

LaRouche tells ICLC conference: beam-weapons policy is the key

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There is only one means by which the world's current descent into the worst depression since the 14th century can be stopped, *EIR* founder Lyndon H. LaRouche stated in his keynote address to the Dec. 30-Jan. 2 conference of the International Caucus of Labor Committees in New York. "We must create a chain reaction of rationality among people and governments, to ensure that the new credit and monetary arrangements essential to avoiding this catastrophe are made. The beam weapons development proposals made by myself and Dr. Edward Teller during the April-May period, provide us the opportunity to set off this chain reaction."

The problem facing the world is not a lack of knowledge, LaRouche told 650 members and guests of the ICLC, the political cadre organization he founded in 1969. It is rather a failure of nerve, a lack of what 19th-century German military theorist Karl von Clausewitz called *Entschlossenheit*. A decision by the U.S. government in the coming weeks to carry out a policy of developing beam weapons could deal such a serious blow to the Malthusian oligarchy who have brought the world to its current crisis, that nations could be shocked out of the dominant matrix of cultural pessimism, in which it seems "more practical" to be complicit in mass murder against their own populations than to act in a rational fashion to solve the crisis.

The crisis can be reversed, LaRouche demonstrated, but, as both he and Helga-Zepp LaRouche, Chairman of the European Labor Party, emphasized in their presentations to the conference, the world is very close to what classical German dramatist and poet Friedrich Schiller called the *punctum saliens*, the point of no return past which humanity is condemned to play out its march towards destruction. That point cannot be predicted exactly, as Zepp-LaRouche stated, but the March 1 summit of the Non-Aligned movement in New Delhi, India could well be the last political opportunity to set off the "chain reaction of rationality" Lyndon LaRouche described.

Economic authority

We speak with authority on these questions, LaRouche emphasized to his audience, which included representatives

from 27 states, 30 candidates for public office, and representatives of the governments of Colombia, Vietnam, and Ecuador. "The quarterly forecast of LaRouche-Riemann econometric model, published in *EIR*, has been consistently correct when Chase Econometrics, Data Resources, and other so-called econometric devices have been consistently wrong, in fact absurd. . . . Most people know there will not be a recovery in 1983, despite the consumer fraud practiced in Washington of cooking up a set of statistics that will 'send a positive signal'—we used to call it lying."

We are already in a depression, and have been since the period of October 1981 to February 1982. Third World debt is ballooning at the same time that their ability to pay that debt is collapsing, as world trade is destroyed. Yet compared to the United States and Western Europe, the finances of the Third World are a pillar of stability, because the internal structure of the U.S. economy is so rotten. We are facing a world-wide collapse of paper values in the order of \$1-2 trillion.

But even beyond the consistent accuracy of the assessments and forecasts of the world economic situation by the LaRouche-Riemann model, LaRouche emphasized, he and his associates have proposed to the debtor nations of the developing sector how they could use their debt as a weapon against the international financial oligarchy, to force the creation of a new world economic order. This policy, the "debt bomb," was proposed to Ibero-American nations coming out of the Malvinas war this past spring. Yet, "the governments and leaders of the developing sector, some of them admirable, all failed. . . . They knew what had to be done, they knew the alternative meant misery and death for their own peoples. Yet they failed to act." This was not the first time there has been such a failure of nerve. Since the 1976 Colombo, Sri Lanka conference adopted the policy of new world economic order, Henry Kissinger has been deployed by the Malthusians to destroy one developing sector national government after another—the governments of Sri Lanka, Pakistan, and India were all victims. Kissinger carried these threats into the advanced sector, against the governments of France, West Germany, and Italy.

Within the United States, this cultural matrix that accepts the “practicality” of national self-destruction rather than taking action to change a strategic situation, was created—again by Henry Kissinger, by Robert Strange McNamara, and by their masters, the Harrimans and Morgans—through the policy of MAD—mutually assured destruction.

The MAD doctrine itself, with the concurrent supposed attempts to deter nuclear war—SALT, détente, and so forth—created the conditions that ensured a countdown to nuclear confrontation. With MAD, nations were supposed to no longer need in-depth trained manpower and logistical capacity to fight a modern war, and therefore the military and industrial capacity of the United States were decimated over two decades.

