
Interview: Lyndon LaRouche

Vultures set to make killing off food crisis

Lyndon LaRouche made the following comments on the coming world food crisis in an Aug. 9 radio interview with the weekly "EIR Talks" broadcast.

EIR: Mr. LaRouche, Lester Brown, one of the ideological gurus of the population control movement, who is head of the Worldwatch Institute, recently said that we are in a world food crisis, that one of the problems is that countries such as China think that they should have the same living standards as Europeans; and because of that, we are in a food security crisis, coming into the end of the 20th and moving into the 21st century.

LaRouche: We didn't require Lester Brown for the fact that we're in a crisis. I've been talking about that for some time, and indicating that by October-November of this year, the discussion of a food crisis would be escalating, together with food prices.

In point of fact, during recent months, wealthy people have been running their private money into purchasing gold bullion, at the time that the central banks have been dumping gold, particularly the Belgian Central Bank, on the world market to keep the price depressed, which I don't think makes any of these gold buyers unhappy, and also in grabbing petroleum assets, and grabbing other assets, but also grabbing, investing heavily in food commodities, in anticipation of a skyrocketing price.

Part of the incentive for this, is that these families realize that the entire international financial and monetary system is about to collapse in a big way. It's already in the process of collapsing, and they want to put their money—their private money—some place where they think they'll either minimize their losses at worst, and possibly make a little money, when the money market collapses. And they feel that gold is a good hedge against collapse of money. They think that assets like platinum and other raw materials, prime raw materials, may be good; and they also realize that they might make a killing by buying into food commodities, at a time when food prices will be shooting sky-high as a result of this crisis.

Now, the reason we have a food crisis, is really very simple. Various institutions, including the United States government and its Department of Agriculture and so forth

and so on, have been collapsing the total amount of food grown in every country of the world, virtually, except Sudan, where they had a crisis, because the Sudanese government insisted upon growing enough food to feed their own people, which the United States government didn't like, and that's why we have a crisis, technically, with Sudan. It's over its *insistence* on growing enough food to feed its own people.

But in most countries, that policy has been successful. But if no country is producing enough food (or very few, only a few small countries) to feed their own people, how is the world going to be fed?

So this shutting down of U.S. agriculture, which has been going on under various pretexts, including the so-called free trade pretext to get cheaper food abroad, from countries which are food-short, has failed.

Remember . . . there is a food security problem in most nations of the world. For example, Russia produces about 30% of its food requirement, Egypt about 40%. Egypt produces only 40% of its food requirement, in large degree because the United States government in 1982 told it to shut down its expansion of food production, because the United States government wanted Egypt *dependent* upon U.S.-controlled food supplies, so they could control the politics of Egypt. That sort of thing.

All right. But Lester Brown is also a fanatic. He's part of the Rockefeller stable of genocide fanatics, you might call it, people who want to reduce the size of the human population, because they're against human population, they're against people. They think there are too many people, and they think that technology is bad, because if you have technology, you educate people, they become too smart, and sooner or later they wake up, and they don't want Rockefellers and queens and so forth, running them. They feel that they're capable of doing some of their own thinking for themselves. So the Rockefellers want stupid people.

Well, you can't have stupid people (not necessarily Nelson, who wasn't quite as bad as some of the rest of his brothers on this point) but nonetheless, the policy of Lord William Rees-Mogg and people who think like Lord William Rees-Mogg, is to have stupid people.

Now, you cannot have a world population of over 5 billion people, if the people are all stupid, because they cannot maintain the level of technology and productivity required to maintain this population. So, therefore, these people argue, and Lester Brown is one of them, that you've got to get the human population down to somewhere like below a billion people. Some people even go further, and say to 300 or 400 million people, the size of population that existed on this planet back in the 14th century.

So Lester Brown, on top of being what he is, obviously, in economics, is also a freak: He's a population reduction fanatic. Remember Adolf Hitler? He's that type.