the tidal wave which today shakes the nations of the planet, slaves that they are to a repugnant, obscene, fetid, filthy financial system, which is already in the process of full global disintegration.

Yes, because as Mr. LaRouche forecast many years ago, there is no Asian problem, nor a Russian problem, nor an Argentine problem, nor a Brazil problem. The crisis is systemic. The crisis is planet-wide. All of civilization is heading toward a new dark age.

It is for all these reasons that today, in this chamber, Mr. LaRouche is honored, the legitimate representative of the worldwide struggle against ruinous speculation, which is dragging the world into the abyss.

Thank you.

Helga Zepp-LaRouche

'A Powerful Message To the Whole World'

Ladies and gentlemen, dear Dr. Havanir, dear Dr. Enéas:

I want to thank you for giving this great honor to my husband in this way. And if you permit me, let me say something personal about my husband, with whom I have been married almost 25 years this year. And I hope you will forgive me that I praise him; if you think it's too much, I'm his wife.

From my own life which I have spent with Mr. LaRouche, I can tell you that he is one of the rare individuals which mankind, when it is lucky, produces sometimes once in a century. And I think we really should all be extremely happy to have such an extraordinary man at such an outstanding moment of crisis that the world is faced with right now.

Mr. LaRouche has, like nobody else I know, revived the best treasures of universal history. In the current period, when true human knowledge is almost lost, he has revived the best pearls of European civilization, the cradle of European civilization; with the ideas of Plato, the contributions of Christianity, of the great Renaissance, of the German Classical period, and the ideas of all the great thinkers of European history. But he has also not neglected the other cradles of mankind, from China, to India, to Mesopotamia, Sumer, and Egypt.

He has made the world conscious about the two traditions: the fight between the oligarchs, who are only interested in the privileges of a few, versus the fight of the true republicans, who are concerned about the well-being of the people—the fight which goes back almost 2,000 to 3,000 years.

Mr. LaRouche has taken the whole world into his heart. In the 1970s, he wrote development programs for Africa, which is the reason why many poor people, who are dying right now in Africa, regard him as the only hope. In collaboration with Indira Gandhi, he wrote *A 40-Year Development Program for India*, which is still the hope for many people in India, and which is why he is regarded as a legendary figure in the Indian Subcontinent. The ideas he developed, together with [Mexico's] President López Portillo in 1982, about the integration of Latin America, in *Operation Juárez*, still represent the hope and the vision for the Latin American continent to come out of its present crisis.

There Are Two Americas

Concerning the United States, there are two Americas: one is the beautiful "beacon of hope and temple of liberty" of the Founding Fathers, of Lincoln, of Martin Luther King—the U.S. tradition Mr. LaRouche today stands for. The other one, is the tradition of the British Empire, of the Confederacy, of slavery, and of the idea of dominating the world through world empire.

By giving Mr. LaRouche the honor of being an honorary citizen of São Paulo, you all have contributed to sending a powerful message to the whole world, as to which America the world really wants.

As a wife, I can only tell you, that if there is hope for all the poor countries of this world, for a dying African continent, for a terrible situation in the Middle East, for a very dangerous situation in Central Asia and the Indian Subcontinent, and many other places, it is the ideas of Mr. LaRouche.

So, I want to thank you, because you all have contributed to do the single most important thing to contribute to bring the world out of this crisis.

Thank you very much.

Dr. Enéas Carneiro

'Who Is Mr. LaRouche?'

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Until 1994, I knew of him only as a great political leader. I could also see the convergence of our thinking, but I had no idea at all of his immense and extraordinary culture in almost every field of human knowledge.

During one of my appearances on a TV talk show, on the occasion of my second run for the Presidency of Brazil, I referred to the national credit policy implemented in the

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