Fascist Rohatyn Calling The Democratic Shots

For more than two years now, leading Democratic figures in the House of Representatives have protested loudly against Lyndon LaRouche's charge that they are acting under the control of fascist banker Felix Rohatyn. On Dec. 7, the game was up.

On that day, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.), House Financial Services Committee chairman Barney Frank (D-Mass.), and a handful of others, including former Treasury Secretary and Harvard President Larry Summers, met behind closed doors, in Pelosi's office, with three financiers, led by Rohatyn himself. No press were invited—and even leading Democrats on major Congressional committees were not informed that one of the leading backers of Chilean dictator Augusto Pinochet, i.e., Rohatyn, was holding a tête-à-tête with the House leadership.

No one knows exactly what happened inside, but, upon emerging to give a press conference, Frank spoke for the group in announcing that the "consensus" was that the Bush Administration's pretense of a plan to deal with the mortgage-foreclosure crisis, was "conceptually reasonable," and just needed to be expanded to cover more people. The thoroughly discredited Summers seconded Frank's conclusion, calling the plan by Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson "pragmatic and thoughtful." Meanwhile, Rohatyn stood off to the side of the speakers, as if to supervise their performance.

The game was blown by two members of the LaRouche Youth Movement (LYM), who asked Frank why the Democratic Party was taking advice from the man (Rohatyn) who has been destroying the U.S. physical economy, as shown in his role in the Delphi bankruptcy. Frank, not surprisingly, responded hysterically: "I know that Lyndon LaRouche has had an obsession with Felix Rohatyn for a very long time." He then refused to answer, protesting that the press conference was only for "credentialed" reporters.

A second LYM member sought to ask Frank to elaborate on the need for investment in infrastructure, only to be cut off in a similar manner.

In commenting on the event, LaRouche noted that he wouldn't want to be the shoes of Pelosi and Frank, when the increasingly angry U.S. population realizes just how totally they have been sold out by these stooges for Felix. There is no doubt that that day of reckoning is coming—soon.

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