This was the purpose for which the Malthusians introduced the MAD doctrine in the first place after the Kennedy assassination: to destroy the United States, the nation founded as a vehicle for technological progress. The development of the beam weapons themselves are not the fundamental issue, LaRouche noted, but the ability of such a program to reverse this two-decade deterioration of U.S. technology and commitment to progress.

“The choice exists for us in the next few weeks. If we do not grab it, then I believe we will have reached, for civilization, the point of no return. If we do not do this, I know not what we can do,” LaRouche concluded.

‘Winning the peace’

Helga Zepp-LaRouche, chairman of the European Labor Party and founder of the Club of Life, led the ICLC conference panel on “winning the peace.”

The Club of Life, which Zepp-LaRouche first proposed at the New York ICLC conference one year ago, has clearly become the only international institution which can fight for the New World Economic Order worldwide, she stated. Just two months after the official founding of the Club of Life in Rome, it is recognized by leaders of both the advanced and developing sectors as the one institution capable of pulling in all those people around the world committed to “the sacredness of human life, and a just world order that is in accordance with the laws of the universe—a world order without oligarchs.”

Zepp-LaRouche described the political battles the Club of Life had waged in its two months of existence: helping to free Ali Bhutto’s widow from political arrest in Pakistan, the discrediting of Zia ul-Haq’s December tour of the United States and Canada. Now, she went on, the Club of Life is founding national organizations, in Spain and in Africa. Such national organizations will include members of governments and perhaps entire governments—exactly the nonlinear, political chain reaction that could reverse the current political and economic collapse.

The oligarchy is as aware as we are that this current

period, leading up to the March Non-Aligned summit, will determine if humanity will go beyond the point of no return. There is total war now, Zepp-LaRouche declared, between North and South, between the oligarchs and the human race. It is the unique role of the Club of Life, as the only organization that has proven it can bridge the gulf between North and South, to now mobilize every force possible to ensure the developing sector nations do not again fail in courage. If this is done, by organizing a change in strategy among the Non-Aligned nations, by ensuring that Indian Prime Minister Gandhi seeks support from the North, and by organizing conferences in Paris, in Washington, D.C., and in Madrid to demonstrate that support, we will prove that mankind is able to change and control its own history.

‘Shockwaves for growth’

The series of six panels in the three-day conference developed for the audience how the introduction of the beam weapons program will create the political and economic shock wave necessary to reverse the crisis. Using the LaRouche-Riemann model, panelists including Fusion Energy Foundation Research Director Dr. Uwe Parpart, ICLC executive member Carol White, *Fusion* magazine editor-in-chief Dr. Steven Bardwell, and *EIR* economics editor David Goldman described both historical precedents and current potentials for such technological innovations to change the course of economic development.

One panel, focusing on Asia, the continent where 7 of the world’s 10 largest nations are located, discussed the unique opportunity of the March Non-Aligned Movement summit to change the course of history. Javed Shah, leader of the Pakistan People’s Party in the United States, and Dr. Uwe Parpart, discussed the geographic and demographic importance of Asia, and the 2,500-year cultural history of India which has made that nation the scientific leader of the developing sector and potentially the fourth or fifth economic power in the world.

EIR editor-in-chief Criton Zoakos, just returned from Egypt, Ibero-American editor Robyn Quijano, and Middle East correspondent Mark Burdman described the effects of an economic development shockwave in those regions.

The effects of cultural pessimism were described in two panels. Criton Zoakos, *EIR* Soviet sector editor Rachel Douglas, and Wiesbaden correspondent Edith Vitali described how Henry Kissinger and other oligarchical Anglo-KGB agents have been created and deployed against world republican leaders. In the final panel, contributing editors Nancy Spannaus and Christopher White described the role of Freemasonry internationally, and particularly the “public-opinion” cult embodied in the *New York Times* in attempting to control and destroy the commitment to progress and rational, scientific thinking that has created economic and political shock waves in the past.