

Editorial

The new international terrorism

At the end of 1995, *EIR* ran three major articles on the resurgence of terrorism internationally. Unfortunately, events since then have borne out the thesis of these articles, in every respect.

Terrorism is a form of irregular warfare, whose target is the nation-state. It is instigated at the behest of London, but networks created by George Bush when he was vice president, are deeply involved as well. One need only remember the role of National Security Council staffer Oliver North in the Iran-Contra affair, for example, and the point is clear.

EIR has been tracking international terrorism since the 1970s. What became crystal clear, was that certain influential agencies tied to government were directly involved in these acts. We see the same phenomenon today, in the legion of trained terrorists who are veterans of the 1980s war in Afghanistan, which were armed and deployed under the direction of Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Whatever the truth turns out to be in the destruction of TWA flight 800 (presuming that it was not a maintenance failure), we must view this latest terrorist incident in the same light. It is important that the actual perpetrators of the deed be found and punished, but more important is to understand by which forces and to what ends the operation was directed.

First and foremost, it is important to see this new wave of international terrorism, begun with the murder of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzak Rabin, in context with the collapse of the monetary system. The present gyrations of the world's stock markets are only symptomatic of the extraordinary danger of an absolute collapse of the entire global banking system.

Michel Camdessus, managing director of the International Monetary Fund, expressed the views of the oligarchy, when he warned of the danger of the present situation during the recent meeting of the Group of Seven in Lyons, France. His remedy for impending chaos on the financial markets is top-down imposition of a bankers' dictatorship.

But, this means imposition of the kind of austerity which could only be implemented by national govern-

ments that are orders of magnitude more vicious than Adolf Hitler's Nazi government. Measures would have to be imposed even more horrendous than the Nazi crimes already committed by the governor of the state of Pennsylvania, Tom Ridge.

In fact, no nation exists today capable of imposing such a ruthless policy of genocide upon its own population. These are the circumstances in which the oligarchy, led by Britain's Prince Philip, looks to impose a one-world police state under its own direct control. Terrorism, then, is a form of irregular warfare against the existence of every nation-state, and directed particularly against the United States.

Introducing the three-part *EIR* series on terrorism (which appeared in *EIR* on Oct. 13, Nov. 10, and Nov. 17, 1995), Lyndon LaRouche explained the process. He wrote: "The question posed implicitly to every member of the Anglo-Dutch-led international financial oligarchy, is whether the oligarchy itself is going to survive, or not. Will the oligarchy outlive the obliteration of its own present, world-wide monetary and financial system? . . . Could a nation-state outlive the collapse of a world-wide monetary and financial system?"

LaRouche answered these questions by pointing to the example of the fledgling United States under the inspired leadership of Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton and President George Washington. The only way to avoid a devastating social collapse today, is for governments, particularly the U.S. government, to declare the present financial system bankrupt, and to replace it with national banking institutions guided by the policies for economic recovery outlined by LaRouche on numerous occasions.

Such actions would doom the House of Windsor and the oligarchical forces which it represents. LaRouche's words in October are decidedly relevant to an attempt to get to the bottom of the TWA crash. He put it succinctly thus: "Hence, the oligarchy is at the extremes of hysteria, in its determination to destroy existing nation-states, especially the United States of America, before the point is reached that such recovery measures might be forced on the table for immediate action."