

Gorbachov attack on LaRouche triggers Leesburg 'panty-raid'

Days following Soviet General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachov's public attack on presidential candidate Lyndon LaRouche, a force of hundreds of law-enforcement agents directed by China-intelligence-linked Justice Department figure William Weld led a KGB-style raid on the town of Leesburg, Virginia, 40 miles from Washington, D.C.

Described by local residents as a giant "panty-raid," at approximately 7:00 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 6, a force estimated at a total of 400 FBI, state police, and other officials swarmed over the town of Leesburg, smashing doors of businesses and residences at gun-point, in a manner echoing a typical KGB raid on suspected political dissidents in Russia.

Although the pretext for the raid was a 23-month-long fishing expedition by a Boston, Massachusetts federal grand jury, the federal warrants for the raid were issued only 12 hours before the action. According to the warrants served, the federal action was based chiefly on the unsupported hearsay testimony of a single witness, a disgruntled former employee of a private security firm, one Lee Fick, discharged for cause over a year earlier. According to the warrant, Fick had manufactured testimony alleging a conspiracy to obstruct justice in the Boston grand jury proceeding, testimony he had presented at Boston approximately two weeks prior to the raid.

The raid also followed by a week, public exposure of an FOIA-released FBI document, reporting Weld's admissions that the Boston grand jury proceeding was a politically motivated fishing-expedition, targeting presidential candidate LaRouche.

According to the *Washington Post's* Oct. 7 account of the raid, the action appeared to the *Post* to be motivated by the success of two LaRouche-linked candidates for high state office in the March 18 Illinois Democratic primary. The *Post* saw Boston U.S. Attorney Weld's recent confirmation, to occupy the number-three post at the Justice Department, as key to the raid itself.

Very high levels in several European and other nations abroad, had views differing from the *Post's* explanation of the raid's political motivation. Each,



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independently of one another, said that their circles saw the raid as a result of Soviet General Secretary Gorbachov's public attack on LaRouche, in a Moscow address, days earlier. They explained, that they had expected some such action against LaRouche within the United States as soon as they read the content of Gorbachov's remarks. They expressed the fear, that the raid on LaRouche's friends was a price the State Department was paying in return for the coming weekend's Iceland "pre-summit" between Gorbachov and U.S. President Ronald Reagan.

Some of these foreign observers represent the highest levels of the Western intelligence establishment. They stated that they had direct knowledge of Soviet pressures on Western governments to eliminate LaRouche. When General Secretary Gorbachov made the Soviet *New Times*' attack on LaRouche the theme of his major pre-summit address in Moscow they concluded that "LaRouche's head" is the price Gorbachov is demanding of President Reagan for a "successful Iceland pre-summit."

Therefore, they saw the Leesburg raid as a probable sign that Reagan might make major capitulations on strategic issues at that summit.

Few observers thought that President Reagan himself had authorized the "Leesburg party-raid," but that the decision to unleash William Weld might have come through George Shultz and White House Chief of Staff Donald T. Regan. Regan is both a LaRouche-hater and a backer of Weld. Soviet pressures on the U.S. government to deal with individual U.S. citizens, are customarily transmitted in oral exchanges with State Department officials, or through Soviet assets such

as the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) in the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations (OSI) channel.

Disgruntled perjurer Lee Fick, is a controlled asset of the ADL and NBC-TV News, both of which have been functioning as channels of Soviet influence against LaRouche for a number of years.

Weld's KGB connections

Recent investigations have produced conclusive evidence that former Boston U.S. Attorney William Weld is himself a direct asset of Soviet intelligence. Weld, a confessed financial backer of anti-LaRouche leftist causes during the late 1970s, is formally an asset of the Chinese Communist Intelligence Service, together with Albert G. Besser, the attorney for the mob-linked First Fidelity Bank of New Jersey.

The Beijing intelligence network into which Weld is personally integrated, is the Canada-based organization formally identified as the Institute for Pacific Relations (IPR), the former organization of the notorious Owen Lattimore. This is known as a direct, two-way link with Beijing's Chinese Communist intelligence service. It is also the direct link between Soviet and Beijing intelligence operations based in Canada. It is also a common link of Soviet and Chinese intelligence services to certain of the major drug-running rings inside the United States.

