
Conference Report

Munich Club of Life conference mobilizes against euthanasia

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The international Club of Life, the pro-life organization established in 1982 to combat the genocidal Club of Rome, launched a new phase of the battle against the spread of euthanasia on the weekend of June 11. Representatives from Western Europe, the United States, and South America met in Munich, West Germany under the banner of "Euthanasia Never Again—Human Life Must Remain Inviolable."

The two-day conference featured speeches by founder Helga Zepp-LaRouche, U.S. Democratic presidential candidate Lyndon H. LaRouche, Roman Catholic priests from Italy and Venezuela, and a number of doctors from numerous countries. Each speaker outlined the threat to human life represented by the revival of Nazi euthanasia by the re-imposition of Nazi-like economic policies internationally, and sought to present alternatives consistent with the Judeo-Christian concept of the sanctity of the individual.

At the conference's conclusion, four resolutions were adopted for action by the assembled body and the Club of Life's supporters internationally. Each resolution reflected a major discussion area in the conference as a whole.

The question of Africa

The major international concern of the conference was represented by the resolution on Africa which the participants adopted. The Club of Life from its inception has insisted that Africa's welfare is a test case of the morality of the world's governments. When an entire continent is allowed to die as "useless eaters," then there is no barrier to more hideous individual killing.

The issue of Africa was strongly addressed at the conference by presidential candidate LaRouche, who addressed the AIDS crisis and policy approaches to it at some length. Central Africa is being devastated by the AIDS virus, LaRouche said, and the cost-cutters running our health-care system and international financial institutions have cold-bloodedly decided to let them die.

The Africa resolution demanded that the world's governments take the following emergency measures:

1) Emergency food deliveries and fresh water supply to the necessary extent.

2) Emergency supply of disposable syringes, AIDS tests, disposable gloves, inoculation serums, antibiotics, disinfectants, and medicine against tropical diseases for which treatments already exist. Furthermore, emergency delivery of immediately needed laboratory equipment (refrigerators, microscopes, pipettes, test-tubes, blood-test devices, etc.), and delivery of robust x-ray devices, which can be used in emergency hospitals and mobile laboratories.

3) Emergency training of doctors and nurses for the specific treatment of African diseases.

4) A capillary network of emergency field hospitals, which can be flown into and built up in remote areas. From there, all inhabitants of the area can be thoroughly examined, and if necessary, treated. Inoculations against all disease which are presently threatening the African population can be done from here as well. Simultaneously, mobile or flying laboratories can be used.

5) The resulting comprehensive picture on the state of health and the degree of the spread of AIDS among the population will provide the basis for further priority planning, and the building of a medical infrastructure.

6) A comprehensive program to eradicate locusts and all disease-transmitting insects.

Ban human genetic experimentation

Emphasis in the conference presentations was also given to the question of genetic recombination experimentation with human genetic materials. It was the contention of candidate LaRouche, for example, that an incompetent handling of such materials in the laboratory was the actual way in which the deadly AIDS virus was created.

Helga Zepp-LaRouche addressed the question from the philosophical perspective in her speech, which was entitled "The Significance of Our Image of Man in Scientific Research." Zepp-LaRouche began with a quote from a 1965 pastoral writing on the Church in the modern world, *Gaudium et Spes*, which was issued by Pope Paul VI: "Science without conscience can lead to nothing but the demise of the human being. Our time, more than any other in the past century, needs this wisdom. . . ." This viewpoint is the one we must

adopt, she said, and this means that science and technology must be subjugated to the Judeo-Christian principle of morality that man is made in the image of God.

Because scientists involved in recombinant DNA experiments do not understand this, Mrs. LaRouche said, all genetic manipulation and experimentation with human genetic materials should be banned.

The conference as a whole passed a resolution supporting her viewpoint, which stated that the human embryo should be protected, both from abortion and from this kind of experimentation.

Treat euthanasia as murder

Not surprisingly, the conference also passed a resolution calling for the extirpation of euthanasia, and penalties against those who are carrying out these "legal" murders. Singled out for particular attention was Dr. Julius Hackethal, the self-promoting killer and proselytizer for killing people. Dr. Hackethal is still able to practice "medicine" in West Germany, despite the fact that he has shown films advertising his methods of killing his patients. Recently, he even admitted to having killed his mother!

The conference demanded that Hackethal's license be revoked, as one step in reversing the process of legalization of euthanasia. Lack of prosecution of the murderers is one of the major boons which the euthanasia perpetrators enjoy.

The conference heard extensive discussion on the euthanasia issue, especially as it is being adopted as social policy toward the elderly and the handicapped.

Two exciting reports were heard on the fight against this policy. Mrs. Bitto, of the Italian Catholic trade union, described her union's campaign against the growing austerity policy which claims there is "too much" medical care for the seriously ill. Dr. Chaovane Aroonsakul presented her successful treatment of Alzheimer's disease patients with a newly developed hormone therapy which reverses deterioration of patients even in the late stage of the disease, and thus gives the lie to the propaganda campaign that Alzheimer's patients need live "useless" lives.

Life for life's sake

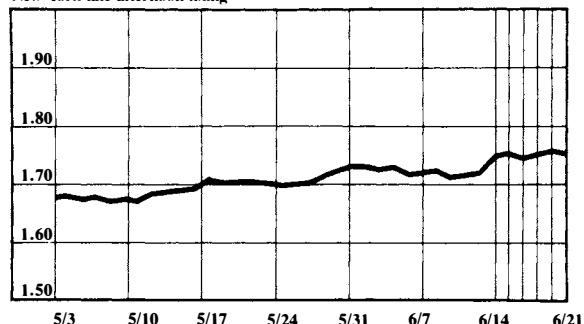
One of the most powerful speeches came from Don Dario Composta of Italy, former dean of the pontifical Urbaniana University in Rome. Don Dario condemned the new "quality of life" ethic, saying that it was used to attack the value of life itself. The priest's elaboration of the "metaphysical foundations on why euthanasia is unlawful" was endorsed by candidate LaRouche, who spoke right after him.

The conference was also addressed by several medical doctors, including the president of the Union of Medics in Germany. Greetings were received from many more doctors and prominent personalities from all around the world. These included Dr. Andre Wynen, secretary general of the World Medical Association, and Mordecai Piron, Chief Rabbi of Zurich, Switzerland.

Currency Rates

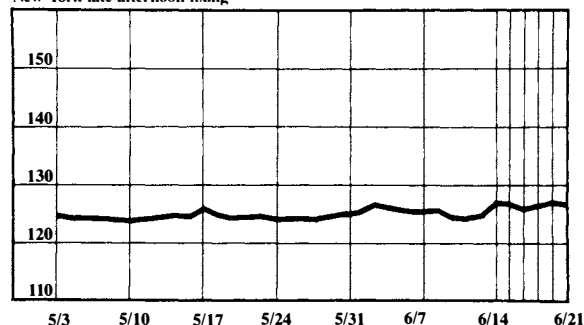
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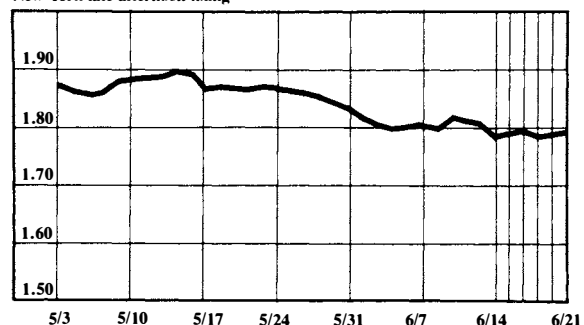
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