LaRouche Says 'Stop Rape of Mexico,' Back López Obrador

This press release was issued by the LaRouche Political Action Committee on July 10, under the title "Mexico's López Obrador Is Right To Say That the Calderón Gang Intends To Rape Mexico and Its People."

Former U.S. Presidential candidate and renowned economist Lyndon LaRouche commented today on the speech delivered by Mexican Presidential candidate Andrés Manuel López Obrador on July 8, before a crowd of up to a half-million people gathered in Mexico City's central plaza, in which López Obrador announced that he was challenging the July 2 Presidential elections, and demanding a vote-by-vote recount.

"To use plain English, López Obrador said that the gang around PAN candidate Felipe Calderón intends to rape Mexico and its people. People throughout the hemisphere must take López Obrador's warnings seriously. The very fate of the hemisphere hangs in the balance. Join with me and with the *New York Times* to crush this atrocity," LaRouche stated.

LaRouche elaborated on the context of the Mexican developments, and the programmatic measures that must be taken:

"Ibero-America is being brought together around the alliance in which Argentine President Néstor Kirchner has been key, and Kirchner's dealing with Venezuela has been crucial in doing that. Now the question arises: Where does Mexico fit in, in terms of this attempt to unify the region?

"People should refer back to my *Operation Juarez*. That was in 1982, but it's still the program for today. The world situation is somewhat different, but the principle is the same. And therefore the point is, there should be an orientation toward building up in the Americas this chain

of cooperation among sovereign nation states."

In light of the activities of the Nazi U.S. banker Felix Rohatyn of Lazard Frères, and his associates in Mexico and elsewhere, LaRouche underscored:

"It has to be emphasized that *there is no cheap credit available*. There is *none*. There is only *Dracula credit* available, which gives the opportunity for a lender to suck your blood and give you nothing. Therefore you must create a mechanism of credit, which has to be a *new* mechanism of credit, by putting the old system, which is bankrupt, into reorganization.

"Operation Juárez is the principle it's based on." LaRouche reiterated. "The orientation has not changed. Back then, we were fighting to defend Mexico against what was coming out of the United States. And now Mexico has experienced what was coming out of the United States then, with a loss of its economy and its sovereignty. Don't trust any private lenders who are not controlled by some kind of coalition of governments, to make sure the credit is long-term, cheap, and that it goes into infrastructure—public works primarily, and industries which are stimulated by public works. This is where we stand now.

"López Obrador is absolutely right in saying that what they are doing, is that they are looting Mexico and its people by sucking them into the United States, like a great vacuum cleaner, through the sucking power of poverty, and looting.

"We don't want risk capital investments as such," LaRouche summarized. "What we need throughout the hemisphere is long-term investments in solid, basic economic infrastructure, as a stimulant for every section of the economy." LaRouche pointed to his standing proposal that Mexico should develop its oil industry as a transition to a nuclear energy-based, high-technology economy, as an example of the kind of policy that is required.

"Study what's going on in Russia, what's going on in Europe, what's going on in China," LaRouche suggested. "Don't believe fairy tales; don't believe the tequila dreams that some promote."

financial system—because Slim's "Mexican" money would bail Mexico out.

Slim, touted as the third richest man in the world, is no more "Mexican" than Rohatyn is "American." A telecommunications mogul, whose big boost to riches came when he bought Mexico's state telephone company from the Carlos Salinas regime in 1990 for a song, Slim is now an integral part of the global telecommunications cartel, tied closely to AT&T. In recent years, he has promoted himself as "anti-IMF" and concerned about development—all the while promoting *private* construction of infrastructure. Among his ex-

panded family business empire—which was said to employ a quarter million Mexicans in 2003, and now extends across Ibero-America and into the United States—is Grupo Inbursa, Mexico's seventh largest bank (as of 2004). As *EIR* noted in its July 2, 2004 feature, "Spanish Banks Recolonize Ibero-America," Inbursa specializes in "activities of a volatile nature," making "financial investment in corporate paper and international bonds of a speculative rating." Included in Inbursa's "volatile" business, was a 1996 partnership with Lazard Frères in Mexico Partners Trust, a jointly managed risk capital fund investing in Mexico.

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