The IPR was set up within the Eurasian part of the original Soviet foreign-intelligence organization, the Trust, shortly after the 1917 Bolshevik takeover. IPR's original U.S. base of operations was Harvard University's Chatham House nest around such figures as Prof. William Yandell Elliot, the

postwar sponsor of the careers of such figures as Henry A. Kissinger, Canada's Zbigniew Brzezinski, and Canada's onetime Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau. The Harvard connection to IPR was set up in cooperation with top Soviet intelligence operative Agnes Smedley, a leading figure in the Asia-Americas Communist International intelligence network of India's M. N. Roy. New York City's China Books, through which the Maoist Progressive Labor Party and Robert Avakian's terrorist organization got their backing, is the leading output of Beijing intelligence connections of that sort inside the U.S.A.

The leading present-day Harvard connections to the Sino-Soviet intelligence network are Jerome Cohen and Benjamin Schwartz, the key U.S. figures in Henry A. Kissinger's opening of the "China Card." Kissinger gained access to Canada-based Beijing intelligence channels through these two. Jerome Cohen is the godfather of business deals with Beijing, through his base of business operations at the New York City law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind. Former China OSS operative Albert Besser, recently returned from a three-month visit to China, is part of this organization. So is William Weld's wife, Susan Roosevelt Weld, and also Weld himself.

Contrary to popular delusions, the Moscow-Beijing break of the 1956-62 period never stopped close cooperation between the two communist powers' intelligence services in common operations against the United States. During the last half of the 1950s, the newly-formed branch of Soviet foreign intelligence, IMEMO, together with Soviet military intelligence, the GRU, used Canada as a base for liaison, through IPR networks, in joint operations against the United States.

Not accidentally, the Soviet GRU recently heaped praise on First Fidelity's Albert Besser, for Besser's attempted operations against LaRouche. Besser and Weld have been close collaborators in Weld's ADL-linked operations against LaRouche, since no later than late October 1984.

Weld's record of connections to dirty political operations against LaRouche dates from 1974 to 1975, when Weld joined with David Rockefeller IV in bailing out a financially troubled radical newspaper in Boston, the *Real Paper*, then spearheading Soviet-linked operations against LaRouche and LaRouche's aging parents. According to admissions in a 1983 campaign statement, Weld had advanced \$18,000 as his part of the bail-out contribution.

The *Real Paper* operations against LaRouche, during the 1974 period, were directed by two former leaders of the Vietnam War-period "GI Deserters Movement," "Bo" Burlingham and Andrew Kopkind. The operation was coordinated by MIT's Prof. Noam Chomsky, the son of a Communist family, and a member of the Bertrand Russell organization which had rejoined Soviet foreign-intelligence partnership in 1955. The network of which Burlingham's and Kopkind's Paris-based operation of the early 1970s was a subordinate part, was integrated with Soviet intelligence, through Soviet penetration and virtual takeover of the London Tavistock Institute's London/Glasgow-based "Russian Studies" network. This operation was part of an operation which the KGB ran through both the East German secret police, the Stasi, and the East Germany-based Greek language section of the KGB. Whether Weld knew of these connections at the time, is not demonstrated, but this indi-



Federal agents crated out tons of papers from the offices of LaRouche-associated companies, working throughout the night, in violation of the original search warrant.

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cates the general character of the influences with which he then associated himself.

Weld is personally a partner with the Beijing Peoples' Liberation Army in producing left-wing propaganda films. His wife, like Besser, is a specialist in China's Taoist "legalist philosophy," completing her qualifying studies under Kissinger collaborator Jerome Cohen. She, like Besser, is an active part of the semi-official State Department back-channels to Beijing set up under Henry A. Kissinger.

