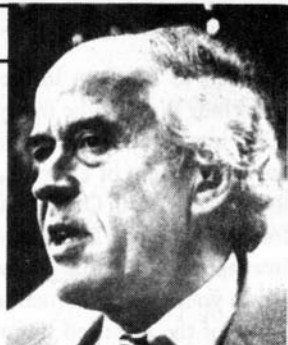


Dr. John Seale



British doctor urges: Declare emergency!

In a press conference at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. on October 3, Dr. John Seale of the British Royal Society of Medicine, an internationally known expert on AIDS, released the text of a dramatic appeal he had written 10 days earlier to Prime Minister Thatcher and President Reagan urging them to declare joint states of national emergency to fight the "species-threatening" AIDS pandemic.

Dr. Seale was in the United States to testify before the California Senate as a proponent of Proposition 64, the ballot initiative which would add AIDS to the list of "communicable diseases."

Dr. Seale, who has scientifically studied, lectured, and written on AIDS for the past four years, opened his Washington press conference with a dramatic prepared statement on the real threat posed by AIDS. In the course of that statement, he read the text of his letter to the President.

"Dear Mr. President:

"I wrote to you in 1985, in the spirit in which Albert Einstein warned President Roosevelt in 1940, of the practical possibility of the development of an atomic bomb by Nazi Germany.

"Since November, the scale and implications of the AIDS calamity, have become crystal clear to a few biological scientists who have examined the evidence meticulously, and had the courage to face the immense human tragedy exploding behind the dry statistics. These scientists include Dr. Michael Koch from Sweden, Professors Haseltine and Essex from the United States, Dr. Zhores Medvedev, the exiled Russian geneticist now in England, Professor Montagnier from France, as well as Dr. Anthony Robertson and myself.

"For a decade, the number of people infected with the AIDS virus in the United States and the free world, has been doubling every ten months. For the last seven years, the

multitude dying from AIDS has doubled at a similar rate, with a physical inevitability, and predictability reminiscent of a bomb falling from a B17 Flying Fortress.

15 million Americans by 1988

"With an average incubation period of seven years, for every person with AIDS, there are one hundred infected with the virus, most of whom feel well and are unaware of their infection. The majority will die within a decade.

"Today, two-and-a-half million American citizens are infected with the virus. When you leave the White House in January 1989, 15 million Americans will be infected, unless you act decisively now. With no cure or vaccine available, there is only one option open, if you are to halt the inexorable spread of the virus to the majority of Americans within the next ten years. You, alone, have the power to exercise this option.

"You must declare a State of National Emergency. The lives of all your citizens are now in mortal danger.

"All those who are already infected *must* be identified at once. Whatever steps are required, *must* be taken, to ensure that those infected do not transmit the virus to others. Any nation which cannot, or will not, take such action with alacrity will perish within a few years.

"You and your wife, the American public, and people throughout the rest of the Free World, have been systematically deceived for the last five years. The great lie, more deadly than any perpetrated by the evil genius, Joseph Goebbels, is that the AIDS virus only infects the sexually depraved, the morally degenerate, and a handful of unlucky innocent victims.

"Those primarily responsible for disseminating this monumental deception, are a few medical scientists and editors of scientific journals. They have displayed criminal irresponsibility, and lack of moral fiber, in the face of a deadly viral enemy, unparalleled in the history of medicine. In reality, the virus can, and does, infect and kill anybody irrespective of age, race, sex, nationality, creed, behavior, or sexual activity."

At this point, Dr. Seale stopped reading from the letter, which had a few additional paragraphs that were included in the material given to the press. He concluded with the following dramatic appeal to the President of the United States.

The Reagan time capsule

"You will remember, Mr. President, that in your television debate with Walter Mondale, before your reelection, how you captured the minds of the American people. You proposed that the ideas, thoughts, hopes, and dreams of you and your fellow Americans should be placed in a time capsule, so that the people of the future could judge you when it was opened one hundred years later. The harsh reality is, that unless you act decisively now, in one hundred years, no Americans will survive to open the capsule."