash is on — and equally, to destroy those well-meaning people who should be supporting him, and do both at the same time.

The model is the failed French Revolution. If you want to be useful to people, tell them something they don't already know. Show them the reality contrary to what they falsely believe. Do you think the French Revolution was good? If you do, it's only because you've been swindled once again.

What was the purpose of storming the Bastille on July 14, 1789, which unleashed the Terror? Was it to free a handful of lunatics—the only people who were still incarcerated there—from the Bastille? No; it was a Gore campaign event. Its purpose was to take the Jacques Necker who had just bankrupted France as its Finance Minister, and make him Prime Minister. In the same way, the purpose of the whole French Revolution of 1789, was to destroy France, while destroying United States influence in Europe overall. And it was run from London, not from inside France.

The people who organized these Washington, D.C. events don't give a damn about the Third World. And after all, are the FBI's Communist Party USA, and a bunch of tame terrorists—are these really the kind of support the Third World wants or needs?

It was LaRouche who was not only the first to denounce the IMF, but to go on to deploy against it seriously and effectively, as in his "Operation Juárez" proposal in 1982. At that time, LaRouche's "Operation

Juárez" nearly succeeded in overthrowing and replacing the IMF system, when the Mexican government of President José López Portillo joined in with the plan. In fact, Mexico was only forced to back down at that time, because it could not rally enough support from other countries. If there had been significant support for Mexico's action then, LaRouche and his alies would already have put an end to the IMF monstrosity, 18 years ago!

But, where was Fidel Castro then? Where were John Sweeney and all these other fakers? And where were they later on, when LaRouche was falsely imprisoned for five years in 1989, for refusing to yield to the backers of the IMF?

You can be sure, that each one of them knows perfectly well, that if the day ever comes when he really does want to fight the IMF, the first thing he'll do, is to support Lyndon LaRouche. And how in the world can they pretend to oppose the IMF, while at the same time supporting Gore, and even helping him rig the U.S. elections against LaRouche?

Why, then, did they suddenly decide to rhetorically oppose the IMF now? Because the enemy is getting desperate. Remember that LaRouche has begun practically every speech of his campaign, with a description of the onrushing financial collapse and its inevitability, and then has gone on to say how he would deal with it as President. Now, everything that LaRouche forecast is happening before our eyes. The enemy is desperate for a diversion.

Just so in 1789. Lafayette was in Paris, and he was working for a constitutional reform which would make France like the United States. The first step would be a constitutional monarchy. The British were determined to destroy this potential. It was British Intelligence head Jeremy Bentham, who actually led the French Revolution, controlling both Necker on the one side, and the Jacobins on the other. He actually wrote the speeches which Robespierre and Danton gave in the National Assembly. This was a British operation, which wrecked the American cause in Europe, and in the end brought France under the "Caesarist" dictatorship of Napoleon, which today would be called fascism. How can you cheer for that?

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