Weld and Donald Regan

Weld is also linked directly to White House Chief of Staff Donald Regan. As part of the bringing of the traditional drug-money laundering bank, the HongShang, into the United States, the Federal Reserve System pushed through arrangements eliminating "audit transparency" for foreign financial institutions doing business inside the United States. Regan, then chief executive officer for Merrill Lynch, used this change in policy to set up a three-way partnership among Merrill Lynch, Cr dit Suisse, and the international financial house of White Weld. The key White Weld official, until his death, was David Weld, the father of Harvard-trained U.S. Attorney Weld. This arrangement became the pivot of the largest single money-laundering operation in the U.S.A., a major channel for laundering drug-money.

When a U.S. Treasury investigation led to the indictment of the Bank of Boston for \$1.2 billion of illegal money-laundering, chiefly through the channels of White Weld and Cr dit Suisse, Boston U.S. Attorney Weld smothered all but one count of the massive indictment, and let Bank of Boston off with a slap-on-the-wrist fine of \$500,000. Had Weld not suppressed criminal indictments of responsible bank officials, a continued investigation would have led directly to the doorstep of Donald Regan. Highly reliable sources add, that of their personal knowledge, Donald Regan and William Weld are very close.

It is not surprising, with Donald Regan White House Chief of Staff, that a William Weld already known as "the worst crook" in the federal justice system, would have been appointed to the third-ranking position in the U.S. Department of Justice!

Donald Regan was also exposed, by a very highly reliable informant, as a pivotal figure in the recent cover-up of fraud on AIDS research by Atlanta's Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Regan insisted that if LaRouche succeeded in exposing the willful cover-up of AIDS by U.S. governmental agencies, that the "seven-year economic policy" of the administration would be destroyed by public clamor for spending to stop the AIDS pandemic. Don Regan was also a key collaborator of Henry A. Kissinger and Soviet pressures, in 1984, in abruptly denying Secret Service cooperation to a highly endangered presidential candidate, LaRouche, thus preventing LaRouche from campaigning effectively. The same Regan has been allied with Kissinger against LaRouche's cam-

aign for reforms of the bankrupt international monetary system.

More important than Weld's direct connections to Soviet intelligence, is the direct Soviet channel through Shultz and Regan into the Congress and White House. As the *Wall Street Journal* reported in its Oct. 3 issue, it was Shultz and Regan who pulled off the Iceland pre-summit, in the context of negotiations over the release of *U.S. News and World Report* reporter Daniloff. High-ranking Soviet officials have bragged repeatedly, that their leading channels of influence into the U.S. government, including the White House, run through Soviet friends in the Democratic Party's leadership; but, the usual channels for Soviet pressures for action against U.S. citizens are State Department channels. Corrupt pressures of this sort on both the Justice Department and federal judges usually run through State Department channels, often through the financial circles to which many U.S. officials are closely linked personally.

As the Oct. 7 *Washington Post* reports, Weld had been itching to run an operation like the Leesburg panty-raid for months. A Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) FBI release states that Weld solicited collaboration from state officials, including Virginia officials, in a desperate effort to rescue his Boston grand-jury fishing-expedition. The question is, who, at a very high level, backed the much-frustrated Weld last weekend, allowing him to secure an "obstruction of justice" indictment solely on the uncorroborated testimony of a single, perjured informant?

Who allowed Weld to stage the raid as one of the biggest news-media circuses in U.S. legal history? Who allowed a routine search of two office-locations to be turned into a military occupation of an entire Virginia town?

Even much of the U.S. liberal press, no LaRouche-lovers, smell something too rotten for their tastes in this affair. The political backlash against the Reagan administration, inside and outside the United States, is mounting rapidly. Who, exactly, was supposed to be impressed? Moscow? Some of the most senior intelligence figures of the Western world think there is no other explanation.

Weld is linked to international drug-money laundering, and is directly linked to Soviet intelligence channels. Moscow has informed Western governments that it considers LaRouche the number-one danger to Moscow's plans in the world today. General Secretary Gorbachov made that the theme of a major address a week before the Iceland "pre-summit." Moscow pressure on Shultz, and Moscow influence on Weld, intersecting in the person of White House Chief of Staff Donald Regan, is the only explanation which fits the facts.

Did Shultz and Donald Regan, in fact, give the green light for this operation, under massive pressures from Moscow? Senior figures in the United States and other parts of the world have a one-word explanation for the Leesburg panty-raid: "Iceland."